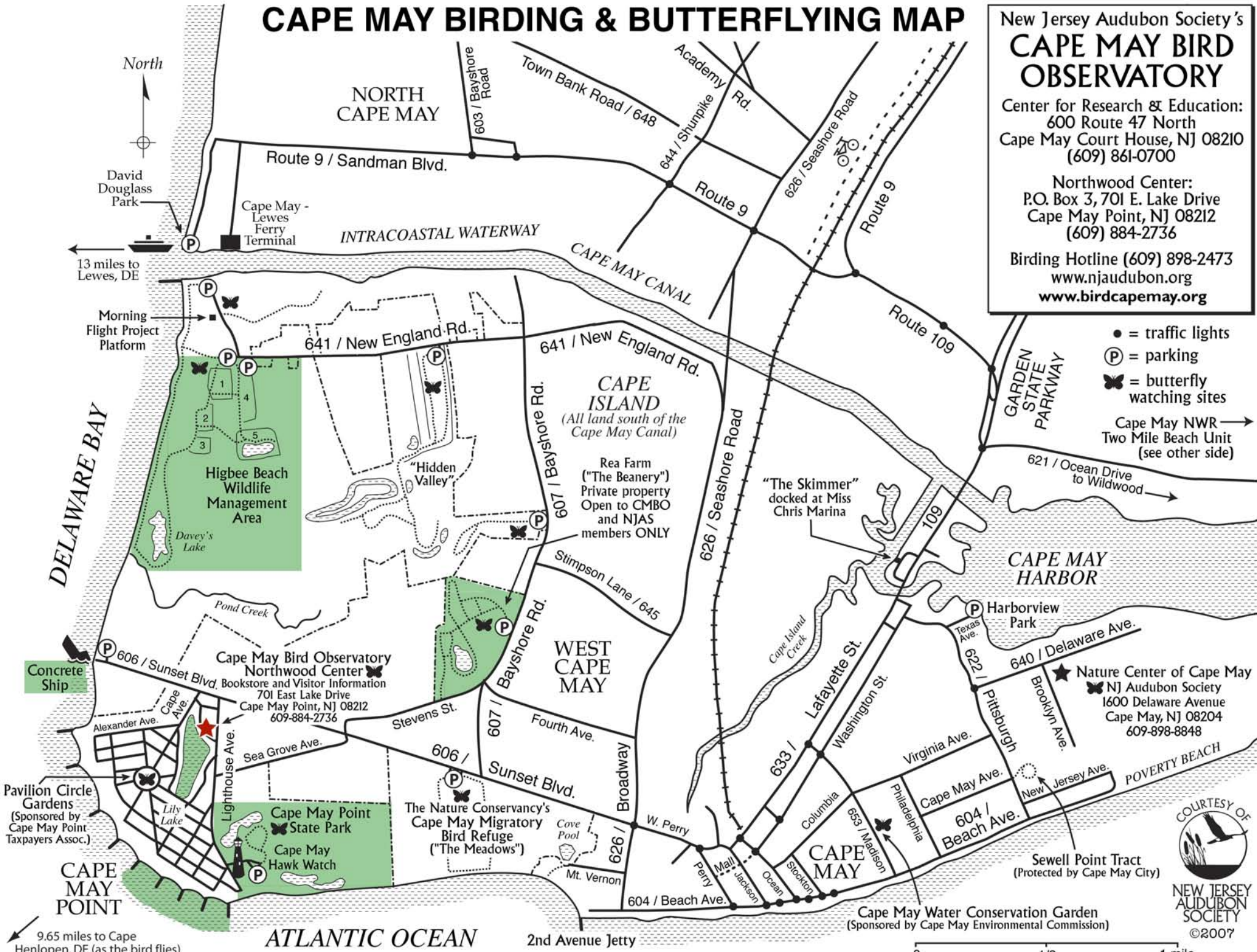


# CAPE MAY BIRDING & BUTTERFLYING MAP

New Jersey Audubon Society's  
**CAPE MAY BIRD OBSERVATORY**  
 Center for Research & Education:  
 600 Route 47 North  
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 P.O. Box 3, 701 E. Lake Drive  
 Cape May Point, NJ 08212  
 (609) 884-2736  
 Birding Hotline (609) 898-2473  
[www.njaudubon.org](http://www.njaudubon.org)  
[www.birdcapemay.org](http://www.birdcapemay.org)

