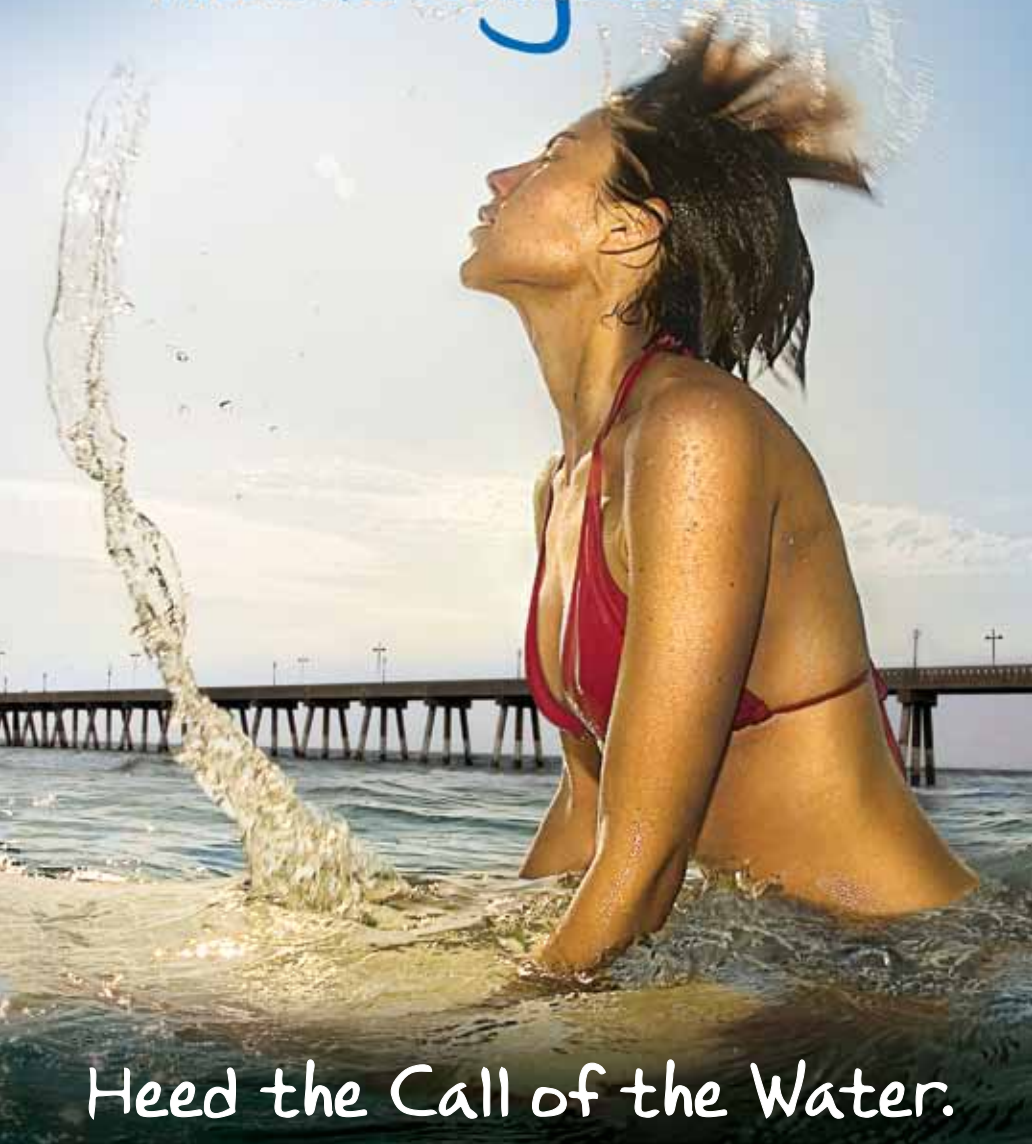


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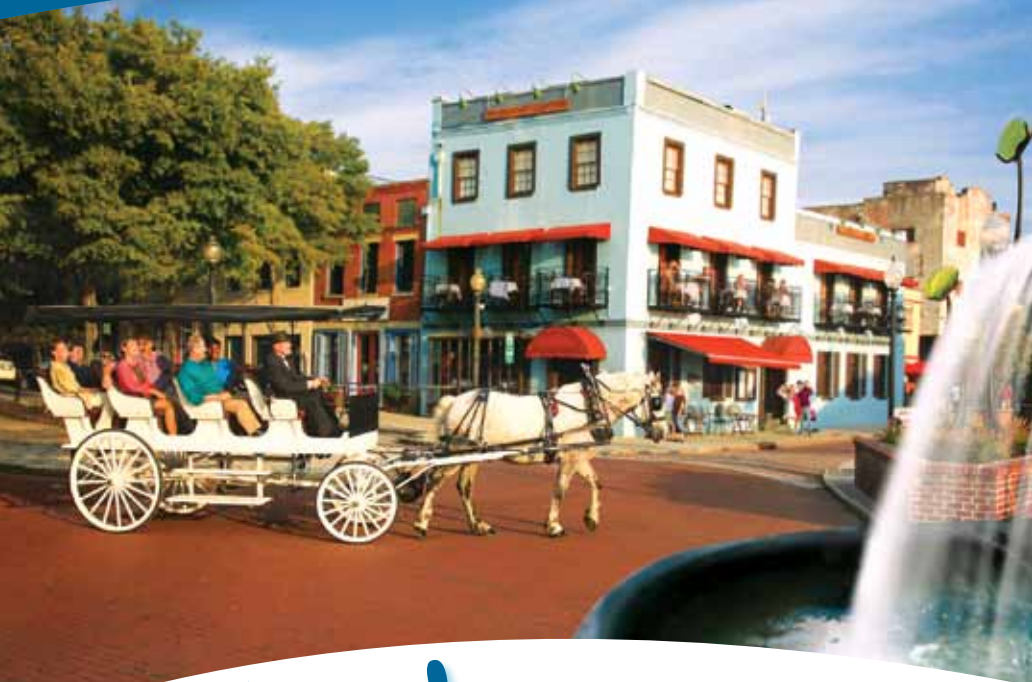
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Welcome

One destination...four unique settings

From the historic downtown river district and Riverwalk that winds around the storied Cape Fear River to three colorful island beaches, Wilmington, N.C. and our beach towns, Carolina Beach, Kure Beach, and Wrightsville Beach, charm visitors with an independent spirit and energy that nourishes and recharges the soul. Surrounded by water, history, and natural beauty, it's the ideal place for a vacation or weekend getaway.

Proud of its rich and colorful history, Wilmington offers an authentic visitor experience every season of the year, from the river to the sea. This portal to our three island beach towns serves as an all-encompassing vacation vista, with scenic river views and charming brick-lined streets. Victorian and antebellum architecture grace the

river's banks and moss-draped live oaks line the historic district.

Let the water guide you across the river and aboard the Battleship NORTH CAROLINA, where a symbol of the committed service of sailors lives on more than 70 years later. The Battleship will soon offer overnight stays where students and groups will be able to experience a taste of living on board a historic naval vessel.

Embark on a treasure hunt experience in boutiques, eclectic shops, and vibrant nightlife venues, and then unearth vintage treasures here from storefront to riverfront. Your artistic side will be fed by stirring theatre productions, art galleries, and film. Stroll the scenic Riverwalk and sit down at the water's edge, where your palate will be fed with fresh local seafood and regional specialties

