

Summer 2025



Local Flavor: Getting Around West Ocean City and Environs

I. EATING OUT

A. Neighborhood Seafood Restaurants – Enjoy west Ocean City’s seafood restaurants. Located close (walking distance) to Sunset Marina (and *Marsh Magic*) are:

1. **Sunset Grille** (ocsunsetgrille.com); 410/213-8110 -- A local favorite for a special night out.

2. **The Shark** (ocshark.com); 410/213-0924 -- Great water view of Assateague Island, right across the street from **Sunset Grille**.

3. **Harborside** (weocharborside.com); 410/213-1846 -- Music and casual fare, inside and patio seating, televisions. (Where the “Orange Crush” was invented).

4. **Crab Alley** (craballeyoc.com); 410/213-7800 -- Inside and patio seating, steamed crabs.

5. Located at **O.C. Fisherman’s Marina** (walking distance of *Marsh Magic*), is **Micky Fins Bar & Grill**

(www.ocmickyfins.com); 410/213-9033. It has a great water view and outside seating.

6. Hooper's Crab House and Sneaky Pete's

(<https://hooperscrabhouse.com>); 410/213-1771; 12913 Ocean Gateway, is located on the north side of Route 50, at the foot of the Route 50 bridge.

B. Other neighborhood restaurants

1. **Sello's** (sellosoc.com); 410/390-3543, an Italian restaurant on Golf Course Road, has full menu service in its dining room and bar with televisions.

2. Bad Monkey Bar and Grill

(www.badmonkeyoc.com); 443/856-4607; 12902 Ocean Gateway, features craft beers.

3. **Luna's** (<https://www.shottispoint.com>), 443/664-5317; 12702 Old Bridge Rd.

4. **Panchos & Lefty's** (<https://pancholeftysoc.com>); 443/664-2533; 12911 Ocean Gateway, features Mexican food.

C. Fresh seafood to cook at home

1. **Martin's Fish Co.** (www.martinfishco.com); 410/213-2195; 12929 Harbor Road, west O.C.

2. Sea Born Seafood

(<https://www.seabornseafood.com>); 443/235-3448; 12906 Sunset Ave, west O.C.

3. Along with dine-in service, **Waterman's Seafood Company** (<https://www.watermansoc.com>); 410/213-1020; 12505

Ocean Gateway, west O.C., has a retail shop that sells fresh seafood to cook at home.

4. Baywater Landing

(<https://www.baywaterseafood.com>); 443/880-2753; 3908 Bayside Road, Snow Hill.

D. Other local eating opportunities -- There are several restaurants/eating establishments in the **White Marlin Mall**. Among them: **Outback Steakhouse**; **Mione's Pizza** (<http://mionesoc.com>); and **Panera Bread**.

Smoker's BBQ Pit (www.smokersbbqpit.com); 410/213-0040; on Route 611; open during the summer season, offers a variety of barbecued savories.

Coastal Smokehouse (<https://coastalsmokehouse.com>); 410/390-5998; on Route 50 at 12513 Ocean Gateway; offers steaks and ribs.

Kalamata Meze Bar (<https://www.kalamataocmd.com>); 443/252-3700; on Route 50 at 12849 Ocean Gateway; features Mediterranean fare.

For sushi and other Asian cuisine, check out **Rice House Bistro** (www.ricehousebistro.com); 410/213-8388; 9921 Stephen Decatur Highway — Route 611. Located in the shopping center across from **Food Lion**, the **Rice House Bistro** has a dining room and bar, which offers a television, sushi bar, and happy hour. The owner, “Mr. B,” hails from Hong Kong.

Sakura Japanese Steakhouse, (sakurasteakhouse.com); 410/213-7711; is located in the **White Marlin Mall**.

Happy Chinese Restaurant,
(<https://happychinesetogo.com>); 410/213-2663; 9936 Stephen
Decatur Hwy #404; offers take-out.

There are many other eating establishments in west Ocean City on or near Route 50.

