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**CATALINA ISLAND COMPANY REOPENS MOORINGS TO ALL BOATERS AT TWO HARBORS AND OTHER AREAS FROM WHITE’S LANDING TO EMERALD BAY**

*Shore Access Permitted for Essential Activities and Active Use*

**AVALON, CALIF. (MAY 13, 2020)** — Catalina Island Company announced today that it has received authorization from the Los Angeles County Department of Beaches and Harbors, with the concurrence of the California State Lands Commission, to reopen the moorings it administers in the Two Harbors area to all boaters beginning Thursday, May 14. The sites, which include Isthmus Cove, Cat Harbor, Fourth of July Cove, Cherry Cove, Hen Rock, White’s Landing, Moonstone, Emerald Bay, Howland’s Landing, Little Geiger and Buttonshell, will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis beginning at 7:00am on Thursday.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and discouragement of non-essential travel, use of the moorings has been limited to sub lessees only since the middle of March.

“We have been working diligently with Los Angeles County officials over the past several weeks to reopen our moorings in a way that is safe for all boaters,” said Randy Herrel, Sr., president and CEO, Catalina Island Company. “We know that boating with loved ones allows a family to spend time together while remaining socially distanced from others. Picking up a mooring can make boating more enjoyable, as well as help ensure a safer experience for all.”

Boaters will be able to come ashore for essential activities including:

- Food and necessary shopping at the Two Harbors General Store (face coverings are required)
- To-go food/drink pick up from the West End Galley (items must be consumed aboard your boat per County regulations)
- Restroom and coin-op shower facilities
- Trash facilities

The Two Harbors pier is available for shore access only and is not open for recreational use. Additionally, while beaches are open for active recreation, activities such as sunbathing, sitting, gathering and picnicking are not permitted.

Mooring reservations are available at [VisitCatalinaIsland.com/mooringrez](https://www.visitcatalinaisland.com/mooringrez) starting at 8:00pm on Thursday evenings immediately preceding each weekend. Weekday moorings are assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis. Upon arrival, call Harbor Patrol on VHF 9. For the well-being of all, shore-boat service is currently unavailable.

Mooring use is subject to change based on the fluidity of the health pandemic.

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**ABOUT CATALINA ISLAND COMPANY**

As Catalina Island's premier resort operator, Catalina Island Company provides exceptional guest experiences, with dining establishments, hotels, a beach club, spa, entertainment venues, and more than a dozen land and sea tours and activities. The debut of the newly renovated Hotel Atwater adds to the company's other Avalon accommodations at Mt Ada and the Pavilion Hotel. Other notable entities include Island Spa Catalina, the island's only complete spa destination, and Descanso Beach Club, home of Catalina's only beachside restaurant & bar, as well as the Zip Line Eco Tour, Catalina Aerial Adventure and Catalina Falconry Experience, all part of Descanso Adventures. Catalina Island Company also has an extensive portfolio of premier meeting and event venues including oceanfront Catherine's Terrace at Descanso Beach Club and the Avalon Boardroom in Hotel Atwater. Additionally, Catalina Island Company oversees the entire village of Two Harbors on Catalina's west end, including Harbor Sands, Banning House Lodge & Villas, Harbor Reef Restaurant, several campgrounds, and more. For additional information, go to [VisitCatalinaIsland.com](http://VisitCatalinaIsland.com).

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