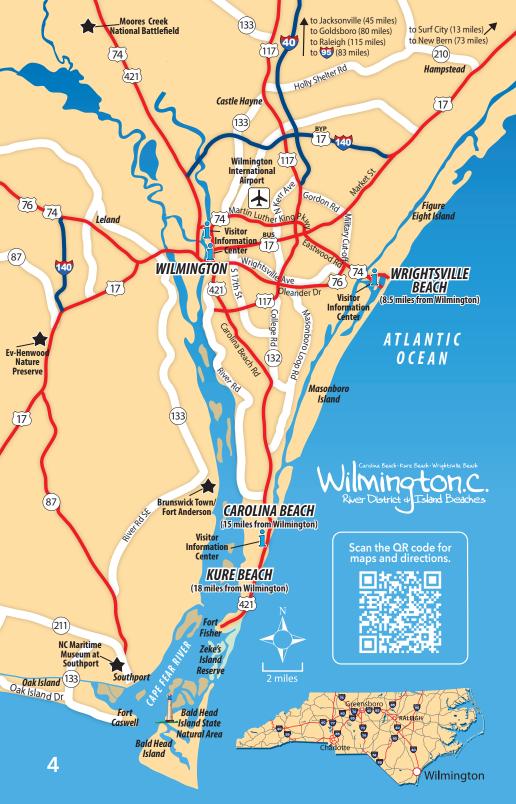


### Official Visitors Guide



# Kure Beach





### **Kure Beach**

### NATURE'S PLAYGROUND

Kure Beach's serene environment offers a retreat like no other. Enjoy boundless natural beauty and opportunities for childlike fun.

Recreate childhood memories on miles of unspoiled beach amidst loads of smalltown charm, big-time attractions, local events, retro motels with modern amenities and outdoor activities. It's easy to see why TripSavvy.com named Kure Beach one of the best beach vacations in the Southeast.

Reel in the big one at the Kure Beach Fishing Pier, one of the oldest piers on the East Coast. At Fort Fisher State Recreation Area, soak up some sun on six miles of protected shoreline or hike maritime forest trails.

Tap into your sense of wonder at the North Carolina Aquarium at Fort Fisher. Meet the aquarium's residents including an albino alligator, sharks, stingrays, sea turtles and a family of Asian small-clawed otters. You'll see why Travel Channel ranked it one of the best in the country.

Tour the largest earthen fort in the South at Fort Fisher State Historic Site,

where the largest land-sea battle of the Civil War occurred. Dive North Carolina's first heritage dive site and shipwreck, the Civil War Blockade Runner *The Condor*. Or paddle along the area's naturally beautiful waterways and marshes before reaching Zeke's Island Reserve, a protected shorebird habitat only accessible by water.

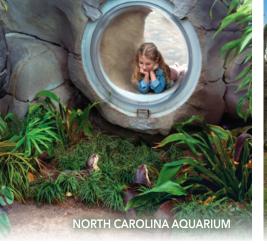
Free family-friendly Boogie in the Park concerts, Storytime by the Sea, Turtle Talks and other events are on the schedule at Ocean Front Park. Joe Eakes Park is home to baseball, volleyball, tennis and basketball courts, plus an 18-hole disc golf course and dog park.

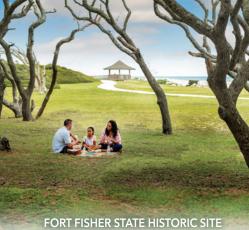
From thick, juicy burgers at beachside walk-ups to classic diner fare to Italian or Caribbean seafood, our small beach town has big flavors.

Tap into childlike wonder in nature's playground, Kure Beach.









## Things to Do

### IN KURE BEACH

### PARKS, NATURE & HISTORIC SITES

### FORT FISHER STATE HISTORIC SITE 印配 伝

Experience living history at the South's largest earthen fort and site of the largest land-sea battle of the Civil War. Donations are welcome.

