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Cruising the Pacific: An Iconic Coastal Escape

From SoCal surf towns to misty Oregon forests, this iconic drive blends stunning scenery with the comforts of premium resort stays.

California's Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) is a bucket-list road trip. The route winds through beachy enclaves, foggy cliffsides, and laid-back cities bursting with personality. But road trips can be tiring — cue the convenience and luxury of timeshare stays that let you kick back with multiple bedrooms, full dining and living areas, and kitchens, plus the comfort and convenience of resort amenities. Whether you're chasing sunsets, sipping wine, or sampling local seafood, these well-rounded itineraries make the journey unforgettable and stress-free.

Waypoint Stops & Highlights:



Stay Here: [Club Wyndham Oceanside Pier Resort](#)

Situated across from the longest active pier in California, this seaside resort is an ideal destination for a memorable beach vacation with the family, calming ocean escape or romantic weekend away. With easy beach access and panoramic ocean views, this resort is also just a few blocks away from the downtown area, which features numerous opportunities for dining, shopping and entertainment.

- **POI: Oceanside Pier - Stroll the historic wooden pier for sunset views and ocean breezes.**
- **POI: California Surf Museum - Explore the history and culture of surfing.**
- **POI: Hello Betty Fish House - Coastal-inspired dishes and rooftop vibes near the water.**
- **POI: Thursday Sunset Market - A weekly open-air street fair with food, crafts, and music.**
- **POI: Harbor Beach - A wide sandy beach perfect for picnicking, volleyball, and water sports.**



Stay Here: [The MarBrisa Carlsbad Resort](#)

An ideal getaway for the entire family, the resort features three swimming pools, a splash zone, four hot tubs, a spa, and much more. It is also adjacent to the popular championship golf course, the Crossings at Carlsbad and has an exclusive private entrance to the LEGOLAND® California Resort amusement park. Alternative, take the short 35-minute trip to San Diego for a day of exploring.

- **POI: La Jolla Cove - A scenic beach perfect for snorkeling, seals, and sunsets.**
- **POI: Campfire - A rustic-chic wood-fired restaurant making Carlsbad a rising culinary star.**
- **POI: Carlsbad Village - Stroll this charming downtown full of surf shops, galleries, and cafés.**
- **POI: Baba Coffee - A local favorite for cold brews and people-watching just blocks from the ocean.**



Stay Here: [Riviera Beach & Shores, a Hilton Vacation Club](#)

Steps from Capistrano Beach, this resort offers cozy beachside villas and on-site activities, including a game room, hot tub, multiple swimming pools, a fitness center and more. Enjoy a slow morning on your private balcony before strolling through the local surf shops and cafés.

- **POI: Dana Point Harbor - Charter a boat, grab fish tacos, or browse marine-themed boutiques.**
- **POI: Dana Point Farmers Market - Pick up fresh produce and crafts on Saturdays at La Plaza Park.**
- **POI: Harbor Grill - A cozy seafood institution with nautical charm and a killer cioppino.**
- **POI: Lantern Bay Park - Perfect for coastal picnics and sunset views above the marina.**



Stay Here: [Marriott's Newport Coast Villas](#)

Perched on a bluff overlooking the Pacific, this premium resort blends Tuscan architecture with SoCal coastal charm. Resort activities include tennis and basketball courts, an onsite putting green, three outdoor pools, a fitness center, a spa and an on-site restaurant, La Vista Pool Bar and Grill. It's the perfect home base for whale watching, surfing, or lounging in luxury.

- **POI: Crystal Cove State Park - Coastal trails, tidepools, and beach cottages await.**
- **POI: Newport Beach Farmers Market - A waterfront Sunday staple near Newport Pier.**
- **POI: Bear Flag Fish Co. - Lauded for poke bowls and Baja-style tacos in a lively harbor-side space.**
- **POI: Lido Marina Village - Trendy shops, wine bars, and a photogenic harbor stroll.**
- **POI: Santa Monica Pier - An iconic amusement park and boardwalk over the ocean.**
- **POI: Santa Barbara Funk Zone - Urban wine tasting meets indie galleries.**



Stay Here: [Marriott Vacation Club, San Francisco](#)

Centrally located near iconic cable cars and Fisherman's Wharf, this stylish retreat is ideal for city exploring. Taking inspiration from the historic surroundings, each guestroom features carefully curated San Francisco-themed decor.

- **POI: Golden Gate Park - A sprawling urban oasis with gardens, bison, and museums.**
- **POI: Ferry Building Marketplace - A food hall haven for artisan cheese, craft coffee, and more.**
- **POI: Alamo Square - Snap a photo of the famous Painted Ladies with a city skyline backdrop.**



Stay Here: [WorldMark Seventh Mountain Resort, Bend](#)

Nestled near Deschutes National Forest, this is your base for hiking, river rafting, and stargazing. Explore nature with the resort's mountain bike rentals, then unwind on a private balcony or patio and enjoy the striking views of the cascade mountains. Bonus: a scenic drive through northern California.

- **POI: Deschutes Brewery - Sample award-winning craft brews in downtown Bend.**
- **POI: The Lot - An outdoor food truck pod with fire pits, beer garden, and mountain views.**
- **POI: High Desert Museum - Engaging exhibits on wildlife, geology, and Western culture.**



Stay Here: [WorldMark Portland](#)

Ideally located in the center of two vibrant communities, including downtown and Old Town Chinatown, this modern urban escape puts you in the heart of Portland's riverside attractions. It's cozy, stylish, and a short walk to the city's famous bookstores and breweries.

- **POI: Powell's City of Books - The world's largest indie bookstore with nine color-coded rooms.**
- **POI: Pine Street Market - A lively food hall with ramen, falafel, and soft serve under one roof.**
- **POI: Saturday Market - A local crafts and eats tradition every weekend near the waterfront.**



Stay Here: [WorldMark The Camlin, Seattle](#)

This 1920s-era landmark turned resort is just three blocks away from the vibrant 6th Avenue and Pine Street shopping district. Relax in the famous lounge, or enjoy an abundance of resort amenities available on-site.

- **POI: Pike Place Market - A sensory explosion of fresh seafood, local crafts, and flying fish.**
- **POI: Chihuly Garden and Glass - Mind-blowing glass installations beneath the Space Needle.**
- **POI: Storyville Coffee - A cozy hideaway for espresso and pastries inside Pike Place's historic corner.**

This iconic PCH adventure proves that you don't have to sacrifice comfort for spontaneity. With spacious timeshare resorts as your anchor points, you'll cruise from beach to forest to city with ease, knowing you have a cozy retreat each night. Start mapping your road trip today — the Pacific is calling.