VENTURA HARBOR VILLAGE



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VENTURA HARBOR VILLAGE CELEBRATES 13TH ANNUAL PIRATES DAY

Be Immersed in a New Roaming Piratical Experience by the Sea on Sunday, June 10th 2018, 11:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

VENTURA, Calif. – Ahoy all you landlubbers and buccaneers - head to Ventura Harbor Village for a newly designed popup pirate experience at the 13th Annual Pirates Day on Sunday, June 10th from 11:00am – 4:00pm. Pirates Day 2018 offers guests an unforgettable voyage around the Village as the "Streets of Port Royal" with pirate characters, entertainment, activities, and photo opportunities around every corner.

For one day only, Ventura Harbor Village transforms into the "Streets of Port Royal". Venture along the waterfront to find pirates in sword fights by professional Pirates for Hire, mermaids, treasure, exotic birds, live entertainment, rum drinks, and pirate eats. Keep an eye out for Reece Ryan's on-land Kids Pirate Ship, Captain Jack, Hook & Tink (look-a-likes), belly dancing, and strolling pirate musicians. Take an exclusive look inside the underwater Mermaid Curse Ultimate Escape Room. Visit Port Royal Privateers' historical encampment, unique vendor booths for face painting and henna body art or find precious wares, such nautical-themed loot. Unique selfie spots everywhere you turn!

Everyone is encouraged to come dressed in their best pirate garb! Strut in the Pirates Day costume contests held throughout the day for different age brackets. Pirates up to 12 years old partake in the Kids Treasure Hunt (\$3) and free craft activities provided by Macaroni Kid, Lakeshore Learning, Harbor Village Gallery & Gifts, and VC Potter's Guild. Adults participate in the new Pieces of 8 Scavenger Hunt for a grand prize and coveted title of Pirate King of Port Royal!

For grog and grub, Village restaurants offer a variety of cuisine for hungry crews; including roasted turkey legs and rum specials. Live entertainment will range from Steel Drummers to the Sword Coast Medieval Fighters Club. Ventura Harbor Pirates Day gives you a chance to get in your best piratical gear and wander by the sea to interact with pirates and gypsies of all ages.

"Captain Jack is my favorite pirate ever. I love the shows that he does with his pirate buddies. I come to watch them every year" said Amy, 7-year-old Pirates Day guest.

Admission and parking for Pirates Day are free. Book your overnight stay at the Four Points by Sheraton Ventura Harbor Resort or Holiday Inn Express & Suites Ventura Harbor. Catch the Downtown — Harbor Trolley for a FREE ride to Pirates Day (best to get on the trolley early). Ventura Harbor Village is located 1583 Spinnaker Drive off of Harbor Blvd. Do not miss this treasure-trove of excitement by the sea.

Ventura Harbor Village shops, restaurants, and boutiques, stars in their own right, are providing a host of creative Pirate themed activities, eats, and drinks:

Shop:

- Barefoot Boutique: 10% off everything if you are in costume & graphic tees BOGO 50% off
- Beach Break Surf Shop: Free Pirate prize giveaways while supplies last
- Casa de Regalos: Authentic Ventura merchandise including cool Pirate T's for sale
- Harbor Village Gallery & Gifts: Piratey crafts for kids Make yer own Pirate hat, Pirate eye patch, & toy ships
- Lost in Socks: Pirate tattoos & raffle Pirate prizes
- Mermaid Gallery: Mermaid Poster sale & free mermaid coloring sheets for the kiddo's
- Treasure Cove: Pirate pencils & Pirate ring giveaways while supplies last
- VC Potters Guild: Kids partake in crafting handmade clay Pirate medallions & necklaces while supplies last
- Ventura Swimwear: Free Pirate bracelet for anyone in costume or with a purchase of \$25 while supplies last

Dine:

- 805 Bar & Grilled Cheese: Grab a grog of "Pirates Brew" with a complimentary mug with Bacardi Oak Heart Rum
- Boatyard Pub: Indulge like a Pirate on a famous giant smoked turkey leg & roasted corn
- Coastal Cone: Specialty sundaes including Goldenyaki, Shipwreck sundae, & Voyager Cookie shake
- Coffee Dock & Post: Purchase a Scavenger Cup to dig for buried treasure find a gold coin to get a special prize
- The Greek Mediterranean Steak & Seafood: Swing by to see gypsy belly dancing throughout the day
- The Parlor: Specialty plates including Shipdogs, Dead Man's chicken fingers, & Sharkbait fish burger

Play:

- **Ultimate Escape Rooms:** Take an exclusive look inside the underwater Mermaid Curse Escape Room from 11am-4pm and join in the Pieces of 8 Scavenger Hunt for ages 13+
- Ventura Boat Rentals: 40-min Argghbor Boat Tour at 1 PM, 3 PM, & 5 PM with Adult Pirate Punch
- Village Carousel & Arcade: \$2 Carousel Rides for anyone dressed in costume for the day
- Copa Cubana: Join us on the back patio for Mini Golf
- Boatyard Pub: Complimentary Pirate Caricature Portraits

Ventura Harbor Village gives a nod of great thanks to its co-creator contributors – Boatyard Pub, Coastal Cone, Mermaid Gallery, The Greek Mediterranean Steak & Seafood, Treasure Cove, VC Potters Guild, Village Carousel & Arcade, and the Ultimate Escape Rooms.

For a list of shopping & dining specials and entertainment schedule please visit VenturaHarborVillage.com, or call (805) 477-0470. The 2018 Pirates Day is supported by Cumulus Broadcasting, VC Reporter, The Ventura Breeze and The Santa Clarita Signal.

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About Ventura Harbor Village:

Located on scenic Highway 101, Ventura Harbor Village is 30 minutes South of Santa Barbara and one-hour North of Los Angeles. Ventura Harbor Village is a vibrant, working harbor village and fishing marina boasting 35 shops, galleries, restaurants and waterfront activities including a Village Carousel & Arcade, Comedy Club, Escape Rooms, Harbor Cove Beach and Surfer's Knoll Beach, dive and fishing boats, harbor tours, boat, kayak and peddle boat rentals, and a beautiful walking Promenade. The Village offers visitors an escape to a sun-kissed, seaside playground with transportation to and from the Harbor via the new Ventura-Downtown Harbor Trolley, annual special events, live weekend entertainment, dog-friendly

facilities, soft adventure, and spectacular sunset views of the Pacific coastline. Home to the Channel Islands National Park Visitor Center, (open seven days a week with free admission and parking and within walking distance to the Village), this coastal playground features its own viewing tower, exhibits and bookstore, it is easy for travelers to visit the five islands right off the Ventura coast. It is here that visitors can experience world-class island diving, snorkeling, hiking, kayaking, sea cave exploration, photography, camping and wildlife viewing.

For additional visitor information, contact Ventura Harbor Village at <u>805-477-0470</u>, online at <u>www.VenturaHarborVillage.com</u>. Ventura Harbor Village is located at 1583 Spinnaker Drive in Ventura.

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