

# Ports & Excursions



## Catalina Island, California

Santa Catalina Island has drawn Southern Californians for since the mid-1820s. That's when the Pimungan tribe settled there, attracted by the island's rich marine life. But Catalina's true popularity dates from 1919, the year Chicago chewing gum tycoon William Wrigley purchased the island development. Overnight Catalina secured its reputation as a playground for wealthy magnates and movie stars.

Since 1975, the Santa Catalina Island Conservancy has held most of Catalina in trust. Buffalo, imported for a 1924 movie, roam the island's sere uplands. Offshore kelp beds shelter brightly colored Garibaldi fish, sea lions and seals. Gray whales pass on their annual migration, and dolphins are a frequent sight. It's no wonder the island - home to America's oldest fishing club - continues to woo weekend yachtsmen, deep-sea fishermen and divers as well as casual visitors content to explore Avalon's quaint lanes.

Note: Your ship will anchor in Avalon and use launches to transport all passengers ashore.

# Points of Interest

## 🚺 Avalon

With its Mediterranean climate, palm trees, fountains, charming shops and plentiful outdoor activities, this harbor village is equal parts small town island community, quality cultural resort and model ecological town.

## 2 Catalina Casino

The epitome of glamour of a bygone era, this beautiful Casino overlooking the Avalon Harbor features art deco murals, a classic 1929 pipe organ and a world-famous Casino ballroom.

## 8 Botanical Gardens

Built in 1935, this stunning botanical garden show casing plants from all over the world, features a memorial to Avalon developer William Wrigley, Jr. and commanding views of the bay.

# Island Interior

The perfect adventure destination, Catalina's ruggedly beautiful interior is home to broad valleys, isolated coves, pristine beaches, two-thousand foot peaks and countless species of unique native plants and animals.

#### Special Child Pricing Available!

Children age 12 and younger, savings up to 50%. For actual pricing information, click on tour title or Reserve button.

#### Sightseeing & City Tours

	Most Popular Catalina & Botanical Gardens AVX-110   Catalina Island, California	You will visit: 13	M	1.75 hours	from <b>\$39.95</b>
	Explore Catalina's history during this guided tour through Avalon to the Botanical Gardens. Stroll pathways featuring plants from around the world. Enjoy commanding views of the bay. Take in the Wrigley Memorial - a tribute to William Wrigley who developed the island in 1919.				
	Canyon Drive & Glassbottom Boat You will vis AVX-120   Catalina Island, California	t: You will see:	Μ	3 hours	from <b>\$79.95</b>
	Bask in Catalina's natural wonders during this half-day, guided adventure. Take a Glass Bottom Boat cruise to a protected marine preserve to see kelp forests teeming with marine life. Enjoy a scenic drive to view the island's rugged interior and visit the island's summit, site of Catalina's "Airport In The Sky."				
	Scenic Drive & Avalon Canyon AVX-205   Catalina Island, California	You will see:	Ε	0.75 hours	from <b>\$39.95</b>
	Acquaint yourself with California's only island resort city during this 50-minute, narrated tour via air-conditioned motorcoach. Enjoy a picturesque drive through Avalon. Travel along a winding coastal road. Enjoy vistas of Avalon Harbor, the hilltop Wrigley estate, and the art deco Catalina Casino perched along the harbor.				
	Avalon Casino Tour AVX-380   Catalina Island, California	You will visit: 12	Μ	1 hours	from <b>\$25.95</b>
	Step back in time during this one-hour, guided walking tour of the Catalina Casino. View the 1,250-seat movie theater featuring well-preserved Art Deco murals. Take in the massive circular ballroom. Enjoy sweeping island vistas from the ballroom's balcony. Peruse the Catalina Island Museum and Art Gallery on the ground floor.				

Nature & Wildlife

#### 🟮 Marine Wildlife

The blue waters surrounding Catalina feature undersea kelp gardens teeming with marine wildlife including garibaldi, Kelp Bass, Leopard sharks, bat rays, moray eels sardines.

