



# MYRTLE BEACH

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Myrtle Beach offers a vibrant mix of summer adventures, blending iconic attractions with off-the-beaten-path gems. Start the day on the sand along the Grand Strand, where 60 miles of coastline invite beachgoers to swim, sunbathe, or join a game of beach volleyball. The Myrtle Beach Boardwalk pulses with life—ideal for walking or biking past arcades, local shops, and views of the Atlantic. Golf enthusiasts can tee off at championship-level courses or enjoy quirky fun at imaginative mini-golf spots. Baseball fans can catch a Myrtle Beach Pelicans game for a classic evening of minor-league excitement. Just south of town, Myrtle Beach State Park offers a quieter retreat, with nature trails through maritime forest and a peaceful stretch of beach perfect for a summer picnic.

For a more profound sense of place, Myrtle Beach reveals its cultural layers through a variety of historical and artistic experiences. Brookgreen Gardens enchants visitors with its massive outdoor sculpture collection, winding trails, and lush Lowcountry landscapes. Nearby, Huntington Beach State Park is home to Atalaya Castle, a Moorish-style mansion filled with history and mystery, once the home of sculptor Anna Hyatt Huntington. In town, the Myrtle Beach Colored School Museum tells a powerful story of education and resilience during the era of segregation. Art lovers can explore the exhibits at the Chapin Art Museum, a charming beachfront gallery that showcases Southern artists in a laid-back, cottage-style setting. These cultural stops offer meaningful pauses between beach outings, revealing the soul of the region beyond its sun-soaked shores.

As the sun sets, Myrtle Beach transforms into a vibrant coastal hub for dining and entertainment. Head to Murrells Inlet for the MarshWalk, a scenic boardwalk along the waterfront lined with restaurants offering freshly caught seafood, live bands, and unbeatable inlet views. For a timeless culinary experience, visit Sea Captain's House, a historic oceanfront restaurant known for its warm hospitality and classic Lowcountry dishes. If you're in the mood for music and history, grab a drink at The Bowery, where country music legends once played to rowdy beach crowds. For more curated entertainment, enjoy a musical showcase at the Carolina Opry or Alabama Theatre, or dance the night away at one of the beach bars or tiki lounges. Whether you're after a quiet dinner or a high-energy night out, Myrtle Beach serves up a full menu of summer memories.

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## BEYOND THE CITY

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### **CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA**

Just a scenic two-hour drive south, Charleston blends coastal relaxation with rich Southern history and charm. Enjoy serene beaches like Folly Beach or Isle of Palms, perfect for surfing or soaking up the sun. Wander historic streets featuring colorful Rainbow Row and the Battery promenade, or take a ferry tour to Fort Sumter for Civil War history. Nature lovers can kayak through marshes, spot dolphins, or stroll beneath the Angel Oak's towering branches. Adventure enthusiasts can zipline in Awendaw or sail Charleston Harbor. Culinary delights include Lowcountry favorites at Leon's Oyster Shop and upscale farm-to-table dishes at Butcher & Bee, complemented by sunset cocktails at rooftop bars.

### **WILMINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA**

Wilmington, just a quick 1.5-hour drive northeast, offers beautiful beaches and intriguing history. Wrightsville Beach provides excellent surfing, paddle boarding, and family-friendly fun, while Carolina and Kure's beaches feature boardwalk amusements and fishing piers. Downtown Wilmington's cobblestone streets invite exploration, highlighting landmarks such as the WWII battleship USS North Carolina and Bellamy Mansion. Nature trails at Airlie Gardens and Greenfield Lake Park offer lush escapes, and adventurous travelers can zipline through Shallotte River Swamp Park. Culture thrives at Thalian Hall and Riverwalk, while the city's dining scene boasts fresh seafood at Oceanic Restaurant and local brews at Front Street Brewery.

### **MURRELLS INLET & PAWLEYS ISLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA**

Just 30 to 60 minutes south, Murrells Inlet and Pawleys Island offer peaceful beaches and southern hospitality. Huntington Beach State Park and Pawleys Island provide calm sands ideal for swimming or birdwatching. Historical sites include Atalaya Castle and sculpture-filled Brookgreen Gardens. Explore nature by kayaking tranquil creeks, or opt for parasailing adventures along the coast.

Art galleries and live music on the MarshWalk add local flavor. At the same time, dining experiences range from waterfront seafood at Wicked Tuna and Dead Dog Saloon in Murrells Inlet to the refined atmosphere of Frank's Restaurant & Bar in Pawleys Island.

### **GEORGETOWN, SOUTH CAROLINA**

Georgetown, just an hour south, captivates visitors with its picturesque waterfront and deep historical roots. Walk along Front Street to discover landmarks such as the Kaminski House Museum and the Rice Museum, which showcase the region's rich past. Take an eco-tour to the barrier islands for untouched beaches or paddle the scenic rivers that wind through cypress groves. Enjoy gentle thrills with ghost walks and casual boat rides. The city's cultural scene includes galleries, outdoor concerts, and charming festivals. Culinary experiences, such as fresh seafood at River Room Restaurant or casual bites at Big Tuna Raw Bar, complete Georgetown's welcoming coastal ambiance.

### **LITTLE RIVER, SOUTH CAROLINA & CALABASH, NORTH CAROLINA**

A short 30–40 minute drive north, Little River and Calabash highlight relaxed coastal living and delicious local seafood traditions. Visit Vereen Memorial Gardens for easy nature trails overlooking the Intracoastal Waterway, or add excitement by ziplining at Shallotte River Swamp Park: deep-sea fishing, dolphin cruises, and parasailing offer outdoor adventures. Cultural experiences include seafood festivals, beach music celebrations, and vineyard tastings. Culinary highlights range from famous fried seafood spots in Calabash to waterfront dining at Crab Catchers or Clark's Seafood & Chop House, ideal places to unwind and savor the sunset.



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