

# SANTA MONICA

BASE YOUR L.A. STAY  
BEACHSIDE.



A vibrant photograph of the Pacific Park Santa Monica Ferris wheel and roller coaster on a pier over the ocean. The Ferris wheel is the central focus, with its colorful gondolas and white structure. To its right, a roller coaster track winds through the scene. The pier is a dark wooden structure extending into the water. In the background, there are mountains under a clear blue sky. The foreground shows the ocean waves and a sandy beach.

## SANTA MONICA: QUINTESSENTIAL CALIFORNIA LAIDBACK LUXURY DESTINATION

Santa Monica is Los Angeles' beach city – a charming seaside town with all of the culture, events and urban amenities of a bustling metropolis. The blend of Santa Monica's natural beauty, award-winning dining, incomparable hotel collection and famed shopping options, all nestled along one of California's most iconic stretches of shoreline, offers a truly laidback luxury experience.

## FROM LAX TO RELAXED IN NO TIME

Santa Monica is just eight miles (13 km) from Los Angeles International Airport (LAX), yet a world away. Base your stay at Los Angeles' luxury beach, offering 41 hotels, all centrally located to greater Los Angeles and close to other Southern California attractions.

### AVERAGE TRAVEL TIME:

#### MALIBU/THE GETTY VILLA

5.2 mi/8.4 km  
20 minutes (by car)

#### BEVERLY HILLS

6.6 mi/10.6 km  
30 minutes (by car)

#### WEST HOLLYWOOD

11.7 mi/18.8 km  
40 minutes (by car)

#### DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES

15.6 mi/25.1 km  
46 minutes (via the Metro Expo line)

#### HOLLYWOOD

13.8 mi/22.2 km  
1 hour & 10 minutes (via the Metro Expo/Red lines)

#### UNIVERSAL STUDIOS

21.5 mi/34.6 km  
1 hour & 15 minutes (via the Metro Expo/Red lines)

#### PORT OF LOS ANGELES WORLD CRUISE CENTER

28 mi/45 km  
1 hour (by car)



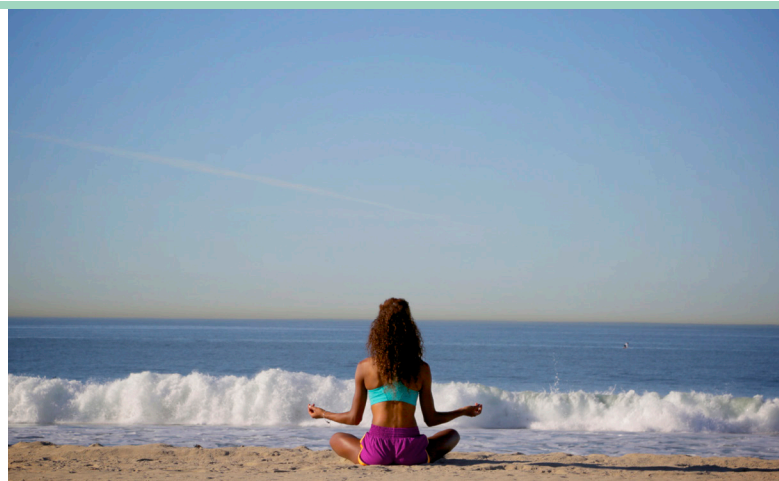
## DAY ONE

Indulge in an idyllic beach day beginning with a private yoga lesson at the water's edge with Beach Yoga SoCal. Then, enjoy a curated beach picnic with Santa Monica Picnic Co. The elegant experience includes professionally designed furnishings and chef-curated cheese and charcuterie boards, along with optional add-ons such as sounds baths and custom floral arrangements.

Next, unwind with one of several luxurious 'spa journeys' at Tikkun Spa or have a personalized spa retreat at the natural and organic Alchemie Spa. Tikkun's lavish Royal Gold Treatment includes a 24-karat gold body wrap that will make you feel like royalty. Or, satisfy your appetite for pampering with Alchemie's HydraFacial performed by an expert esthetician that will leave your skin glowing for the rest of your trip.