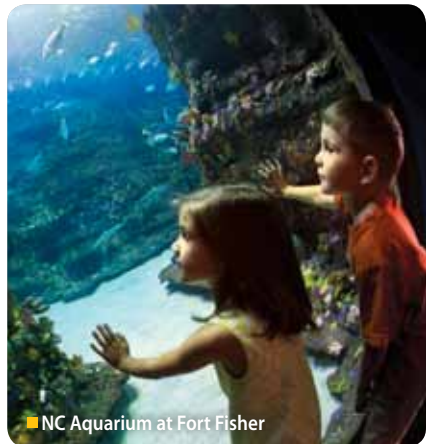


One destination. And four unique settings boast a bounty of extraordinary experiences in an historic downtown river district and on the three colorful island beaches.

to Wilmington, North Carolina and our Island Beaches

Soak up some island time at Carolina Beach, Kure Beach, and Wrightsville Beach – all no more than 25 minutes apart. Each beach exudes a signature personality and fresh catch of family vacation treasures from an original boardwalk that's known for its family-friendly entertainment, music and seafood festivals and exhilarating deep-sea fishing, to new aquarium exhibits, birding sites and interactive adventures at renowned Civil War sites, to action-packed watersports and surfing tournaments. With so many options for outdoor play both on and off the water and one-of-a-kind festivals and events, each beach is a place to spend time with family and friends in North Carolina's most accessible coastal destination.

What are you waiting for? Heed the call of the water and plan your vacation now.



■ NC Aquarium at Fort Fisher

Wilmington



No matter where you are, water, history and natural beauty abound.

Fusing old Southern charm and innovative appeal, Wilmington is a historical and coastal hot spot for year-round festivals and events, fresh seafood at locally-owned restaurants, inspiring arts and family-friendly museums, as well as elegant shopping and colorful nightlife.

