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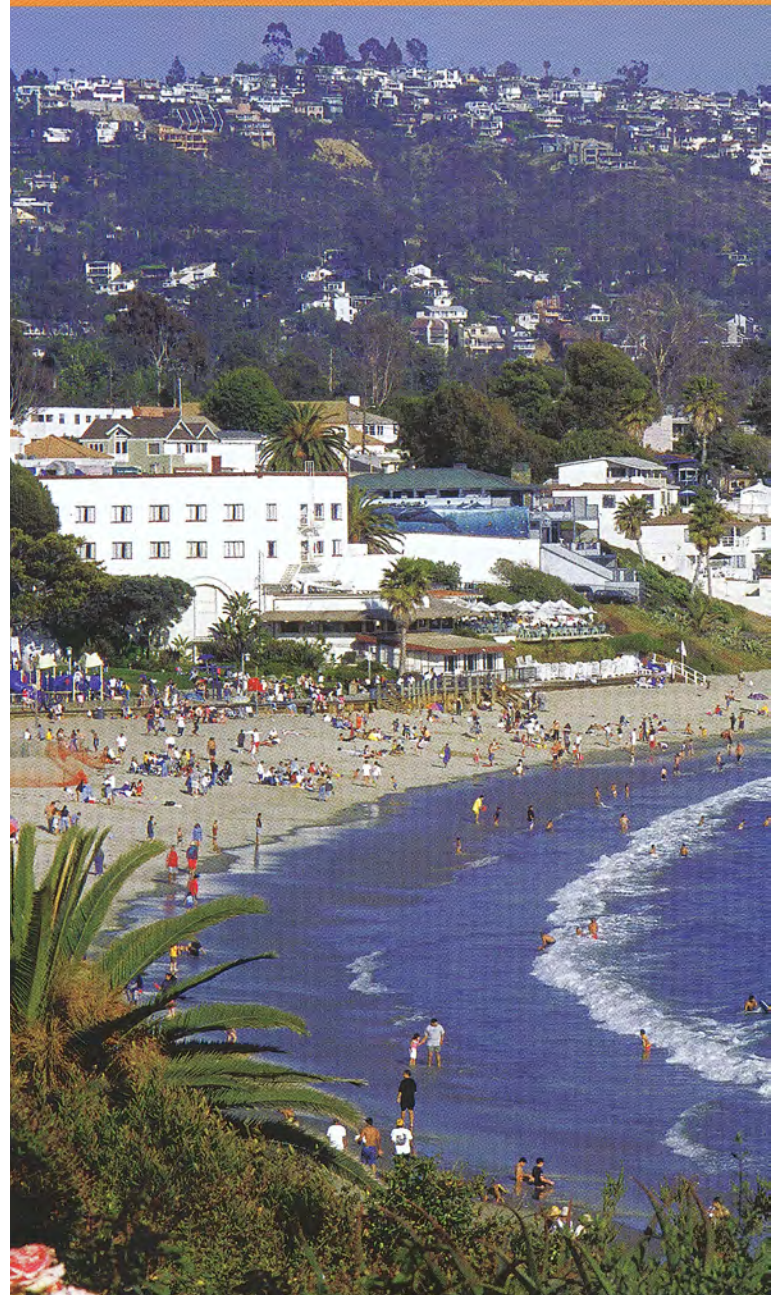
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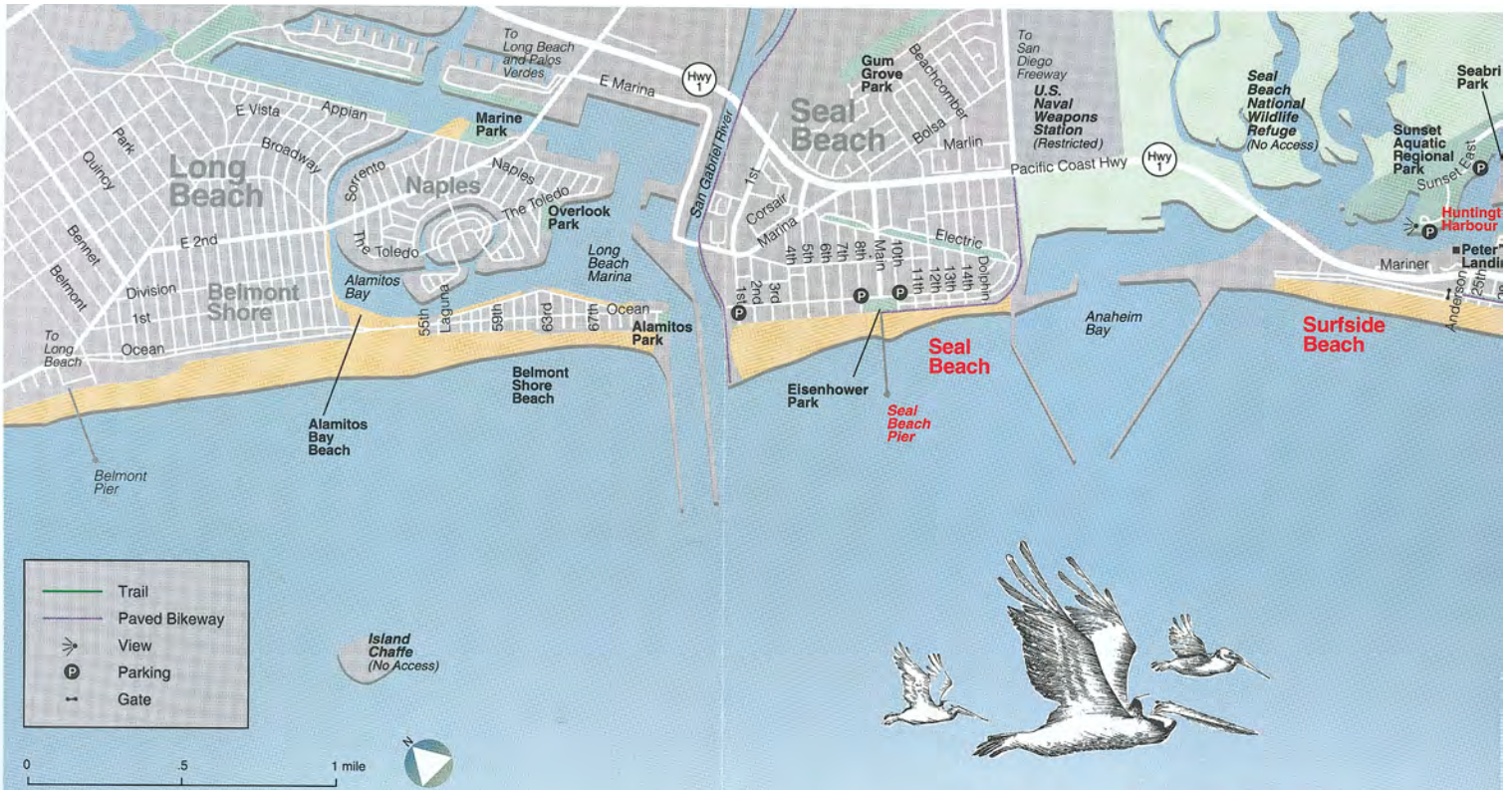
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Orange County is known for its excellent surfing conditions at Huntington Beach, the yacht harbor at Newport Beach, and the artists' community at Laguna Beach. The coast serves as a resort area for nearby residents due to its year-round warm weather, high cliffs, wide beaches, and sandy coves. This pleasant environment provides opportunities for swimming, sunbathing, boating, fishing, diving, and surfing.

