

## **Grab your Peeps and Head to Daytona Beach!**

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There are more reasons than ever to come to Daytona Beach this spring and the area's festival and event lineup is unmatched. From new attractions and classic automobile showcases to one of America's biggest rock music festivals and acclaimed arts and cultural events, the Daytona Beach area offers plenty to keep vacationers entertained this spring.

Vacationers can augment their spring fun by enjoying a range of [family-friendly attractions](#), [outdoor adventures](#), [delicious waterfront dining](#), and of course, 23 miles of [scenic beaches](#).

Check out our [online calendar](#) for the latest on Daytona Beach festival and event happenings and start planning your vacation getaway today!

### **WHAT'S NEW!**

#### **\*\* [Daytona Aquarium and Rainforest Adventure](#)**

We've got an aquarium! Explore the Daytona Aquarium and Rainforest Adventure, which provides an interactive educational experience featuring animals from both land and sea. In this 55,000-square foot facility, visitors are able to explore close to 40 separate exhibits including a 100,000-gallon shark exhibit and two touch pools including a 12,000-gallon stingray touch pool. There are also habitats for alligators, frogs, and lizards.

#### **\*\* [Megalodon Exhibit at the Museum of Arts and Sciences](#)**

Speaking of "fish," enter the world of Megalodon, the gigantic prehistoric shark that once commanded the world's oceans! Be consumed with awe walking through a full-scale sculptural replica of the 60-foot-long apex predator, and explore the life of this fantastic ancient creature.

#### **\*\* [Spring is For the Birds](#)**

The Marine Science Center, which is located in Ponce Inlet, just celebrated the opening of its new Raptor Education and Conservation Exhibit. Funded by a Volusia ECHO Grant and community donations, the exhibit is dedicated to the permanent raptor residents of the center, who, due to injuries, cannot be returned to the wild. The carefully crafted habitat provides a safe and enriching environment for these majestic birds.

## UPCOMING FESTIVALS & EVENTS

### \*\* 34th Annual Spring Daytona Turkey Run

The 34th Annual Spring Daytona Turkey Run on March 22-24 at Daytona International Speedway (<https://www.daytonabeach.com/things-to-do/attractions/daytona-international-speedway/>) will bring together thousands of classic cars for show and sale, along with a massive swap meet, arts and crafts on Artisan Alley, food, the Hops & Hoods Beer Festival and so much more!

### \*\* Jeep Beach

Starting with the Jeep Beach 5K Fun Run and ending with the World's Most Famous Beach parade, you'll want to make sure to experience all that Jeep Beach has to offer April 19-28. This county-wide event celebrates the passion for the off-road vehicle with family-friendly fun for Jeep owners. Jeep Beach is one of the largest Jeep-only events in the country and attracts more than 225,000 visitors and 25,000 Jeeps to the Daytona Beach area.

### \*\* Easter Celebrations

Visitors escaping to Daytona Beach this spring will discover plenty of activities to enjoy such as area [beaches](#), [Florida state parks](#), [museums](#), and [fine dining](#). From family fun days to egg hunts and beach runs, don't miss a chance to celebrate the season. Check out the calendar link below, and hunt for your favorite event!

### \*\* Welcome to Rockville

Daytona International Speedway, "The World Center of Racing," will once again transform into the "World Center of Entertainment" with Welcome to Rockville on May 9-12. The musical lineup, featuring 150 bands in total, will include Foo Fighters, Mötley Crüe, Jelly Roll, Disturbed, Limp Bizkit, Queens of the Stone Age, Judas Priest, Greta Van Fleet, Evanescence, and many others.

### \*\* Plan Your Daytona Beach Getaway

Take advantage of the seasonal deals being offered by Daytona Beach area hotels and resorts. Check out these [offers](#) and start planning your next trip to Daytona Beach today!