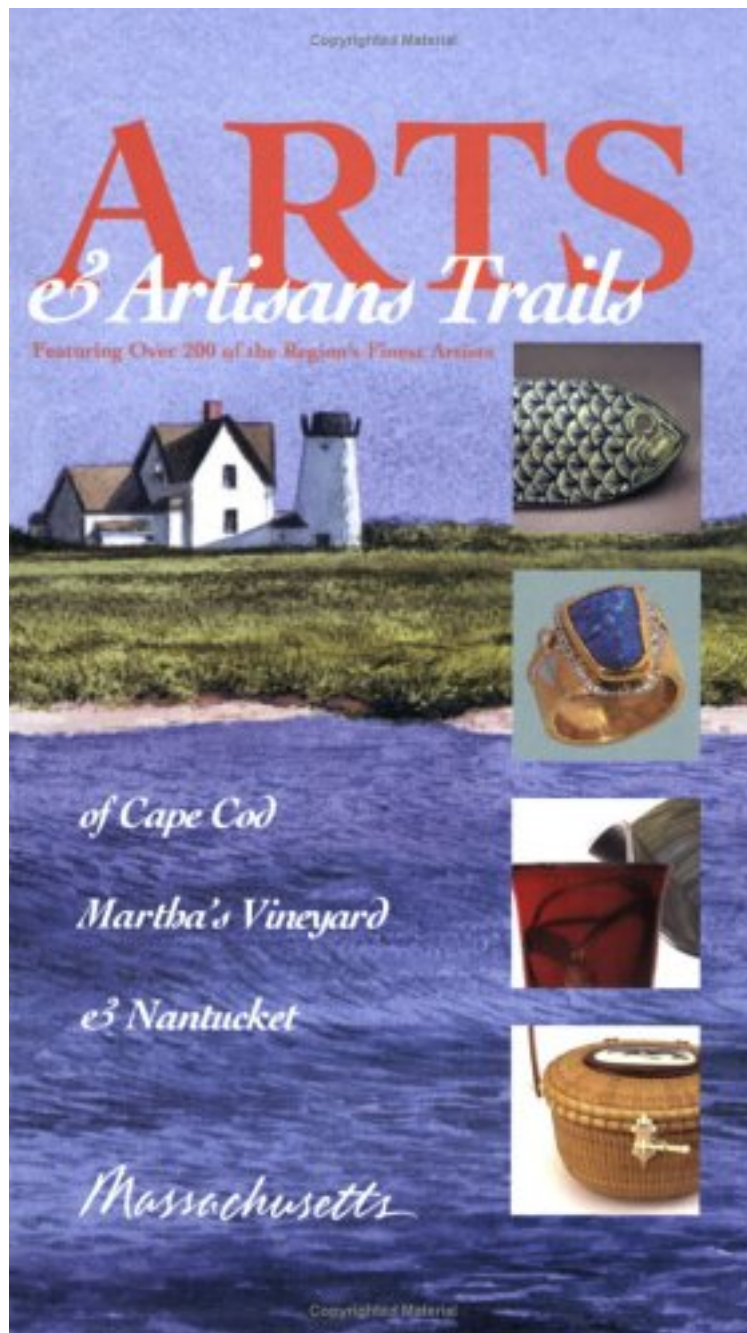


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Excellent Guide to Arts and Crafts Studios and artistsBy Richard WestonPublished by the Cape Cod Chamber of Commerce, this thin (176 pages) paperback covers the Cape, Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket. It's beautifully illustrated with examples of the art created by the featured artists in the various communities, with recommended walking and driving (where needed) tours to take you to their studios and galleries. The maps for the Cape are not much help--they only show driving routes which anyone with a map of the Cape would have anyway. However the town maps for Nantucket and Oak Bluffs on Martha's Vineyard show exactly where the studios and galleries are located so it is easy to find them and connect them in walking tours. There are also maps of Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard islands showing the outlying artists' places. Written directions aid in finding the locations. The areas on the Cape feature 17 pages in a chapter including Bourne, Falmouth, Mashpee, Osterville and Hyannis; a chapter with 23 pages covering Sandwich, West Barnstable, Barnstable, Yarmouth Port and Dennis; a chapter with 15 pages from artists in Harwich Port, Chatham, West Dennis and Dennisport; 16 pages for Brewster and Orleans; and 16 pages covering the outer Cape from Eastham, Wellfleet and Truro out to Provincetown. The Nantucket chapter has 19 pages on studios and galleries and a page on local festivals and special events. Martha's Vineyard earns 11 pages on studios and galleries. Each article about an artist or gallery gives something of the artist's history and describes her or his work, highlighting the particular emphasis that artist brings to the pieces. There are also listings of museums and theatres and websites and phone numbers for them as well as for other art forms such as Opera and Chorale groups. With the first edition printed in 2006, all the material is up-to-date, at least for the present. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Cape adventureBy Kevin S. ClancyAs a frequent visitor to the Cape and islands over the years I was amazed to find the Arts and Artisans Trails guide book describing the roads and highways I've been traveling but with such insights into the history and Galleries hidden along the way. I can't look at the map or plan a trip without sneaking a peek at the Artisan's guide to see if I can include one or two on my next drive down to the Cape. This should be given to every visitor and newcomer to the Cape and islands. It's like having your own family or friends recommending things to do and see from an insider's point of view. Well done! Kevin Clancy Somerville, MA 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Excellent!By Maine MommyI highly recommend the Art Artisans Trails of Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard, and Nantucket. The book is laid out nicely, with different walks for each area of the Cape (and one each for the islands). Each walk has a number of stops, including information on the artist, the hours, the website, etc. There are also lists in the back of artists by medium, by studio, and information on art guilds and fairs. A very comprehensive guide, and a fun way to see the Cape Islands!