From Seal beach to Newport Beach, broad sandy beaches are backed by low-lying plains and wetlands. Several of these wetlands have been established as nature preserves.

South of Newport Beach, uplifted marine terraces form cliffs at the water's edge, providing numerous coves for swimming and diving.

Orange County is named for the commercial groves of orange trees that once grew in the area beginning in the late 1800s.



Seal Beach

Long, sandy beach; popular surfing and wind surfing spot. Beach parking areas have bicycle racks, wheelchair-accessible restrooms, and dressing rooms. Bike path starting at the mouth of the San Gabriel River follows its south bank inland for several miles. Call: (562) 430-2613.



Seal Beach

Surfside Beach

Pedestrian and bicycle access only through the Anderson St. gate of the private Surfside community. No public parking. Poles for volleyball nets. Call: (562) 430-2613.

Seal Beach Pier

There is a restaurant and fish-cleaning counter at the end of the pier. The pier adjoins a park at the foot of Main Street. Playground at base of pier in sand. Restrooms are located under the pier and outdoor showers are located next to it; both are accessible by steep ramps.

Huntington Harbour

Some public docks and facilities are available; water entry from Anaheim Bay. At Peter's Landing, inland from Anderson Ave., some overnight slips are available for rental, and there is a pump-out station, restrooms, showers, and laundry; call: (714) 840-1387. Free boat launch ramp is at the southeast end of the harbor at Warner Ave.; parking lot has restrooms. Public dock also at Huntington Yacht Club. A fishing dock and metered parking are located nearby at the Earl D. Percy Marine Park. Seabridge Park has a sandy beach, playground, grassy areas, picnic tables, free parking, wheelchair-accessible restrooms, and an outdoor shower. Small public beaches are at the intersection of Davenport Dr. and Edgewater Lane and at Humboldt Dr. and Mandalay Circle.

