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Gallery Guides: How to Spend a Weekend in the Hamptons

Nowhere does summer quite like the Hamptons. We're heading Out East to sink our feet in the sand, browse the chicest pop-ups and linger over the freshest seafood. Here's where to stay and play.

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PLAN YOUR WEEKEND







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HAMPTONS BUCKET LIST

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Whether you're a regular Hamptons habitué or new to the summer scene, we want to help you make the most of your holiday. Here, seven activities that top our East End bucket list.



BOOK SOME R&R

Treat yourself by soaking in the healing powers of Himalayan salt at Montauk Salt Cave, getting a facial at Naturopathica Holistic Health Spa, or indulging in a blissful deep-tissue massage at Topping Rose House.

CATCH A SHOW

Sway to the soulful rhythms of a jazz ensemble at the Westhampton Beach Performing Arts Center or feel the energy of a rock concert at the Stephen Talkhouse in Amagansett.



BEAT THE HEAT

Art lovers should drop into Parrish Art
Museum, while history buffs of all ages
will want to visit the South Fork Natural
History Museum or the Sag Harbor
Whaling Museum. Got kids? The
Children's Museum of the East End is for
you.

DON'T SKIP LUNCH

Have you really been to the Hamptons if you haven't had a lobster roll? Whether you prefer the Classic (Maine-style) or the Hot (Connecticut-style), you'll find plenty of options. Our pick is one from Lobster Roll, aka Lunch.

SPEND TIME IN THE SURF

You came to the Hamptons to soak up summer. What better way to do so than out on the water? Charter a fishing boat on Shinnecock Bay, paddle around Shelter Island Harbor in kayaks, or take a surf lesson from Hamptons Surf Co.



POP BY A POP-UP

Looking for a break from the beach?
Every summer, a new crop of brands
sets up Out East. Stock up on romantic
dresses and tops at the Doen pop-up in
Sag Harbor, find chic staples at The Row
in Amagansett, or browse British
summer classics at ME+EM in East
Hampton.







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WHERE TO STAY



THE MAIDSTONE, EAST HAMPTON

Tucked into East Hampton's historic district for 150 years—with classic Adirondack chairs dotting the lawn—is The Maidstone Hotel. The recent reopening under new ownership means famed LDV Hospitality Group has supplied the rooms and lobby with fresh furnishings (including bath products from Florence's Santa Maria Novella), a delectable new Italian restaurant, a hotel boutique offering Tata Harper mini-facials, an amaro aperitif to greet guests as they check in...need we say more? (Rates start at \$405)

BARON'S COVE, SAG HARBOR

You'll find the vacation you've been dreaming of at the iconic Baron's Cove. The rooms, which face either Sag Harbor Village or the harbor itself, are charmingly nautical and exceptionally

spacious. With an on-site pool, seafood restaurant and location that's just a short walk from town, there's plenty to keep everyone happy with a minimum amount of fuss.

(Rates start at \$246)



MILL HOUSE INN, EAST HAMPTON

For a dreamy, romantic weekend with your S.O., you want the Mill House Inn.
Rooms here are pricey, but for good reason. The Inn's personal assistants will make whatever you dream happen—whether it's a sunset sail, clambake on the shore or last-minute dinner reservation. Spend your stay lingering over their famous breakfast (Chef Gary takes requests) and finish with a stroll on Main Beach.
(Rates start at \$313)

GURNEY'S RESORT & SEAWATER SPA, MONTAUK

Parents and kids alike will fall in love with Gurney's Montauk. Take a morning yoga class and follow it up with a dip in the seawater pool while your kids enjoy a nature walk, participate in conservation efforts such as oyster seeding, or create works of art at Camp Gurney's. Then regroup for dinner and dessert at Scarpetta Beach. (Rates start at \$375)





CANOE PLACE INN & COTTAGES, HAMPTON BAYS

Dating back to the early 20th century, Canoe Place is a historic gem full of old-world charm. You'll find it situated along the shores of Shinnecock Bay, offering stunning waterfront views and easy access to the beach (the staff will even pack you a beach picnic with towels, chairs and umbrellas). (Rates start at \$250)



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WHERE TO EAT



BREAKFAST

If loaded burritos, a stack of chocolate chip pancakes or a nacho-themed omelet seem like your type of comfort food, you won't want to miss Sag Harbor's Estia's Little Kitchen. Enjoy inventive doughnuts at Grindstone Coffee & Donuts (we're partial to the Nutella S'mores). Pick up fancy sandwiches, including smoked salmon or bacon, egg and braised greens, at Carissa's The Bakery to take with you to the beach. Not a morning person but still craving breakfast? Goldberg's, with multiple locations throughout the Hamptons, has you covered on the bagel front well into the afternoon.





