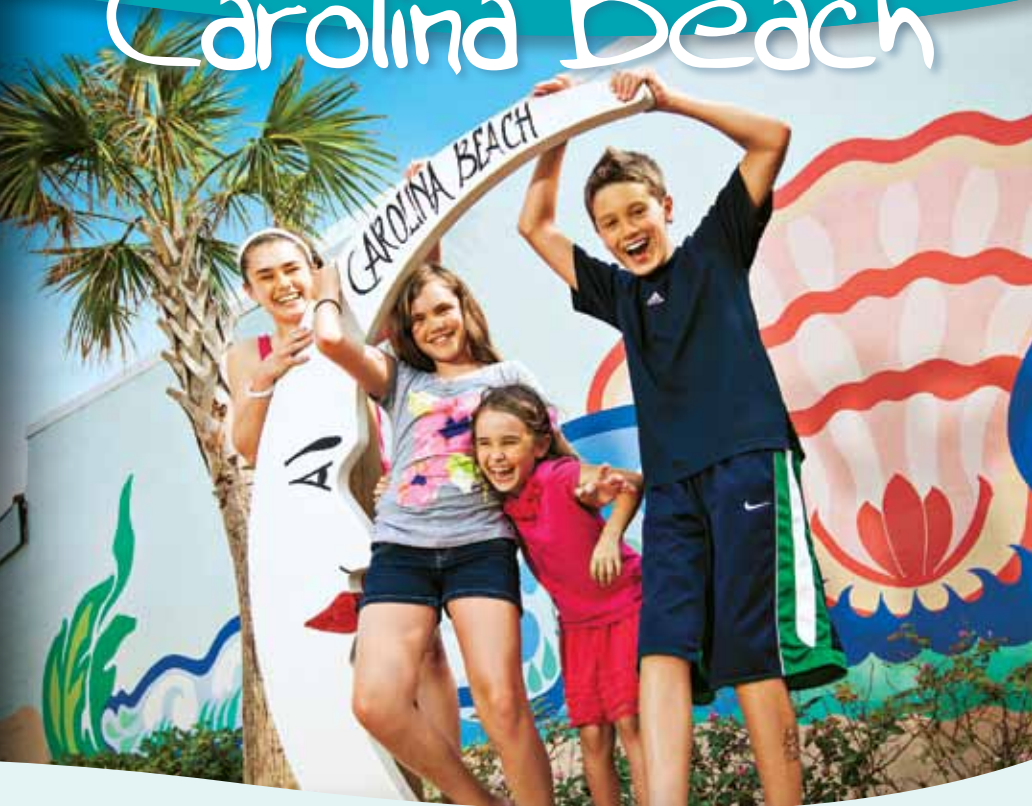


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There's always something original to do in Carolina Beach, whether you are here for a long vacation or weekend getaway. Hula-hoop on the beach, shag to tunes at beach music and jazz and blues festivals, or cruise the waters on a chartered party boat 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



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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.



Things to Do

•Historical & Cultural•

• Carolina Beach Boardwalk

Wrap yourself in nostalgia along the oceanfront Carolina Beach Boardwalk (c. 1896). Stroll the wooden planks along the dunes or enjoy the restaurants, souvenir shops, arcade, boutiques, doughnut and ice cream stands, seasonal activities, and amusements. Annual events held by the Boardwalk and at the adjacent Gazebo include the Carolina Beach Music Festival (June), July 4th street dance, fireworks, weekly concerts (June-Aug.),

and more. Located between Harper and Charlotte Aves., 28428.

• Federal Point History Center

Exhibits and audio-visual presentations portray periods in the Federal Point community, including pre-historic, Colonial, Civil War and development of Carolina/Kure Beaches and Seabreeze as tourist attractions. 1121-A N. Lake Park Blvd., Carolina Beach, 28428. Admission is free. ☎

► Hours: Tues. 10-4pm, Fri.-Sat. 10am-4pm.

☎: 910-458-0502

•Tours & Cruises•

• Winner Party Boat Fleet

Narrated/sunset/dinner and moonlight dance cruises along the Intracoastal Waterway and Cape Fear River, aboard some of North Carolina's largest passenger vessels. Cocktail bar; private and large group charters available. Admission charged.

☎: Call for schedule: 910-458-5356; for Gulf Stream fishing trips: 910-458-FISH; www.winnerboats.com

•Entertainment and Amusements•

• Carolina Beach Jungle Mini Golf/ Batting Cages

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► Hours: 12-10pm (April-May); 10am-10pm (June-Sept.)