Sunset Aquatic Regional Park has a small public marina at the end of Edinger Ave. Ocean access is from Anaheim Bay. Grassy areas with pathways and picnic tables overlook the bay; wheelchair-accessible picnic areas and restrooms. Several rented guest slips are available. Boat ramp is open 24 hours with a fee for use; register at office. Call: (714) 846-0179.





In 1901, developer built a resort they would rival Atlantic the new resort was Huntington Beach. He convinced Henry Huntington to extend his Pacific Electric Railway to the area. The resort included Seal Beach, Sunset Beach, and Balboa. The developer who arrived on the

Trinidad Island

Small island, mostly residential, has a waterfront park at the corner of Trinidad and Sagamore lanes. Park provides playground, sandy beach, outdoor shower, and wheelchair-accessible restrooms, and leads to a greenbelt crossing the island. A bike path and walkway parallels Venture Dr. and Typhoon Lane along the harbor, and meanders through the center of the island. Small public fishing dock off Venture Dr. walkway, open 5 am-10 pm.



Egret at Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve

Bolsa Chica State Beach

The beach provides fee parking lot, a visitor center, picnic areas, wheelchair-accessible restrooms, dressing rooms, and beach wheelchair. Enroute campsites are available for self-contained R.V.'s; reservations required; call: (800) 444-PARK. Paved multi-use path extends the length of the beach and connects to the Santa Ana River Trail in the south. Call: (714) 846-3460.

Blufftop Park, located on the low bluffs at the narrow southern end of the beach, has picnic areas and wheelchair-accessible vista points. There is pedestrian access to the beach area below from Pacific Coast Hwy. at Golden West, 20th, 17th, 14th, 11th, and 9th streets. A ramp at 9th St. runs from the highway to the sand; wheelchair-accessible pit toilet. Beach is not usable during high tide. At low tide clamming and fishing are popular. Good surfing.



Surfer at Huntington Beach

Huntington Beach Pier

The 1,850-foot-long pier has snack bars, several stores including a bait and tackle shop, and a restaurant. It is floodlit at night for fishing and surfing. Wheelchair-accessible restroom.



Huntington Beach Pier at sunset

Huntington State Beach

A two-mile-long sandy beach. Facilities include poles for volleyball nets, wheelchair-accessible restrooms, a two-mile-long multi-use path, beach wheelchair, and wheelchair access ramps that reach almost to the water. Pedestrian access at Beach Blvd., Newland St., Magnolia St., and Brookhurst Street. Group picnic sites at the ends of Newland and Brookhurst. Rangers and lifeguards are on duty all year. Call: (714) 536-1454.

Huntington City Beach

Site of international surfing competitions. Facilities include food and surf equipment concessions, beach wheelchairs, and sand volleyball courts. Stairways to beach between First St. and Beach Boulevard. Camping allowed November through the weekend before Easter. Call: (714) 536-5280.

Huntington Beach Wetlands (Talbert Marsh)

