

Crystal Coast Vacations...



Atlantic Beach

Atlantic Beach is situated on beautiful Bogue Banks, a barrier island bordered by the Atlantic Ocean and Bogue Sound. Atlantic Beach is home to the annual King Mackerel Tournament. The tournament takes place during the month of October. Atlantic Beach has lifeguards on duty during the summer months. Restaurants and shopping are plentiful in Atlantic Beach. Known for its abundance of public beaches and friendly people, Atlantic Beach is a great destination for your next vacation.



Beaufort

Beaufort offers a beautiful sandy shore to guests as well as stunning waterfront views. Sit back on the porch and watch as international yachts pass by, creating the perfect backdrop for your morning cup of coffee. The waterfront also provides a view of Carrot Island's wild horses. You can watch the feral horses from the banks of Beaufort or board a ferry to see them in their unspoiled habitat. Take a day to walk along the streets and explore the many specialty shops along the downtown area or eat in one of the many delicious restaurants the area offers. For a day trip, go out on a private charter boat for a tour of the area and some great fishing, shelling or whatever your heart desires. You'll see exactly what makes this coastal community so special.



Emerald Isle

Come and visit our gem of an island. It is known as a "Family Beach". Emerald Isle is a special place for all vacationers. Emerald Isle has it all from beautiful beaches, restaurants to shopping. There is a nice walking and biking trail that runs along the main highway. This will give you an opportunity to really enjoy the beauty of the island. Come, relax and enjoy the beauty of a gem known as Emerald Isle.



Indian Beach

Lush maritime forest can be seen along the road as you drive through Indian Beach. Conveniently located in the middle of Bogue Banks, the next to the last island in a chain of barrier islands known as the Southern Outer Banks. The town is divided in the middle by the incorporated community of Salter Path. The location of Indian Beach allows easy access to Morehead City and Emerald Isle. Both of these places offer numerous restaurants and shopping. Enjoy the quiet calming beaches of Indian Beach.

Morehead City

Three bodies of water surround the quaint town of Morehead City; the waterway, Newport River, and Calico Creek - interestingly enough though it doesn't touch the Atlantic Ocean, the massive body of water is at the south and east of the town because of the coasts unique curved structure. Morehead City is the largest town in Carteret County with a population of nearly 8,000 residents, the area also attracts summer tourists because of the many things to do in the area. With over five different parks in the town, you can take a picnic basket and frisbee to enjoy the afternoon. Or take your pet with you to play a game of catch. The area also hosts many different festivals and tournaments such as the Big Rock Blue Marlin Tournament held in early June, that has been a part of the area for 50 years. Competitors seek to win part of a cash purse that offers more than one million dollars.



Pine Knoll Shores

At the central most point of the Bogue Banks, Pine Knoll Shores offers an unforgettable experience to vacationers. This barrier island is surrounded by bustling Atlantic Beach, Indian Beach, the Bogue Sound and the Atlantic Ocean. Because of their community commitment to the environment, most of the area today remains unspoiled and pristine. Pine Knoll Shores has been designated a "Tree City USA". This town is home to the North Carolina Aquarium. Make sure Pine Knoll Shores is one of the places to stop while visiting the Crystal Coast.



Salter Path

From the southern tip of Atlantic Beach down to Emerald Isle, Salter Path is at the corner of Bogue Banks. Salter Path is known as an old fishing village. This section of the barrier island is different because it is home to a large dune system, excellent beaches, breathtaking soundfront views and even a small maritime forest. As you drive through Salter Path, you can easily spot the family beach cottages. Be sure to stop and look at Bogue Sound. On a bright sunny day, it is the bluest color you have ever seen.



Swansboro

Swansboro is known as the "Friendly City by The Sea". During your visit to Swansboro, you will see that it lives up to that name. Swansboro still maintains a historic downtown section that runs along the water's edge. You can take a stroll through the downtown area and view the water, shops and eat at local restaurants on the water. It will offer you a unique experience and one you will never forget.

