

# VENTURA HARBOR VILLAGE

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## **Adventure & Lore Seaside Historical Tall Ships Sail into Ventura Harbor** **January 24- February 13, 2017**

VENTURA, Calif. --Tall Ships, *Hawaiian Chieftain* and *Lady Washington*, commence their annual voyage along the California coast and sail into Ventura Harbor on Tuesday, January 24, 2017 and remain through Monday, February 13, 2017. The historical vessels will dock in front of Brophy Brothers Restaurant & Clam Bar and Milano's Italian Restaurant in the Ventura Harbor Village.

Catch the mystical sight of the Tall Ships during the grand arrival in the afternoon on January 24, 2017. A photographer's delight, the ships depart for Battle Sails throughout January and February 1 out of the Harbor. The best viewing locations are at Harbor Cove Beach, Channel Islands National Park Visitor Center and Ventura Harbor Village.

### **Vessel Tour Schedule**

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| <b>January 24 (Tuesday)</b>  | <b>Ship Arrival</b><br>Noon  |
| <b>January 25 (Wednesday)</b><br>Vessel Tours: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. (\$5 donation)   | <b>February 3 (Friday)</b><br>Tours: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. (\$5 donation)   |
| <b>January 26 (Thursday)</b><br>Tours: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. (\$5 donation)   | <b>February 4 (Saturday)</b><br>Vessel Tours: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (\$5 donation)<br>Battle Sail: 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.<br><b>February 5 (Sunday)</b><br>Vessel Tours: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (\$5 donation)<br>Adventure: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Lady Washington)<br>Battle Sail: 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. |
| <b>January 27 (Friday)</b><br>Tours: 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. (\$5 donation)   | <b>February 6 (Monday)</b><br>Boats closed to the public<br><b>February 7 (Tuesday)</b><br>Tours: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. (\$5 donation)  |
| <b>January 28 (Saturday)</b><br>Vessel Tours: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (\$5 donation)<br>Battle Sail: 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.  | <b>February 8 (Wednesday)</b><br>Tours: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. (\$5 donation)<br><b>February 9 (Thursday)</b><br>Tours: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. (\$5 donation)  |
| <b>January 29 (Sunday)</b><br>Vessel Tours: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (\$5 donation)<br>Adventure: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Hawaiian Chieftain)<br>Battle Sail: 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. | <b>February 10 (Friday)</b><br>Tours: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. (\$5 donation)  |
| <b>January 30 (Monday)</b><br>Boats are closed to the public   | <b>February 11 (Saturday)</b><br>Vessel Tours: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (\$5 donation)  |

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|  | Battle Sail: 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.   |
| <b>January 31 (Tuesday)</b><br>Tours: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. (\$5 donation)<br><b>February 1 (Wednesday)</b><br>Tours: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. (\$5 donation)<br><b>February 2 (Thursday)</b><br>Tours: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. (\$5 donation) | <b>February 12 (Sunday)</b><br>Vessel Tours: 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (\$5 donation)<br>Adventure: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Hawaiian Chieftain)<br>Battle Sail: 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.<br><b>Passage:</b> Ventura, CA to San Francisco Pier 19 (3-4-day transit)<br><br><b>February 13, 2017 (Monday)</b> – Vessels Depart Ventura Harbor<br>Early Morning |

Open to the public from January 24, the Tall Ship Dockside Tours are offer a living history experience. They are open for Dockside Tours on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, January 16. Dockside tours focus on an authentic 18<sup>th</sup>-century sailor’s view of traveling by tall ship, as well as a chance to meet the ship’s crew and learn what it took to adventure to new lands. Take a Dockside Tour\* and dine for breakfast, lunch, or dinner at one of the Ventura Harbor Village’s seaside restaurants overlooking the Tall Ships and the boats. Also, enjoy live entertainment along the promenade on selected Sundays (call for information). \*Note: Only Lady Washington will be available for Dockside Tours, selected dates.

Looking for more adventure? Three-Hour Battle Sails or Two-Hour Adventure Sails complete with firing cannons and hoisting of the main sails are just the ticket! Battle Sails feature a recreation of a naval skirmish with close quarters maneuvers and are available, as are Adventure Sails out in the channel to experience life on the high seas.

Grays Harbor Historical Seaport recommends a \$3 donation for Dockside Tours; additional donation amounts support educational programs. For Battle and Adventure Sail ticket reservations call 800-200-5239 or visit [www.historicalseaport.org](http://www.historicalseaport.org). Tickets are on sale now.

Hawaiian Chieftain was built in Hawaii in 1988 and originally designed for cargo trade among the Hawaiian Islands. Launched in 1989, Lady Washington is a full-scale reproduction of the original Lady Washington, which was built in 1750s and was one of the first U.S. – flagged ships to explore the west coast of North America.

The Hawaiian Chieftain and Lady Washington travel down the West Coast stopping in ports and harbors for historical and educational visits. These ships host over 8,000 school children a year. Educators should contact the Historical Seaport education office, 360-589-2299 to arrange dockside, or on-the-water programming while here in Ventura Harbor January 24- February 13, 2017.

Share your Tall Ships photos @VenturaHarbor on Instagram! For more Tall Ship information visit [www.venturaharborvillage.com](http://www.venturaharborvillage.com) or Facebook Ventura Harbor. Admission and parking free daily at Ventura Harbor Village.

For complete schedule <http://www.historicalseaport.org/public-tours-sails/sailing-schedule/> Tickets will be on sale soon, and for detailed information, call [800-200-5239](tel:800-200-5239).