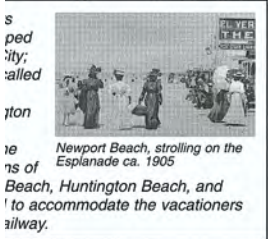
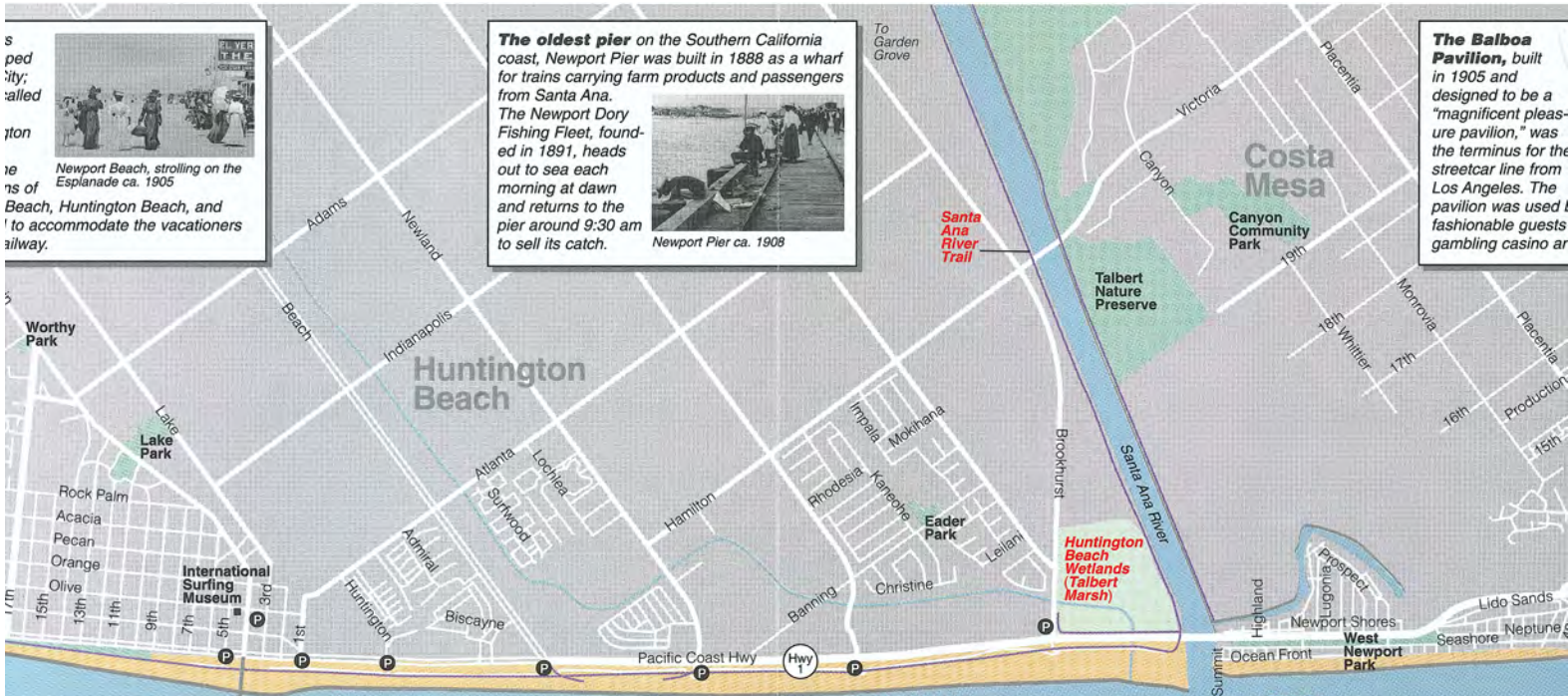
Restored salt marsh of over two dozen acres. A short, wheelchair-accessible path with interpretive signs runs along the marsh, connecting to the Santa Ana River Trail. Call: (714) 963-2123.

Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve

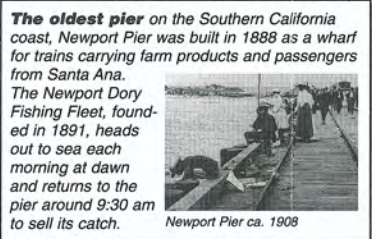
300-acre wetland reserve where thousands of birds can be seen. A parking lot and interpretive center is at Warner Ave. near Pacific Coast Hwy. (where shore fishing is allowed); call: (714) 846-1114. Another lot is on Pacific Coast Hwy. across from the main Bolsa Chica Beach entrance, and features a loop trail with interpretive signs and benches for wildlife viewing. Tours of the reserve on first Saturday of each month; call: (714) 840-1575.



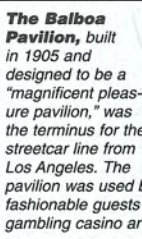
Huntington State Beach



Newport Beach, strolling on the Esplanade ca. 1905
Beach, Huntington Beach, and to accommodate the vacationers railway.



The oldest pier on the Southern California coast, Newport Pier was built in 1888 as a wharf for trains carrying farm products and passengers from Santa Ana.
The Newport Dory Fishing Fleet, founded in 1891, heads out to sea each morning at dawn and returns to the pier around 9:30 am to sell its catch.
Newport Pier ca. 1908



The Balboa Pavilion, built in 1905 and designed to be a "magnificent pleasure pavilion," was the terminus for the streetcar line from Los Angeles. The pavilion was used to accommodate fashionable guests and a gambling casino area.

Huntington City Beach
Huntington State Beach
Santa Ana River Mouth Beach



Huntington Beach Pier

Newport Beach & Pier
The long, sandy beach is narrow at the north end and wide at the southern end. Popular surfing spots just north of the pier and at small jetties between 18th and 56th streets. Volleyball nets; beach wheelchairs at lifeguard station. Outdoor showers and wheelchair-accessible restrooms are located at the base of the pier. The pier is a center for morning surfing and fishing; fish-cleaning sinks; restaurant. Tackle shops and shopping are nearby. For weather and surf conditions, call: (949) 673-3371.

Newport Harbor
Large yachting harbor with guest slips and 1,221 bay moorings for rent, and extensive boating facilities including pump-out stations. Harbor-master: 1901 Bayside Dr., Corona del Mar; or call: (949) 723-1002.

