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Cape May-Lewes Ferry Honors 55th Anniversary with '55 Reasons to Ride' *Passengers invited to capture and share memorable ride experiences*

Cape May, NJ – [The Cape May-Lewes Ferry](#) celebrates its 55th anniversary this year and invites travelers to join in the festivities with *55 Reasons to Ride*, a campaign highlighting the most popular and unique reasons to ditch the road for the scenic 17-mile trip across the Delaware Bay. Dubbed “The Best Boat Ride in America,” and among the “Top 7 Scenic Ferry Rides in the U.S.” by Smithsonianmag.com, the Cape May-Lewes Ferry offers travelers (more than 45 million to date) a way to enjoy their journey as they make their way between Cape May, N.J. and the Delaware beaches.

55 Reasons

The Cape May-Lewes Ferry offers something for virtually every kind of travel enthusiast. A [Reasons to Ride Pinterest Board](#) captures the campaign, with the most popular reasons ranging from exotic animals to Instagram-worthy views:

- Dolphin sightings along the journey
- Sunsets over the Delaware Bay
- Relaxation on the outside deck chairs
- Activities for the kids such as mini golf at the Terminal
- Sipping cocktails at the Lido Bar
- Experience a birdwatcher’s paradise
- One of the [most scenic Ferry rides in the U.S.](#)

“We’re thrilled to celebrate our 55th anniversary by sharing what makes the Ferry so memorable for snowbirds, motorcyclists, RV’ers and family vacationers alike,” said Heath Gehrke, Director of Ferry Operations at the Delaware River and Bay Authority / Cape May-Lewes Ferry. Travelers and Ferry enthusiasts are invited to share their reasons to ride by using the hashtag #CMLFerry55.

Memorial Day Travel

The Ferry’s high season kicks off with Memorial Day weekend and the team predicts a busy season ahead, in line with [AAA’s predictions](#) about the ongoing popularity of road trips this summer. “We’re feeling very positive about holiday traffic this Memorial Day Holiday Weekend,” said David Park, Management Analyst, Delaware River and Bay Authority. “We’re prepared for what will likely be many sold out crossings as the holiday approaches, so reservations, especially for vehicles, are recommended during such a high-volume weekend. And if the weather holds up, it will be an amazing time to be on the Bay.”

Operated by the Delaware River and Bay Authority, the Cape May-Lewes Ferry welcomes foot and vehicle passengers 365 days a year. Because 'getting there' is half the fun, all vessels are equipped with modern amenities, including outdoor deck chairs, air-conditioned lounges, cafes, comfortable reclining seats, Wi-Fi, lively deck bars and flat-screen televisions. For more information on the Ferry and to book a reservation, visit www.cmlf.com.

About the Cape May-Lewes Ferry

The Cape May-Lewes Ferry is owned and operated by the Delaware River and Bay Authority, a bi-state governmental agency created by Compact in 1962. The Ferry is open year-round and has carried more than 45 million passengers since its inception on July 1, 1964. In 2018, the ferry service, which connects Victorian Cape May, New Jersey, and historic Lewes, Delaware, transported approximately 275,000 vehicles and nearly 1 million passengers. For schedule, rates and other program information, please visit the ferry's website at www.CMLF.com, or call toll free, 800-643-3779. Like us on [Facebook](#) or follow us on Twitter [@CMLFerry](#).