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Family Fun Adventures in Daytona Beach This Spring

Top Rated Attractions on TripAdvisor and Top 15 Spring Family Beach Break Events

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DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. (February 5, 2019) – Daytona Beach heralds the arrival of spring with a colorful variety of family fun adventures. Whether travelling with toddlers, ‘tweens or teens, vacationers will find endless opportunities to learn something new, experience thrills of a lifetime and make lasting family memories. To plan a spring beach escape, here is a collection of Daytona Beach area attractions rated “excellent” on TripAdvisor along with family-friendly events.

Hands on learning experiences at both the **Museum of Arts & Sciences** (which even has its own children’s museum!) and **Marine Science Center** are natural choices for families travelling with children of all ages.

Museum of Arts & Sciences - #7 Thing to Do in Daytona Beach via TripAdvisor:

“Great kids museum! ... My grandkids ask to go back every time they come!”

– Exploration294529111

Marine Science Center - #2 Thing to Do in Ponce Inlet via TripAdvisor:

“Kids and adults will love this place! My two daughters, five grandkids (ages 4-11) and I visited here and we all loved it. So educational and interesting and the staff is so willing to answer questions and interact with visitors. A highlight for us was the stingray “petting” pool and feeding time for all the aquariums.....watching the octopus and the eel eat were really interesting.”

– Judy P. Spruce Grove, Canada

Expert outfitters are plentiful to guide families through new experiences like bicycling on the beach, ziplines and trampolines, fishing, surfing, parasailing, paddle boarding and more. Since 2010, **Three Brothers Boards** has been introducing nature-loving families to paddle boarding:

Three Brothers Boards - #1 Tour in Daytona Beach via TripAdvisor:

“So amazing. So amazing. Our instructor, Jake, was very kind, patient & informative. My kids and I had so much fun learning to navigate the water with their beautiful paddleboards...Seeing Daytona from the waterways and drifting under bridges and being at the will of the water was such a unique and mind opening experience...”

– Melanie F.

While families are drawn to Ponce Inlet to climb Florida’s tallest lighthouse, they also find a playground at Davies Lighthouse Park, waterfront eateries, eco tours and fishing boats, too.

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Ponce Inlet Lighthouse - #1 Thing to Do in Ponce Inlet via TripAdvisor:

"Extremely fun and interesting. This was such a fun and interesting experience! Definitely recommend this stop if you have an hour to explore. Very affordable."

– wkgano, Fayetteville, AR

Downtown Daytona Beach has a few hidden gems, too! Check out the dinner river cruise, **Daytona Magic Shop** and the **Daytona Arcade Museum** while you're strolling the historic shops along the riverfront.

Daytona Arcade Museum - #7 Fun and Games in Daytona Beach via TripAdvisor:

"Fun. Our family of five had a great time here. We were ready for a break from the beach. Teenagers thought it was really fun. I had fun talking about the games I played growing up. I think I enjoyed the pinball machines the most. They had a fun collection of them from the 70's and 80's. We will definitely be back when we're in Daytona Beach again."

– RachylA, Tiffany, IA

Amazing, but true ... you do not need to be a race fan to enjoy an exhilarating tour of **Daytona International Speedway**. But, after your tram ride throughout the World Center of Racing, you just might become one!

Daytona International Speedway Tour - #4 Tour in Daytona Beach via Trip Advisor:

"A must! Took the 30 minute tour of Daytona International Speedway. This is an absolute must for any race fan or even if you have only the slightest interest in motorsports. The tour was fantastic, our tour guide Ray was a fountain of knowledge and gave a full historical overview of the race... There's also a wonderful museum full of classic race machines..."

– Mike_Ankcom, Birmingham, United Kingdom

Sweet tours are another way to indulge in fun family time. The Daytona Beach Boardwalk and Pier is where you'll find **Zeno's Boardwalk Sweet Shop** (est. 1948), which also gives free factory tours at a second location, and chocolate lovers have flocked to **Angell & Phelps Chocolate Factory** on Beach Street since the 1940s.

Zeno's Boardwalk Sweet Shop - #1 Dessert in Daytona Beach on TripAdvisor:

"Great ice cream stop before that long car ride home. With a wide variety of sweets to try and ice cream to sample there is no reason why you can't find your favorite dessert item here."

