Fact Sheet

Newport Beach, California is a coastal wonderland located on a scenic, 10-mile stretch of pristine Southern California coast between Los Angeles and San Diego. With year-round Mediterranean climate, this idyllic town is a world-class destination for family fun, romance, and more – offering unparalleled opportunities for sightseeing, outdoor activities, water sports, fabulous dining, world-class shopping, and entertainment. In addition, a wide array of annual community events celebrating culinary arts, cinema, classic motorcars and more, ensure that there's something for everyone in Newport Beach.

Total Area

50 square miles: 25 miles of water / 15 miles of land / 10 miles of coastline.

Location

Situated 45 miles south of Los Angeles, 90 miles north of San Diego and 26 miles from Catalina Island, centered in the middle of the Orange County coastline.

Accessibility

Newport Beach is directly adjacent to John Wayne Airport (SNA); Long Beach Airport (is located 20 miles north); and Los Angeles International Airport (is located 45 miles north).

Climate

Year-round temperatures average about 67 degrees Fahrenheit/19.35 degrees Celsius (coldest reaches an average low of 49 in December, hottest, a high of 72 in August).

Destination

- 10 distinct and unique neighborhoods to explore
- Approximately 3,345 hotel rooms and 200,000 square feet of indoor and outdoor meeting space under a variety of branded and independent hotel flags.
- There are over 450 restaurants in Newport Beach.

- At just over 3 miles long, Newport Beach is one of the largest small-craft harbors in the U.S. with 7 residential islands and almost 9,000 privately owned yachts & sailboats. There really isn't another harbor like it between San Diego and San Francisco!
- Two famous frozen treats were created on Balboa Island
  - Frozen banana on a stick and dipped in chocolate with an assortment of toppings of your choice
  - Balboa Bar: Block of ice cream on a stick, dipped in chocolate and rolled in delicious toppings of your choice
- Home to architectural works by R.M. Schindler, John Lloyd Wright, Bart Prince and John Lautner, among others

Newport Beach Neighborhoods

Ten district neighborhoods make up Newport Beach, each lending a unique culture, charm, natural beauty and history to the city. They are: Airport District, Back Bay, Balboa Island, Balboa Peninsula, Balboa Village – Home of the Fun Zone, Cannery Village, Corona del Mar, Fashion Island, Mariner's Mile/Westcliff, Newport Coast/Crystal Cove.

Population

86,874 (2014)

Beach Facts

Beaches in Newport include Crystal Cove State Park, Corona del Mar State Beach and Newport Beach. Both Newport Beach Municipal & Crystal Cove State beaches were named "Best California Beaches" by USA TODAY 10 BEST in 2018. Two piers include Balboa Pier and Newport Pier. "The Wedge" remains a popular bodysurfing spot during extreme surfing conditions.

Newport Beach Accolades

- Newport Beach ranked among "Top 25 Beaches in the United States" – *Trip Advisor*, 2019
- Newport Beach among "7 Hugely Charming Coastal Towns in the United States" – *Trip Advisor*, 2019
- Newport Beach Christmas Boat Parade made the Top 10 Best reader's poll for Best Holiday Parade - *USA Today,* 2018
- Newport Beach made 'Top 50 Safest CA Cities' List: Report – SafeWise, 2018
- 'Best in Travel 2018' Rates John Wayne Airport Best in the U.S. – *Money*, 2018

- John Wayne Airport ranked highest among large airports – J.D. Power's 13th annual airport survey, 2018
- Newport Beach ranked "Top 125 Best Places to Live in the USA"– *U.S. News & World Report,* 2018
- Newport Beach among "Top 100 Best Places to Live "– Livability, 2018
- Newport Municipal & Crystal Cove State beaches named "Best California Beach" – *USA TODAY 10 BEST,* 2018
- Visit Newport Beach named Best CVB/DMO – *Successful Meetings* Pinnacle Awards - 2016
- Newport Beach named one of top 10 most romantic beaches – *USA TODAY*, 2015
- Newport Beach ranked top 50 Meeting Destinations in the United States – Cvent Inc., 2014
- Newport Beach & Company earns 1 Platinum Award for Website Overall / Nonprofit, 2 Gold Awards for Mobile Website and Website Element/Homepage - *Hermes Creative Awards, 2014*
- Newport Beach & Company earns 4 Silver Communicator Awards for Visit Newport Beach, Websites – Travel/Tourism, Visit Newport Beach, Websites – Structure and Navigation, Visit Newport Beach, Websites – Visual Appeal and Mobile sites – *Academy of Interactive & Visual Arts, 2014*
- Newport Beach & Company earns 2 Platinum AVA Digital Award website and homepage/web element - *Association of Marketing and Communications Professionals, 2014*
- Newport Beach & Company earns HSMAI Adrian 1 Gold Award for Mobile Website and 1 Silver Award for Desktop Website – *Hospitality Sales & Marketing Association International, 2013*
- Newport Beach & Company earns Mobile Web Award for Outstanding Mobile Website, *Web Marketing Association, 2013*
- Newport Beach & Company earns 4 gold awards for Magazine Placement, Website Home Page, Website Redesign, Website for Nonprofit – *MarCom Awards, 2013*
- Newport Beach ranked among the top three in best dressed small city – *Movoto, 2013*
- Newport Beach ranked among the top three in best city to live in – *Orange County Register, 2013*
- Newport Beach ranked top 50 Meeting Destinations in the United States – Cvent Inc., 2013
- Newport Beach & Company ranked #2 for best places to work in Orange County – *Orange County Business Journal, 2013*
- Newport Beach named one of the top 13 "Superstar" beaches and 5 star for

clean water quality – *National Resource Defense Council, 2013*

- Balboa Peninsula beaches, Newport Harbor, Corona del Mar State Beach and Crystal Cove State Park received A+ rating for "excellent water quality" with The Wedge landing on its Honor Roll - *Heal the Bay, 2013*
- Little Corona Beach ranked as one of the '55 Can't-Miss Local Favorites' - *OC Family, 2013*
- The Wedge ranked as one of seven local landmarks to see in 2013 - *OC Register, 2013*
- Ranked in America's Best Places for Holiday Lights - *Yahoo! Travel, 2012*
- One of "World's Most Beautiful Canal Cities" - *Travel + Leisure, 2012*
- Five Stars for Cleanest Beach in the U.S. - *CNN, 2012*
- Ranked One of the Cleanest Beaches in the U.S. - *USA Today, 2012*
- "Newport Beach is one of the '5 star' beaches with outstanding water quality in the nation" – *KTLA, 2012*
- "#2 U.S. Destination for Holiday Lights" – *Yahoo! Travel 2011*
- *"*Top 10 World's Best Holiday Lights*"*- *Frommer's2011*
- The Resort at Pelican Hill named #1 Golf Resort in the World – *Conde Nast Traveler Magazine, 2011*
- "Top 10 Best Family Beaches in U.S." – *Sherman's Travel, 2011*
- "Best Urban Beach in the World" – *BeachTomato.com, 2011*
- Top Wealth Center in the U.S." - *Portfolio.com, 2010*
- "#1 city to find the "Rich and Single" – *CNN Money, 2010*
- "Top 10 Holiday Happenings in the Nation"- *New York Times, 2009*
- "One of the top ten resort towns in the U.S." – *AOL Travel 2008*
- Home to the largest circular pool in the world (Resort at Pelican Hill)
- The longest-operating and only auto ferry in Southern California
- The longest-running and largest Christmas Boat Parade in the U.S.
- The largest recreational harbor on the West Coast and the only harbor in Orange County.
- The "Duffy" electric boat was invented in Newport Beach in 1970