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THE VIEW

P-Town at a Glance

What T+L spotted from the top of the 252-foot-tall Pilgrim Monument in Provincetown, at the tip of Cape Cod.

By Peter J. Frank

**PEAKED HILL BARS
HISTORIC DISTRICT**

A few of the “dune shacks” within the Cape Cod National Seashore—where Eugene O’Neill once lived and wrote—are open to artists and writers as part of a summer residency program. thecompact.org.

**FINE ARTS
WORK CENTER IN
PROVINCETOWN**

This lumberyard turned creative hub is where painters such as Helen Frankenthaler and Robert Motherwell had studios—cementing P-town’s onetime reputation as one of America’s biggest art colonies. fawc.org.

PACKARD GALLERY

Anne Packard, granddaughter of American impressionist Max Bohm, exhibits her evocative landscapes in this former church. packardgallery.com.

HARBOR LOUNGE

Enjoy Clown Shoes’ Tramp Stamp IPA, brewed in Massachusetts, in a glassed-in space overlooking the bay—or on a deck that juts out over the beach. theharborlounge.com.

SQUEALING PIG

Ignore the pub’s sign warning that oysters may cause “overfriendliness” and ask for a dozen shucked-to-order briny Wellfleets. squealingpigptown.com. \$\$

YATES & KENNEDY

The well-edited collection of design objects includes cockatoo-head trophies, vintage wallpaper, and shagreen boxes. 508/487-4400.

SALT HOUSE INN

P-town’s newest hotel ups the style quotient with white-on-white rooms and an eclectic breakfast spread (egg-and-chorizo tacos with tomatillo salsa; orange crêpe mille-feuille). salthouseinn.com. \$

**ARNOLD’S
BICYCLE SHOP**

The dunes of the National Seashore are threaded with roller-coaster-like trails that are perfect for cycling: rent a 21-speed and pack a picnic to eat on the sand at Race Point Beach. 508/487-0844.

**DOLPHIN FLEET
WHALE WATCH**

From the main pier, catch a whale-watching trip to see humpbacks, finbacks, and others. Tips: head to the upper deck for the best view, and put down the camera once in a while! whalewatch.com.