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Capistrano Beach's charming small town atmosphere and a myriad of recreational opportunities have christened it a viable vacation destination. Branching off from the city of Dana Point, "Capo Beach" is also bordered on by the vivacious Laguna Beach to the north and San Clemente to the south. As one of the few remaining "beach towns" in the busy Orange County area, Capo Beach has (impressively) avoided much of the commercialization common to the area. This makes for a great, uncongested stay.



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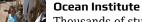
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#### **THE TOWN**



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Capistrano Beach, only 2.1 square miles, has managed to remain a small town without the development that has happened in most of the surrounding Orange County area. Of course, don't let its size fool you. Just because it is small doesn't mean it isn't notable. Since many celebrities call Capistrano Beach home, and sightings aren't exclusive to Los Angeles.

Visitors enjoy a less congested stay in California while still being close to major attractions like Disneyland and Legoland. Several beach hotels provide affordable vacation spots with access to the sandy beaches just across the street. Access is easy off I-5, so Capistrano Beach is really a unique destination.

#### DO & SEE



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Enjoy the beaches and the small town atmosphere of Capistrano Beach while you are here. When you are ready for action, many attractions are in Dana Point, such as Dana Wharf, whale watching tours, and Doheny State Beach. Traveling just a little farther is Disneyland and Legoland.

#### **Boat Parade of Lights**



If you happen to be in Dana Point for the Christmas holidays, don't miss out on this unique parade in which boaters decorate their boats for

the holidays. The parade beckons boaters from all over Orange County, who decorate their vessels and aspire for awards like Judges Choice, Best Theme, Best Use of Lights, Best Animation, Most Colorful, Most Original, Best Sailboat, Best Powerboat, and the Perpetual Trophy for the Yacht Club with the Most Entries.

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Phone: +1 949 496 5794

Internet: www.danapointharbor.com

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#### Zoomars



This petting zoo is great fun for the little ones. Enclosures filled with bunnies and guinea pigs, feeding goats or riding horses and ponies:

endless fun is guaranteed.

Photo: AngryJulieMonday/Flickr (image cropped) Address: 31791 Los Rios St, San Juan Capistrano

Phone: +1 949 831 6550 Internet: www.zoomars.com Email: earsup@zoomars.com

#### **Dana Wharf Whale Watching**



Dana Wharf was the first whale watching company in Orange County and has been offering tours since the Harbor opened in 1971. The fleet includes a

63 -foot calm ocean Catamaran, and the 95-foot Dana Pride. Cruises are narrated by expert captains with sightings guaranteed.

Photo: Tory Kallman/Shutterstock.com Address: 34675 Golden Lantern, Dana Point

Phone: +1 888 224 0603

Internet: www.danawharf.com/whale-watching

Email: info@danawharf.com

# Captain Dave's Dolphin & Whale Watching Safari



Tours leave from Dana Point Harbor every day and last two and a half hours. Captain Dave, a marine naturalist, lead the tours himself. His

expertise combined with boats equipped with underwater viewing pods make this a one-of-a-kind experience. Photo: dancar/Shutterstock.com

Address: 24440 Dana Point Harbor Drive, Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 488 2828

Internet: www.dolphinsafari.com

Email: captdave@cox.net

#### Ocean Institute



Thousands of students come to the Ocean Institute, which has garnered awards for its hands-on programs. They educate students on

everything about the Ocean and California history.

Photo: Jim Graves/Wikimedia Commons (image cropped) Address: 24200 Dana Point Harbor Drive, Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 496 2274

Internet: www.ocean-institute.org Email: oi@ocean-institute.org

#### The Historic Schooner Curlew



Come enjoy a sailing charters or an open party sail aboard the Curlew, a classic 82' schooner. It will be an experience of a lifetime for boat

enthusiasts and novices alike.

Photo: aragami12345s/Shutterstock.com

Address: 34675 Golden Lantern Street, Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 922 2759 Internet: www.sailcurlew.com

#### **Nature Interpretive Center**



The City of Dana Point
Nature Interpretive
Center is an educational
facility that teaches
visitors about the natural
history of the Headlands.

Stunning visual aids and artifacts provides



resources on exploring the nature trails in the area.