Balboa Beach & Pier
Most street ends lead to the beach, which provides wheelchair-accessible restrooms and equipment rentals near the Balboa Pier. Restaurant at end of the pier. Beach wheelchair available. Adjacent to the pier is Pier Plaza and Peninsula Park, with a bandstand, baseball diamonds, a playground, picnic tables, and barbecue grills. West Jetty Park overlooks the Wedge, a popular but dangerous surfing spot. For weather and surf conditions, call: (949) 673-3371.

Balboa Pavilion
Terminal for Catalina Island tours, harbor cruises, whale-watching trips, and charter boats; call: (949) 673-5245. A restaurant, gift shop, and banquet room also operate in the building. Other facilities include boat and motor rentals, fishing licenses, and bait and tackle sales. A small carnival has rides. A boardwalk runs along the bay to the Newport Harbor Yacht Club. Shops, food concessions, and restaurants are located near the Pavilion.



Newport Bay

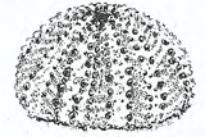
Balboa Island
Small island in Newport Harbor. A bayfront boardwalk circles the island with periodic small beaches and boat slips. Marine Ave. has shops and restaurants. There is a bridge to the island on the north side; an auto ferry connects the island to Balboa Peninsula on the south side; hours of operation—summer months: 24 hours; rest of year: until midnight Sun.-Thurs. and until 2 am Fri. and Sat.

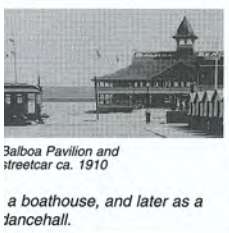
Newport Harbor Beaches
10th Street Beach and 18th Street ("Mother's") Beach are popular with families due to small waves. Lifeguard, shower and restrooms at 18th Street Beach. Stairs lead to M Street Beach in a residential area; showers. Small public beach at the end of Montero Street and another near the Yacht Club near Buena Vista Blvd. Limited metered and some free street parking. Most sandy beaches along north and south sides of Lido Isle are open to the public via several street-end public walkways; parks adjacent to walkways are private; pedestrian and bicycle access; very limited parking; no amenities.

Santa Ana River Trail
This paved multi-use trail runs along the west side of the Santa Ana River from the mouth to a bridge, where it crosses over to the east side and follows the river inland to Gypsum Canyon Bridge in Yorba Linda. An unpaved riding and hiking trail along the west side starts at Adams Street. A paved bikeway runs along the east side of the river as well.



Santa Ana River Mouth Beach
Sandy strip that runs along both sides of the river mouth. Street ends between Summit St. and 61st St. lead to the beach. Metered parking nearby. Call: (949) 499-3312.





Balboa Pavilion and streetcar ca. 1910
a bathhouse, and later as a tancehall.

Newport Dunes Aquatic Park

A 15-acre lagoon with swimming, boating, and camping facilities. Resort includes picnic tables, playground, volleyball and basketball courts, restaurant, swimming pool, and dressing rooms; entire facility is wheelchair accessible. Cabanas and other beach equipment can be rented. Boat ramp open 24 hours; launch fee. Slips and dry storage are available as well as paddleboard, kayak, sea cycle, wind surfboard, and sailboat rentals. Camping facilities include 406 R.V. spaces with full hookups; tent camping at R.V. sites. Reservations required. Call: (714) 729-DUNE. Reservations: (800) 288-0770.



Upper Newport Bay Ecological Reserve

Upper Newport Bay Ecological Reserve

752-acre estuary, intertidal mudflat, and salt marsh wildlife reserve; wintering area for migratory shorebirds and waterfowl. Hiking, biking, and riding trails; remain on established trails and roads. North Star Beach has a small-craft launch and

kayak rentals, fishing, wheelchair-accessible restrooms, showers, and free parking.

The Ecological Reserve is surrounded by the Upper Newport Bay Nature Preserve. An interpretive center is at 2301 University Drive at the corner of Irvine Ave.; call: (714) 973-6820. Newport Bay Naturalists and Friends offers guided bird-watching tours the second Saturday of October through March; no reservations required. Call: (714) 973-6826 or (949) 640-6746. The San Joaquin Marsh Reserve protects 202 acres of marsh above Newport Bay. Unpaved trail from Upper Newport Bay along west side of San Diego Creek passes near edge of Reserve. Stay on trail. For information on permits and group tours, call: (949) 824-6031.