E. **“Specialty” Foods**

1. **Coffee -- Rise Up Coffee Roasters**
(<https://riseupcoffee.com>); 12611 Ocean Gateway; serves organic coffee. **Starbuck’s** is located on Route 50 near **Hooper’s Crab House**.

2. **Ice cream -- Dumser’s Dairyland**
(<https://www.dumserdairyland.com/>); 410/213-7106; 12702 Ocean Gateway (on Route 50 and accessible from the **Food Lion** shopping center), is a long time (since 1939) favorite for homemade ice cream treats.

3. **Desserts** -- Many local restaurants serve desserts from **Desserts by Rita** (www.dessertsbyrita.com). You can purchase Rita’s desserts at **The Wine Rack**. Need some cupcakes or a cake for a celebration? Call Rita at 410/352-3020.

4. **Popcorn -- Fisher’s Popcorn**
(customerservice@fisherspopcorn.com), which opened in Ocean City in 1937, has a west OC location at 12449 Ocean Gateway; 410/289-5638.

5. **Salt water taffy -- Dolle’s Candyland** has been selling salt water taffy in Ocean City since 1910. Dolle’s has opened a shop and factory in west OC at 12720 Ocean Gateway, Unit 1; 443/664-7951.

F. A little further away:

Barbely's Restaurant at 8373 Patey Woods Road in Newark; 410/632-4500; 14 miles/20 minutes from *Marsh Magic* off Route 113 — on the road to Snow Hill, features Southern food at family friendly prices. A former general store that feels like a step back in time, **Barbely's** is open for dinner on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. No alcohol is served; they have no website but their menu is available on the internet.

II. ESSENTIALS, ETC

A. Airports

1. **Ocean City Municipal Airport** is located three miles from *Marsh Magic*, off Route 611, at 12724 Airport Rd.

2. **Salisbury-Ocean City Wicomico Regional Airport**, which is served by American Airlines, is a 20-30 minute drive from *Marsh Magic*.

B. Butchers

1. **J&M Meat Market**, 443/513-3194; 101 Williams St.; in Berlin.

2. **Fresh Cut Butcher Shop** (<https://www.freshcutbutchershop.com>); 443/783-5853; 9115 Croppers Island Rd, Newark, MD.

C. Fishing/Boating Supplies

1. **Atlantic Tackle** (<https://atlantictackle.com>); 410/213-0421; 12930 Sunset Ave.

2. **AllTackle Inc.** (<https://alltackle.com>), 410/213-2840; 12826 Ocean Gateway.

3. **Sunset Provisions** (<https://ocsunsetmarina.com/sunset-provisions-boat-care/>); 410/213-0081; 12911 Sunset Ave.

4. **West Marine** (www.westmarine.com); 410/213-7546; 12638 Ocean Gateway.

D. Grocery Stores

Food Lion, the closest grocery store to *Marsh Magic*, is located in the shopping center at Route 50 and Route 611.

Ocean City Organics, Inc. is located 2.4 miles from *Marsh Magic* on Route 50 west; 11944 Ocean Gateway; 410/213-9818.

Aldi and **Walmart** are located on Route 50, approximately five miles west of *Marsh Magic*.

E. Hardware stores

The closest to *Marsh Magic* is **Elliott's Hardware** (<https://elliottshardwareoc.com>); 410/213-1088, a family-run store located on Route 611 across from the shopping center where **Food Lion** is located. Elliott's is closed on Sunday.

On Route 50 west, across from the grounds of the **Glen Riddle Golf Club** five miles away, are **Walmart** and **Home Depot**.

F. Hospitals/walk-in clinics

For emergencies, please call 911.

1. Hospitals

a. **Atlantic General**; 410/641-1100; is approximately five miles away at 9733 Healthway Drive in Berlin. From *Marsh Magic*, take Route 50 west to Route 346. Make a left turn onto Route 346. The hospital is located on the right at the intersection of Route 346 and Route 113.

b. **Peninsula General Regional Medical Center** (www.peninsula.org); 410/546-6400; is located about 30 miles from *Marsh Magic* in Salisbury.