- = traffic lights
- Ⓟ = parking
- 🦋 = butterfly watching sites
- Cape May NWR  
Two Mile Beach Unit (see other side)



North  
 David Douglass Park  
 13 miles to Lewes, DE

9.65 miles to Cape Henlopen, DE (as the bird flies)



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Cape May Water Conservation Garden  
 (Sponsored by Cape May Environmental Commission)

Sewell Point Tract  
 (Protected by Cape May City)

Nature Center of Cape May  
 NJ Audubon Society  
 1600 Delaware Avenue  
 Cape May, NJ 08204  
 609-898-8848

Cape May Bird Observatory  
 Northwood Center  
 Bookstore and Visitor Information  
 701 East Lake Drive  
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 609-884-2736

The Nature Conservancy's  
 Cape May Migratory  
 Bird Refuge  
 ("The Meadows")

Rea Farm  
 ("The Beanery")  
 Private property  
 Open to CMBO  
 and NJAS  
 members ONLY

Higbee Beach  
 Wildlife  
 Management  
 Area  
 Davey's  
 Lake

CAPE MAY  
 HARBOR

CAPE  
 ISLAND  
 (All land south of the  
 Cape May Canal)

NORTH  
 CAPE MAY

DELAWARE BAY

ATLANTIC OCEAN

2nd Avenue Jetty

0 1/2 1 mile

# CAPE MAY BIRD OBSERVATORY BIRDING AND BUTTERFLYING MAP TO CAPE MAY COUNTY & FORSYTHE NWR

**(A) FORSYTHE (BRIGANTINE) NWR**  
Reached from the Garden State Parkway via Service Area at Mile Marker 41. Follow signs for Jim Leeds Road; take left fork at Great Creek Road and follow to NWR Entrance. See map inset at right. (Allow about 1 1/2 hours from Cape May)

**(B) BELLEPLAIN STATE FOREST**  
Begin at Field Office (just off Route 550) for forest map and bathrooms. Excellent habitat for southern swamp warblers, butterflies (sandy roads) and dragonflies. Explore Sunset Rd., Pine Swamp Rd., Narrows Rd., New Bridge Rd., Cedar Bridge Rd., Meisle Rd. Fun by Bicycle. (Allow about 1 hour from Cape May)

**(C) JAKES LANDING**  
From Rt. 47, about 1.4 miles north of WAWA store in Dennisville. Upland excellent for landbirds and butterflies; marsh at end of road good for rails, saltmarsh sparrows, marsh wrens, raptors. Parking lot and boat landing at end of road; good canoe access, be wary of very strong tides. (Allow 1 hour from Cape May)

**(D) BEAVER SWAMP WMA**  
Off Rt. 657 turn onto Gravel Hole Rd. and immediately onto Beaver Dam Rd. which becomes a sand road. Length of sand road good for birds, butterflies, dragonflies. At road end walk onto dam to view lake (active Bald Eagle nest on back side), creek and marsh. (Allow about 45 minutes from Cape May)

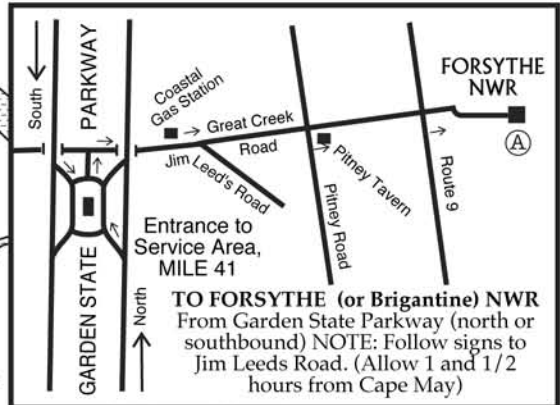
**(E) MODEL BACKYARD HABITAT**  
At CMBO Center for Research and Education. Mile marker 15.8 on Rt. 47. South Jersey's premier wildlife garden. Features butterfly and hummingbird gardens, native trees and shrubs, dragonfly pond, wildflower meadow. Hummingbirds May-August, butterflies June-Oct. Wheelchair accessible. (Allow 40 minutes from Cape May.)