After feeling fully relaxed, enjoy a front-row sunset view of the Pacific at Calabra, the elevated rooftop restaurant and bar at Santa Monica Proper Hotel, one of the newest luxury hotels to debut in the city. Whether from the sundeck, circular bar or indoor lounge, the views are best enjoyed with boutique wines, seasonal cocktails and small-batch spirits.

To finish the evening, head to Fia for dinner. Hidden inside a lush, secret garden, Fia offers a menu highlighting fresh seasonal ingredients, inspired by California and Italian coastal cuisine.



Santa Monica Picnic Co.



## DAY TWO

There's no better way to start your day than by waking up in one of Santa Monica's beautiful luxury hotel properties, offering a range of elegant, first-class hotels to classic California bungalows. Enjoy an exclusive sunrise breakfast at Sandpiper at Oceana which features a picturesque seaside backdrop and an illustrious onyx-clad bar. Then, tone up with a Speir Pilates or SoulCycle class followed by a healthy cold pressed juice.

In the afternoon, hop on a bike and cycle along The Strand, the world's longest oceanfront bike path. Stop by Original Muscle Beach where famous bodybuilders, gymnasts, and acrobats have trained. Stroll back up to the iconic Santa Monica Pier, experience the energy of the local street artists and vendors, people watch and relax with an unforgettable sunset dinner at The Lobster, recently named one of the most scenic restaurants in the United States by OpenTable. While The Lobster will always be known for its beautifully prepared Maine and California spiny lobsters, you'll find a menu filled to the brim with a tantalizing variety of raw and exceptionally cooked seafood dishes.

End the night at your choice of Santa Monica's amazing hotel lounges for creative cocktails in a high-class setting: The Bungalow at Fairmont Miramar Hotel & Bungalows, Sugar Palm at Viceroy Santa Monica, or The Penthouse at The Huntley Hotel Santa Monica Beach, or Terrazza at Hotel Casa del Mar.





## DAY THREE

For an early breakfast, a popular among Santa Monica residents is Huckleberry Café, run by renowned culinary husband and wife duo, Josh Loeb and Zoe Nathan. Be sure to save room for a treat from the pastry counter; the seasonally-filled crostatas and legendary cinnamon roll never fail to please. After a delicious breakfast, venture to one of Santa Monica's four weekly farmers markets, which take place throughout the city on Wednesdays, Saturdays or Sundays. Experience a slice of Southern California life and maybe even catch a glimpse of local celebrities or chefs picking their produce for the day!

Afterwards, take the "Art of Making Chocolate" class, master the revered French macarons, or treat yourself with some "Pie Therapy" at The Gourmandise School of Sweets and Savories. Or, enjoy an enchanting tour encompassing world-class art and local wines in the nearby Santa Monica mountains with Malibu Discovery Tours. Explore Greek and Roman antiquities at The Getty Villa, and then discover the acclaimed coastal wine country while indulging in the variety of wines that nearby Malibu has to offer.