2. Walk-in/Urgent Care

a. **West Ocean City Injury & Illness Center** (www.urgentcareoceancity.com); 410/213-0119; 12547 Ocean Gateway.

b. **Your Doc's In** (solvhealth.com); 877/ 222-4934; 12385 Ocean Gateway.

G. Pharmacies

1. **CVS**, 410/213-1228; 12510 Ocean Gateway.

2. **Walmart**, 410/629-0502; 11416 Ocean Gateway.

H. Tourist Information

The Ocean City Chamber of Commerce Visitor and Conference Center (<https://oceancity.org>); 410/213-0552; located at the intersection of Route 50 and Old Bridge Road. Check the Chamber's website for year-round events.

I. Wine, etc.

Located on Ocean Gateway (Route 50):

The Wine Rack; 410/213-2104; 12827 Ocean Gateway; also sells Berger Cookies — Maryland’s “state cookies,” made in Baltimore; **West-O Bottle Shop and Bar** (<https://www.westobottleshop.com>); 410/213-2079; 12611 Ocean Gateway).

J. Worship (Houses of)

1. **Cross Way Church** (<https://www.crossway.cc>); 410/213-1211; 11811 Ocean Gateway, west OC.

2. **Ocean City Baptist Church** (<http://ocbaptist.org>); 410/289-6573; 102 N. Division Street, OC.

3. **St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish/Holy Savior Catholic Church** (<https://stmarystaroftheseaocmd.com>); 410/289-0652; 1705 Philadelphia Avenue, OC.

4. **St. Luke Catholic Church** (<https://www.stlukeoc.com>); 410/250-0300; 9903 Coastal Highway, OC.

5. **St. Paul’s by-the-Sea Episcopal Church** (<https://stpaulsbythesea.org>); 410/289-3453; 302 N. Baltimore Avenue, OC.

6. **St. George Greek Orthodox Church** (<https://www.stgeorgebythesea.org>); 410/524-0990; 8805 Coastal Highway, OC.

7. **Ahavat Shalom Synagogue**, 443/497-1288; 9945 Elm Street, OC.

8. **Temple Bat Yam** (templebatyam-oc.org); 410/641-4311; 11036 Worcester Highway, Berlin.

9. **Atlantic United Methodist Church** (<https://atlanticumc.org>); 410/289-7430; 105 4th Street, OC.

10. **First Presbyterian Church** (<https://www.ocmdpresbyterian.org>); 410/289-9340; 1301 Philadelphia Avenue, OC.

III. ACTIVITIES

A. Airplane Rides and Flying Lessons

Ocean City Plane Rides (<https://oceancityplanerides.com>); 410/641-2484; located at the Ocean City Municipal Airport, 12724 Airport Road, offers two options for viewing Ocean City and Assateague from above: 1) a one- or two-passenger, open cockpit ride in a red Waco YMF-5 biplane, and 2) a three-passenger, closed cockpit ride in a Cessna. Videos and photos of your flight are available.

Ocean Aviation (www.flyoceanaviation.com); 410/213-8400; Ocean City Municipal Airport. Learn to fly, or take a Discovery Flight in a Cessna (one-hour flight lesson with 35 minutes of hands-on flying).

B. Amusements

Baja Amusements (<http://www.bajaoc.com>); 12639 Ocean Gateway, offers go-karts, miniature golf, climbing walls, bumper cars, activities for adults and children.

Cross the Route 50 bridge to explore all that the Ocean City boardwalk has to offer, including **Trimper's Rides** (<https://trimpersrides.com>), with an over 100-year-old carousel among its indoor and outside rides catering to both adults and children.

C. **Animal Experiences**

Coastal Wilds (<https://www.coastalwilds.org>); 302-829-1548; 34215 Peppers Corner Road, Frankford, DE 19945, located near Bethany Beach, DE (21 miles from *Marsh Magic*), offers a selection of unique experiences involving otters, kangaroos, and sloths, among other wildlife — e.g., “Swimming with Otters;” “Sippin’ with Sloths;” and “Kangaroo Yoga.”