Start your explorations with the Cape Fear River as your guide on nearly two miles of wooden Riverwalk lined with shops and cafes, which includes future plans for a new marina, restaurants, retail and hotel along the northern riverfront. You'll take an awed breath when you explore the 230-block National Register Historic District, recognized as a "Dozen Distinctive Destination" by the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

See the city on a geocaching treasure hunt, guided walking or Segway tour, or by horse-drawn carriage or trolley ride. Take in the city's breathtaking historic river district from the water's point of view by riverboat, sailboat or catamaran cruise. From the click of horses' hooves on the old brick streets to the rhythm of jazz and beach music festivals, Wilmington embraces a combination of influences from both the past and present.

Enrich your artistic spirit through dynamic art or science exhibitions or surround yourself with a collection of more than 100,000 azaleas under the enchanting live oaks at Airlie Gardens. With the

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favorable mild climate year-round, varied landscapes and spectacular architecture, it's easy to see why Hollywood filmmakers have logged more than 400 film-related credits here, including the largest production to date for the Wilmington area, Marvel Studios' "Iron Man 3" to be released in 2013.

After a day of shopping, history and splendor, enjoy a taste of the sea, freshly delivered to your plate from local waters. Experience matchless ambiance and regional specialties from a new dinner theatre to more than 40 locally owned, award-winning restaurants, some with recognitions from *Food & Wine* and *Wine Spectator* magazines and Bravo TV's *Top Chef*. For a bit of romance, end the evening at the water's edge, where the conversation flows as smoothly as the river runs.

Wilmington, North Carolina is one destination...and four unique settings with unlimited vacation choices.





Get Connected

with Wilmington and our island beaches on the latest news, special offers, events and updates!

Engage with us year-round and take a little piece of Wilmington and our island beaches with you wherever you go.

• Mobile Sites

The mobile websites feature information on things to do, area information, events, hotels & lodging, restaurants, shopping, special offers, videos and Facebook pages. To access the mobile sites from your smart phone, type in the URL for the specific site you want to visit:

- WilmingtonAndBeaches.com
- VisitCarolinaBeachNC.com
- VisitKureBeachNC.com
- VisitWrightsvilleBeachNC.com

• Especials

Get the scoop on what Wilmington and our island beaches have to offer, delivered right to your inbox. It's the best way to stay informed about special offers, featured events, and things to do. Each edition includes links to relevant website content. To receive the specials, sign up on our homepage at www.WilmingtonAndBeaches.com. The e-mail address you provide will be used only to send you specials; we won't share it with anyone. Your privacy is important to us.



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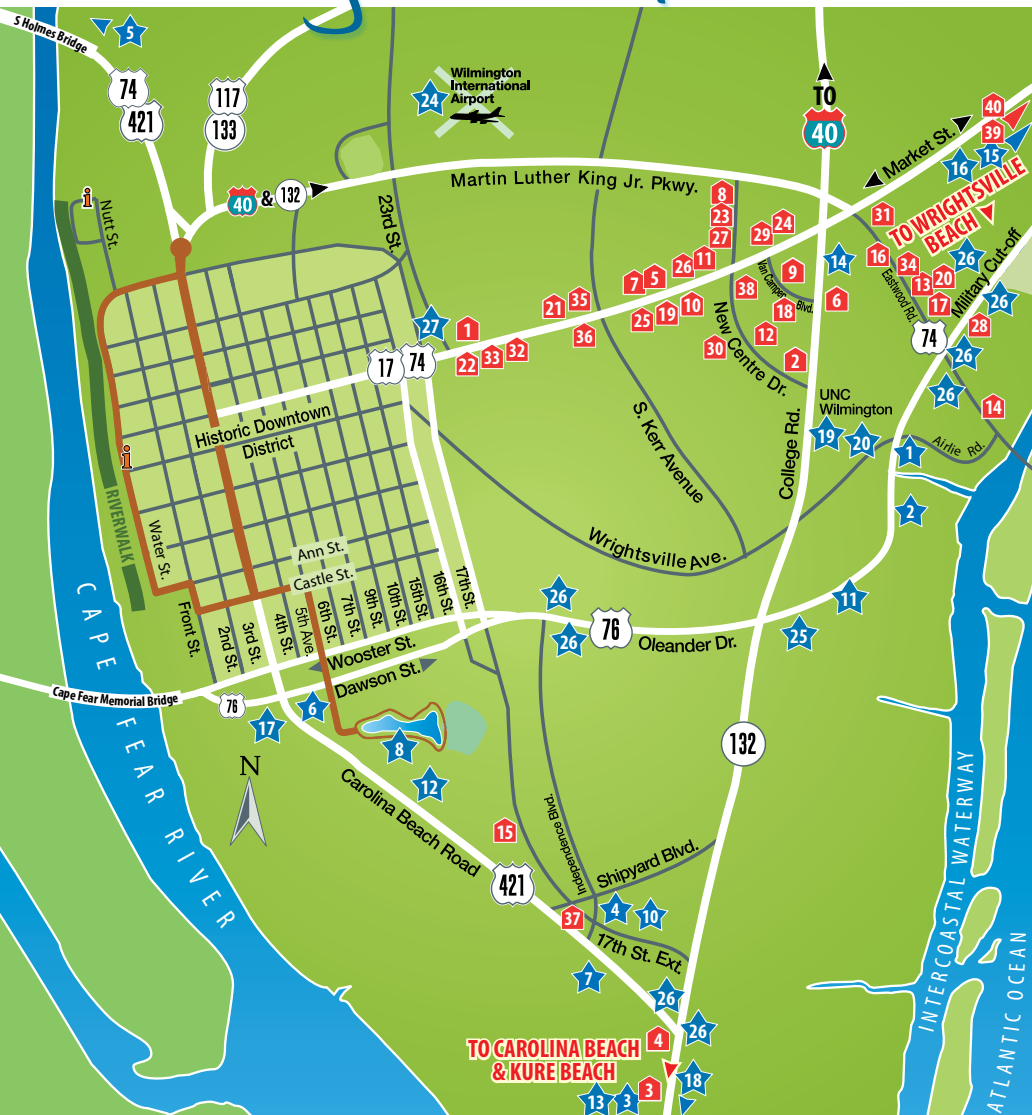
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Wilmington Map