**(F) CAPE MAY NWR** Numerous walking trails. Call 609-463-0994 or stop by Refuge Headquarters on Kimbles Beach Road.

**(G) SHOREBIRD & HORSESHOE CRAB HOTSPOTS**  
Late May is the peak time. Many shorebird beaches are roped off May 1 - June 7. Excellent viewing opportunities at road ends behind ropes.

**(H) VILLAS WMA** Off Rt. 603/Bayshore Road, turn onto Shawmount Ave. Numerous asphalt paths access former golf-course fairways (now grasslands).

**(I) CAPE MAY-LEWES FERRY**  
Crosses Delaware Bay (about 90 minutes). Gannets & scoters (March), terns, gulls & petrels (June & July), & fall migrants.



**TO FORSYTHE (or Brigantine) NWR**  
From Garden State Parkway (north or southbound) NOTE: Follow signs to Jim Leeds Road. (Allow 1 and 1/2 hours from Cape May)

**(J) TUCKAHOE WMA & CORBIN CITY IMPOUNDMENTS**  
Rt. 50 to Rt. 631 (Tuckahoe entrance). Rt. 50 to Griscom Mill Rd. (Corbin City entrance). Narrow driving dikes at both sites with freshwater impoundments (waterfowl) on one side and tidal saltmarsh on other. Winter: Short-Eared Owls, eagles and other raptors. Spring: warblers. (Allow 1 hour from Cape May)

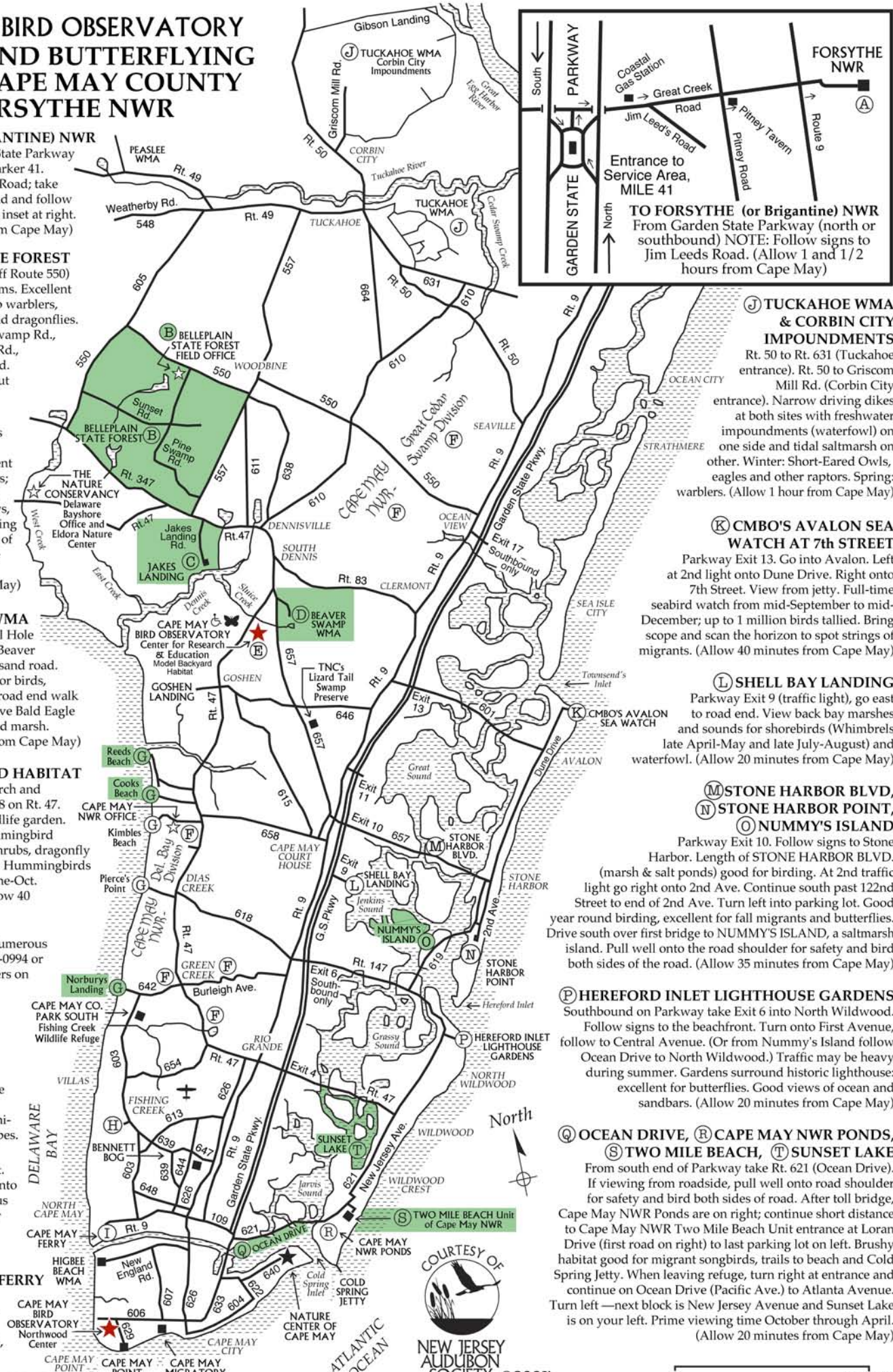
**(K) CMBO'S AVALON SEA WATCH AT 7th STREET**  
Parkway Exit 13. Go into Avalon. Left at 2nd light onto Dune Drive. Right onto 7th Street. View from jetty. Full-time seabird watch from mid-September to mid-December; up to 1 million birds tallied. Bring scope and scan the horizon to spot strings of migrants. (Allow 40 minutes from Cape May)