- Occasional guided tour (fees apply)
- 1610 Fort Fisher Blvd. S., 28449
- 910-251-7340

historicsites.nc.gov/all-sites/fort-fisher

### FORT FISHER STATE RECREATION AREA 🛠 🕮

Roam six miles of undeveloped beach and secluded maritime forest. A public beach access provides a protected swimming area, seasonal lifeguards, picnic area, visitors center.

- Four-wheel drive access by permit only
- 1000 Loggerhead Rd., 28449
- 🕿 910-458-5798
- ncparks.gov/fort-fisher-staterecreation-area

### JOE EAKES PARK 🛠 🖽

Joe Eakes Park includes tennis, basketball and pickleball courts, baseball field, 18hole disc golf course, playground, dog park, bicycle repair station and shaded picnic area.

 Corner of 7th Ave. and K Ave., 28449

 <sup>☎</sup> 910-458-8216 ▶ townofkurebeach.org/ recreation/joe-eakes-park

### KURE BEACH COMMUNITY CENTER 🛙 र्द्ध 💿

Plan your next big event at the Community Center, which includes a kitchen, small meeting room, main hall and restrooms.

- 118 N. Third Ave., 28449
- 910-458-8216
- townofkurebeach.org/recreation/ community-center

### OCEAN FRONT PARK & PAVILION & INEE &

Dance seaside at the Boogie in the Park summer concert series or search for gifts

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at seasonal open-air markets. Ocean Front Park features a pavilion with a stage for concerts and events, restrooms, a play area and swings.

- 105 Atlantic Ave., 28449
- 910-458-8216
- townofkurebeach.org/recreation/ ocean-front-park-and-pavilion

### ZEKE'S ISLAND RESERVE 🏠 (FREE)

Visit this unspoiled natural reserve of marshes and tidal flats with shorebirds. mammals and loggerhead sea turtles.

- Primarily accessed by personal watercraft
- Third party kayak tours available
- nccoastalreserve.net

### NORTH CAROLINA BIRDING TRAIL

Find a new favorite pastime at Kure Beach's four North Carolina Birding Trail sites. For Birding Trail information: ncbirdingtrail.org. For more information: nc.audubon.org.

### FAMILY FRIENDLY

### FORT FISHER STATE HISTORIC SITE

(For full description, see page 78)

### HI-TECH ARCADE

Test your skills and see who can earn the biggest prize. Games include basketball, ice-ball, ticket time, smokin' token, others.

111 K Ave., 28449 💿 910-458-6801 0

### **NORTH CAROLINA AQUARIUM** AT FORT FISHER 🗄 💿 🛦

Come face-to-face with an albino alligator and sea turtles. Watch sharks, rays and eels swim. Meet Asian small-clawed otters in the "Otters on the Edge" habitat.

- Adventure Reef & Nature Play areas
- Purchase advance tickets online
- 900 Loggerhead Rd., 28449
- **2** 910-772-0500
- ncaquariums.com/fort-fisher

### 910-444-4734





### **BOATING & FISHING**

Embark from the Federal Point boat ramp. Rent canoes, kayaks, skiffs, outboards and personal watercraft from local outfitters. Carolina Beach Fishing Center and Marina offers half-day and deep-sea fishing charters and cruise boats.

### KURE BEACH FISHING PIER 🔄

Bait your hook or stroll along the 711-foot wooden pier which has more than 1 million visitors annually. Includes seasonal tackle shop, arcade and souvenirs.

- Oldest privately owned fishing pier on the East Coast
- Free to walk, seasonal fishing fees
- K Avenue, 28449
- 910-458-5524

### NORTH CAROLINA FERRY AT FORT FISHER/SOUTHPORT 當住 (の)

Cross the Cape Fear River on this 30-minute voyage aboard the Fort Fisher-Southport Ferry. The N.C. Ferry Service shuttles vehicles and passengers daily.

2422 S. Fort Fisher Blvd., 28449
 ☎ 800-293-3779 ▶ ncferry.org

### SPORTS & WATER ACTIVITIES

### BIKE

Try a self-guided tour through Kure Beach. For cycling information, visit capefearcyclists.org, or find rentals at *VisitKureBeachNC.com*.

