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**BEWITCHED, BEDAZZLED & BE-SPOOKED!  
Ventura Harbor Village's HOWL-O-Ween Dog Costume Contest & Seaside Trick or Treat  
Are Sure Bets For Fall Fun Saturday, October 26th**

**VENTURA, Calif.** – Visitors and their furry friends are invited to participate in two fab-boo-lous free even including the *HOWL-O-Ween Dog Costume Contest* from 11am to noon and *Kids Seaside Trick or Treat* from 1-3pm on Saturday, October 26, 2019 in Ventura Harbor Village. Dogs dressed as ghosts, goblins, witches and more, along with costumed kids and spooktacular parents, will gather in picturesque Ventura Harbor Village to celebrate Halloween seaside.

**A Dog Day Afternoon:**

Kicking off the single day full of fall festivities on October 26<sup>th</sup> is the *7th Annual Ventura Harbor Village HOWL-O-Ween Dog Costume Contest* supported by Doggie Sponsor, Ventura Pet Barn. The Instagrammable pet parade from 11am to noon, draws hundreds of canine lovers to the harbor. A wonderful display of dogs in thematic costumes have a chance to win prizes for the best attire. Dog owners and their furry com-pet-itors are encouraged to arrive a little early at 10:30am to check-in near the Carousel at Ventura Harbor Village. The contest is open to canines only. Up to 75 dogs can enter the contest and there is no entry fee! Pre-registration is available online at [VenturaHarborVillage.com](http://VenturaHarborVillage.com).

Owners are known to coordinate costumes with their dogs, such a past stand out participants: farmer & a cow, bee & bee trainer, fisherman & his first mate, plus many more dynamic duos. Canines will compete for the top dog spot in costume categories including: Best in Show, Spookiest, Cutest/Prettiest, Most Creative, and Most Sea-worthy. Winners will receive blue ribbons and gift certificates to select Harbor Village restaurants, boutiques, and attractions. Each winner also gets a chance to pick out a pumpkin from the mini pumpkin patch.

All doggies that participate get a treat bag from Ventura Pet Barn and all owners get a Wooden Nickel redeemable for a discount at Coastal Cone Ice Cream. A professional photographer will be on site to snap photos of pooches and their owners as well!

**Seaside Trick Or Treat**

The fang-tastic day continues when Ventura Harbor Village welcomes costumed kids and parents to the waterfront for a Seaside Trick or Treat on Saturday October 26, from 1pm to 3pm. Families decked to the 9's navigate through the Village with more than 20 treat stops at participating Harbor boutiques and

restaurants. It will be an afternoon full of Halloween sweets and fun! Not to be missed is Ventura Harbor's Villages newest sweet spot, Top This Chocolate where customers can witness candy being made right before their eyes.

All ages can enjoy face painting provided by Happy Rainbow, spooky psychic readings by spiritual advisor Polla, and Spooktacular photos with tropical birds. Stop by the free arts and crafts booth provided by Macaroni Kid!

Got tweens? The Ultimate Escape Rooms offers an interactive mystery experience with four themed-rooms to choose from in at Ventura Harbor Village. Solve the puzzles in "The Attic," "Wizards Lair," "We Are All Mad Here," or the "Mermaids Curse." and escape in an hour or less IF you can. Earn bragging rights with your buddies. Most rooms can accommodate 10 people maximum; reservations are recommended.

Grab some fall sweet treats and eats, with candy apples and homemade fudge at the Village Carousel & Arcade or try your luck at Zoltar the famous fortune teller. Kiddos can ride the haunted Carousel decked out with Halloween fun. Ventura Harbor Village boasts fresh seafood options to celebrate National Seafood Month in October.

### **About Ventura Harbor Village:**

Ventura Harbor is a pet-friendly destination. The seaside setting makes for a perfect stroll with your pooch on the waterfront Promenade as you soak in views of various marinas, Channel Islands National Park Visitor Center, and harbor beaches. Owners can enjoy pet-friendly patios at select restaurants, boat rentals, and waterfront hotel stays with their dogs. Pet amenities include doggie bag stations, a doggie water fountain, and a photo board designed just for that fun photo opportunity.

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 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 within walking distance to the Village), this coastal playground features its own viewing tower, exhibits and bookstore, and 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 [805-477-0470](tel:805-477-0470), or visit [VenturaHarborVillage.com](http://VenturaHarborVillage.com). Ventura Harbor Village is located at 1583 Spinnaker Drive in Ventura. Post, share, and like @VenturaHarbor.

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