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**TAKE TO THE SEA WITH ISLAND PACKERS NEW DINNER CRUISES**  
**From Blues to Rock, Visitors Enjoy A Stellar Line-Up of Live Entertainment At Sea**

**Ventura, CA** – With summer fast approaching, visitors to Ventura Harbor Village, Ventura’s top seaside attraction, can now enjoy the warmer days ahead board an two-hour Island Packers boat dinner cruise where they will experience delicious cuisine paired to live entertainment from June through September, 2019. [www.islandpackers.com](http://www.islandpackers.com)

Beginning in June, and operating on selected Saturdays through September, singles, couples and families can cruise the protected waters of Ventura Harbor and enjoy a savory meal, and listen to quality music aboard a comfortable motor catamaran. Cuisine on these limited capacity ships is catered by the Ventura’s top restaurants, including Anacapa Brewery, The Greek Mediterranean Steak & Seafood, and Margarita Villa. A variety of beers, wines produced by local wineries, as well as non-alcoholic beverages, are also available for purchase.

Guests will enjoy live music featuring blues, jazz, rock, country, bluegrass and more. With seating available inside the lower and upper cabins, passengers have several comfortable seating options as they cruise through Ventura Harbor and the waterfront homes of the Ventura Keys.

Below is a roster of what’s in store this Summer and Fall:

## DINNER CRUISES

- **Fare:** \$ 60 Adult, \$ 56 Senior (55+), \$ 45 Child (age 12 & under)
- **Includes:** Harbor Cruise from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., live music, one appetizer, dinner, dessert & one free beverage of choice.
- **Bonus:** Two-for-One tickets for Ventura Harbor Comedy Club.

**June 29 American/Country & Classic Rock with Karen Eden & Cary Park**

BBQ ribs & chicken dinner from Anacapa Brewery Restaurant

**July 20 Classic Rock with Rumblebaker Duo.**

Chicken Breast & Steak Kebob Dinner from The Greek Mediterranean Steak & Seafood Restaurant

**July 27 Acoustic, Bluegrass, Rock & more with the Catterwailer Duo.**

Chicken Piccata Dinner from Anacapa Brewery Restaurant

**August 10 Johnny Cash Cruise with Mighty Cash Cats with fun Classic Rock music.**

Special Sausage Dinner from Anacapa Brewery Restaurant

**August 24 Blues, Cajun & Zydeco with Teresa Russell & Steve Geyer**

Beef Enchiladas & Chicken Chimichanga dinner from Margarita Villa Mexican Restaurant

**Sept. 14 Sunset of Country & Jazzy Blues with the laidback sound of Pancho & Lefty**

Shrimp & Chicken Kebob dinner from The Greek Mediterranean Steak & Seafood Restaurant

**Sept. 28 Zydeco, Pop, R & B with Teresa Russell and Steve Geyer**

Steak Fajitas and Shrimp enchiladas Dinner from Margarita Villa Mexican Restaurant

**SPECIAL! ADDED THIS YEAR: Highland Bag Pipe Harbor Cruise on Saturday June 22, July 13 & Sept. 21**

**Fare:** \$ 28 Adult, \$ 25 Senior (55+), \$ 18 Child (age 12 & under)

- **Includes:** Harbor Cruise from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., One complimentary beverage, Bag Pipe music with Cindi McIntosh, light appetizers catered by Anacapa Brewery Restaurant, & free raffle to win tickets to the Seaside Highland Games for Oct. 12 & 13 2019 included.

**THURSDAY JULY 4th of JULY CRUISE: Departs from Ventura Harbor at 6:50, 7:10 & 7:30 p.m.**

- **Fare:** \$36 Adult, \$ 33 Senior (55+), \$ 25 Child (age 12 & under)

Boats will cruise the coast to Oxnard Harbor for viewing of fireworks at 9 p.m. and return approximately 10 p.m. Crossing can be rough and not for everyone. Snack bar for food, snacks and beverages for sale.

No outside alcohol permitted on board our cruises. Passengers are advised to dress warmly, casual,

And no high heels. Plan to enjoy the Ventura Harbor Village before or after your cruise.

**About Island Packers:**

Island Packers is the authorized concessionaire servicing the Channel Islands National Park and has been family-owned and operated since 1968. For information, reservations or to purchase gift certificates: Visit [www.islandpackers.com](http://www.islandpackers.com), call [805-642-1393](tel:805-642-1393), or visit Island Packers at [1691 Spinnaker Dr., Suite 105B](http://1691%20Spinnaker%20Dr.,%20Suite%20105B), in Ventura Harbor Village.

**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 coastal shops, galleries, restaurants, and waterfront activities including a Village Carousel & Arcade, Comedy Club, Escape Room, 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, live entertainment, dog-friendly facilities, soft adventure, and spectacular sunset views of the Pacific coastline.

For visitor information, contact [Ventura Harbor Village](http://Ventura%20Harbor%20Village) at [805-477-0470](tel:805-477-0470), at [www.VenturaHarborVillage.com](http://www.VenturaHarborVillage.com). Ventura Harbor Village is located at 1583 Spinnaker Drive in Ventura. Post, share, and like #VenturaHarbor.

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Booking a whale watching trip is part of the full Ventura Harbor Village experience and makes for a great spring break excursion with the entire family or as part of the Village's March Mermaid month festivities. The Village is the place to be for a mid week or weekend getaway with more than 35 coastal shops, several hotels, waterfront restaurants, artisans, and live entertainment.

The 3-3.5 hour half day cruise, a sure bet to spend time with family or friends during the upcoming holidays this month, can be awe-inspiring, with the possibility of seeing more than 28 species of marine mammals along with the migrating Gray, Fin and Humpback whales, seals, sea lions and large pods of dolphins identified within the waters of the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary of Southern California.

**Whale Watching Excursions, now through April 2019** marks the official start of the gray whale migration. Departure times are listed daily on the Island Packers website. Cost per person is \$38 for adults, \$34 for seniors 55+, \$28 for children 3-12 years old and children under 3 FREE. Island Packers is the official concessionaire of the National Park Service and the Department of the Interior to serve the public in the Channel Islands National Park. For more information about the Winter Whale Watching program, visit [www.islandpackers.com](http://www.islandpackers.com) or email Islands Packers at [info@islandpackers.com](mailto:info@islandpackers.com)

Captains aboard the whale watching cruises have many years of experience sighting whales on the waters of the Santa Barbara Channel and will narrate and inform guests about all the varieties of marine mammals seen on your cruise.

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