



VENTURA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA WELCOMES AOPA WITH SUGGESTIONS ON WHAT TO DO WHILE YOU'RE IN TOWN, APRIL 28-29

Get Cultured – Home to dozens of theaters, art galleries, museums, and historic sites, like Mission San Buenaventura, the ninth and last coastal mission founded by Padre Junípero Serra, Ventura County Coast has a rich California history with many stories to tell.

Ride Around – Just an hour or two from most SoCal cities, Ventura County Coast is the type of destination you drive to and then leave your keys behind. Hop on the free trolleys in Ventura or the local shuttles in Oxnard; better yet, rent a bike and spend a few days on two-wheels, letting the ocean breeze whip through your hair.

Splurge or Save – Hit up some of California's hottest shopping destinations, including Camarillo Premium Outlets and The Collection in Oxnard. Old Town Camarillo, Ventura Harbor Village and Downtown Ventura are teeming with trendy boutiques, cool vintage shops and quirky antique stores that would put a smile on any shopper's face.

Be a Beach Bum – Pack your beach towels and a picnic and soak up the sun on one of the region's many beautiful beaches. The local beaches have great promenades and piers that will keep you entertained until the sun sets over the horizon.

Get Primitive – Get in touch with your wild side at the Channel Islands National Park, a collection of five pristine, primitive islands that offer awe-inspiring views and unforgettable experiences. Island activities include hiking, picnicking, whale watching, kayaking and scuba diving.

Explore a Classic Seaside Village – Escape to yesteryear at Ventura Harbor Village, where you can ride a vintage carousel, play arcade games, get your fill of double-scoops at the ice cream parlor, eat fresh-caught fish, rent gear for all kinds of watersports, indulge in a harbor yacht cruise and much more.

Savor Local Goods – Located on one of the most bountiful agricultural regions in the country, Ventura County Coast is a great culinary destination to dine farm to fork. Cruise through the downtown areas to discover new ethnic restaurants, artisan wines and craft beers with local flavor.

Catch Waves – If you've ever wanted to learn to surf, this is the place to do it. Sign up for lessons with one of the many organizations in the region and then try your skills at the famous Rincon or Surfer's Point, regarded as some of the best beachbreaks in California.