D. **Beaches**

There are three beach options close to *Marsh Magic* — two on the Atlantic Ocean and one on Sinepuxent Bay:

1. **Ocean City**. Located just behind *Marsh Magic* on Route 50 is a shuttle bus stop where you can park your car all day for free (or just walk there from *Marsh Magic*) and take the shuttle (\$4/day) to the beach at Ocean City. Alternatively, you can walk on the boardwalk around the marsh, use the pedestrian lane of the Route 50 bridge to cross the inlet, and enter Ocean City proper; it takes about 20 minutes by foot to reach the beach. Lifeguards are on duty during the summer.

2. **Assateague Island National Seashore and Assateague State Park** are a 15-minute drive away. To get there, take Old Bridge Road west to Route 611; make a left turn onto Route 611 and follow the signs to Assateague.

Unlike Ocean City, Assateague Island has few commercial establishments and is “back to nature.” Enjoy hiking, the beach, the water, and the wild ponies.

The National Park Service operates a visitor’s center on the mainland, located just before crossing the bridge onto the island. At the National Park, talk with the naturalists, rent a canoe, or enjoy the walkways through the wetlands. There is a daily, per car fee to enter the national park area; check the National Park Service website (<https://www.nps.gov/asis/index.htm>) for discounts. Lifeguards are on duty during the summer.

For information about Assateague State Park, see <https://dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/eastern/assateague.aspx>. There is a daily, per car fee to use the beach. The Maryland Park Service Passport covers day-use charges at Maryland parks. There are no lifeguards on duty at the state park beach.

3. Homer Gudelfsky Park (known as “Stinky Beach” by the locals), a short walk from *Marsh Magic* to the end of Old Bridge Road, provides a great place for a sunrise/morning walk or an evening view of the southern point of Ocean City, the bay, and the northern point of Assateague Island. Do not be put off by the name: the beach is *not* stinky. It is small, but it satisfies the need to feel sand between your toes and provides a not-to-be-beaten view of the inlet.

Because of the strong current, you cannot swim there. But you can sunbathe or you can take a rod and reel and try to catch your dinner (or just talk with the fishermen there).

E. Bike Riding

There are several bike rental establishments in Ocean City on or near the boardwalk:

1. **Big Jim's Bikes** (<https://www.bigjimsbikes.com>); 410/289-1203; 8 Somerset Street.

2. **Dandy Don's Bike Rental and Services** (<https://ocmdbikerentals.com>); 410/289-2289; 1109 Atlantic Avenue.

3. **Bike World** (<https://www.bikeworldoc.com>); 410/289-2453; 1st Street.

F. **Bird Watching**

The marsh behind *Marsh Magic* provides a wonderful environment for heron, egrets, and other waterfowl coming to feed there. Just relax in a chair on any deck on the back of the house. Keep your binoculars and camera handy.

G. **Breweries**

Recent years have seen the growth of local craft beer and breweries in the Ocean City area.

1. In west Ocean City/Berlin: **Sinepuxent Brewing Company** (<https://www.sinbrewing.com>); 443/513-3038; 8816 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin.

2. In Berlin: **Burley Oak Brewery** (www.burleyoak.com); 443/513-4647; 10016 Old Ocean City Blvd.

3. In Ocean City: **Fin City** (fincitybrewing.com); 410/524-4100; 12913 Ocean Gateway.

4. In Parsonsburg: **Tall Tales Brewery** (www.talltalesbrew.com); 443/497-3119; 6929 Heron Grove Court, Parsonsburg.

5. In Salisbury: **Evolution Craft Brewing Company & Public House** (<https://www.evolutioncraftbrewing.com>); 443/260-2337; 201 East Vine Street, Salisbury, offers tours.

H. Casino and Horse Racing

The Casino at Ocean Downs (www.oceandowns.com), located five miles from *Marsh Magic* on Race Track Road in Berlin, offers live horse racing from June to September and slots year-round.