Things to Do

1. Airlie Gardens
2. Arboretum at New Hanover County Cooperative Ext.
3. Beau Rivage Golf & Resort
4. Cameron Art Museum
5. Cape Fear Regional Soccer Park
6. City of Wilmington Parks & Recreation
7. Echo Farms Golf & Country Club
8. Greenfield Park Amphitheater
9. Greenfield Park & Gardens/ Skate Park (see #8)
10. Halyburton Memorial Park
11. Jungle Rapids Family Fun Park/ Mini Golf
12. Legion Sports Complex
13. Masonboro Country Club
14. New Hanover County Parks
15. Poplar Grove Plantation
16. Porters Neck Country Club
17. Red Barn Studio Theatre
18. Tregembo Animal Park
19. University of North Carolina Wilmington
20. Bluethenthal Wildflower Preserve-UNCW
21. Campus Tours-UNCW (see #19)
22. Kenan Auditorium/Cultural Arts Building/Lumina Theatre-UNCW (see #19)
23. NC Teachers Legacy Hall-UNCW (see #19)
24. Wilmington International Airport
25. Wilmington Municipal Golf Course
26. Shopping District
27. USCT Highway Marker

Accommodations

•Hotels/Motels•

1. Americas Best Inn & Suites
2. Baymont Inn & Suites
3. Beau Rivage Golf & Resort
4. Best Western Plus Wilmington
5. Budgetel
6. Comfort Inn University
7. Comfort Suites Wilmington
8. Country Inn & Suites
9. Courtyard by Marriott Wilmington-University
10. Days Inn-Market Street
11. Econo Lodge
12. Extended Stay America
13. Fairfield Inn & Suites Wilmington/ Wrightsville Beach
14. Hampton Inn & Suites Wrightsville Beach/ Landfall Park
15. Hampton Inn Medical Park
16. Hampton Inn University Area/Smith Creek Station
17. Hilton Garden Inn Wilmington – Mayfaire Town Center
18. Holiday Inn Express & Suites
19. Holiday Inn Wilmington
20. Homewood Suites by Hilton Wilmington/Mayfaire
21. Howard Johnson Express Inn
22. Inn at Wilmington
23. Jameson Inn
24. MainStay Suites
25. Quality Inn
26. Ramada Conference Center
27. Red Roof Inn
28. Residence Inn by Marriott Landfall
29. Sleep Inn
30. Staybridge Suites Hotel
31. Suburban Extended Stay
32. Super 8 Motel
33. The Carolinian Inn
34. TownePlace Suites by Marriott
35. Travel Inn
36. Travelodge Wilmington
37. Value Place
38. Wingate by Wyndham

•Vacation Rentals•

39. Figure Eight Realty

•Campgrounds/Cabins•

40. Wilmington KOA

— Cape Fear Historic Byway



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For a complete list of stores and restaurants visit www.WilmingtonAndBeaches.com