☎: 910-458-8888

• Outdoor Activities •

From the shores of the Atlantic Ocean to the banks of the Cape Fear River, Carolina Beach offers activities for all nature lovers. Carolina Beach is a Certified USLA Lifeguard Agency, meaning lifeguards are on duty from Memorial Day to Labor Day to keep you and your family safe. For free access to beach ability equipment/services, call 910-458-2977. ☎

• Aquatic Adventures

Discover more than 2,000 shipwrecks while diving along North Carolina's coast. Area dive shops provide instruction, charters, certification and equipment rental. For outfitters and rentals:

► www.VisitCarolinaBeachNC.com

• Bicycling/Skateboarding

Two-wheel it on the all-paved bike path that runs south to Fort Fisher. For area cycling information, visit www.capefearcyclists.org. Skateboarders are welcome at Carolina Beach Skate Park.

☎: 910-458-2977, www.carolinabeach.org

• Bird-watching

Carolina Beach State Park includes a North Carolina Birding Trail Site, as do Fort Fisher State Historic Site, Fort Fisher Recreation Area, North Carolina Aquarium at Fort Fisher, and Zeke's Island National Estuarine Research Reserve in the Cape Fear River. For a free North Carolina Birding Trail Brochure: www.ncbirdingtrail.org/coast.asp. For birding information: www.nc.audubon.org.

• Boating/Marinas

Whether you own your own or want to rent a boat, Carolina Beach has you covered. Outfitters rent skiffs, outboards and personal watercraft, kayaks, and canoes. Carolina Beach Fishing Center and Marina offers a large recreational fishing fleet and party/cruise boats. For marina/boating information:

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• Fishing

The convergence of the Cape Fear River, the

Intracoastal Waterway, and the Atlantic Ocean creates an angler's paradise with year-round fishing and tournaments. Fishing charters and head boats depart from Carolina Beach Fishing Center and Marina, located less than 60 nautical miles from the Gulf Stream. Pier/surf and inshore fishing yields mackerel, flounder, drum, blue fish, spots and trout, depending on the season.

► www.VisitCarolinaBeachNC.com

• Kiteboarding

When there's wind, there's kiteboarding on Carolina Beach. Explore this new and popular sport by visiting a local outfitter for lessons and equipment.

• Surf Schools

Carolina Beach is the ideal setting for surf lessons. The area is home to several camps and eco-friendly surfing schools that can acquaint you with water and board. For local surf schools:

► www.VisitCarolinaBeachNC.com





• Campgrounds

For a list of campgrounds, visit
▶ www.VisitCarolinaBeachNC.com

• Parks, Garden & Nature-Based Tourism •

• Carolina Beach Lake Park

Paddleboat rentals, play area and amphitheatre. Paddleboats operate daily during the summer and weekends/holidays during the shoulder seasons. Hwy. 421 and Atlanta Ave., Carolina Beach, 28428.

☎: Call Carolina Beach Parks and Recreation,
910-458-2977

• Carolina Beach Parks and Recreation

Carolina Beach's programs provide recreation, sports, youth/adult programs, and special events. Public parks include Mike Chappell Park, Carolina Beach Lake Park, McDonald Park, and Freeman Park. Other town venues include Carolina Beach Recreation Center, Snow Cut's Bike Path, and Carolina Beach Municipal Marina.

☎: 910-458-2977, www.carolinabeach.org

• Carolina Beach Skate Park

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☎: 910-458-2977, www.carolinabeach.org

● **Carolina Beach State Park**

Hike along 761 acres of nature trails with more than 30 species of trees, shrubs and plants, including the Venus flytrap. The park is equipped with a visitor's center, wheelchair-accessible fishing pier, picnic areas and camping as well as a marina with boat ramp. Educational programs are offered. Off US 421 South, Carolina Beach, 28428. Charges apply for camping. ♿

▶ Hours: daily, 8am-6pm, extended during summer; closed Christmas Day.

☎: Park office: 910-458-8206

● **Freeman Park Recreation Area**

Approximately one mile north on Canal Dr., the Freeman Park Recreation Area offers camping and 4-wheel-drive access with a permit. Restrictions and codes, however, are enforced. Freeman Park's rules and regulations are available online.

☎: 910-458-4614, www.carolinabeach.org/site_new/pages/freeman_park.html



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• Piers •

• Carolina Beach Fishing Pier

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☎: 910-458-5518

• Shopping •

Find original shopping opportunities around every corner at Carolina Beach. Peruse one of the unusual retail/dining complexes along Carolina Beach Ave., Lake Park Blvd. and Cape Fear Blvd., where you'll find distinctive boutiques, bookstores, beach-gear outlets, specialty shops and tackle shops. For a comprehensive list of stores, visit www.VisitCarolinaBeachNC.com.