I. Child Oriented Activities

For the kids (and kids at heart), **Sun Outdoors/Frontier Town** (www.frontiertown.com); 800/228-5590, just four miles from *Marsh Magic*, on Route 611, offers a water park, miniature golf, and a wild west show.

In Ocean City, **Trimper's Rides** (<https://www.trimperrides.com>) has been entertaining children for over 100 years.

J. Day Spas

1. **A Perfect Face** (www.aperfectface.com), 410/213-9883; 12638 Ocean Gateway, #6; and

2. **Bliss Spa and Salon** (www.blissoc.com), 410/213-1122; 12319 Ocean Gateway, #104.

K. Distillery Tour

Seacret's (<https://seacretsdistilling.com>); 410/524-2669; 111 49th St. Ocean City, offers a distillery tour and tasting. The tour includes a history of Prohibition and demonstration of the distillation process, and samples of the products made at the distillery.

L. Golf

There are numerous golf courses located within a short drive (10-15 minutes) from *Marsh Magic*, including:

1. **Assateague Greens Golf Center** (<http://www.facebook.com/Assateague-Greens-Golf-Center-108087475899345>); 410/213-7526; 9048 Stephen Decatur Hwy, Berlin (9 holes).

2. **Eagle's Landing Golf Course** (www.eagleslandinggolf.com); 410/213-7277; 12367 Eagles Nest Road, Berlin -- water view (9 holes).

3. **Glen Riddle Golf Club** (www.glenriddlegolf.com), 866/441-4536; 11501 Maid at Arms Lane, Berlin; — the grounds of the former Glen Riddle Farm, home to Man O 'War and Triple Crown winner War Admiral; and home of **Ruth's Chris Steak House**, (two, 18-hole courses).

4. **Ocean Pines Golf Club** (www.oceanpinesgolf.org), 877/465-3623; 100 Clubhouse Drive, Ocean Pines — designed by Robert Trent Jones, Sr. (18 holes).

5. Ocean Resorts Golf Club

(<http://www.oceanresortsgolfclub.com>); 410/641-5643; 10655 Cathell Road, Berlin (18 holes).

6. River Run Golf Club (www.riverrungolf.com);

800/733-7786; 11605 Masters Lane, Berlin — designed by Gary Player (18 holes).

7. Rum Pointe Seaside Golf Links

(www.rumpointe.com); 410/629-1414 — bay views; 7000 Rum Pointe Lane, Berlin (18 holes).

8. The Links at Lighthouse Sound

(www.lighthousesound.com); 410/641-1189; 12723 St. Martin's Neck Road, Bishopville (18 holes).

M. Gyms

1. Core Elements Pilates Barre

(<https://www.coreelementspilatesbarre.com>); 410/271-4193; 12216 Ocean Gateway, Unit 1400.

2. Planet Fitness

(https://www.planetfitness.com/gyms/ocean-city-md?utm_medium=organic&utm_source=extnet); 443/664-3999; 12641 Ocean Gateway, Suite 104, located at the **White Marlin Mall**.

3. Pure Family Fitness

(<https://www.purefamilyfitness.com/westocmd>); 410/213-7697; 9936 Stephen Decatur Highway.

4. **The Stoke** (<https://www.thestokeoc.com>); 410/629-1011; 12728 Ocean Gateway, offers a gym, Pilates and yoga, and cafe and shop.

N. Historical Places

1. **Furnace Town** (<https://www.furnacetown.org>); 410/632-2032; 3816 Old Furnace Rd, Snow Hill, is the site of the 19th century Nassawango Iron Furnace. Tours and summer music program.

2. **Julia A. Purnell Museum**, 410/632-0515; 208 W. Market St, Snow Hill, shows local life from the 16th-20th centuries.

3. **Rackliffe House** (<https://rackliffehouse.org>); 410/629-1011; located behind the Visitor's Center on Assateague Island, is an 18th century coastal plantation. Tours and exhibitions.

O. Horseback Riding

Two facilities offer trail riding about a 20 minutes 'drive from *Marsh Magic*:

1. **Holly Ridge Farm Equestrian Center** (www.hollyridgefarm.com); 410/835-2596; at 36609 Purnell Crossing Road in Willards, MD offers lessons and year-round trail rides.

