



A Day in Santa Cruz

Morning

Start your day off with sweet and savory breakfast treats served at Walnut Avenue Café or Zachary's restaurant, where everything is homemade and where the locals like to hang. Or opt for baked goods and coffee at Companion Bakeshop on the Westside. After breakfast, rent a beach cruiser or an electric bike and ride along West Cliff Drive, and stop at the Santa Cruz Surfing Museum, overlooking the dramatically beautiful surf spot Steamer Lane. Or for the more sports-minded, enjoy a round of golf at DeLaVeaga Golf Course.

Mid Day

Explore the fascinating marine life exhibits of the Seymour Center at Long Marine Lab. Take a selfie next to Ms. Blue, one of the world's largest displayed Blue Whale skeletons and tour the marine mammal research facility. Take a free tour of the Santa Cruz Wharf and then pay a visit to the admission-free Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary Exploration Center nearby. Enjoy lunch on the outside patio at The Picnic Basket in the beach area, or Pacific Thai in Downtown Santa Cruz.

Afternoon

Don't leave Santa Cruz without checking out the numer-



ous unique shops Downtown. Visit Pacific Trading Company for stylish finds, score some American-made wares at the Artisans Gallery, or pick up a good read at Bookshop Santa Cruz. Treat your inner child to an artisan ice cream cone at the Penny Ice Creamery or a cookie at Pacific Cookie Company. Explore the coastline of Santa Cruz by kayak! Visit Kayak Connection at the Santa Cruz Harbor or Venture Quest Kayaking at the wharf for a gorgeous adventure and even a little exercise. Finish off the afternoon at the Crow's Nest for a bite to eat. Indulge in wild rides and family fun at the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk, then lounge on the sand at Main Beach.

Evening

For a scenic dining experience, visit Stagnaro Brothers on the Santa Cruz Wharf. Treat your taste buds to authentic Mexican cuisine at El Palomar, exotic Mediterranean fare at Laili, or savor an eclectic wine menu and delicious appetizers at Soif Wine Bar & Restaurant in Downtown Santa Cruz.

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