



Official Visitors Guide



Kure Beach

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KURE BEACH

Nature's Playground

Give your family the same beach vacation experience you had when you were a child. Enjoy boundless natural beauty, a laid-back atmosphere, and abundant opportunities for pure fun at Kure Beach.

It's all here to recreate those perfect childhood beach memories. Miles of unspoiled beach, loads of small-town charm, retro motels with modern amenities, big-time attractions, local events, and outdoor activities await.

Hook a catch at the Kure Beach Fishing Pier, one of the oldest piers on the East Coast. Head to Fort Fisher State Recreation Area to soak up some sun on the beach, spot shore birds, or hike maritime forest trails at the sanctuary for wildlife and outdoor enthusiasts.

Come face-to-face with wonders of the underwater world at The North Carolina Aquarium at Fort Fisher. When you see alligators, sharks, stingrays, seahorses, sea

turtles, and the Asian small-clawed otters, you'll see why Travel Channel named the aquarium among the best in the country.

Tour sacred grounds and the largest earthen fort in the South at Fort Fisher State Historic Site, where the largest land-sea battle of the Civil War occurred. If you're up for a dive, explore North Carolina's first heritage dive site and shipwreck, the Civil War Blockade Runner *The Condor*.

Family events abound on Kure Beach. All visitors can enjoy free Boogie in the Park concerts, Storytime by the Sea, Turtle Talks, and other family events at the Ocean Front Park throughout the summer.

Our small beach town has big flavors from classic diner fare and thick, juicy burgers at beachside walk-ups to wait-worthy Italian or Caribbean seafood.

It's easy to see why the website TripSavvy.com named Kure Beach one of the best family vacations in the Southeast. Start your own family beach vacation tradition in Kure Beach.

THINGS TO DO

Unplug and discover the natural and historic treasures of Kure Beach.

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Parks, Nature & Historic Sites FORT FISHER STATE

HISTORIC SITE (FREE)

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 tours (fees apply)

📍 1610 Fort Fisher Blvd. S., 28449

☎ 910-251-7340

➤ historicsites.nc.gov/allsites/fort-fisher

FORT FISHER STATE RECREATION AREA (FREE)

Roam six miles of undeveloped beach and secluded maritime forest searching for rare birds or the perfect wave. A public beach access point provides a protected swimming area with seasonal lifeguards, picnic area, and visitors center.

- Four-wheel drive access by permit only

📍 1000 Loggerhead Rd., 28449

☎ 910-458-5798

➤ ncparks.gov/fort-fisher-state-recreation-area



FORT FISHER STATE HISTORIC SITE

KEY:  = INDOOR ATTRACTION  = PET FRIENDLY  = ACCESSIBLE  = ADMISSION CHARGED (FREE) = FREE ADMISSION

JOE EAKES PARK 🐾 FREE

Break a sweat or stretch your legs at Kure Beach's Joe Eakes Park, which includes tennis, basketball, and bocce ball courts, plus a baseball field, disc golf course, pickleball, playground, dog park, bicycle repair station, and shaded picnic area.

📍 7th Ave. S., 28449

☎ 910-458-8216

➤ townofkurebeach.org/recreation

KURE BEACH COMMUNITY CENTER ♿ 🚻 📺

Plan your next big event at the Community Center, which includes a kitchen, small

meeting room, main hall, and restrooms.

• Hosts classes and activities for the public

📍 118 N. Third Ave., 28449

☎ 910-458-8216 ➤ townofkurebeach.org

OCEAN FRONT PARK & PAVILION ♿ 🐾 FREE

Dance beside the ocean at the Boogie in the Park summer concert series or search for the perfect gift at seasonal open-air markets. Ocean Front Park features a pavilion with a stage for concerts, weddings and events, restrooms, a walking path, a play area, swings, and summer children's programs.

• Event space and pavilion available for rental

📍 105 Atlantic Ave., 28449

☎ 910-458-8216 ➤ townofkurebeach.org

ZEKE'S ISLAND RESERVE 🐾 FREE

The public is welcome to visit this unspoiled natural reserve of marshes and tidal flats with shorebirds, mammals, and loggerhead sea turtles. Part of the North Carolina National Estuarine Research Reserve.

• Primarily accessed by personal watercraft
• Third party kayak tours are available

☎ 910-962-2998 ➤ nccoastalreserve.net

NORTH CAROLINA BIRDING TRAIL

Launch into a new favorite pastime at Kure Beach's four North Carolina Birding Trail sites. For Birding Trail information: ncbirdingtrail.org. For other birding information: nc.audubon.org.

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Family Friendly FORT FISHER STATE HISTORIC SITE

(For full description, see page 69)

HI-TECH ARCADE ♿ 📺

Load up the crew and test your skills. See who can earn the biggest prize. Games include basketball, ice-ball, ticket time, smokin' token, and others.

📍 111 K Ave., 28449

☎ 910-458-6801

Kure Beach's Premiere Boutique Hotel

The LIGHTHOUSE
Kure Beach, NC

Use code
VGAD15
to receive
15% off

kurelighthouseinn.com 910-444-4737

NORTH CAROLINA AQUARIUM AT FORT FISHER

Connect with nature and discover all the diverse aquatic animals that call the aquarium home. Come face-to-face with an albino alligator and sea turtles. Watch sharks, rays, and eels swim and glide. Meet Asian small-clawed otters in the “Otters on the Edge” habitat.