Bayside Drive County Beach

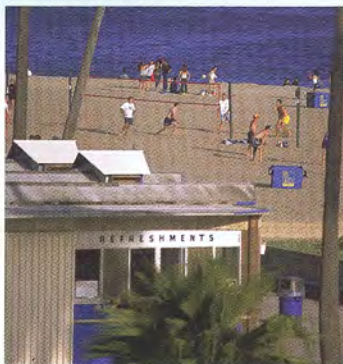
Sandy beach adjacent to the Orange County Sheriff/Harbor Patrol Bureau at 1901 Bayside Drive. Wheelchair-accessible restrooms and showers; volleyball net; jetty for fishing.

China Cove Beach

A pair of small sandy coves along the harbor channel; volleyball net. Pedestrian access from Shell and Cove streets, and from two stairways from Ocean Blvd.: one at foot of Fernleaf and one from Lookout Point at foot of Goldenrod.

Rocky Point

Small sandy cove along harbor channel with many small, wave-formed caves. Access is by stairs or footpaths down the bluff from Ocean Blvd. near the foot of Heliotrope Avenue. Paths also lead from China Cove Beach and over the rocks from Corona del Mar State Beach.



Corona del Mar

Corona del Mar State Beach

Popular large sandy beach. Fee parking lot at the beach; free parking on the bluff. Beach facilities include picnic tables, volleyball nets, wheelchair-accessible restrooms, dressing rooms, beach wheelchair, and food and equipment concessions; rock jetty area used by surfers. A concrete path with overlooks and benches leads from Inspiration Point, a grassy area at the foot of Orchid Ave. The beach can also be reached from the foot of Jasmine St. at Lookout Point, a grassy park with benches and views. Call: (949) 644-3151 or (949) 644-3047.

Little Corona del Mar Beach

Sandy cove with rocky tidepools and reefs. A walkway leads down to the beach from the foot of Poppy Avenue. Call: (949) 640-3151 or (949) 644-3047. Newport Marine Life Refuge is offshore; tours offered; call: (949) 644-3038 for reservations.

TIDEPOOL ETIQUETTE



Several of the beaches in southern Orange County have tidepools. Plants and animals in tidepools are very sensitive to human contact.

To preserve tidepools, please observe the following rules:

- Watch where you step. Step only on bare rock or sand.
- Don't touch any living organisms. Most tidepool animals are protected by a coating of slime. Touching them with dry hands can damage these animals.
- Don't poke or prod tidepool animals with a stick. Don't attempt to pry animals off of rocks.
- Leave everything as you found it (or cleaner by picking up any garbage you come across). Collecting organisms is illegal in most tidepools and will kill them.



Crystal Cove at sunset

Crystal Cove State Park includes Pelican Point, Los Trancos, Reef Point, and El Moro Canyon.

Crystal Cove State Park

Rocky coves, sandy beaches, grassy terraces, and wooded canyons. Visitors can dive, sport fish, swim, and surf; tidepools are plentiful. For information on diving and fishing, or to make campsite reservations, call: (949) 494-3539.

Pelican Point has blufftop trails, overlooks, and steep beach access ramps; diving access. A large parking lot is located at **Los Trancos**. Paved path on south end by restrooms leads to access tunnel under the highway, then a pathway past cottages in the **Historic District** to a sandy beach with tidepools and a visitor center; beach wheelchair; handicapped parking only below highway.

Pathway can also be reached by crossing highway at the crosswalk

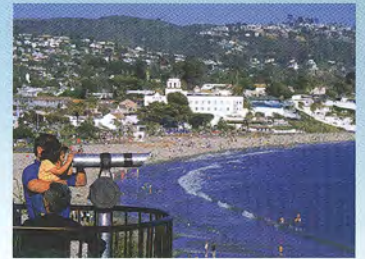
Reef Point has two steep, paved ramps and a stairway to a sandy beach with tidepools. Diving access; hiking trail and bike path. Pit toilets on beach at bottom of both ramps. Parking lots at above units have wheelchair-accessible restrooms, outdoor showers, and dressing rooms.

The **El Moro Canyon** unit provides access to inland campsites and 18 miles of hiking, bicycling, and equestrian trails. Water available only at ranger stations. No direct beach access. Visitor center has wheelchair-accessible restrooms. The adjacent, undeveloped **Laguna Coast Wilderness Park** can be entered on special public access days, including weekends; call ahead: (949) 494-9352.



Northern Laguna Beaches

Several small, rocky coves north of Laguna's main beach can be reached by walkways off Cliff Dr.: Crescent Bay, which provides restrooms, volleyball net, and lifeguard, is accessible from a stairway off Circle Way and from a steep ramp off Barranca St.; Shaw's Cove from the west end of Fairview St.; Fisherman's Cove and Divers Cove from walkways in the 600 block of Cliff Dr.; Picnic Beach from a ramp at the west end of Myrtle St. in Heisler Park; and Rockpile Beach from stairs at the west end of Jasmine St. in Heisler Park. Picnic Beach has a lifeguard and showers. Good tidepools and wildlife viewing. Signs at all beach and cove accessways explain fishing regulations.