2. **Hoofprints Trail Riding Center** (<https://hoofprintstrailriding.com>); 410/835-8814; on Sixty Foot

Road in Parsonsburg, MD, offers lessons and sunset and moonlight trail rides.

Be sure to wear long pants and hard, closed shoes. Helmets are provided. Ask if you should bring carrots or apples for the horses.

P. Kayaking/Canoeing/Paddleboarding

1. Assateague Outfitters

(www.assateagueoutfitters.com); 410/656-9453; 12003 Bayside Drive, Berlin; is a full service kayak/canoe outfitter, and offers a wildlife discovery kayak tour. Both outfitters offer an opportunity to spot bald eagles, egrets, blue herons, osprey, and sea gulls.

2. Walk on Water (<https://walkonwatersupco.com>);

410/289-8787; Assateague Square, 9808 Stephen Decatur Highway — Route 611; rents kayaks and stand-up paddleboards and offers SUP lessons and SUP excursions to Assateague.

3. Baywater Landing

(<https://www.baywaterlanding.com>); 443/880-2753; 3908 Bayside Road, Snow Hill. Rent kayaks and paddle boards, educational tours and programs.

4. Pocomoke River Canoe Company

www.pocomokerivercanoe.com; 410/632-3971; 2 River Street, Snow Hill; rents canoes, kayaks, and stand-up paddleboards to explore the cypress-lined Pocomoke River.

Q. Marinas/Deep Sea Fishing

Within walking distance of *Marsh Magic* are:

1. O.C. Fisherman's Marina

(<https://ocfishermansmarina.com>); 410/213-2478; 12806 Sunset Avenue.

2. Ocean City Fishing Center (www.ocfishing.com),

410/213-1121; 13001 Shantytown Road -- there is a gift shop at the marina.

3. Sunset Marina (<https://ocsunsetmarina.co>);

410/213-9600; 12911 Sunset Avenue.

4. White Marlin Marina (410/289-6470; 205

Somerset Street, located in Ocean City right across the Route 50 bridge.

R. Miniature Golf

Route 50 in west Ocean City offers opportunities for miniature golf, as well as in Ocean City. **Frontier Town** on Route 611 also offers miniature golf.

S. Minor League Baseball

Watch the **Delmarva Shorebirds** (www.milb.com) play Class "A" minor league baseball at the Arthur W. Perdue Stadium, located 25 miles away on Hobbs Road at Route 50 in Salisbury. The Shorebirds are affiliated with the Baltimore Orioles.

T. Movie Theatre

In the **White Marlin Mall** on Route 50 is the **Flagship Premium Cinemas**, www.flagshipcinemas.com; 443/664-7554; with reclining seats and "Pig and Whistle" for food. Check out their "Super Tuesdays" special rate.

U. **Shark School**

Fishing and educational shark encounter charter to learn about sharks on the 40-foot “Fish Finder,” located at the **Ocean City Fishing Center**, within walking distance of *Marsh Magic*. Catch and release a shark. www.bigsharks.com; 410/726-7946; 12940 Inlet Isle Lane.

V. **Shopping**

The **White Marlin Mall**, (<https://www.whitemarlinmall.com>), located on Route 50, offers a number of shopping opportunities, including Marshall’s, Hallmark Shop, Staples, and HomeGoods.

Other shopping options — located on Coastal Highway (Route 50): **Chic Boutique** (next to **A Perfect Face** spa); **CrazyLadyz** (<https://crazyladyz.com>); and **Salt & Co.** (thesaltandco.com).

Pure Lure (purelurefishing.com), located at 12808 Harbor Road, features locally designed fishing apparel and accessories for men and women.

There are several shops located on Route 50 across from the grounds of the **Glen Riddle Golf Club** and near **Walmart** and **Home Depot**.