**(L) SHELL BAY LANDING**  
Parkway Exit 9 (traffic light), go east to road end. View back bay marshes and sounds for shorebirds (Whimbrels late April-May and late July-August) and waterfowl. (Allow 20 minutes from Cape May)

**(M) STONE HARBOR BLVD, (N) STONE HARBOR POINT, (O) NUMMY'S ISLAND**  
Parkway Exit 10. Follow signs to Stone Harbor. Length of STONE HARBOR BLVD. (marsh & salt ponds) good for birding. At 2nd traffic light go right onto 2nd Ave. Continue south past 122nd Street to end of 2nd Ave. Turn left into parking lot. Good year round birding, excellent for fall migrants and butterflies. Drive south over first bridge to NUMMY'S ISLAND, a saltmarsh island. Pull well onto the road shoulder for safety and bird both sides of the road. (Allow 35 minutes from Cape May)

**(P) HEREFORD INLET LIGHTHOUSE GARDENS**  
Southbound on Parkway take Exit 6 into North Wildwood. Follow signs to the beachfront. Turn onto First Avenue, follow to Central Avenue. (Or from Nummy's Island follow Ocean Drive to North Wildwood.) Traffic may be heavy during summer. Gardens surround historic lighthouse: excellent for butterflies. Good views of ocean and sandbars. (Allow 20 minutes from Cape May)

**(Q) OCEAN DRIVE, (R) CAPE MAY NWR PONDS, (S) TWO MILE BEACH, (T) SUNSET LAKE**  
From south end of Parkway take Rt. 621 (Ocean Drive). If viewing from roadside, pull well onto road shoulder for safety and bird both sides of road. After toll bridge, Cape May NWR Ponds are on right; continue short distance to Cape May NWR Two Mile Beach Unit entrance at Loran Drive (first road on right) to last parking lot on left. Brushy habitat good for migrant songbirds, trails to beach and Cold Spring Jetty. When leaving refuge, turn right at entrance and continue on Ocean Drive (Pacific Ave.) to Atlanta Avenue. Turn left—next block is New Jersey Avenue and Sunset Lake is on your left. Prime viewing time October through April. (Allow 20 minutes from Cape May)



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