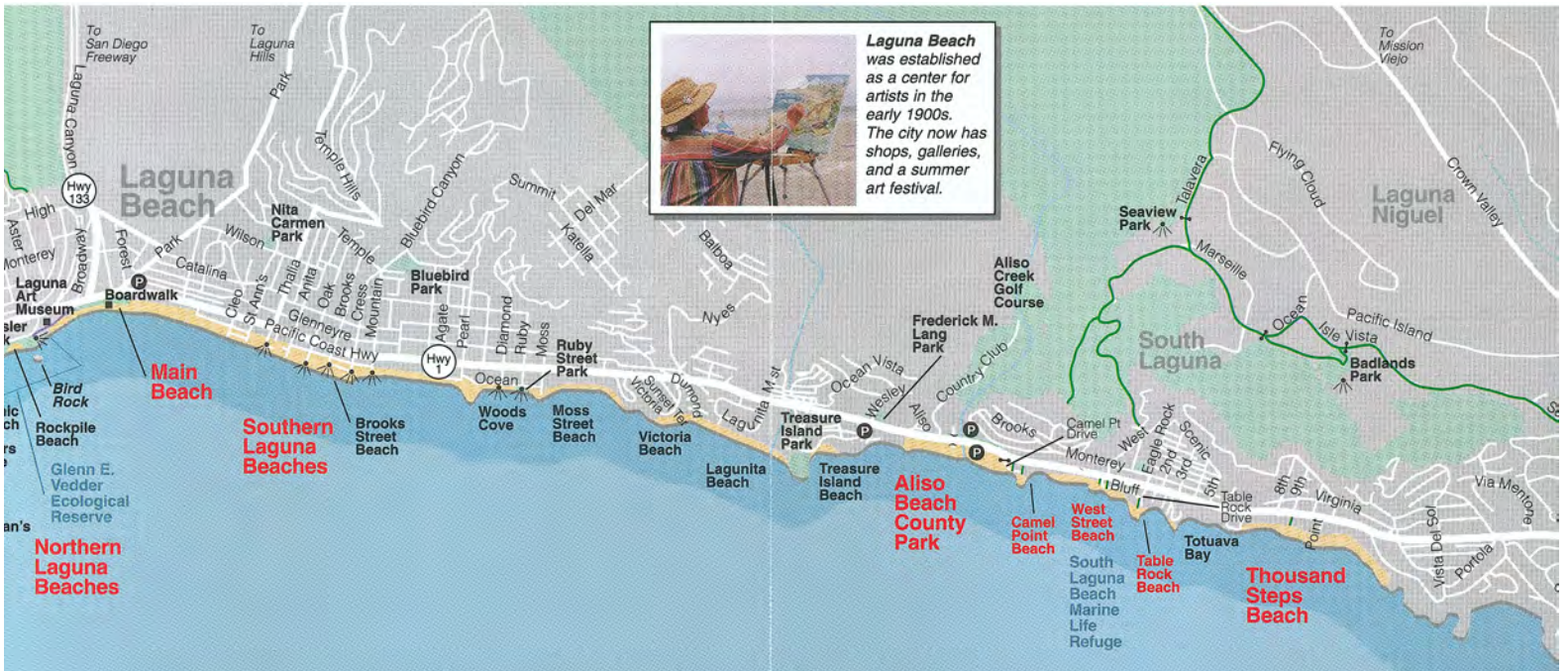
Laguna Beach lookout

Main Beach

Sandy beach and grassy area. A frontage park includes a boardwalk, benches and tables, a playground, and basketball and volleyball courts. Restrooms at north and south end of beach; restrooms at south end are wheelchair-accessible. Beach wheelchairs at lifeguard headquarters at north end. Outdoor showers at both ends. Walkway leads to Heisler Park on the bluff, which has picnic tables, showers, shuffleboard, and lawn bowling. Call: (949) 497-0706.



Volleyball, Laguna Beach



Laguna Beach was established as a center for artists in the early 1900s. The city now has shops, galleries, and a summer art festival.

Southern Laguna Beaches

The following street ends, from north to south starting just south of the main beach, have paths and/or stairs to small sandy and rocky beaches: Cleo St., St. Ann's Dr., Thalia St. (with wheelchair-accessible viewing platform and bench), Anita St., Oak St. (with wheelchair-accessible viewing platform and bench), Brooks St. (popular surfing spot), Cress St., Mountain Rd., Bluebird Canyon Dr., Agate St., Pearl St., Diamond St., and Moss



Camel Point

Aliso Beach County Park

Aliso Beach is popular for boogie boarding, with picnic tables, grills, a play area, concessions, and a snack bar. Beach wheelchairs available from lifeguard headquarters; call: (949) 499-3312. Park extends onto the east side of Pacific Coast Hwy.; beach and inland sides are connected by a pedestrian tunnel; fee parking. Call: (949) 661-7013 x21.