### DIVE

Explore *The Condor*, North Carolina's first heritage dive site, as well as nearby shipwrecks, reefs and ledges along Kure Beach. Local dive shops provide instruction, charters, certification and equipment rentals. Info available at *VisitKureBeachNC.com*.

### KAYAK/SURF

Join a kayak tour of Zeke's Island/Ft. Fisher Basin, launching from the Federal Point Wildlife Access Ramp and guided by the pros at Kayak Carolina. Or put your board in the water and ride the waves.

### RESTAURANTS

Local favorites include thick juicy burgers, catch-of-the-day and home-style cooking.

VisitKureBeachNC.com/restaurants



- Oceanfront rooms, efficiencies, suites & interconnecting rooms
- Oceanfront pool
- Picnic area with barbecue grill
- Laundry facility
- 1/2 block from pier & restaurants
- Ground floor rooms
- · All units non-smoking
- WiFi available
- No pets, please

Reservations: 866-7SeasInn (866-773-2746)

> 130 N.Fort Fisher Blvd. P.O. Box 104 Kure Beach, NC 28449 (910) 458-8122 www.sevenseasinn.com





### **Kure Beach**

### ACCOMMODATIONS

#### HOTELS

### ADMIRAL'S QUARTERS MOTEL

- 129 Fort Fisher Blvd. S., 28449
- 910-458-5050
- admiralsquartersmotel.com

### BLUE MARLIN BEACH VACATION LODGING

### **BY THE PIER MOTEL**

122 Fort Fisher Blvd. N., 28449
 910-458-1153 > bythepiermotel.com

### **KURE LIGHTHOUSE INN**

329 Atlantic Ave., 28449
 910-444-4734 

 kurelighthouseinn.com

### **MORAN MOTEL**

• 118 Fort Fisher Blvd. S., 28449

910-458-5395 > moranmotel.com

### **SEVEN SEAS INN**

- 130 Fort Fisher Blvd. N., 28449
- 910-458-8122
- sevenseasinnkurebeach.com

### **SOUTH WIND MOTEL**

109 Fort Fisher Dr. S., 28449
 910-458-8573 > southwindmotel.com

### THE SAND DUNES MOTEL

• 133 Fort Fisher Blvd. S., 28449

☎ 910-458-4500 > thesanddunes.com

### KURE BEACH VACATION RENTALS

### A1 PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

- 617 Spartanburg Ave., #2, CB, 28428
- ☎ 910-409-6687 ▶ a1propertyman.com

### **BRYANT REAL ESTATE**

### **CAROLINA BEACH REALTY**

 1009 N. Lake Park Blvd., Ste. B3, CB, 28428

☎ 910-458-4444 ▶carolinabeachrealty.net

### **CAROLINA RETREATS**

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

#### INTRACOASTAL RENTALS -CAROLINA BEACH

- I025 N. Lake Park Blvd., CB, 28428
- ☎ 910-256-3780 ▶ intracoastalrealty.com

### **ITRIP VACATIONS NC BEACHES**

- 8200 River Rd., Wilmington, 28412
- ☎ 888-457-1830 > itrip.net/nhc

### **NETWORK REAL ESTATE**

- 1029 N. Lake Park Blvd., #1, CB, 28428
- **2 910-458-8562**
- networkvacationrentals.com

### PALM AIR REALTY™

- 1009 N. Lake Park Blvd., CB, 28428
- 910-458-5269 > palmairrealtync.com

### **SEA COAST RENTALS**

- 1018 N. Lake Park Blvd., Ste. 102, CB, 28428
- ☎ 910-458-9073 ▶ seacoastrentals.com

### **SEA SCAPE PROPERTIES**

- 232 Causeway Dr., WB , 28480
- 910-332-7284
- seascapevacationhomes.com

### **VICTORY BEACH VACATIONS**

- 206 Fayetteville Ave., CB, 28428
- 910-458-0868
- victorybeachvacations.com



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