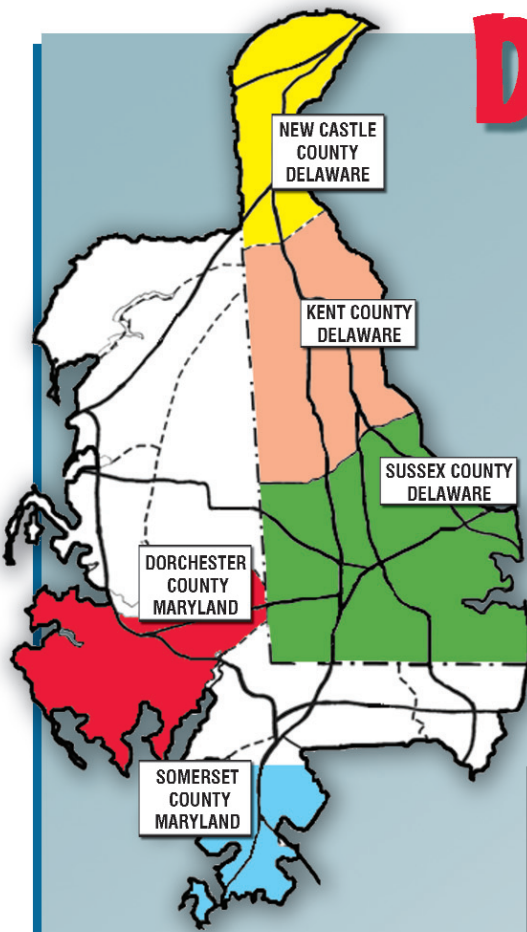


# Did you know . . .

## Kent County, Delaware



### TAX-FREE SHOPPING

### PERFORMING ARTS

Schwartz Center reopened in Oct. 2001 after an extensive modernization and expansion from its roots as the Dover Opera House.



### DOVER INTERNATIONAL SPEEDWAY

91,000 sq. ft., home to NASCAR Winston Cup and Busch & Craftsman Truck Series. Live harness racing November through April.

### DOVER AIR FORCE BASE

DAFB has developed into one of the largest military freight terminals in the world and is home to the 436th and 512th Airlift Wings.



### HARRINGTON STATE FAIR

The "10 best days of summer". The fair truly has something for all ages, demolition derbies and baking contests to big name concerts and rides & games. 330-acre site.

### DOVER DOWNS, DOVER

2500 slot machines ranging from 1¢ to \$100. Plus, new progressive slots with jackpots up to \$250,000. Live harness racing is offered November through April.

### MIDWAY SLOTS & SIMULCAST, HARRINGTON

1581 machines, open 363 days a year. Live harness racing is offered in spring and fall.



### State Seal:

The Coat of Arms depicts symbols of a farmer, militiaman, ox, wheat, and corn.

The militiaman represents the duty of citizens to defend their country. The blue above the ox stands for the Delaware River. The ship represents New Castle County's shipbuilding industry and the coastal commerce of the state. The sheaf of wheat, ear of corn, and the ox symbolize the farming activities of early Delaware.

### State Motto:

"liberty and independence"

### State Colors:

Colonial blue and buff

### State Tree:

American Holly

### State Flower:

Peach Blossom

### State Bird:

Blue Hen Chicken

### State Bug:

Ladybug



### State Butterfly:

Tiger Swallowtail



### State Fish:

Weakfish

### State Marine Animal:

Horseshoe Crab

**DELAWARE IS THE ONLY STATE WITHOUT A NATIONAL PARK.**



### A FEW FAMOUS DELAWAREANS

David Allen, *hot-air balloon pilot*  
 Valerie Bertinelli, *actress*  
 Robert Montgomery Bird, *playwright*  
 Emily Bissell, *designer of Christmas Seals*  
 Ken Burns, *director*  
 Henry S. Canby, *author and editor*  
 Annie Jump Cannon, *astronomer*  
 Felix Darley, *artist*  
 John Dickinson, *penman of the Revolution*  
 Eleuthere Irenee du Pont de Nemours, *industrialist, founder of Dupont*  
 Henry Francis du Pont, *art collector & philanthropist*  
 Pierre Samuel du Pont, *garden landscaper*  
 Yvette Freeman, *actress*  
 Thomas Garrett, *abolitionist*  
 Dallas Green, *baseball coach*  
 Henry Heimlich, *surgeon, inventor*  
 John Hunn, *abolitionist*  
 Eldridge Reeves Johnson, *inventor of the phonograph*  
 Wilham Julius Johnson, *basketball player*  
 Paul R. Jones, *art collector*  
 Howard Pyle, *artist and author*  
 Judge Reinhold, *actor*  
 Elizabeth Shue, *actress*  
 Johnny Weir, *figure skater*  
 Randy White, *football player*  
 Andrew Wyeth, *painter*  
 Jamie Wyeth, *mixed-media artist*  
 N.C. Wyeth, *painter*

### TRIVIA

- Delaware was named for Lord de la Warr. He was the first governor of Virginia.
- In total area Delaware ranks 49th in the nation, containing 1,982 square miles. It is 96 miles long and varies from 9 to 35 miles in width.
- Horseshoe crabs may be viewed in large numbers along the Delaware shore in May. The crabs endure extremes of temperature and salinity. They can go for a year without eating and have remained basically the same since the days of the dinosaur.
- The frying pan built in 1950 for use at the Delmarva Chicken Festival is 10 feet in diameter and holds 180 gallons of oil and 800 chicken quarters.

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