

A getaway to Cape May

To those who reside in the US, summertime is synonymous to beach vacation, and a beach getaway is something Americans look forward to every summer. This year, we explored the historic Cape May, New Jersey, which has some of the most beautiful beaches in the country.

Cape May's beaches are consistently ranked as some of the best in America, and even the world. They are not only family-friendly, but also clean, quiet, safe, and have easy access to restrooms and restaurants. But visitors have to buy beach tags to lounge on the soft, white sand. I understood that the revenue from the beach tag sales goes



toward safeguarding, maintaining, and improving these beautiful beaches.

Cape May, which is a peninsula, is the southernmost point of New Jersey, a Mid-Atlantic US state. Besides its beaches, the place is also known as a birder's paradise. Forests, wetlands, and marshes make it a top destination for migratory hawks, songbirds, and seabirds.

We set up our beach tent on the white velvety sand of the Cape May Point State Park beach. We took a kite with us to fly, but it did not take us long to find out that we were terrible kite runners! As my daughter played in the sand and tried to build a sand castle, I laid in our tent, relishing the smell of salty water, the sounds of waves crashing onto the beach, and the Atlantic wind caressing my face. We screamed with joy when we spotted a pod of dolphins; it was a sweet surprise.

The place is also famous for one more thing — its lighthouse. Located at the Cape May Point State Park, the lighthouse was built in 1859, and is functional to this day. By purchasing a ticket for \$10, you

can climb the 199 steps of its cast iron spiral staircase to reach the top. We did the same, and enjoyed a breath-taking panoramic view of the Atlantic Ocean and the surrounding areas. It was very windy up in the watch gallery, but after climbing 199 steps in the August heat, this wind was exactly what we needed to soothe our sweaty selves.

We had a hearty lunch at a harbourfront seafood restaurant called The Lobster House, located on Fisherman's Wharf, over

charbroiled salmon, grilled vegetables, mashed potato, and large shrimps stuffed with crab meat.

People who visit Cape May should not miss watching the spectacular sunset from the aptly named Sunset Beach. Although we missed it this time, we look forward to going back to watch the sun drop into the blue-green water of the "Sea of Atlas!"

By Wara Karim

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NEW IN TOWN

ISHO opens its first retail outlet in Dhaka

Popular furniture brand ISHO, operating under parent company Dekko ISHO Group, has launched its first brick-and-mortar store in the capital. The store was inaugurated on November 16, 2019.

After achieving massive success from its online operations, ISHO has decided to offer offline facilities to customers. They will continue to operate online, along with the physical store. The store consists of eight floors, featuring four different room requirements — living, dining, bedroom, and office furniture.

Walking into each floor, you can see and experience how this layout will look like in your house. They also have a team of dedicated interior designers and architects who will aid you in selecting what is best

for your home or office, providing complete interior solutions.

The store also houses everyday household objects such as lamps, bed sheets, crockery, vases, and rugs.

At ISHO, you can expect to find furniture that is simple, minimal, functional, and affordable. Having three different design styles, there is something to meet everyone's needs. The traditional style is made for people who like to decorate their houses with classical ornamentation. Modern style is targeted to people who prefer contemporary designs, and functional furniture are for citizens looking to utilise their living space efficiently.

Despite the furniture appearing to be thin and sleek, all pieces possess a metal skeleton

that makes them durable and sturdy. It is noteworthy that all the furniture at ISHO are free from any health hazards and are waterproof, so that you can have the ultimate dining experience and not worry about your child coming into contact with harmful chemicals.

The product lines offered at ISHO are a step ahead due to their focus on innovation. They have come up with a smart series that feature wireless charging furniture. Currently, this series has four products, and more on the way.

The store is located at House #06, Road #02, Pragati Sarani, Baridhara, Dhaka. You can also log onto their website, <https://www.isho.com.bd>

By Fariha Amber

CHECK IT OUT

Naveed's Comedy Club (NCC) presents Stand-up Comedy Show in English

Comedian Naveed Mahbub, Ahmad Ashik, Max Mystel and Aranab Kumar are scheduled to perform in Naveed's Comedy Club (NCC) presents Stand-up Comedy Show in English on 28th November Thursday at 8 pm. The show will take place at Chef's Table, Unimart Level 2, Road 90, Gulshan 2, Dhaka 1212.

Tickets are priced at Tk 300 and E-tickets are available at <http://bit.do/ncceticket>

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