Historic Downtown Wilmington

Things to Do

1. 1898 Memorial
2. American Heritage Tours
3. Battleship NORTH CAROLINA
4. Bellamy Mansion Museum of History & Design Arts
5. Brooklyn Arts Center
6. Burgwin-Wright House & Gardens
7. Cape Fear Museum of History & Science
8. Cape Fear Playhouse at NewCastle
9. Cape Fear Segway
10. Cape Fear Serpentarium
11. Captain Maffitt & Captain John Knox River Tourboats
12. City Stage
13. Culinary Tours with Liz Biro
14. Ghost Walk of Old Wilmington & Haunted Pub Crawl
15. Hannah Block Historic U.S.O.
16. Henrietta III Riverboat
17. Hollywood Location Tours (see #13)
18. Horse-drawn Carriage & Trolley Tours
19. Latimer House Museum
20. Orange Street Landing on Cape Fear
21. Riverfront Park
22. Sail Wilmington
23. Thalian Hall Center for Performing Arts
24. TheatreNOW
25. The Children's Museum of Wilmington
26. Tour Old Wilmington
27. U.S. Coast Guard Cutter DILIGENCE VI
28. Walk and Talk Tours (see #18)
29. Wilmington Convention Center
30. Wilmington Railroad Museum
31. Wilmington Trolley Company
32. Wilmington Water Tours
33. Shopping Districts

Accommodations

•Hotels/Motels•

1. Best Western Plus Coastline Inn
2. Hilton Wilmington Riverside/Riverview Suites
3. Hotel Tarrymore
4. Inn at City Club
5. Stemmerman's Inn
6. The Wilmingtonian

•B&Bs/Inns/Vacation Rentals•

7. Angie's Bed & Breakfast
8. Blue Heaven Bed & Breakfast
9. C.W. Worth House Bed & Breakfast
10. Camellia Cottage Bed & Breakfast
11. Dames Inn on Princess
12. French House Bed & Breakfast
13. Front Street Inn
14. The Gallery Vacation Rental
15. Graystone Inn
16. Hoge-Wood House
17. Magnolia House
18. Port City Guest House
19. Rosehill Inn Bed & Breakfast
20. Taylor House Inn Bed & Breakfast
21. The Verandas Bed & Breakfast



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Carolina Beach



**This is no ordinary beach.
It's an extraordinary one!**

Are you looking for a truly original beach experience? Carolina Beach is a family-friendly, extraordinary beach town that's curiously entertaining! An original beachside boardwalk, a state park, colorful characters, miles of alluring beach, world-class fishing, and interesting one-of-a-kind events and festivals, all set Carolina Beach apart from the ordinary.

There's always something original to do in Carolina Beach, whether you are here for a long vacation or weekend getaway. Hula-hoop on the beach, shag to tunes at beach music and jazz and blues festivals, or cruise the waters on a chartered party boat or Gulf Stream fishing excursion. Both surfers and anglers alike pursue their quarry from our sands. The opportunities for fun island amusements are never-ending!

What makes Carolina Beach original? Local character! Embrace the unique beachside boardwalk – recently named one of the top boardwalks in the country by *Food & Wine Magazine* – where you can browse shops, eateries, and arcades...and feel like a kid again. There are countless ways to tempt your taste buds at Carolina Beach from gourmet cuisine and sushi to tiki bars



STAY ORIGINAL

and grills to award-winning chowder and famous glazed doughnuts.

For a day of outdoor adventure, head to the 761-acre Carolina Beach State Park and stretch your legs on the trails. Look closely for the rare and carnivorous Venus flytrap that grows here, and bring a camera to capture nature's display of coastal birds. Take the family paddle-boating and kayaking on Carolina Beach Lake Park or for a ride on a Surrey bike. Toss a line from the pier, the shore or from one of several chartered boating excursions at the Carolina Beach Marina and Fishing Center.

Stay in a variety of accommodations – all original. You'll find hotels, condos, cozy beach cottages, and family-owned motels. Get away and find your original beach experience. You'll fully discover why there are a lot of beaches in North Carolina, but there's only one Carolina Beach.