- Adventure Reef & Nature Play areas
- Programs and special events
- Top regional and national attraction
- Purchase tickets in advance online

 **900 Loggerhead Rd., 28449**

 **910-772-0500**

 **ncaquariums.com/fort-fisher**

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Boating & Fishing

Embark on your next aquatic journey from the Federal Point boat ramp. Canoes, kayaks, skiffs, outboards, and personal watercraft are available to rent

from local outfitters. Nearby Carolina Beach Fishing Center and Marina offers a variety of recreational fishing fleets and cruise boats. For marina/boating information, go to **VisitKureBeachNC.com**.

Drop a line at the oldest privately owned fishing pier along the Atlantic coast, a haven for blue fish, mackerel, flounder, drum, spot, and more. Half-day and deep-sea fishing charters depart from nearby Carolina Beach Fishing Center and Marina. For more information, **VisitKureBeachNC.com**.

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**  **kurepier.com**

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AWESOME!



NORTH CAROLINA
AQUARIUM
Fort Fisher

Reserve Today.
Discover
Tomorrow.

900 Loggerhead Road
Kure Beach, NC 28449

(910) 772-0500

ncaquariums.com/fort-fisher



NORTH CAROLINA FERRY AT FORT FISHER/SOUTHPORT

Cross the Cape Fear River in style on this 30-minute voyage aboard the Fort Fisher-Southport Ferry. The N.C. Ferry Service shuttles vehicles and passengers 365 days a year.

📍 2422 S. Fort Fisher Blvd., 28449

☎ 800-293-3779 ▶ ncferry.org

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Sports & Water Activities

BIKE

Try an organized ride or self-guided tour through Kure Beach. For more cycling information, visit capefearcyclists.org, or find rentals at VisitKureBeachNC.com.

DISC GOLF

A flick of the wrist is all it takes to have some fun on the 18-hole disc golf course at Joe Eakes Park off K Ave. Individual and tournament play available.

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.

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Restaurants

Head to an island grill to enjoy the catch of the day. Local favorites include wait-worthy pork chops and Italian fare, thick juicy burgers at a walk-up burger shack by the beach and diner home-style cooking. For more, go to VisitKureBeachNC.com/restaurants.



SEVEN SEAS INN

- 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

130 N.Fort Fisher Blvd., Kure Beach, NC 28449
(910) 458-8122
www.SevenSeasInn.com

Kure Beach Accommodations

Hotels/Motels

= Water View

= Pet Friendly

= Handicap Accessible

Name	Address/Website	Phone	Water View	Pets	
Admiral's Quarters	129 Fort Fisher Blvd. S. 28449 admiralsquartersmotel.com	910-458-5050			
Blue Marlin Beach Vacation Lodging	309 N. Fort Fisher Blvd., 28449 blue-marlin.com	910-458-5752			
By the Pier Motel	122 Fort Fisher Blvd. N. 28449 bythepiermotel.com	910-458-1153			
Kure Lighthouse Inn	329 Atlantic Ave., 28449 kurelighthouseinn.com	910-444-4737			
Moran Motel	118 Fort Fisher Blvd. S. 28449 moranmotel.com	910-458-5395			
Seven Seas Inn	130 Fort Fisher Blvd. N. 28449 sevenseasinnkurebeach.com	910-458-8122			
South Wind Motel	109 S. Fort Fisher Dr. 28449 southwindmotel.com	910-458-8573			
The Sand Dunes Motel	133 Fort Fisher Blvd. S. 28449 thesanddunes.com	910-458-5470			

Vacation Rentals

Name	Address/Website	Phone	Water View	Pets	
A1 Property Management	617 Spartanburg Ave., #2, CB 28428 a1propertyman.com	910-409-6687			
Bryant Real Estate	1230 N. Lake Park Blvd., CB 28428 bryantre.com	910-458-5658			
Carolina Beach Realty	1009 N. Lake Park Blvd., Ste. B3, CB 28428 carolinabeachrealty.net	910-458-4444			
Carolina Retreats	1000 S. Lake Park Blvd., CB 28428 carolinaretreats.com	910-458-3001			
Crystal Shores	225 Fort Fisher Blvd. S., KB 28449 crystalshoreskurebeach.com	910-274-2260			
Intracoastal Rentals - Carolina Beach	1025 N. Lake Park Blvd., CB 28428 intracoastalrentals.com	910-256-3780			
iTrip Vacations NC Beaches	8200 River Road, Wilmington 28412 itripncbeaches.com	888-457-1830			
Network Real Estate	1029 N. Lake Park Blvd., #1, CB 28428 networkwilmington.com	910-458-8881			
Palm Air Realty™	1009 N. Lake Park Blvd., CB 28428 palmairrealtync.com	910-458-5269			
Sea Coast Rentals	1018 N. Lake Park Blvd., Ste. 102, CB 28428 seacoastrentals.com	910-458-9073			
Victory Beach Vacations	206 Fayetteville Ave., CB 28428 victorybeachvacations.com	910-458-0868			