– Jennifera399, Reading, PA

Angell & Phelps Chocolate Factory - #1 Shopping in Daytona Beach via TripAdvisor:

"Fun tour. Nice free tour available. Great for young and old. You watch several types of candy being made by the staff and get to sample some at the end. Delicious chocolate, very reasonably priced for homemade."

– lakelorain, PA

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Daytona Beach Spring Family Beach Break Events

- February 27-March 2 QuiltWeek at the Ocean Center
- March 9 DAYTONA Supercross at Daytona International Speedway
- March 9 Daytona Lagoon Water Park and Family Entertainment Center water rides open for season
- March 10-12 Ricky Carmichael DAYTONA Amateur and Vintage Supercross at Daytona International Speedway
- March 14 AMA DAYTONA TT flat track motorcycle race at Daytona International Speedway
- March 22-23 Reach the Beach National Cheerleading Championship at the Ocean Center and Bandshell
- March 22-24 Spring Turkey Run car show at Daytona International Speedway
- March 29-31 Florida Federation of Colorguards Circuit at the Ocean Center
- April 3-7 National Cheer and Dance Championships at the Ocean Center, Bandshell and Peabody Auditorium
- April 6 Lighthouse Day at Ponce Inlet Lighthouse
- April 12-14 Jackie Robinson Weekend with the Daytona Tortugas at Jackie Robinson Ballpark
- April 12-14 USA BMX Florida State Championships, Strickland BMX Park
- April 13 Eggstravaganza Easter Celebration, downtown Daytona Beach
- April 13-14 P1AquaX Daytona Beach Grand Prix jet ski competition on beach at Hard Rock Hotel Daytona Beach
- April 13-14 Celtic Festival at The Casements
- April 17-18 Turtle Tots at Marine Science Center
- April 19-21 Pokemon Regional Championship-Daytona Beach at the Ocean Center
- April 22-28 Jeep Beach enthusiasts national gathering

For more information on these events and more, please visit DaytonaBeach.com. Please follow [@VisitDaytonaBeach](https://twitter.com/VisitDaytonaBeach) on TripAdvisor for more family fun experiences and be sure to [#LoveDaytonaBeach](https://www.facebook.com/DaytonaBeach) on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/DaytonaBeach), [Twitter](https://twitter.com/DaytonaBeachFun) and [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/DaytonaBeach) for a chance to be featured.

About the Daytona Beach Area

Experience endless adventures in the Daytona Beach area, a destination comprised of eight distinct communities offering visitors the perfect beach base camp to explore Florida's East Coast. Choose thrilling activities or embrace the tranquility of days spent on 23 miles of world-famous white-sand beaches. Recognized worldwide for a few annual events including Bike Week, Biketoberfest[®], the Rolex 24 At DAYTONA and the DAYTONA 500, Daytona Beach's famed heritage also claims the headquarters of LPGA and NASCAR -- and is home to Daytona International Speedway, the 'World Center of Racing.' With more than 12,000 beds, the destination boasts accommodations for all lifestyles and budgets from 4-star resorts to hotels, B&Bs and everything in between. Ranked #1 in Travel Channel's 2017 **"Top 10 Attractions in Florida**, and a TripAdvisor 2018 **Best Weekend Getaway** in Northeast Florida. TripAdvisor also named Daytona Beach to its **"10 Most Affordable Beach Vacations on Florida's East Coast"** and **"25 Most Popular Summer Vacation Rental Spots in the US."** Visitors can enjoy experiences beyond the beach by choosing from a surprising list of outdoor adventures, family-friendly attractions, arts and cultural venues and a colorful culinary scene. With 23 miles of world-famous beaches ideal for swimming and surfing, it is no surprise Daytona Beach was chosen as a **Best Florida Attraction and Best Spring Family Beach Break Destination** in the Top 10 Best Readers' Choice travel award contests sponsored by *USA TODAY*. To receive a complimentary Visitors Guide or book a stay, visit DaytonaBeach.com. For real-time updates, visit [Facebook.com/DaytonaBeach](https://www.facebook.com/DaytonaBeach) or [Twitter.com/DaytonaBeachFun](https://twitter.com/DaytonaBeachFun). # # #

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