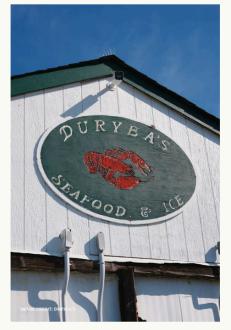


LUNCH

Heading to the beach or the vineyards? Pick up takeaway salads, fruits, cheeses and breads from Amber Waves Farm. Pop into the adorable La Fondita for tacos starting at less than \$4. Or step back in time with classic diner food at Candy Kitchen (just remember to stop at the ATM first—it's cash only). Want to people-watch an afternoon away? The historic American Hotel is full of quaint charm and has a lobster BLT that is not to be missed.

DINNER

Is there anything more summery than an unfussy eat-with-your-hands clambake? Snag a table on Duryea's waterfront deck and order up. Dig into upscale Italian fare at the popular Dopo La Spiaggia, a true neighborhood gem with stunning views of the Sag Harbor Marina. Find veggie-forward meals at Jean-Georges at Topping Rose House, where the produce comes from the eatery's own farm. And you can't miss cocktails and rosemary focaccia at East Hampton mainstay Nick & Toni's.





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Out East is all about living luxuriously, so shouldn't your beverage follow suit? Enjoy the luxury of sipping PATRÓN EL CIELO and PATRÓN El ALTO all summer long. These prestige tequilas are handcrafted and naturally sweet. PATRÓN EL CIELO is uniquely distilled four times—a rare feat in the tequila world and a first-of-its-kind-ideally served with "ice and a slice" of citrus. PATRÓN EL ALTO is an impressively aged tequila made from the finest and sweetest 100-percent Weber Blue Agave, perfect for toasting to milestone moments (like a weekend spent in the Hamptons).















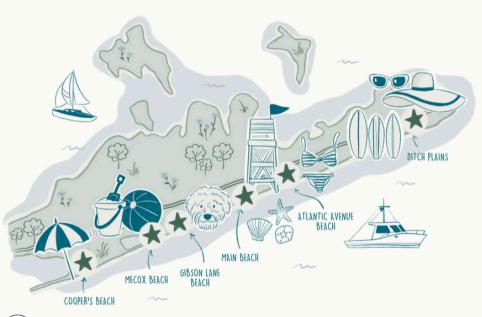
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HAMPTONS BEACH GUIDE

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Wherever you're staying Out East, there's sand and surf nearby. Explore the coast in luxury with INFINITI, our exclusive auto partner for Gallery Beach House. Here, all the best beaches the Hamptons has to offer.



COOPER'S BEACH, SOUTHAMPTON

White sand, high dunes, rolling waves—when you think about Hamptons beaches, you're probably thinking of Cooper's. This is quintessential Hamptons and a must-visit for anyone new to the area or returning for a much-needed break Out East. Plus, with a concession stand, bathouse, chair and umbrella rentals and day-parking passes, you'll find everything you need for the day within arm's reach.

MECOX BEACH, BRIDGEHAMPTON

OK, Mecox Beach might not exactly be the most relaxing beach, but if you're a parent of young kids looking for a sandy spot to spend the day, then this one's for you. Lifeguard? Check. Snack stand? Check. Bathrooms and showers? Double-check. You'll find calm(er) waters on the bayside beach, ideal for those just dipping their toes into swimming. Parking will cost you \$40 per day and the lot can fill up quick, so best to plan an early start.

GIBSON LANE BEACH, SAGAPONACK

Calling your dog your best friend is an understatement, so of course you want to take her on every outing. But dog-friendly beaches are in short supply in the Hamptons. Luckily, there's Gibson Lane Beach. This unofficial dog beach allows leashed pups before 9 a.m. or after 5 p.m. from May 15 to September 15.

MAIN BEACH, EAST HAMPTON

Main Beach regularly tops lists of the world's best beaches, and for good reason: Expanses of super-fine sand and a friendly atmosphere make it a crowd-pleaser for surfing and families (just keep in mind the waves can get big). This destination's appeal extends beyond its vibe, though, with a range of amenities including a snack stand, lifeguards and shower and bathroom facilities. Parking will cost you \$50 per day.

ATLANTIC AVENUE BEACH, AMAGANSETT

No car? No problem. Atlantic Avenue Beach is one of the few stretches of sand you can walk to from the train (it'll take about 20 minutes). That location means that the vibe tends to be a bit younger and slightly rowdier than the area's other beaches. Still, it's a fun time and a spot made for people-watching.

DITCH PLAINS, MONTAUK

Montauk is arguably the best surf town on the East Coast and it's in no small part due to Ditch Plains. Famous for its long, peeling waves, it can get crowded, particularly on good surfing days, but this is still a great spot for those figuring out which way their boards go. Keep in mind that while Ditch is one of the few Hamptons beaches offering free parking, you'll have to find a spot on the road, so best to get there early.