Santa Monica Place



Ester's Wine Shop & Bar



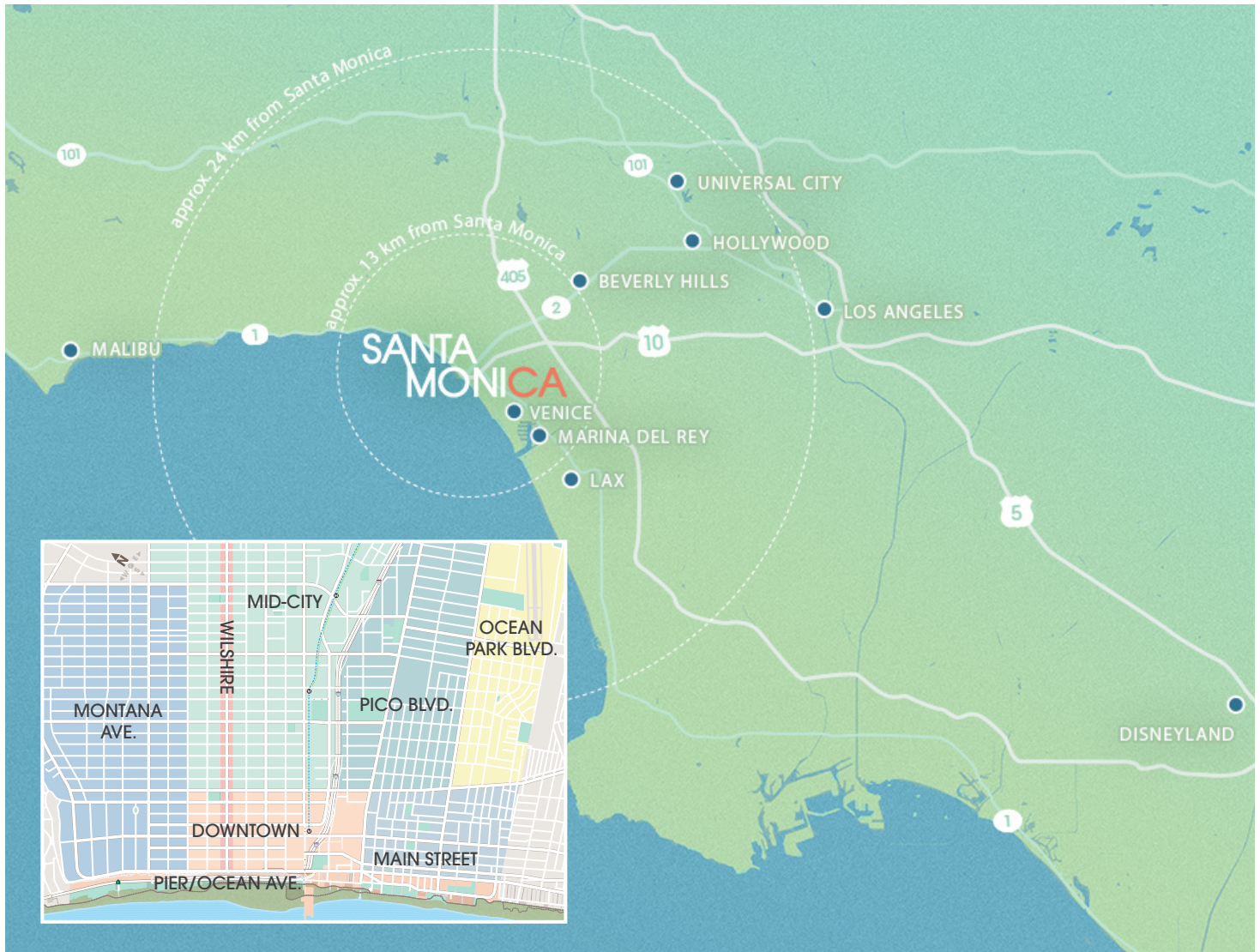
Élephante

## DAY FOUR

Start your last day with the extravagant Lobster Brunch at 1 Pico at Shutters on the Beach, Santa Monica's premier beachfront dining destination. Afterwards, shop 'til you drop at Santa Monica Place, a hub for designer brands and premier shops including including Louis Vuitton, Tiffany & Co. and Rolex. Take advantage of the superior customer service at the Concierge Lounge, which offers same-day delivery service to Santa Monica hotels.

For a more personalized experience, check out LaLaLuxe and have the shopping done for you! Meet with a LaLaLuxe stylist to begin your wardrobe overhaul, find a new look, shop for gifts, or style you for an important event. Then, make your way to Esters Wine Shop & Bar, and sip on the extensive wine collection on their outdoor patio.

Round off the day with an Italian feast at Via Veneto and then, catch your last Santa Monica sunset with a drink in hand and the ocean in sight at The Penthouse, located on the 18th floor of the Huntley Santa Monica Beach or, Élephante, a Southern Mediterranean-inspired lounge with scenic views and impeccable interior design.




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