

# VENTURA HARBOR VILLAGE

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## **CALLING ALL MERMAID & MERMAN LOVERS Ventura Harbor Village Pays Homage to the Mermaid With A Month-Long Seaside Celebration**

VENTURA, Calif. -- Mermaids have returned for their third year seaside at Ventura Harbor Village in March. From nautical finds to coastal décor, fashion and artwork inspired by the sea, Ventura Harbor Village pays homage to the mermaid in all of us during its Mermaid celebration set for March 1st through March 31st, 2018. Here's how to make a splash seaside at Ventura Harbors Mermaid Month this March:

- From interactive Mermaid encounters on March 3 & March 10 from 1-4pm, to a participatory Mermaid Peoples Parade and Meet & Greet on March 24 from 1-4pm, Ventura Harbor Village offers mermaid enthusiast of all ages the opportunity to engage in crafts, classes, sweet treats, latest mermaid fashions and more. Meet & Greets and Parade will commence near the New Channel Islands Courtyard & Kelp Corridor. Dressing up as a mermaid is highly encouraged!
- There's nothing more magical and fantasy-driven than the Mermaid Curse Escape Room, which is now open in Ventura Harbor Village! Dive in for 60 minutes of problem solving, ship wrecked fun where a petulant Mermaid casts a vengeful curse. Cost is only \$25 per person Monday through Thursday from 11am-5pm in March! Use code 'MERMAIDLOVE' to book online at [UltimateEscapeRooms.com](http://UltimateEscapeRooms.com)
- Looking for a SEA-worthy sweet? Coastal Cone Ice Cream is O-FISH-ALLY launching a fish-shaped waffle cone that is crunchy on the outside and soft on the inside. This fish waffle cone craze comes from the streets of New York and Los Angeles, but now has a first-ever home on the waterfront at Ventura Harbor Village. Choose from a variety of flavors, toppings, and fillings to customize your very own delectable treat. There's also the Sea Salt Turtle Sundae or Mystical Mermaid Dole Whip at Coastal Cone Ice Cream this March.
- You can search the waters wide, but you'll never find mermaid merchandise more amazing than what is offered at Ventura Harbor Village. Browse our artisan shops and galleries for the latest mermaid fashion, jewelry, towels, bathing suits, socks, hats, etc. Beyond shopping, Village tenants have created experiential opportunities for the family:
  - Mermaid Wine Glass Painting Class with wine & cheese at Copa Cubana every Wednesday from 5-7pm for \$30 per person.
  - Mermaid Gallery will host Mermaid painting demos every Wednesday from noon to 2pm, kids Mermaid coloring sheets from noon to 4pm on Saturdays, and custom Mermaid portraits available through March!
  - VC Potters Guild will have local artists demonstrate the Pottery Wheel and allow children to experience the wheel to make a little bowl of their own at on March 3rd 12-

- 3pm. Plus, local ceramic artists will be demonstrating clay mermaid themed projects on Saturdays March 10th, March 17th, and March 24th from 1pm - 3:30pm
- Harbor Village Gallery & Gifts will host sea-themed bracelet-making on Saturday, March 17 from 12-3PM and 'Paint a Mermaid' with watercolor artist Lorna Amundson on Wednesday, March 28 from 11-3PM. Small fee for supplies may apply.
  - With every Mermaid sock purchase at Lost in Socks, customers get Mermaid Goodies (stamps, stickers, tattoos) and an entry to win a big raffle on March 24 at 4pm.
  - Take a winter Whale Watching trip with Island Packers – you'll see fantastic sea life in their element and who knows, you might even spot a mermaid!

Mermaid experiences are complemented with special sales and culinary delights throughout the Village in March as well:

- Treasure Cove is offering 10-50% off on jewelry.
- At Ventura Swimwear, spend \$50 and receive a FREE Mermaid gift while supplies last.
- Barefoot Boutique is offering buy one, get one half price for Graphic T's.
- Head over to Coffee Dock & Post and try the featured Mermaid Matcha Tea Latte over ice or a specialty latte including the Sandpiper, Great White, and Onshore S'more.
- Enjoy Famous fish and chips and hand crafted clam chowder!

Mermaid month is just getting started, so be sure to check [VenturHarborVillage.com](http://VenturHarborVillage.com) regularly, as more fun is being added daily including mermaid crafts for kids and adults!

And with this, we leave you with some final wise advice from a Mermaid:

- Get your tail to the beach
- Be Shore of yourself
- Make Waves
- Catch a Sea Breeze
- Avoid Pier Pressure
- Always Sea Life's Beauty
- Come out of your Shell
- Take Time to Coast

**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, 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. Plan your trip by visiting [VenturaHarborVillage.com](http://VenturaHarborVillage.com);

Ventura Harbor Village is located at 1583 Spinnaker Drive in Ventura.