Carolina Beach

Map





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Carolina Beach Map

Things to Do

1. Carolina Beach Boardwalk
2. Carolina Beach Fishing Pier
3. Carolina Beach Jungle Mini Golf/
Batting Cages
4. Carolina Beach Lake Park
5. Carolina Beach Marina & Fishing Center
6. Carolina Beach Parks & Recreation
7. Carolina Beach Skate Park
8. Carolina Beach State Park
9. Federal Point History Center
10. Freeman Park Recreation Area
11. Winner Party Boat Fleet
12. Shopping Districts

Accommodations

• Hotels/Motels •

1. Atlantic Towers
2. Beach House Inn & Suites
3. Beachside Inn
4. Beacon House Inn/Bed & Breakfast
5. Buccaneer Motel
6. Cole's Motel
7. Courtyard by Marriott at Carolina Beach
8. Dolphin Lane Motel
9. Drifter's Reef Motel
10. Dry Dock Family Motel
11. Golden Sands Motel
12. Joy Lee Apartments
13. Mermaid Manor
14. Microtel Inn & Suites
15. North Pier Ocean Villa
16. Oceaneer Motel

17. Russo's Motel
18. Sea & Sun Motel
19. Sea Ranch Motel
20. SeaWitch Motel
21. Smith Cottages
22. Surfside Motor Lodge
23. The Savannah Inn
24. Wanda Inn Motel
25. Welcome Inn

• B&Bs/Inns/Vacation Rentals •

26. Beach Girls Realty
27. Beacon House Inn Bed & Breakfast
28. Blue Water Realty
29. Bryant Real Estate
30. Bullard Realty, Inc.
31. Carolina Beach Realty
32. Gardner Realty Rentals
33. Intracoastal Realty Vacation Rentals
34. Island Beach Rentals/Walker Realty
35. Laney Vacation Rentals
36. Network Real Estate Beach Vacations
37. Ocean Breeze Properties
38. Palm Air Realty (see KB Map pg. 60)
39. United Beach Vacations
40. Victory Beach Vacations



Visitor Information Centers

For a complete list of stores and restaurants
visit www.VisitCarolinaBeachNC.com

Kure Beach



Ready. Set. Unwind

Kure Beach invites you to unplug from the world in a beautifully natural, small-town beach unlike any other. And all the peace and quiet a family could ask for. Isn't that why you want to get away in the first place?

This small wonder of North Carolina's coast is packed with big attractions. Whether you are a wildlife enthusiast, history devotee, or a shell-seeker, Kure Beach has the kind of local character that has all but disappeared from coastal towns.

Turn off the cell phone and find a world of things to do. Touch bamboo sharks, come face to face with Twister, a new spotted eagle ray, and dig for fossilized shark's teeth in the new Adventure Reef outdoor play area at the North Carolina



North Carolina's Small Wonder

Aquarium at Fort Fisher, recently named one of the best aquariums in the U.S. by the Travel Channel. Peek into the past under the towering, wind-swept live oak trees that surround the Fort Fisher State Historic Site and Museum. Explore the new Ocean Front Park, scheduled to open in 2013, and reel in fresh seafood along the 712-foot Kure Beach Fishing Pier, one of the oldest on the Atlantic Coast. Hop on the ferry and take in the natural beauty of the area or test your skills on the area's only disc golf course.

Spend quality time in a peaceful retreat, from family-owned motels to vacation rental homes and cozy beach cottages. Stroll miles of unspoiled beach, taste fresh dining at local restaurants, boogie to bluegrass by the river, touch a starfish... or just relax, sit back, and do nothing at all.

Experience North Carolina's family-friendly seaside retreat. Kick back. Relax. Reconnect. See why life's a little less hectic here at Kure Beach.

Kure Beach

Map

CAPE FEAR RIVER





North Carolina's Small Wonder

Kure Beach Map

Things to Do

1. Fort Fisher State Historic Site & Civil War Museum
2. Fort Fisher State Recreation Area
3. Kure Beach Fishing Pier
4. Kure Beach Parks & Recreation
5. NC Aquarium at Fort Fisher
6. NC Ferry at Fort Fisher
7. NC Military History Museum
8. NC Underwater Archaeology Center
9. Zeke's Island
10. Shopping Districts



Accommodations

•Hotels/Motels•

1. Admiral's Quarters
2. Blue Marlin Beach Lodging
3. Darlings By The Sea
4. Dry Dock by the Pier Motel
5. Hidden Treasure Inn
6. Kure Keys Motels
7. Moran Motel
8. Peterson's
9. Sandi Beach Inn
10. Seven Seas Inn
11. South Wind Motel
12. The Sand Dunes

•Vacation Rentals•

13. Blue Water Realty (See CB Map pg. 52)
14. Bryant Real Estate (see CB Map pg. 52)
15. Bullard Realty, Inc (see CB Map pg. 52)
16. Carolina Beach Realty (See CB Map pg. 52)
17. Gardner Realty Rentals (See CB Map pg. 52)
18. Intracoastal Realty Vacation Rentals (see CB Map pg. 52)
19. Island Beach Rentals/Walker Realty (see CB Map pg. 52)
20. Island Realty
21. Jim Ring Realty
22. Laney Vacation Rentals (see CB Map pg. 52)
23. Network Real Estate Beach Vacations (see CB Map pg. 52)
24. Palm Air Realty
25. United Beach Vacations (see CB Map pg. 52)
26. Victory Beach Vacations (see CB Map pg. 52)