Photo: RHMeeks/Shutterstock.com Address: 34558 Scenic Drive, Dana Point Opening hours: Tuesday-Sunday: 10am-4pm

Phone: +1 949 542 4755

Internet: www.danapoint.org/index.aspx?page = 577

#### Mission at San Juan Capistrano



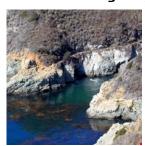
The mission, one of many built throughout the state of California, was constructed over 200 years ago by Spanish Padres and Native

Americans. It is considered not only as the birthplace of Orange County, but also monument to its diverse cultural heritage. It is also known as the "Jewel of the Missions."

Photo: Sharon Mollerus/Flickr (image cropped) Address: 26801 Ortega Highway, San Juan Capistrano

Phone: +1 949 234 1300 Internet: www.missionsjc.com

#### **Pacific Coast Highway**



Capistrano Beach marks the southernmost end of the Pacific Coast Highway, or, officially, California State Route 1. This 655-mile-long

highway provides a scenic drive along the Pacific coast.

Photo: John Murphy/Flickr (image cropped)

#### Dana Point Jet Ski and Kayak Center



Enjoy a day on the water!
Dana Point Harbor is a
popular destination for
those who enjoy
kayaking, jet skiing,
outrigger canoes, and the

new Stand Up Paddleboards.

Photo: YanLev/Shutterstock.com Address: 34671 Puerto Pl, Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 661 4947

Internet: www.danapointjetski.com Email: info@DanaPointJetSki.com

#### **Capo Beach Watercraft Rentals**



Jet skis and kayaks are available for rental here year-round at Capo Beach Watercraft Rentals. They allow for rental of 1-3 Passenger Jet Skiis,

SeaDoos, and kayaks to start your Capo Beach vacation the right way.

Photo: Phovoir/Shutterstock.com

Address: 34512 Embarcadero Place, Dana Point

Opening hours: Daily: 9am-6pm

Phone: +1 949 661 1690

Internet: www.capobeachwatercraft.com

Email: capowatercraft1@cox.net

#### **Biking**



Capistrano Beach is a perfect location for cycling with a view of the sea. There are numerous bike rentals. Synaptic Cycles provides road bike

rentals, which they deliver to you. They also offer rentals for team-building and corporate events.

Photo: Daxiao Productions/Shutterstock.com Address: 34662 Calle Rosita, Capistrano Beach



Phone: +1 949 374 6079

Internet: www.synapticcycles.com Email: joe@synapticcycles.com

#### Golfing



There are three locations for world-class golfing in Dana Point: San Juan Hills Golf Club 32120 San Juan Creek Road San Juan Capistrano, CA

92675 +1 949 493 1167 www.sanjuanhillsgolf.com

Monarch Beach Golf Links
50 Monarch Beach Resort N
Dana Point, CA 92629
+1 949 240 8247
www.monarchbeachgolf.com

Talega Golf Club 990 Avenida Talega San Clemente, CA 92673 +1 949 369 6226 www.talegagolfclub.com

 $Photo: Mikael\ Damkier/Shutterstock.com$ 

Address: 32120 San Juan Creek Road, San Juan Capistrano,

CA 92675

Phone: +1 949 493 1167

Internet: www.sanjuanhillsgolf.com

## **Parks**



There are a number of parks in Dana Point, each offering its own unique set of amenities.

Photo: Sergei Gussev/Flickr (image cropped) Address: 33282 Golden Lantern, Dana Point Phone: +1 949 248 3530 Internet: www.danapoint.org

#### Fishing



There are a variety of fishing options in Dana Point. Keep your feet planted on land and cast off from the pier or shoreline. Stay close to

shore by fishing from a kayak, a popular option, or get out on open waters with a public or private chartered fishing excursion.

Dana Wharf Sportfishing and Whale Watching +1 888 224 0603

Dick Simon Yachts +1 949 493 2011

Dream Catcher Yachts +1 949 248 7100

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#### DINING



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Capistrano Beach Restaurants include ethnic restaurants and some of the best Mexican Food around. You can get a quick hot dog and follow it up with cool ice cream by the beach.

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#### Jon's Fish Market



Jon's is well known for serving the best fish & chips and fish tacos in Orange County. The excellent selection of fresh Pacific caught

seasonal fish can be taken home to cook or ordered from the grilled menu.