W. **Sky Diving**

For a skydiving adventure at the beach, check out **Ocean City Skydiving Center** (www.skydiveoc.com); 410/213-1319; located at the **Ocean City Municipal Airport**, off Route 611, at 12724 Airport Rd.

X. Water Sports (jet skis/parasailing)/Water Park

There are several locations nearby to rent jet skis or go parasailing. Located at Hooper's Crab House on Route 50 is **Paradise Watersports** (www.paradise-watersports.com); 410/231-7627. There are other water sports opportunities just across the Route 50 bridge near the inlet.

For the kids (and kids at heart), **Frontier Town** (www.frontiertown.com); 800/228-5590; on Route 611 features a water park.

Y. Wineries

1. **Windmill Creek Vineyard and Winery**, (<https://www.windmillcreekvineyard.com>); 410/251-6122; 11206 Worcester Highway, Berlin; a family owned and operated winery, seven miles from *Marsh Magic*, offers a tasting room, wine shop, and live music.

2. **Bordeleau Vineyard & Winery**, (<https://www.bordeleauwine.com>); 410/677-3334; 3155 Noble Farm Road, Eden. The winery, a 50-minute drive from *Marsh Magic*, offers a tasting room, live music, and "Sippin with Sloths" (real ones).

3. **Salted Vines Vineyard & Winery**, (<https://www.saltedvines.com>); 302/123-4567; 32512 Blackwater Rd, Frankford, DE. Located 35 minutes from *Marsh Magic*, the vineyard features Malbec, Vermentino, Merlot, and Cabernet Sauvignon grapes.

Z. Zip Lines

The **Go Ape Zip Line and Adventure Park** at **Frontier Town** (<https://www.goape.com/location/maryland-ocean-city>); 800/971-8271; 8428 Stephen Decatur Highway, Berlin; offers zip lining, axe throwing, outdoor escape rooms, and other activities for kids and adults.

IV. **DAY TRIP TO BERLIN, MARYLAND**

The town of **Berlin**, where the movie, “Runaway Bride” with Richard Gere and Julia Roberts, was filmed, is seven miles from *Marsh Magic*. The 2014 winner “America’s Coolest Small Town” by *Budget Travel*, Berlin is a “walkable” town with many quaint shops selling local art work and antiques.

On Main Street, enjoy lunch or dinner at **The Sterling Tavern** (<https://www.thesterlingtavern.com>), or the historic **Atlantic Hotel** (www.atlantichotel.com), a Victorian hotel featured in the movie.

Wander down a side street to grab a bite at the **Blacksmith** (<http://blacksmithberlin.com>) or the recently renovated, historic **Globe Theatre** (<https://globeberlin.com>), 12 Broad St.

Hankering for some gourmet olive oil or balsamic vinegar? Check out **Una Bella Salute** (<https://unabellasalute.com>).

Homemade ice cream? **The Island Creamery** (<https://www.islandcreamery.net>).

Toy store? The **World of Toys** (<https://www.worldoftoysberlin.com>), on Main Street, cannot be beat.

An independent book store? **The Greyhound** (www.greyhoundbookstore.com), on Main Street, is the place to check out!

Unique home accessories? **House Furnishings and Decor** (<https://www.houseberlinmd.com>); 111 Artisans Way (Located back in the parking lot next to **Sterling Tavern**).

Into antiques? Local art? Berlin has a number of places to find them. Be sure to check out the shops on the back and side streets.

Berlin Mermaid Museum, berlinmermaidmuseum.com, described as the first in the world, is located upstairs at 4 Jefferson Street. Admission fee.

Check out the town's website for special activities during the summer. www.berlinmainstreet.com.

Located outside the town of Berlin on Route 50 west, about 9.5 miles from *Marsh Magic*, is **Chesapeake Bay Farms, Inc.**, (<http://www.supportlocalcows.com/>); 410/629-1997; 8905 Logtown Road, which features “cow to cone” homemade ice cream, cheese, and butter, as well as eggs and grain fed beef and pork. Kids can “milk” their robotic recirculating cow and visit the farm animals there.

We hope that you enjoy your stay in west Ocean City!