This first edition four color guidebook provides readers with 7 self-guided driving and walking itineraries on Cape Cod, Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard, to over 200 artists, artisans studios and galleries outside of the mainstream and off the beaten path. New in 2008 is a beautiful watercolor map highlighting the trails, with 17 additional artists. Following the trails in this book will introduce you to unique characters, people who love what they do and love sharing their work with visitors. With routes, photography and side stories, it's a book that invites you to experience this area known for its natural beauty from a different perspective. Along the trails you'll find some truly remarkable pieces of art in barns, perched on cranberry boxes, and in studios overlooking vistas that inspire our artists every day.

Aesthetically handsome, full of great content, likely to be the "Bible" for visitors to the treasure of cultural pursuits here. -- B. Wendell, Brewster, MA It's like having your own family or friends recommending things to do and see from an insider's point of view. -- K. Clancy, Somerville, MA This guide is easy to use and so well organized. Perfect for both new and longtime visitors to Cape Cod. -- E. Stanley, Washington, D.C. When arts patrons find their way to Nantucket they won't have to wander aimlessly in search of galleries and workshops. -- Nantucket Inquirer and Mirror, April 27, 2006 From the Inside Flap Whether you have come to Cape Cod and the Islands for the beach or the vistas, this guidebook is your link to the artists and craftspeople of the region, those who have been inspired to create their art here by the natural beauty and the laidback way of life. The region has long been a Mecca for artists. Many of the people featured on these trails learned their crafts by way of apprenticeships and traditions passed down through many generations. Exploring off the beaten track sites and touring scenic, winding back roads in search of artist studios will lead you to discover a Cape Cod reminiscent of bygone days. These trails wander off the main roads and introduce you to people who have been honing their craft here for decades, and others who are new arrivals but now have chosen this place to create their art. Following the trails in this book will introduce you to unique characters, people who love what they do and love sharing their work with visitors! . There is the husband and wife team whose gallery doubles as an ecological statement; it is literally underground. There is an Italian candlemaker trained in the art of ceramics, and a Swedish-born woman who transfers watercolors into textile designs. An Orleans woman transforms driftwood into

sculpture and a Nantucket scrimshander etches delicate lines into ivory. A Martha's Vineyard ceramic artist's work evokes a whimsical Eden with exotic hand-carved animals. A woman of Wampanoag ancestry crafts jewelry out of wampum. A Yarmouth Port woman has mastered the historic craft of making sailors' valentines. You will find a pewter crafter, a quilt-maker, and a decoy-carver. There are basket-makers, glass-blowers, and potters. Explore and discover a very different Cape Cod, a truly Cultural Coast. From the Back Cover Slip this book under your arm and hit the trails! This first edition of the Arts and Artisans Trails of Cape Cod, Martha's Vineyard and Nantucket will guide you on seven itineraries to visits with over 200 artists and artisans. With routes, photography and side stories, it's a book that invites you to experience this area known for its natural beauty from a different perspective. Along the way, you'll find some truly remarkable pieces of art--in barns, perched on cranberry boxes, and in studios overlooking vistas that inspire our artists every day.