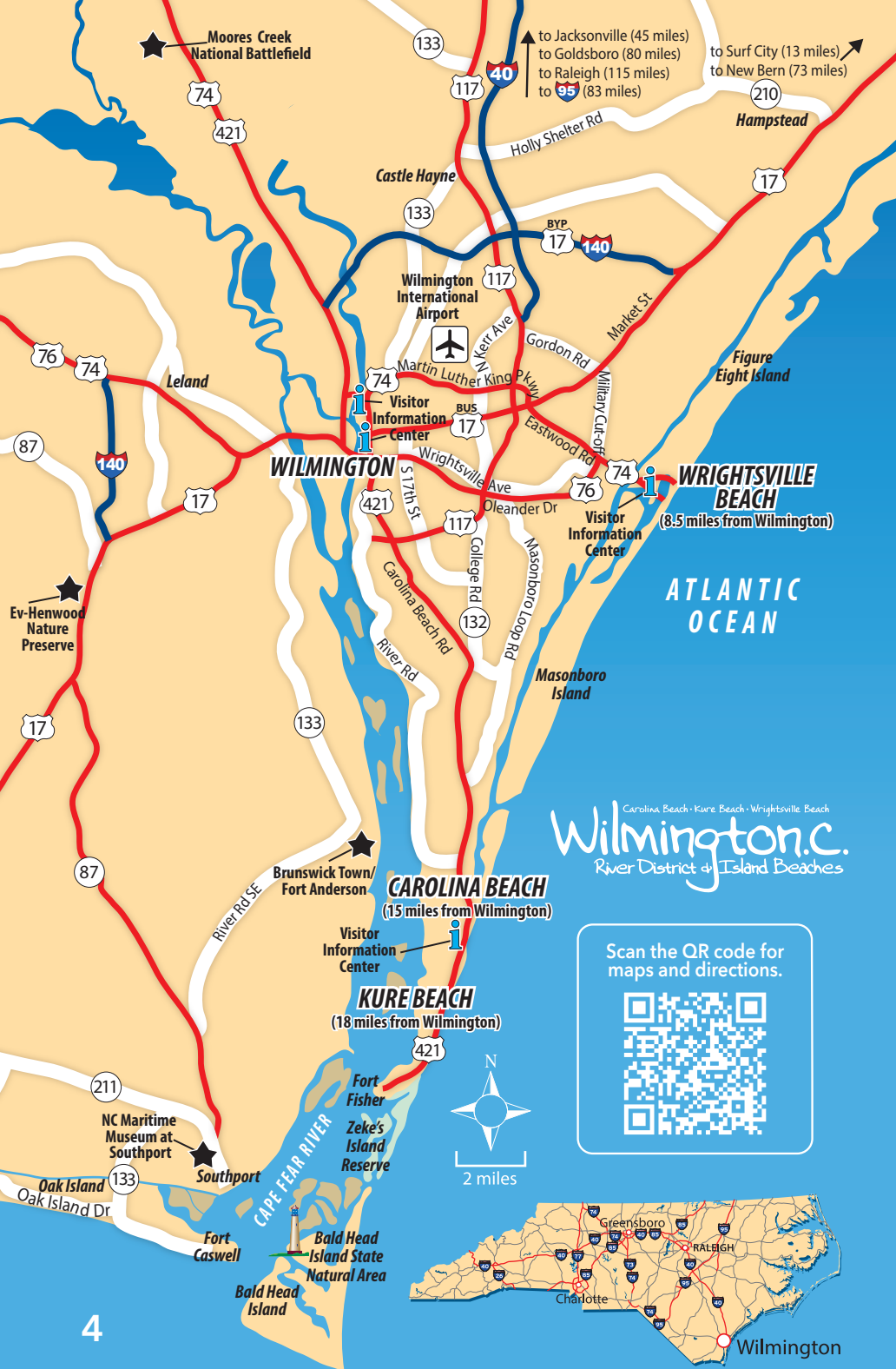


Wrightsville Beach · NC

Official Visitors Guide



Wrightsville Beach



Moore's Creek National Battlefield

to Jacksonville (45 miles)
to Goldsboro (80 miles)
to Raleigh (115 miles)
to I-95 (83 miles)

to Surf City (13 miles)
to New Bern (73 miles)

Ev-Henwood Nature Preserve

Wilmington International Airport

Figure Eight Island

Masonboro Island

Brunswick Town/Fort Anderson

NC Maritime Museum at Southport

Bald Head Island State Natural Area





Wrightsville Beach

EXPECT MORE

Crystal blue waters, sea oats and sand dunes, and a vibrant community have earned it accolades from *Travel + Leisure*, which named it one of the 25 best beaches in the U.S.

