



● On The Go Mini Guide

# Santa Monica, California



Where to eat, stay, shop and explore in Santa Monica, California.

**Santa Monica** might be the best place to soak up all that Southern California sun. With an incredibly laid back vibe, iconic sights, some of the best food you'll find in the state and some fun local characters, you can't go wrong with a trip to Santa Monica.

## Stay

### ① Fairmont Miramar

**101 Wilshire Blvd, Santa Monica, CA 90401**

**The Fairmont Miramar** has drawn stars through its doors for decades with its private bungalows and prime location.

## Visit

### ② Lala Land Kind Cafe

**1426 Montana Ave #1, Santa Monica, CA 90403**

Grab a coffee and feel good with this **do-gooder cafe** that hires foster youth and has a bright, sunny atmosphere.

## Eat

### ③ Cobi's

**2104 Main St, Santa Monica, CA 90405**

Tucked into a homey setting, **Cobi's** Southeast Asian influenced restaurant feels like you're dining in someone's living room.

## Visit

### ④ The Santa Monica Pier

**The Santa Monica Pier** comes with a lot of history, incredible sunset views, a picture-worthy ferris wheel and shops, cafes and restaurants.

## Do

### ⑤ Santa Monica Bike Rentals

**Rent a bike** to cycle around the downtown, taking in the art along the buildings. Then head down to the 22-mile long bike path along the beach, past the pier all the way to Venice.

## Eat

### ⑥ Elephante

**1332 2nd St, Santa Monica, CA 90401**

**Elephante** is known not just for its fresh, healthy, green-infused brunch, but also cocktails and views of the ocean. Book ahead for either brunch or dinner.

## Visit

### ⑦ The Original Muscle Beach

The first **Muscle Beach** isn't in Venice, it's in Santa Monica and a swing by here on your bike ride means you'll see the original and maybe even some very athletic people testing their limits.

## Do

### ⑧ The Farmer's Market

**155-199 Arizona Ave, Santa Monica, CA 90401**

One of the most-well known **farmers markets** in California, this one packs a colourful punch. Open Wednesdays and Saturdays.

## Eat

### ⑨ Tartine

**Tartine** is famous for its bread and pastries, so add this to your list if you're a baked goods fan. This location is in an old church, with bread baked on site. Swing by for a quick coffee, or stay and linger for brunch or lunch.

## Visit

### ⑩ The Getty Villa

**17985 E Pacific Coast Hwy, Pacific Palisades, CA 90272**

A short drive from downtown Santa Monica takes you to the Getty Villa—filled with antiquities, sculptures, frescos and more. The entrance is free, but you need to **register here** first.

## Do

### ⑪ Yoga on the Beach

Sign up with **Beach Yoga SoCal** for either yoga on the beach or even better, a sound bath on the beach. You'll get that Pacific Ocean air, waves crashing and the feeling of sand between your toes

