Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council
Recreation and Tourism Newsletter
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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.

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

Pictured above from left to right: Iridian Cortez, Madison Loehner, Amanda Giles, Lauren Hicks, & Samantha Seider

Click on the Wildlife Calendar
This spring, a group of seniors from California State University, Monterey Bay have partnered with the MBNMS as part of their Senior Capstone Project. This partnership is developing a sustainable Recognition Program that will be offered to any business in the local area. The "Friends of the Sanctuary" Recognition Program will contribute to the current mission of the MBNMS by promoting education and awareness, resource protection, and the conservation of marine ecosystems. This Recognition Program is anticipated to receive wide acceptance among local businesses and the group is excited to be a part of this development.

On Saturday, June 9, 2018, join the March for the Ocean in Washington D.C. or join one of many simultaneous marches, flotillas, and water celebrations across the country!

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

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

FISH LINE

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
PACIFIC COAST DREAM MACHINES SHOW
April 29, 2018

Known as the "Coolest Show on Earth," Half Moon Bay's spectacular 28th Annual Pacific Coast Dream Machines Show will showcase a collection of more than 2,000 motorized mechanical marvels from the 20th and 21st centuries. Among the mesmerizing displays, appreciate the line up of the world's coolest cars of every era and style including model-T fire engines, vintage buses, and custom motorcycles. Be entertained by the mass synchronized firing up of

Santa Cruz Events
BIG STICK Surfing
April 28-29, 2018

The Logjam! contest by the Big Stick Surfing Association of Santa Cruz is recognized in the California surfing community as the premier classic surfboard event. The contest features the best surfers in California showing off graceful, old school style surfing on surfboards made before 1970 that weigh over 30 pounds! Logjam! attracts contestants and viewers from all over California, where the

Monterey Events
Sea Otter Classic Cycling Event
April 19-22, 2018

A four-day "Celebration of Cycling," the Subaru Sea Otter Classic powered by SRAM is regarded as the world's largest cycling festival. Part recreational biking, part competitive event, part festival, part expo and 100 percent fun, the Sea Otter Classic returns to Monterey, California from April 19-22, 2018.
engines by Bob Senz' Big Cacklefest, magnificent skydiving performances, high-flying 4-rider freestyle motocross stunt shows, impressive military aircraft, vintage police cars, and many more. Enjoy the thrilling rides in helicopters, bi-planes, monster trucks, and uni-motorcycle drag racing. Kids and families will love the zip-line, bungee jump, waterballerz, climbing wall, human hamster balls, remote-controlled NASCAR racing, and the amazing amusements in the Super Duper Kidz Funzone.

More Information
See all events and Local Calendar

This action-packed cycling extravaganza features amateur and pro cycling events as well as family activities for all ages, attracting 71,000 fans from around the world. The Sea Otter Classic also plays host to one of the largest consumer bike expos in the world.

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Carmel by Sea
25th Annual Carmel Art Festival & Sculpture in the Park
May 18 - 20, 2018

Big Sur International Marathon
April 29, 2018

Cambria Events
Elephant Seal Season
April 2018

Considered one of the most scenic marathons in the
Combining plein-air painting and live sculpting with exhibits and sales, and lots of live music, the Carmel Art Festival takes over Devendorf Park and nearby side streets for four days of artistic creativity and consumption. On Thursday and Friday, artists create in the park and outdoors throughout the Monterey Peninsula, while Saturday features more Sculpture in the Park, along with live music, awards, and live and silent auctions of the plein-air pieces. On Sunday, artists engage in a Quick Draw competition, with the results also put on sale alongside more plein-air pieces. Also, throughout the event, watch the creative process of Steven Whyte - internationally acclaimed figurative sculptor whose work is displayed at the Smithsonian -- as he creates a large sculpture of a well-known person who shall remain nameless until the last day of the Carmel Art Festival.

Elephant seal season is in full swing in San Simeon as the females are coming to shore to birth their pups and then mate. Starting at the end of January, San Simeon’s Coastal Discovery Center will hold Northern Elephant Seal presentations throughout March.

The elephant seal rookery at Piedras Blancas is a dramatic and interesting place to visit year-round. Come join elephant seal expert and presenter, Phil Adams to learn about the amazing life of the Northern Elephant Seal on land and at sea. After the presentation, you will be able to drive to the elephant seal rookery viewing area only 4.5 miles north of the Center which is manned by knowledgeable docents from Friends of the Elephant Seal.

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