• Nightlife •

Let loose along the Carolina Beach shore and let the crashing waves be the beat you dance to. Tiki bars and seasonal festivals and events create an always-lively nightlife. Island newspapers provide weekly listings of local happenings.

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Carolina Beach Restaurants

Restaurant Name	Address	Phone	Cuisine Type	Meal Cost	Serves
A&G BBQ and Chicken	800 S. Lake Park Blvd. 28428	910-458-8620	BBQ	under \$10	SB/L/D
Bowman's Seafood Restaurant	911 N. Lake Park Blvd. 28428	910-458-6292	American, Seafood	\$10-\$20	L/D
Britt's Donut Shop	#11 Boardwalk 28428	910-707-0755	Doughnuts	under \$10	
Deck House Casual Dining	205 Charlotte Ave. 28428	910-458-1026	Variety	\$15-\$30	D
Granny's Country Kitchen	1310 S. Lake Park Blvd. 28428	910-458-0515	Southern	under \$10	B/L
Hang Ten Grill	308 S. Lake Park Blvd. 28428	910-458-5959	Variety	under \$10	B/L/D
Havana's Fresh Island Seafood	1 N. Lake Park Blvd. 28428	910-458-2822	Variety	\$10-\$20	D/SB
Hurricane Alley's	5 Boardwalk Way 28428	910-707-0766	Variety	under \$10	L/D/LN
Island Hots	103A Cape Fear Blvd. 28428	910-274-5875	American	under \$10	L/D
Kate's Pancake House	102 S. Lake Park Blvd. 28428	910-458-3663	Variety	under \$10	B/L
Michaelangelo's Pizza & Subs	9 S. Lake Park Blvd. 28428	910-458-4100	Italian	\$10-\$15	L/D
Michael's Seafood Restaurant & Catering	1206 N. Lake Park Blvd. 28428	910 458-7761	Seafood	\$10-\$20	L/D
Nikki's Gourmet & Sushi Bar	6 South Lake Park Blvd. 28428	910-707-0802	Asian/Mediterranean	\$10-\$20	L/D
Ocean Grill & Tiki Bar	1211 S. Lake Park Blvd. 28428	910-458-2000	Seafood	\$10-\$20	L/D
Shuckin Shack Oyster Bar	6 N. Lake Park Blvd. 28428	910-458-7380	American, Seafood	\$10-\$20	L/D/LN
Squigley's Ice Cream & Treats	208 S. Lake Park Blvd. 28428	910-458-8779	Ice Cream	under \$10	
Surf House Café	604 N. Lake Park Blvd. 28428	910-707-0422	American	under \$10	B/L
Tangerine Caribbean Grill	300 N. Lake Park Blvd. 28428	910-707-0202	Caribbean	\$10-\$15	L/D/LN
Uncle Vinny's Pizzeria & Ristorante	1012 S. Lake Park Blvd. 28428	910-458-2028	Italian	\$10-\$15	L/D/LN
Zaaki Grill	716 N. Lake Park Blvd. 28428	910-707-0022	Mediterranean	under \$10	L/D