Photo: Subbotina Anna/Shutterstock.com Address: 34665 Golden Lantern, Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 496 2807

Internet: www.jonsfishmarket.com

#### Waterman's Harbor



Located directly at the dock and harbour, Waterman's Harbor lives up to the name. Award Winning Chef John Cuevas serves

outstanding seafood specialities and major sports events can be watched on the big screen.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com

Address: 34661 Golden Lantern St, Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 764 3474 Internet: watermandp.com

#### Agostino's By The Sea



Locals rave about the family-owned Agostino's, not only because of its delicious food and friendly atmosphere, but also because of the

beautiful sunset views from the dining room. They also feature Happy Hour specials. On the menu you will find mouth-watering pasta and pizza dishes.

Photo: svariophoto/Shutterstock.com

Address: 34700 Pacific Coast Highway, Capistrano Beach

Opening hours: Tuesday-Sunday: 5pm-Closing

Phone: +1 949 661 8266

Internet: www.agostinosbythesea.com

#### Raya



Chef Richard Sandoval's
Pan-Latin Coastal dishes
are more than palatable.
Raya's signature cocktails
pair nicely with each
menu item inspired by

local ingredients. Dine while enjoying beachfront vistas, afforded by the restaurant's Ritz-Carlton location.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com Address: 1 Ritz-Carlton Drive, Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 240 2000

Internet: www.ritzcarlton.com/LagunaRaya

#### Thai Dara



Considered by some to be the best Thai food one can find in Southern California, Thai Dara is a must-stop for Capo Beach visitors. The lunch

specials are popular because of their portion sizes and price.

Photo: Joshua Resnick/Shutterstock.com

Address: 34255 Pacific Coast Highway, Dana Point Opening hours: Tuesday-Sunday: 11am-9pm

Phone: +1 949 661 1251

Internet: www.thaidaradanapoint.com Email: nanthiraphan@hotmail.com



#### Jack's Restaurant



Jack's is committed to serving food that comes from the Earth to you, as naturally as possible. They also serve vegan and gluten-free dishes.

Dine on a varied menu, from New York Style thin crust pizza to grass-fed rack of lamb and pasta dishes.

Photo: Everything/Shutterstock.com Address: 24462 Del Prado, Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 489 1903 Internet: www.jacksdp.com Email: jack@jacksdp.com

#### **Olamendi's Mexican Restaurant**



Established by Mexican brothers, Olamendi's offers the most authentic Mexican food in Southern California. Having learned from their

grandmothers and adding their own touches along the way has created Mexican food that everyone loves.

Photo: Marian Weyo/Shutterstock.com

Address: 34664 Pacific Coast Highway, Dana Point Opening hours: Monday-Thursday: 10am-9pm.

Friday-Saturday: 10am-10pm. Phone: +1 949 661 1005

Internet: www.originalolamendis.com Email: info@originalolamendis.com

#### Salt Creek Grille



Entrees are priced reasonably but not cheap, and that's because Salt Creek Grille only uses quality ingredients, this combined with the atmosphere and a different half-price drink special every night will make you wonder why they don't charge more.

The menu offers seafood, steaks, burgers and sandwiches.

Photo: HLPhoto/Shutterstock.com

Address: 32802 Pacific Coast Highway, Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 661 7799

Internet: www.saltcreekgrille.com Email: danapoint@saltcreekgrille.com

#### The Harbor Grill



The Harbor Grill serves up seafood prepared utilizing a variety of flavors from across the globe. The flavors are enhanced by the herbs

used, which are grown and harvested from their private herb garden.

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Address: 34499 Golden Lantern Street, Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 240 1416 Internet: www.harborgrill.com

#### The Brig Restaurant



Located right on Dana Point Harbor, The Brigs serves homestyle dishes. This place is popular with tourists who enjoy taking a stroll around the harbor

after eating. Menu offer steaks, burgers, pasta, fish and seafood dishes.

Photo: Shebeko/Shutterstock.com

Address: 34461 Golden Lantern Street, Dana Point Opening hours: Monday-Friday: 7am-Closing.

Saturday-Sunday: 6:30am-Closing.