This is the perfect place to discover elevated island experiences fueled by active adventures. Explore uninhabited islands on an eco-tour or enjoy an epic excursion to one with dinner catered by celebrated local chefs. Go on a scenic sunset cruise or search for pirate treasure on a family-friendly adventure. Reserve time with one of the pros offering sailing and surfing lessons or SCUBA dive historic shipwrecks. *Coastal Living* lists Wrightsville Beach as one of the best little surf towns in America for its surfing competitions, camps and beginner-friendly surf. The island also hosts stand-up paddleboard events and is home to the Carolina Cup, one of the top SUP events in the world.

On land, walk or run The Loop, a scenic 2.5-mile paved path around the island. Stroll through Harbor Way Gardens surrounded by native flowers. Or join

a yoga class offered seasonally on the Crystal Pier. Nearby, 67-acre Airlie Gardens is one of the premier gardens in the South.

Indulge in quality shopping at chic beach boutiques, surf shops and nearby open-air shopping villages. Or, stop by the Wrightsville Beach Museum of History to explore over 100 years of island stories.

Dine on catch-to-table specials paired with seasonal live music waterfront. Admire the views as you sip surf-inspired cocktails on a pier or craft beer from a local brewpub. Couple the momentum of the day's activities with the vibrant nightlife.

Walkable Wrightsville Beach also offers upscale resorts featuring surf-to-sound adventures and full-service hotels and vacation rentals just steps from the beach.

This isn't just another expected beach vacation. Make your next getaway at Wrightsville Beach and discover what it means to beach better.

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Things to Do

IN WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH



KEY: = INDOOR ATTRACTION | = PET FRIENDLY | = ACCESSIBLE | = ADMISSION CHARGED | = FREE ADMISSION

MUSEUMS & ATTRACTIONS

WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH MUSEUM OF HISTORY (LIMITED)

Glimpse Wrightsville Beach's past through exhibits housed in the historic Myers Cottage (c. 1909) and Bordeaux Cottage (c. 1924), designed to reflect beach cottage life in the early 1900s through the 1970s.

- Children's programs (Summer)
- 📍 **303 & 307 W. Salisbury St., 28480**
- ☎ **910-239-9219**
- ▶ wbmuseumofhistory.com

PARKS, GARDENS & RECREATION

BIRD WATCHING

Witness nature's glory as you search for willets, least terns, black skimmers and more from North Carolina Birding Trail sites: Mason Inlet Waterbird Management Area and Masonboro Island National Estuarine Research Reserve. For birding sites and tours, visit wrightsvillebeachscenictours.com or VisitWrightsvilleBeachNC.com

HARBOR WAY GARDENS (FREE)

On the west end of Wrightsville Beach Park, this one-acre garden is an oasis and a quiet place to reflect and enjoy native plants and flowers. Harbor Way Gardens is also the only public garden in North Carolina to have Witherspoon Roses thanks to a generous donation from an island resident.

- Children's Fountain
- 📍 **321 Causeway Dr., 28480**
- ☎ **910-256-7925**
- ▶ townofwrightsvillebeach.com/475/Harbor-Way-Gardens

MASONBORO ISLAND

Wander wild nature trails and glimpse marine life and shore birds on the largest undisturbed barrier island on North Carolina's southern coast. Part of the North

Carolina National Estuarine Research Reserve, the island is accessible by boat only. Daily boat tours are offered by third parties. For outfitter excursions, go to VisitWrightsvilleBeachNC.com.

WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH PARKS & RECREATION (FREE)

Relax, work out, sit, play or run at Wrightsville Beach Park, a 13-acre public complex that includes an event stage, tennis, pickleball and basketball courts, softball, football and soccer fields, fitness equipment, picnic shelters, a 2.5-mile fitness trail and an inclusive playground with wheelchair swing.

- Contact Parks and Recreation for access to wheelchair swing
- 📍 **1 Bob Sawyer Dr., 28480**
- ☎ **910-256-7925**
- ▶ townofwrightsvillebeach.com

TOURS & CRUISES

Leave the shore behind as you spend a day on a paddleboard, sailboat, kayak, powerboat, charter boat or personal watercraft. Sailing lessons are available, from beginner to advanced. Numerous dry docks, marinas, boat ramps and service centers exist to serve recreational boating. For more information, go to VisitWrightsvilleBeachNC.com.