Wrightsville Beach



Enjoy the easy island life

As North Carolina's most accessible beach from Interstate I-40, it's easy to get to Wrightsville Beach and easier to stay. Cross Wrightsville Beach's iconic drawbridge and leave your cares on the mainland. Surrounded by the Intracoastal Waterway and the ocean, this seaside town was recently named one of the world's best surf towns by *National Geographic*, and is the perfect place to practice all watersports: surfing, kite-boarding, stand up paddle-boarding, scuba diving, fishing, and boating. Cruise the water by kayak or paddle board, hang-ten in the surf, reel in a prize-worthy fish at sea, or just sit back and enjoy the spectacular views of the sunrise over the ocean or sunset during an evening harbor cruise.



Wrightsville Beach · NC

EASY TO GET HERE. EASIER TO STAY.

It's easy to find something to do at Wrightsville Beach – enjoy the white sandy beach, bike The Loop fitness trail, explore wildlife on nearby Masonboro Island or fish on Johnnie Mercer's Pier. A small history museum, narrated harbor cruises, eco-tours and pirate adventures, a waterbird sanctuary, and unique events from one of the best Iron distance triathlons in the world to stand-up paddleboard competitions to the annual winter holiday flotilla, voted one of the Top 20 Events in the Southeast, all enhance the coastal experience. Enjoy evenings dining outdoors on fresh seafood at local restaurants, watching the sunset over the marsh and listening to live music in the park.

This quaint and walkable island offers a village-like feel and a variety of places to make your home away from home including three full-service hotels, independently owned motels, vacation rentals and cottages from turn-of-the-century to modern marvels. Step out onto your balcony and breathe in the fresh ocean air in a place so magical the sun both rises and sets over the water. After just a few minutes here, you'll discover life is a little easier at Wrightsville Beach.

Wrightsville Beach

Map





Wrightsville Beach · NC
EASY TO GET HERE. EASIER TO STAY.

Wrightsville Beach Map

Things to Do

1. Johnnie Mercer's Fishing Pier
2. Masonboro Island
3. Wrightsville Beach Museum of History
4. Wrightsville Beach Park
5. Wrightsville Beach Parks & Recreation (see #4)
6. Wrightsville Beach Scenic Tours & Island Hopping Water Taxi
7. Shopping Districts



Accommodations

• Hotels/Motels •

1. Blockade Runner Beach Resort
2. Blockade Runner/The Cottage
3. Carolina Temple Island Inn
4. Harbor Inn
5. Holiday Inn Resort
6. One South Lumina Suites
7. Shell Island Resort
8. Silver Gull Motel
9. Summer Sands Suites
10. The Sandpeddler Motel & Suites
11. The Surf Suites
12. Waterway Lodge

• Vacation Rentals •

13. Bryant Real Estate
14. Holliday Vacation Inc
15. Intracoastal Realty Vacation Rentals
16. Laney Vacation Rentals (see CB Map pg 52)
17. Wrightsville Sands Realty



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Destination Weddings

Where the River and the Sea Meet for Romance

Surrounded by water, history, and natural beauty, Wilmington and our colorful island beaches, Carolina, Kure, and Wrightsville Beach, provide the ideal location for a wedding celebration.

Imagine a wedding or reception on the deck of the mighty World War II Battleship NORTH CAROLINA or aboard an authentic riverboat. Embrace under moss-draped live oaks at Airlie Gardens, or next to the elegance of a B&B or historic mansion. Enjoy waterfront views of the Wilmington Convention Center that capture the essence of the historic riverfront, while maintaining

an eco-friendly, innovative design.

If our seaside retreats, Carolina, Kure and Wrightsville Beach, are more your style, stand at the water's edge with the coastal sky and ocean as your backdrop. Or say your vows next to the serene undersea world of the North Carolina Aquarium at Fort Fisher. Guests can arrive early or stay late to enjoy the personality of each beach and fresh catch of vacation treasures.

From intimate celebrations to lavish parties, the area's professional wedding vendors will make the planning process easy for the smallest to largest of requests.

For more wedding resources, including assistance with pre-event planning, please visit www.WilmingtonAndBeaches.com or contact our Services Manager at 877-945-6386, ext. 122.

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Festivals & Annual Events

For a complete Calendar of Events, call the Wilmington and Beaches Convention & Visitors Bureau at 877-406-2356 or visit our website, www.WilmingtonAndBeaches.com. The following is a month-by-month sampling of area festivals and events.