Phone: +1 949 496 9046

Internet: www.thebrigrestaurant.com



#### Wind & Sea Restaurant



Although fresh fish is served here daily, Wind & Sea's name comes more from its waterfront location than from its menu, which offers the

right amount of variety to keep things interesting. Wind & Sea opened in 1972 and has become one of Southern California's premier restaurant destinations for Pacific Rim fusion cuisine.

 $Photo: Stephen\ Van Horn/Shutterstock.com$ 

Address: 34699 Golden Lantern Street, Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 496 6500

 $\label{limited} Internet: www.windandsearestaurants.com \\ Email: windandsearestaurant@gmail.com$ 

#### The Shwack Beach Grill



The Shwack has become a must-try burger joint in Orange County because of its fresh burgers, sandwiches, and sides all at super affordable

prices. It truly reflects the laid-back ambiance of Capo Beach.

Photo: Joshua Resnick/Shutterstock.com Address: 24502 Del Prado, Dana Point Opening hours: Daily: 8am-9pm

Phone: +1 949 218 2731 Internet: www.theshwack.com Email: contact@theshwack.com

#### **Sunsets Bar**



Enjoy tropical drinks, exotic appetizers, and spectacular ocean views in a casual atmosphere. Sunsets meshes aloha-style with "Cheers"-like friendliness. From the menu you can choose tasty burgers, tacos, chicken salad, fish and chips.

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Address: 34700 Pacific Coast Highway, Capistrano Beach

Phone: +1 949 276 8880

Internet: www.sunsetsbar.com/sunsets-capistrano-beach

Email: info@sunsetsbar.com

#### The Little Kitchen Asian Cafe



The Little Kitchen packs big flavor into its home style Asian meals with little cost. They offer take out and delivery.

Photo: Shebeko/Shutterstock.com

Address: 24831 Del Prado Avenue, Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 276 7799

Internet: www.thelittlekitchenasiancafe.com

#### **CAFES**



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In true SoCal fashion, health is the word in Dana Point's cafe scene. Most of the food is made with organic produce, often locally grown, and there are even a few smoothie bars where you can cool off with a cool, creamy beverage on a hot day. Of course, there are still traditional coffee houses where you can treat your sweet tooth to a fresh baked pastry, and diner-style dives where you can gnosh on a giant omelette or stack of



pancakes.

#### J C Beans Inc



JC Beans opened its doors in 1994 and has garnered praise for its quality and friendly staff. Enjoy a menu of fresh croissants, cinnamon rolls, cookies,

and other tasty goodies.

Photo: YKTR/Shutterstock.com

Address: 34114 Pacific Coast Highway, Dana Point

Opening hours: Daily: 5am-8pm Phone: +1 949 496 4700

Email: management@jcbeans.com

#### **Stacks Pancake House**



In addition to its specialty pancakes, including their famous banana macadamia nut pancakes with coconut syrup, Stacks also offers a

variety of other breakfast options, as well as lunch entrees with worldly influences. They're waiting for you to "Stack it up."

Photo: Marie C Fields/Shutterstock.com

Address: 34255 Pacific Coast Highway, Dana Point

Opening hours: Daily: 6:30am-2pm

Phone: +1 949 429 2222

Internet: www.stackspancakehouse.com Email: info@stackspancakehouse.com

#### **Bonjour Cafe**



Bonjour means hello, and Bonjour Cafe is definitely welcoming. Since 1992, this casual French bistro has been serving simple, yet delicious Parisian fare

without the pomp and prices of the more

common upscale French restaurants.

Photo: taa22/Shutterstock.com

Address: 24633 Del Prado Avenue, Dana Point Opening hours: Monday-Friday: 7:30am-3pm.

Saturday-Sunday: 8am-3pm. Phone: +1 949 496 6368

Internet: www.bonjourcafe.com

#### **RJ's Cafe**



Owner RJ Breeden developed his namesake cafe with breakfast in mind. He brings decades of restaurant expertise, a love of food, and a desire

to make his guests feel at home to the table. RJ's also serves lunch.

Photo: Marian Weyo/Shutterstock.com

Address: 25001 Dana Point Harbor Drive, Suite 120, Dana

Point

Opening hours: Daily: 6:30am-3pm

Phone: +1 949 218 5757 Internet: www.rjscafe.com Email: rjscafe@hotmail.com

#### What a Dish Cafe & Catering



Give your taste buds a new experience with one of What a Dish Cafe's specialty dishes during brunch or lunch. Your meal is prepared using

fresh, organic, seasonal vegetables, and free range cattle and poultry.

