



Laguna Beach, California - Fact Sheet



With more than 30 coves and beaches, Laguna Beach is the ideal spot for luxurious coastal fun. Whether you enjoy snorkeling, swimming, surfing, paddle boarding, playing volleyball or exploring the tide pools, the area's nearly eight miles of coastline offers something for everyone. Laguna Beach also features a large percentage of one-of-a-kind specialty shops and boutiques, and more beachfront lodging than any other city in California. Twenty-thousand acres of wilderness attract hikers, bicyclists, bird watchers and plein air painters to the verdant hills, dramatic cliffs and majestic canyons.

Population, Climate & Weather: The City of Laguna Beach has a population size of 24,500. Land is 8.8 square miles. Laguna Beach is known for its mild, year-round weather. Temperatures average from the mid-60's F (18° C) to about 80° F (26° C), with the coolest conditions from December to February and the warmest weather from July to October.

Location & Airport Access: Laguna Beach is located in the heart of Orange County ('The OC') adjacent to the Pacific Ocean with 7.1 miles of oceanfront vistas. Located 50 miles south of Los Angeles and 70 miles north of San Diego, Laguna Beach is accessible through Laguna Canyon or via Pacific Coast Highway. Laguna Beach is located 16 miles from John Wayne/Orange County Airport (SNA), 35 miles from Long Beach Airport (LGB), 54 miles from Los Angeles Int'l Airport (LAX), and 75 miles from San Diego Int'l Airport (SAN).

Attractions: Laguna Beach, Southern California's premier coastal destination, has been known as an artist's colony for more than 100 years. The annual festivals include: Laguna Beach Music Festival; Fete de la Musique; Laguna Art-A-Fair; Sawdust Art Festival; Festival of Arts Fine Art Show; Pageant of the Masters;; Laguna Dance Festival; Laguna Beach Plein Air Painting Invitational; Art & Nature; and Sawdust Art Festival Winter Fantasy.

New and Notable:

- Visit Laguna Beach's commitment to sustainability is reflected in the "[Leave No Trace Six Principles](#)" that give visitors an opportunity to make a difference while protecting the land and sea that surrounds Laguna Beach.
- The Ranch hotel just rolled out [The Shaper and The Painter @ The Ranch at Laguna Beach](#): Two new private cultural experiences available to hotel guests in collaboration with local creatives Gary Larson and John Cosby. *The Shaper* and *The Painter* immerse guests in two of Laguna beach's most iconic cultural elements - surfboard shaping and plein air painting – taught by our two local experts.
- Montage Hotels & Resorts is celebrating their 20 year anniversary of opening the doors to [Montage Laguna Beach](#). To celebrate 20 year of making Montage Memories, the resort is welcoming guests and locals with special events and offers all year long.

Fun Facts:

- Laguna Beach is home to more beachfront lodging than any other city in California!
- The Pacific Marine Mammal Center is free to the public, open daily and is located on Laguna Canyon Road. This rescue center, run by dedicated volunteers, rehabilitates marine mammals that are stranded along the 42 miles of Orange County coastline.
- Laguna Beach is a bird sanctuary and a marine life refuge. All of Laguna's marine refuge system is a fully protected marine reserve – nothing can be fished for, touched, or removed from this area.
- Many bungalows and cottages from the late 1800s to the early 1900s are still in existence and part of a self-guided tour.
- In 1918, artist Edgar Payne opened an art gallery that later became today's Laguna Art Museum, one of the first art museums in the state of California. Currently, there are more than 70 art galleries and 400 working artists in Laguna Beach.
- The Laguna Playhouse is the oldest, continuously operating Playhouse on the West Coast.
- Skimboarding started in Laguna Beach and dates back to the late 1920s when Laguna Beach lifeguards used to skim board on pieces of wood.
- Hotels & Restaurants - Hotel Laguna was the first hotel built in Laguna Beach and the first substantial business building. The structure as it now stands was built in 1930. Today, there are 20+ accommodations ranging from oceanfront resorts to quaint inns and hideaway escapes, located throughout town. To add to your stay, experience the 80+ restaurants Laguna Beach has to offer.
- The city of Laguna Beach has a Sister City Partnership with Menton, France (est. 2008); San Jose del Cabo, Mexico (est. 2012); and St. Ives, England (est. 2014). Laguna Beach Sister Cities Association, the designated volunteer committee serving as the official arm of the sister city program for Laguna Beach, promotes cultural, educational and business exchange.

About Laguna Beach

Laguna Beach is Southern California's premier coastal destination located midway between Los Angeles and San Diego and along the southern coast of Orange County. Known as home to hundreds of local artists, and set amid 20,000 acres of wilderness, Laguna Beach is primarily served by John Wayne Airport Orange County (SNA) located just 20 minutes away.

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