

Kids love a good pirate story, so why not bring them to one of these destinations to search for buried treasure, discover the famed Blackbeard's past and take part in a pirate-themed festival? These family-friendly destinations allow family travelers to enjoy the great outdoors while letting their pirate-loving kids experience a different side to the place.

North Carolina's Crystal Coast

This destination holds many captivating tales of daring pirates across the centuries. Here, visitors can tour Blackbeard's home, Hammock House, and learn about his exploits. Pirate stories are brought to life on the waterfront district of Beaufort with Beaufort Ghost Walk Tour, while the North Carolina Maritime Museum delves into the world of pirates and Blackbeard with artifacts from Blackbeard's flagship, *Queen Anne's Revenge*. In fact, the wreckage of this ship sits just offshore from Fort Macon State Park in Atlantic Beach.

This Sept. 23–24, don't miss out on Beaufort's annual pirate invasion, where pirate performers stage a reenactment of the Spanish attack of Beaufort.