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Address: 24921 Dana Point Harbor Drive, Suite B100, Dana

Point

Phone: +1 949 276 4884

Internet: www.whatadishoc.com Email: jordan@WhatADishOC.com



## **Coffee Importers**



Coffee Importers is a coffee shop, ice cream shop, and deli all in one location. Don't think that such variety means that quality is sacrificed,

though. Locals have shown their appreciation for Coffee Importers many times over in the Dana Point Times' annual "Best of Dana Point" contest.

Photo: cmgirl/Shutterstock.com

Address: 34531 Golden Lantern, Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 493 7773

Internet: www.coffeeimporters.com Email: scoopdeck@gmail.com

#### **Harbor House Cafe**



Open 24 hours a day, every day of the year, Harbor House Cafe is an American-style diner. They've been serving reasonably-priced dishes

with fresh ingredients for over 65 years.

Photo: baranq/Shutterstock.com

Address: 34157 Pacific Coast Highway, Dana Point

Opening hours: 24/7 Phone: +1 949 496 9270

Internet: www.harborhousecafe.com
Email: comments@harborhousecafe.com

## **Proud Mary's Restaurant**



Sip a Bloody Mary and enjoy your breakfast as you watch boats sail in and out of the harbor from your table in Proud Mary's colorful dining

room. They open for private events and themed parties as well.

Photo: Brent Hofacker/Shutterstock.com

Address: 34689 Golden Lantern, Dana Point

Opening hours: Daily: 8am-2pm Phone: +1 949 493 5853

Internet: www.proudmarysdp.com Email: email@proudmarysdp.com

#### **BARS & NIGHTLIFE**



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Capistrano Beach may be a small town, but it isn't one to roll up the streets when the sun goes down. Enjoy the evening at one of the local establishments and meet some new friends.

#### Pepi's Sports Bar and Grill



Pepi's Sports Bar and Grill has it all: sports entertainment on big screens, pub food and cold beer in an intimate neighborhood bar. Free

taco Wednesday.

Photo: Joshua Resnick/Shutterstock.com

Address: 34235 Doheny Park Rd, Capistrano Beach

Phone: +1 949 272 5957

Internet: www.pepissportsbarandgrill.com



#### **Vue Restaurant**



Enjoy fine dining in a classy atmosphere. With a view of the harbour, Vue Restaurant offers upscale Californian dishes.

Photo: lenetstan/Shutterstock.com

Address: 25135 Park Lantern, Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 487 7555 Internet: www.lagunacliffs.com

#### The Cellar



The Cellar is an eclectic mixture of wine bar, cheese shop and excellent restaurant with attention to detail. Wine as well as microbrews on tap are

accompanied by a lively atmopshere with live music events.

Photo: Refat/Shutterstock.com

Address: 156 Avenida Del Mar, San Clemente

Opening hours: Tuesday - Sunday 7:00am - 11:00pm, Friday

and Sunday until 12am
Phone: +1 949 492 3663

Internet: www.thecellarsite.com

#### 180blũ



Comfortable seating overlooking the Pacific Ocean provides the perfect setting for a relaxing evening socializing with friends

with you sip one of 180blű's popular specialty drinks and listen to live music in the background. There's nothing quite like the experience of 180blű.

Photo: Dasha Petrenko/Shutterstock.com Address: 1 Ritz Carlton Drive, Dana Point Phone: +1 949 240 2000 Internet: www.ritzcarlton.com

#### StillWater Spirits and Sounds



StillWater offers a unique dining experience. They offer a varied menu of sustenance and libations for you to enjoy in a casual atmosphere while

jazz musicians perform on stage.

Photo: Elena Efimova/Shutterstock.com Address: 24701 Del Prado. Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 661 6003

Internet: www.danapointstillwater.com Email: info@danapointstillwater.com

#### Luxe Restaurant and World Famous Martini Bar



Luxe is modern and contemporary. They bring fine dining to Dana Point with a menu that combines primarily American and Italian

flavors; they've become known for their specialty fresh fruit martinis.