Table Rock Beach

A stairway at the end of Table Rock Dr. leads to a sandy cove at the southern end of Aliso Beach County Park. Limited street parking.

Thousand Steps Beach

A long, steep stairway on Pacific Coast Hwy. at the foot of 9th Ave. leads down the bluff to the beach. Limited street parking.

Salt Creek Beach Park

The long, sandy beach is a popular surfing spot. Parking and wheelchair-accessible restrooms are available at a metered lot on Ritz Carlton Drive. From the west side of the lot, a paved path leads to the beach and to Bluff Park, which has barbecue grills, picnic tables, and wheelchair-accessible restrooms.

Just south of Ritz Carlton Drive, a pedestrian gate, open 24 hours, leads through the hotel grounds to a paved path along the blufftop with benches and overlooks providing views, including gray whale migration routes. At its northern end, the path joins a paved multi-use trail leading north along the shoreline. Stairways and paths lead from the trail to the beach, changing rooms, outdoor showers, restrooms, snack bar, and a path along the seawall. Paths and trails lead along a golf course and into a regional park featuring several miles of trail for hiking, biking, and horseback riding.

The southern entrance to Salt Creek Beach Park is off Selva Rd. and features free parking, picnic tables, barbecue grills, restrooms, and path and stairs to Dana Strands Beach. Call: (949) 661-7013 x21.



Salt Creek Beach Park

Three Arch Cove Beach

A long walk from the north end of Salt Creek Beach Park, past the private Monarch Beach community, leads over shoreline rocks and large boulders to a small sandy cove. Public access across the Monarch Beach shoreline must be on wet sand at low tide only. Tidepools are plentiful. Respect private property.



Woods Cove

Street. Woods Cove can be reached from a stairway at the 1900 block of Ocean Way between Diamond and Pearl. Sandy strip containing Victoria, Lagunita, and Treasure Island beaches can be reached from the foot of Sunset Terrace and the foot of Dumond Dr., both off Victoria Drive. Limited on-street parking. Good surfing and diving.



Coves in South Laguna



Marine Protected Areas

There are several types of Marine Protected Areas along the Orange County coast (see map for locations). Marine Life Refuges prohibit the disturbance or taking of most marine animals and plants. Underwater Parks also protect marine life and offer excellent snorkeling and scuba diving opportunities. The Glenn E. Vedder Ecological Reserve in Laguna Beach carries the most stringent restrictions - no swimming, diving, fishing (except from shore), collecting of any kind, or boating is allowed.

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San Clemente Municipal Pier

A popular fishing pier with fish-cleaning sinks, a bait and tackle shop, restrooms and lifeguard tower. The beach area has picnic facilities, outdoor showers, and wheelchair-accessible restrooms. Avenida Del Mar has metered parking, and leads to the beach and the pier. There is one underpass to the beach; all other access is across railroad tracks. Restaurant at the base of the pier. Call: (949) 361-8219.

San Clemente State Beach

Tent and full hookup camping sites on the bluff at the southern end of the park, with one group site for up to 50 people. Three tent and three hookup campsites are wheelchair-accessible, as are restrooms and showers. Two steep trails lead to the beach. Beach wheelchair available at entrance kiosk. Calafia Beach Park provides access to the narrow sandy beach via a controlled pedestrian crossing at the railroad tracks. Facilities include metered parking, picnic areas, snack bar, and wheelchair-accessible restrooms. At the north end of Plaza a la Playa street is a tunnel that crosses under railroad tracks and leads to the beach. Surfing is allowed in designated areas. Call: (949) 492-3156 or (949) 492-0802.



San Clemente City Beach

For more information on coastal towns in Orange County, call the appropriate Visitors Bureau or Chamber of Commerce:

Seal Beach(562) 799-0179
 Huntington Beach .(800) SAY OCEAN
 Newport Beach . . .(800) 94-COAST
 Laguna Beach(800) 877-1115
 Dana Point(800) 290-DANA
 San Clemente(949) 492-1131

Information on beach closures/ high bacterial levels(714) 667-3752
 Public transit information.....(714) 636-RIDE

For information on coastal and marine education opportunities in Orange County visit www.coastforyou.org.

To receive a free copy of *A Wheelchair Riders Guide: Los Angeles and Orange County Coast*, call (510) 286-0933 or e-mail calcoast@igc.org.

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