EPIC EXCURSIONS

Island hop to the amazing uninhabited islands surrounding Wrightsville Beach. Soak up the area's natural beauty on a sunset cruise or enjoy a private dinner on one of the beautiful islands. Glide through the serene salt marshes on a paddleboarding tour or spend an evening "glamping" on an uninhabited island as the ocean lulls you to sleep.

- ☎ **910-239-9248**
- ▶ epicexcursionsnc.com

• THINGS TO DO

FEEL GOOD FISHING CHARTERS & ADVENTURES (S)

Reel in the big one on a deep-sea charter, net your own dinner on a family explorer day or book a sunset cruise. Feel Good has it all.

📍 109 Causeway Dr., 28480

☎ 910-431-7777

▶ feelgoodfishing.com

LA DEE DAH SUNSET CRUISES (S)

La Dee Dah Sunset Cruises provides an intimate sunset experience. Looking for a wonderful date? In search of that perfect backdrop for a special moment? Fun with friends? Food, drinks, sunsets and great memories are all waiting for you aboard the La Dee Dah!

📍 120 Short St., 28480

☎ 910-231-8455

▶ ladedahcruises.com

SOUNDSIDE ADVENTURES

(S) (♿ LIMITED)

Take the Masonboro Island Hopper Cruise, a sunset harbor cruise, a cocktail cruise and more, or fish in the inlet on the



Carolina Runner large pontoon. There are so many options. Learn to sail and surf with certified instructors, rent or take a guided tour on standup paddleboards or kayaks.

📍 275 Waynick Blvd., 28480

☎ 910-322-2503 ▶ soundside-wb.com

WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH SCENIC TOURS & WATER TAXI (S) (♿) (🐾)

Every trip is a quest for fun aboard the *Shamrock*. Try a sunset cruise filled with dolphin sightings, take a family shuttle for a day on Masonboro Island, search for birds on an eco-tour, hook a record catch charter fishing or give the kids the thrill of adventure on the Pirate Island Treasure Hunt.

- Private parties, family and corporate events up to 18 people

📍 109 Causeway Dr., 28480

☎ 910-200-4002

▶ wrightsvillebeachscenictours.com

WRIGHTSVILLE PERFORMANCE SAILING (S)

Challenge yourself to learn a new skill or sit back and let the pros do the work. With a variety of cruises, charters and lessons available, you'll find several ways to take in the scenic views of Banks Channel, the Atlantic Ocean and Intracoastal Waterway.

- Sails by appointment only

📍 330 Causeway Dr., 28480

☎ 910-622-2503 ▶ WPsail.com





SPORTS & WATER ACTIVITIES

Wrightsville Beach is an ideal place to feel and stay healthy while on vacation with endless activities.

BIKE

Pedal from downtown Wilmington to Johnnie Mercers Pier along the 10-mile River to the Sea Bikeway. For leisurely rides, cyclists opt for the beach or several miles of paved paths. Bike rentals are available from Aussie Island Surf Shop.

- ▶ wmpo.org/maps
- ▶ capefearcyclists.org

DIVE

Take the plunge to uncover centuries-old shipwrecks in the waters along the Carolina coast. Outfitters such as Aquatic Safaris and WB Diving can get you suited up and in the water. For information, go to VisitWrightsvilleBeachNC.com.

KITEBOARD/KAYAK/SURF/SUP

When the wind is good, kiteboarders head out to the jetties at the south and north ends of the island. Learn how to surf or standup paddleboard (SUP) from local pro instructors in this top-rated surf town and SUP hub. Or rent a kayak to explore our waters. Outfitters that offer lessons and equipment include Aussie Island Surf Shop, Indo Jax Surf School, South End Surf Shop, WB

Surf Camp and Wrightsville SUP, or go to VisitWrightsvilleBeachNC.com.

WALK, JOG & RUN

Walk, jog or run The Loop - a 2.5-mile paved trail around the island - and take in sights of the inner island's waterways and marshes.

FISHING

Get hooked on fishing in Wrightsville Beach. From pier fishing, surf fishing and shell fishing, to trolling, inshore explorations and deep-sea outings, there's something to catch year-round. For fishing charters and guides, go to VisitWrightsvilleBeachNC.com.

CRYSTAL PIER (FREE)

Attached to the Oceanic Restaurant, the Crystal Pier features an area for free public access and fishing, as well as outdoor dining with live music on Thursday evenings and Sunday afternoons at Oceanic.