Photo: Pressmaster/Shutterstock.com Address: 24582 Del Prado, Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 276 4990

#### **Lord Of The Strings Concerts**



Renowned musicians from around the world perform acoustic concerts in an intimate setting at the Dana Point Community House. Visit

the Lord of the Strings page for events.

Photo: dwphotos/Shutterstock.com

Address: 24642 San Juan Avenue, Dana Point



Phone: +1 949 842 2227

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#### **Doheny Saloon**



Doheney Saloon isn't as dingy as you would expect a dive bar to be. Drinks are cheap, and there are regular live shows, which consist

mostly of local rock bands. There are also pool tables if you are up for a game.

Photo: Kucher Serhii/Shutterstock.com

Address: 34125 Doheny Park Road, Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 496 9033

#### The Dana Pool Cafe



Want to have a drink and work on your tan? The Dana Pool Cafe, located at the Ritz-Carlton, is the place to do it.

Photo: aragami12345s/Shutterstock.com Address: 1 Ritz-Carlton Drive, Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 240 2000

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uel/dining/the-dana-pool-cafe

#### **SHOPPING**



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Shopping excursions from Capistrano Beach can take you from Dana Point to downtown LA. Take your pick and shop to your heart's content.

#### The Shops at Mission Viejo



One of the offerings of Simon Property Group, which operates shopping malls nationwide, The Shops at Mission Viejo is home to 150 stores and

restaurants. Find names such as Nordstrom, H&M, Macy's, Apple, Microsoft, Sephora, Farrell's Ice Cream Parlor, and The Cheesecake Factory.

Photo: nenetus/Shutterstock.com

Address: 555 The Shops at Mision Viejo, Mission Viejo

Phone: +1 949 364 1832

Internet: www.shopsatmissionviejo.com

#### South Coast Plaza, Costa Mesa



This mega shopping center, located in Costa Mesa, is a destination shopping experience that attracts visitors from all over the world. With the

highest concentration of brand boutiques and fashion retail in the county, it's no wonder the South Coast Plaza has been dubbed the OC's



version of Rodeo Drive.

Photo: Eugene Kim/Flickr (image cropped) Address: 3333 Bristol Street, Costa Mesa

Phone: +1 800 782 8888

Internet: www.southcoastplaza.com Email: info@southcoastplaza.com

#### **Monarch Bay Plaza**



Monarch Bay Plaza is home to clothing boutiques, a grocer, salons, and restaurants, as well as other specialty shops and businesses.

There are over 30 combined shops and dining facilities to be had.

Photo: Ivanko80/Shutterstock.com

Address: 28 Monarch Bay Plaza, Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 474 7030

Internet: www.monarchbayplaza.com

#### Killer Dana



Killer Dana takes is moniker from a favorite local surf spot of the same name that has been defunct for decades. The name lives on through

this locally-owned, but internationally-known, surf shop.

Photo: EpicStockMedia/Shutterstock.com Address: 24621 Del Prado, Dana Point

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 9am-7pm. Sunday:

9apm-6pm.

Phone: +1 949 489 8380 Internet: www.killerdana.com

#### **2nd Hand Treasures**



2nd Hand Treasures specializes in home furniture and decor both new and old. Some pieces are shipped in from around the world. Check

out their site for an updated inventory.

Photo: Nattapol Sritongcom/Shutterstock.com Address: 34272 Doheny Road, Capistrano Beach

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 10:30am-6pm, Saturday

11:00am - 6:00pm, Sunday: 12pm-5pm.

Phone: +1 949 218 7962

Email: 2ndhandtreasures@cox.net

#### **Infinity Surfboards**



Infinity surfboards have been shaped by hand by master craftsman Steve Boehne since 1970. The first Infinity surfboard hangs in the shop where

he works with his two sons.

Photo: iko/Shutterstock.com

Address: 24382 Del Prado Avenue, Dana Point

Opening hours: Monday-Saturday: 9:30am-6pm. Sunday:

10am-5pm.

Phone: +1 949 661 6699 Internet: www.infinitysurf.com Email: brent@infinitysurf.com

#### White Pelican Gallery



For a piece of Native American culture, White Pelican jewelry, artwork by Southwestern artists, Minnetonka Moccasins, and other items, stop by

this gallery. Additionally, the owner designs custom jewelry, and the shop provides jewelry repair.