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Atlantic Towers	1615 S. Lake Park Blvd. 28428 www.atlantic-towers.com	910-458-8313 • 800-BEACH40	120	No	Yes
Beach House Inn & Suites	412 Carolina Beach Ave. N. 28428 www.beachhouseinnandsuites.com	910-458-5557 • 866-458-5558	22	No	No
Beachside Inn	616 S. Lake Park Blvd. 28428 www.beachsideinn.net	910-458-5598	19	No	No
Beacon House Inn Bed & Breakfast	715 Carolina Beach Ave. N. 28428 www.beaconhouseinnb.com	910-458-6244 • 877-232-2666	2	Some	No
Buccaneer Motel	201 Cape Fear Blvd. 28428	910-458-8506	17	Yes	Yes
Cole's Motel	213 Raleigh Ave. 28428	910-458-5176	20	Yes	Yes
Courtyard by Marriott at Carolina Beach	100 Charlotte Ave. 28428 www.courtyardcarolinabeach.com	910-458-2030	144	No	Yes
Dolphin Lane Motel	318 Carolina Beach Ave. N. 28428 www.dolphinlane.com	910-458-5594 • 800-725-4647	43	No	Yes
Drifter's Reef Motel	701 N. Lake Park Blvd. 28428 www.driftersreefmotelcarolinabeach.com	910-458-5414	65	Yes	Yes
Dry Dock Family Motel	300 S. Lake Park Blvd. 28428	910-458-8346	36	No	Yes
Golden Sands Motel	1211 S. Lake Park Blvd. 28428 www.goldensandscarolinabeach.com	910-458-8334 • 888-458-8334	113	No	Yes
Joy Lee Apartments	317 Carolina Beach Ave. N. 28428	910-458-8361	4	No	Yes
Mermaid Manor	308 Carolina Beach Ave. N. 28428 www.mermaidmanorc.com	910-231-2418	4	Yes	No
Microtel Inn & Suites	907 N. Lake Park Blvd. 28428 www.microtelinn.com	910-458-1300 • 866-888-9919	59	No	Yes
North Pier Ocean Villas	1800 Canal Dr. 28428 www.northpiervillas.com	910-458-4062 • 800-476-1589	39	No	Yes
Oceaneer Motel	1621 S. Lake Park Blvd. 28428 www.oceaneermotel.com	910-458-8537 • 800-447-0094	28	No	Yes
Russo's Motel	213 Cape Fear Blvd. 28428 www.russosmotel.com	910-458-5281	18	Yes	Yes
Sea & Sun Motel	501 S. Lake Park Blvd. 28428	910-458-7918	9	No	Yes
Sea Ranch Motel	1123 S. Lake Park Blvd. 28428 www.visitsearanch.com	910-458-8681 • 800-849-8977	45	No	Yes
Sea Witch Motel	224 Carolina Beach Ave. N. 28428 www.seawitchmotelcarolinabeach.com	910-707-0058	16	No	No
Smith Cottages	315 Carolina Beach Ave. N. 28428	910-458-8361	3	Yes	No
Surfside Motor Lodge	234 Carolina Beach Ave. N. 28428 www.surfsidecb.com	910-458-8338 • 800-516-9884	64	Yes	No
The Savannah Inn	316 Carolina Beach Ave. N. 28428 www.thesavannahinn.com	910-458-6555 • 800-334-8533	21	No	No
Wanda Inn Motel	4 N. Lake Park Blvd. 28428	910-458-8367	14	No	No
Welcome Inn	207 N. Lake Park Blvd. 28428	910-458-5539	10	No	No



• Bed & Breakfast Inns

Hotel Name	Address/Website	Phone	Rooms	Pets	♿
Beacon House Inn Bed & Breakfast	715 Carolina Beach Ave. N. 28428 www.beaconhouseinnb.com	910-458-6244 • 877-232-2666	7	Some	No

• Vacation Rentals

Hotel Name	Address/Website	Phone	Rooms	Pets	♿
Beach Girls Realty	203 N. 8th St. 28428 www.beachgirlsrealty.com	910-458-5611	4	Some	Some
Blue Water Realty	1000 S. Lake Park Blvd. 28428 www.bluewaterrealtyinc.com	910-458-3001 • 866-458-3001	67	Yes	Some
Bryant Real Estate	1401 N. Lake Park Blvd. 28428 www.bryantre.com	910-458-5658 • 800-994-5222	85	Some	Some
Bullard Realty, Inc.	1404 S. Lake Park Blvd. 28428 www.bullardrealtyonline.com	910-458-4028 • 800-327-5863	100	Some	Some
Carolina Beach Realty	1009 N. Lake Park Blvd. B3 28428 www.carolinabeachrealty.net	910-458-4444 • 877-456-4311	92	Some	Some
Gardner Realty Rentals	1009 N. Lake Park Blvd. C4 28428 www.gardnerrealtyrentals.com	910-458-8503 • 800-697-7924	37	Some	Some
Intracoastal Realty Vacation Rentals	1206 N. Lake Park Blvd. 28428 www.intracoastalrentals.com	910-458-2100 • 855-802-9347	53	Some	Some
Island Beach Rentals/Walker Realty	501 N. Lake Park Blvd. 28428 www.carolinabeach-nc.com	910-458-3388	23	Yes	Some
Laney Vacation Rentals	123 Harper Ave. 28428 www.laneyvacationrentals.com	910-458-5604 • 800-455-1594	18	Some	Some
Network Real Estate Beach Vacations	1029 N. Lake Park Blvd. 28428 www.networkcarolinabeach.com	910-458-8562 • 877-489-1249	90	Yes	Some
Ocean Breeze Properties	1018 N. Lake Park Blvd. #22 28428 www.oceanbreezenc.com	910-707-0308	10	Some	Some
Palm Air Realty	133 Fort Fisher Blvd. N. 28428 www.palmairrealtync.com	910-458-5269	19	Some	Some
United Beach Vacations	1001 N. Lake Park Blvd. 28428 www.unitedbeachvacations.com	910-458-9073 • 800-334-5806	150	Some	Some
Victory Beach Vacations	206 Fayetteville Ave. 28428 www.victorybeachvacations.com	910-458-0868 • 888-256-4804	108	Some	Some

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