● January

- Antique Show Festivals & Annuals Events
- Cold Stroke Classic
- Fort Fisher Anniversary Celebration
- Martin Luther King Jr. March
- Model Railroad Show & Sale

● February

- Camellia Show & Plant Sale
- Civil War Living History Weekend
- East Coast Shag Classic
- Intercultural Festival
- Moores Creek National Battlefield Anniversary Celebration
- NC Jazz Festival
- Wilmington Garden Show
- Wilmington Wine & Chocolate Festival

● March

- Cape Fear Wildlife Expo
- Coastal Living Show

• Encore Restaurant Week

- Festival of New Plays
- Herb & Garden Fair
- NC Black Film Festival
- Quintiles Wrightsville Beach Marathon

● April

- Azalea Festival Home & Garden Tours
- Earth Day Celebration
- Juried Spring Art Show & Sale
- NC Azalea Festival & Parade
- Pleasure Island Chowder Cook-off

● May

- Airlie Garden Concert Series (May-Oct.)
- Battleship Alive! Living History Event
- Battleship NC Memorial Day Observance
- Cape Fear Comedy Festival
- Cape Fear Independent Film Festival
- Cape Fear Marlin Tournament
- Coastal Classic Celebrity Golf Tournament



- Confederate Memorial Day/Fort Fisher
- Downtown Sundown Concert Series (May-Labor Day)
- Longboard Classic
- Mayfaire Music on the Town Concert Series (May-Labor Day)
- Orange Street Artfest
- Safari Hunt
- Seaside Soccer Classic
- Wilmington Greek Festival

• June

- Boardwalk Blast (June/Aug.)
- Carolina Beach Music Festival
- Cape Fear Shakespeare on the Green Festival
- Film & Fireworks Series (June/Aug.)
- Free Summer Concert Series (June/Aug.)
- Jazz in the Park
- Kure Beach Double Sprint Triathlon
- Surf-Sun-Sand Volleyball and Bocce Ball Tournament
- WECT Sounds of Summer Concerts

• July

- Bellamy Mansion's Jazz at the Mansion concert series (July-Oct.)
- Battleship Blast: July 4th Family Fireworks
- Cape Fear Blues Festival
- Cape Fear Blue Marlin Tournament
- Cape Fear 7's Rugby Tournament
- Civil War Summer Artillery Program
- East Coast "Got-Em-On" King Mackerel Tournament
- Pleasure Island 4th of July Fireworks
- Reef Sweetwater Surf Fest

• August

- African-American Heritage Festival
- Lumina Daze

• September

- ARTBlast Festival
- Downtown Art Walk
- Secret Garden Tour
- Wilmington Wine & Beer Walk
- YMCA Triathlon

• October

- Art in the Arboretum
- Backdoor Kitchen Tour
- Beach2Battleship Iron Distance Triathlon
- Cape Fear Fair & Expo (Oct./Nov.)
- Encore Restaurant Week
- Fort Fisher Fall Festival
- Ghost Ship
- Lighthouse International Beer Festival
- Oktoberfest
- Pleasure Island Seafood, Blues & Jazz Festival
- Pleasure Island Surf Fishing Challenge
- Poplar Grove's Halloween Festival
- Riverfest
- Trick or Treat Under the Sea



• November

- Beach Soccer Classic
- Cape Fear Kite Festival
- Cape Fear Wedding Show
- Christmas by the Sea (Nov./Dec.)
- Cucalorus Film Festival
- Enchanted Airlie (Nov./Dec.)
- Festival Latino
- Island of Lights Festival (Nov./Dec.)
- Model Railroad Show & Sale
- NC Holiday Flotilla & Festival in the Park
- NC Surf to Sound Challenge
- Polish Festival



• December

- Christmas Stroll through the Past
- Fort Fisher Holiday Open House
- Holiday Lighting of the Battleship NC
- Holiday Lights Trolley Tour
- Island of Lights Holiday Flotilla
- Island of Lights Christmas Parade
- Island of Lights Holiday Tour of Homes
- Moravian Candle Tea
- NC Symphony Holiday Pops Concert
- New Year's Eve Countdown Party & Fireworks Display
- New Year's Eve Celebration & Cruise
- Old Wilmington by Candlelight Tour
- Pearl Harbor Remembrance Weekend/ WWII Living History
- Poplar Grove's Plantation Christmas
- Wilmington Holiday Parade
- Wilmington Symphony Holiday Concert



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Surrounding Things to Do

1. Brunswick Town/Fort Anderson
2. Ev-Henwood Nature Preserve
3. Moores Creek National Battlefield
4. NC Maritime Museum at Southport



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