

U.S. ROUTE

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ROUTE 17 PRINTABLE LIBRARY

TRIP COMPANION

Wilmington to Elizabeth City Road Trip Companion

North Carolina as a four-anchor Route 17 chapter instead of a list of town names.

USE THIS FOR

Carry the live itinerary on paper: trip promise, route phases, anchor roles, backups, pacing posture, route distinctions, cut-first choices, and a final worksheet.

LIVE GUIDE <https://route17roadtrip.com/trips/wilmington-to-elizabeth-city-road-trip/>

Florida > Georgia > South Carolina > North Carolina > Virginia

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LIVE GUIDE

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Trip promise and route phases

Carry the drive from Cape Fear through river-town and Inner Banks pacing to a clean Virginia handoff.

Route phases

- [] Wilmington - Cape Fear city start.
- [] New Bern - first clear river-city reset.
- [] Edenton - quieter waterfront-history middle.
- [] Elizabeth City - Albemarle gateway and Virginia cue.

START Wilmington City anchor.	RESET New Bern Measured middle.
LINGER Edenton Slow historic-waterfront stop.	FINISH Elizabeth City Northern handoff.

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Backups, pacing, and what to cut first

The printable should never be more authoritative than the live guide; use current checks for anything time-sensitive.

Backup choices

- [] Leland - departure-side logistics.
- [] Jacksonville, NC - full-service middle reset.
- [] Washington / Williamston / Windsor - river progression.
- [] Hertford - compact water-town pause.
- [] Camden / South Mills - final approach and Dismal Swamp context.

Pacing posture

Fast version: Wilmington, New Bern, Elizabeth City. Slower version: give Edenton its own time. Full chapter: add one support stop only if the day has margin.

Route distinction

Keep the support stops selective. The trip works because Wilmington, New Bern, Edenton, and Elizabeth City have different jobs.

If the day runs long

Cut support stops first. If time is tight, keep New Bern as the reset and protect the Elizabeth City / Virginia handoff.

FINAL WORKSHEET

Commit the day before you drive

Write the anchors and verification items that matter. Leave optional stops optional.

Start time / first anchor	
Primary reset	
Backup stop	
Finish / overnight	
Cut-first choice	
Live checks before departure	

Trip notes

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