- 📍 703 S. Lumina Ave., 28480
- ☎ 910-256-5551
- ▶ oceanicrestaurant.com

JOHNNIE MERCERS PIER

This state-of-the-art, concrete pier extends 1,200 feet from the shore and offers a grill, a game area, bathrooms, a gift shop and a fully stocked tackle shop for all your beach and fishing needs.

- 📍 23 E. Salisbury St., 28480
- ☎ 910-256-2743
- ▶ johnniemercersfishingpier.com



Visit [WrightsvilleBeachNC.com/restaurants](https://www.VisitWrightsvilleBeachNC.com/restaurants) for a full list of local restaurants.

Wrightsville Beach is known for its cool hotspots and live music from dockside bars to an oceanfront pier. Or catch live concerts at the local park or nearby Airlie Gardens. Sip on a craft brew or watch the sunset on an evening harbor cruise. For nightlife listings, go to [WrightsvilleBeachNC.com](https://www.VisitWrightsvilleBeachNC.com).

RESTAURANTS & NIGHTLIFE

Taste sea- and farm-to-table while sampling the day's blackboard specials. Family-friendly eats include hot dogs with 1,000+ combinations possible, Baja Mexican, gourmet burgers and more. Dock and dine at the marina or eat oceanfront to enjoy Southern seafood favorites. Go to

SHOPPING

Known for upscale and wallet-friendly options, find everything from beach boutiques and surf shops to open-air pedestrian-friendly shopping villages nearby. For a complete list, go to [WrightsvilleBeachNC.com](https://www.VisitWrightsvilleBeachNC.com).

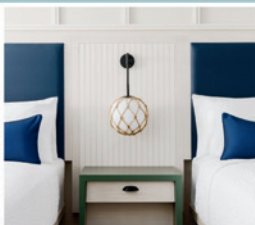


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ACCOMMODATIONS

HOTELS

BLOCKADE RUNNER BEACH RESORT & COTTAGE

- 📍 275 Waynick Blvd., 28480
- ☎ 877-684-8009 ▶ blockade-runner.com

CAROLINA TEMPLE ISLAND INN

- 📍 550 Waynick Blvd., 28480
- ☎ 910-256-2773
- ▶ carolinatempleislandinn.com

HARBOR INN

- 📍 701 Causeway Dr., 28480
- ☎ 910-256-9402 ▶ harborinnwb.com

LUMINA ON WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH - A HOLIDAY INN RESORT

- 📍 1706 N. Lumina Ave., 28480
- ☎ 910-256-2231
- ▶ luminaresortwrightsville.com

SANDPEDDLER INN & SUITES

- 📍 15 Nathan St., 28480
- ☎ 910-256-2028 ▶ thesandpeddler.com

SHELL ISLAND RESORT

- 📍 2700 N. Lumina Ave., 28480
- ☎ 910-256-8696 ▶ shellisland.com

SILVER GULL MOTEL

- 📍 20 E. Salisbury St., 28480
- ☎ 910-256-3728 ▶ silvergullmotel.com

SUMMER SANDS SUITES

- 📍 104 S. Lumina Ave., 28480
- ☎ 910-256-4175 ▶ summersandswb.com

THE SURF SUITES

- 📍 711 S. Lumina Ave., 28480
- ☎ 910-256-2275 ▶ thesurfsuites.com

WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH VACATION RENTALS

BRYANT REAL ESTATE

- 📍 1001 N. Lumina Ave., 28480
- ☎ 910-256-3764 ▶ bryantre.com

CAROLINA RETREATS

- 📍 1000 N. Lake Park Blvd., CB, 28428
- ☎ 910-458-3001
- ▶ carolinaretreats.com

INTRACOASTAL RENTALS - WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH

- 📍 605 Causeway Dr., 28480
- ☎ 910-509-1915
- ▶ intracoastalrentals.com/wrightsville-beach-rentals

ONE SOUTH LUMINA SUITES

- 📍 1 S. Lumina Ave., 28480
- ☎ 910-256-9100
- ▶ onesouthluminasuites.com

SEA SCAPE PROPERTIES

- 📍 232 Causeway Dr., 28480
- ☎ 910-332-7284
- ▶ seascapevacationhomes.com

WRIGHTSVILLE SANDS REALTY

- 📍 530 Causeway Dr., Ste. 6, 28480
- ☎ 910-679-4082
- ▶ wrightsvillesands.com

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