Photo: digitalfarmer/Shutterstock.com Address: 34475 Golden Lantern, Dana Point

Opening hours: Daily 10:00am – 6:00pm, Saturday and

Friday until 8pm

Phone: +1 949 240 1991

Internet: whitepelicangallery.com Email: whitepelican@sbcglobal.net

#### **Swiss Connection**



Owner Jean-Jaques
Mamie is a professional
watchmaker from
Switzerland. They
specialize in selling fine
jewelry and watches, as

well as providing watch and jewelry repair.

Photo: Gitanna/Shutterstock.com

Address: 32565 Golden Lantern Street, Suite A, Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 488 0900

Email: swissconnection@sbcglobal.net

#### Girl In the Curl Surf Shop



Girl In the Curl is a surf shop geared toward girls. Owner Mary Hartmann is a former competitive surfer who offers surfing lessons.

Photo: GuliaevaA/Shutterstock.com

Address: 34116 Pacific Coast Highway A, Dana Point

Phone: +1 949 661 4475 Internet: www.girlinthecurl.com

Email: girlinthecurlsurfshop@gmail.com

#### TOURIST INFORMATION



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#### Passport / Visa



Citizens of the Schengen countries, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Japan, South Korea,

Taiwan and the Kingdom of Brunei can visit the United States for up to 90 days without applying for a visa (as well as citizens of Andorra, Lichtenstein, Monaco and San Marino). Citizens of these countries must obtain an ESTA (Electronic System for Travel Authorization) before traveling. All other travelers must obtain a visa before visiting the United States. International travelers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip in order to enter the country.

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#### **Best Time to Visit**



September is the hottest month, but the best time to visit might be early summer (around June), when the weather is already very pleasant and



hotels not at their most expensive.

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#### **Airports**



John Wayne Airport (SNA) is the closest - 24 miles away. It offers domestic and international flights. McClellan-Palomar

Airport (CLD ) is 36 miles away and has domestic flights. Lastly, Long Beach Airport (LGB / KLGB) is 44 miles away and offers domestic flights.

John Wayne Airport is about half an hour drive from Dana Point. Most visitors hire a car or take the Orange County Line bus and Metrolink Trains.

Photo: Juan Garces

Address: 18601 Airport Way, Santa Ana

Phone: +1 949 252 5200 Internet: www.ocair.com

## **Public Transportation**



Capistrano Beach is served by several public transportation companies. Orange County Line buses drive along the coast to all

major cities. Fares start from \$2\$ and there are 5 Rides, 7-day or 30-day passes.

Amtrak operates in the whole regions as well.

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## **Pharmacy**



Several pharmacies are located in the region, among them Rite Aid and CMV: Rite Aid Pharmacy Lantern Bay Village Shopping Center, 24829

Del Prado Ave, Dana Point +1 949-493-5100 daily 7am - 10pm

CVS Pharmacy - Photo Ocean View Plaza Shopping Center, 638 Camino De Los Mares, San Clemente +1 949-487-9791 Open 24 hours

Photo: Gemma Garner

#### Taxi



Capistrano Beach is serviced by the following taxi companies: Beach Cities Taxi +1 949-331-3938 South Orange County Taxi

Service +1 949-200-2306

Surf Side Taxi +1 949-226-9122

Photo: ArrivalGuides

#### Time Zone



Capistrano Beach is located in the Pacific time zone, and all times are reflected in Pacific time.



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#### **Post**



Dana Point Tourist Office 24551 Del Prado Ave, Dana Point +1 949-496-2787 Monday -Friday 8:30am - 5:30pm, Saturday 9am - 3pm US

Post Office 34281 Doheny Park Rd, Capistrano Beach +1 949-496-2787 Monday - Friday 9am - 4pm

Photo: Andy Fuchs Internet: www.usps.com

#### Telephone



Country code: +1 Area codes in Capistrano Beach: 949

Photo: Jardson Almeida

## **Electricity**



110-volt

Photo: Stirling Tschan

## Population

8,863

#### Currency

\$1 U.S. = 100 cents

#### **Opening hours**

General opening hours for stores are 10am until 9pm.

#### Newspapers

Capistrano Dispatch Dana Point Times The Orange County Register

## **Emergency numbers**

911

#### **Tourist information**

Hall of Administration 333 West Santa Ana Boulevard Santa Ana, CA 92701