Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council
Recreation and Tourism Newsletter
October 2016

What is Migrating this Month?
What, When, and Where

Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary is one of the most species diverse Marine Sanctuaries in the world. See what is in your Sanctuary today.

Big Sur Half Marathon
Sunday, November 13th

The out-and-back certified course begins on Del Monte Avenue at Camino El Estero and heads east on Del Monte next to the Window on the Bay Park.

The Big Sur International Marathon is a non-profit organization that serves the community by providing a world-class marathon and related fun events that raise money to benefit local charities, while promoting health and fitness.

Click on Seasons by the Sea Logo
See What's Migrating

Click on the Wildlife Calendar
See the Migrating Calendar

Did you miss a previous Recreation and Tourism Newsletter? The Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary website now has them available. Click here for your back issues.

We thought you may find this information helpful to your businesses.
SIMoN provides to the public an open source for pictures, names, species, and information about what is in your National Marine Sanctuary. Click on the photos section and be truly amazed. Click Here

Thinking about purchasing some local fish to celebrate the season? Click here for information on how find local seafood straight from the fishermen who catch it, and ideas for seafood recipes.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Pillar Point - Half Moon Bay Events

Night of Lights

Friday, December 2nd
6:00pm-9:00pm

Night of Lights is a free annual old fashioned holiday event hosted in downtown Half Moon Bay on the first Friday in December.

Visit downtown Half Moon Bay during Night of Lights and find the trees decorated in dazzling lights and many stores will stay open late for you to do some holiday shopping in the unique coastal shops.

The event generally features a tree lighting ceremony in Mac Dutra Plaza, a Parade of Lights down

Santa Cruz Events

First Friday at Sanctuary Exploration Center

Friday, October 7th
5:00pm-8:00pm

Come celebrate California's State marine reptile, the Leatherback Sea Turtle! These giant reptiles migrate to Monterey Bay every year to eat jellies, yet their populations are endangered and steadily declining. Come learn what you can do to help protect them in our bay!

Featuring artist Anastasiya Bachmanova and "pop-up" sustainable local fish fry hosted by Ocean2table.

Monterey - Cannery Row Events

Cannery Row Tree Lighting

Friday, November 25th

Join us for the 22nd annual Holiday Tree Lighting on Cannery Row! This free event is a fun tradition for the whole family - featuring Christmas Carolers, Santa's Reindeer and of course, Santa Claus himself!

With the Monterey Bay as a backdrop, events on Cannery Row are nothing short of spectacular. Enjoy world-class entertainment, great food, and a fun crowd on the beautiful and legendary Cannery Row. From fun activities to swingin' nightlife to extraordinary cuisine, there is

Main Street, carolers and musical entertainment, roasted chestnuts and activities for the kids.

Click here for more details on the event!
PARADE ENTRIES: You must register in advance if you’d like to participate in the parade. Call the Chamber at 650-726-8380.

See all events and Local Calendar

Monterey Peninsula Events

Carmel International Film Festival

October 19th - October 23rd
Filmmakers, film lovers, and industry professionals have enjoyed the Carmel Art and Film Festival which showcases the best of independent cinema and contemporary art, music and photography from around the globe including narrative feature, documentary, short, student, retrospective and premiering films. Looking to educate and entertain, the festival also includes an interactive lecture series including a film score demonstration in real time, the Art of Wine gallery tour and wine pairing. Art in the Park featuring artists in various mediums, art auctions, a Women in Film luncheon, film and panel discussion, and an emerging artists music café.

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Exploration Center Link >

Big Sur Events

Big Sur River Run
Saturday, October 22nd
A beautiful loop course along the Big Sur River and the towering redwood trees of Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park, this 5K walk and certified, chip-timed 10K run is a fun way to experience and support the Big Sur community spirit. As a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, the Big Sur River Run donates the proceeds from its running events to local, non-profit organizations.

"The most beautiful 10k in the world!" Held annually in Pfeiffer Big Sur State Park. All flat, black-top road loop alongside the Big Sur River through redwood and oak groves. The 10k Run and 5k Walk benefit the Big Sur Health Center and the Big Sur Volunteer Fire Brigade.

See all events >

Otter Cam Big Sur

Cambria - San Simeon Events

Scarecrow Festival
Kick-off weekend: September 29th - October 2nd
2016 Cambria Scarecrow Festival presented by the Communities of Cambria and San Simeon. For the entire month of October, hundreds of artfully crafted scarecrows are displayed throughout the seaside villages of Cambria and San Simeon. It is truly a case of whimsy running rampant! For more information email or checkout the website.

Cambria Chamber of Commerce or 805-927-3624
San Simeon Chamber of Commerce

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Discovery Center Link >

Hours:
Open Wednesday through Sunday, 10am - 5pm
(Closed Monday and Tuesday)