

## Free and Award-Winning Wildwoods Beaches

Stretching for five miles along the shores of North Wildwood, Wildwood and Wildwood Crest, the Wildwoods' wide, white-sand beaches are a perfect way to spend a sunny day at the Jersey Shore. And, unlike most seashore resorts today, the Wildwoods beaches are absolutely FREE to enjoy and require no beach tags or fees. Consistently growing in size year after year, the Wildwoods' beaches offer visitors an award-winning and spacious stretch of sand to relax and have fun on throughout the entire year.

Most recently having been named New Jersey's overall "Best Beaches," as well as the state's Best Beach for Family Vacations, Tourism, Events and Ecotourism, in the New Jersey Marine Sciences Consortium's 2010 survey and voting; the Wildwoods' beaches have received many accolades throughout the years. The Wildwoods' beaches were previously recognized among the best in New Jersey by the New Jersey Marine Sciences Consortium in 2008 and 2009. Also in 2009, the Wildwoods' beaches were listed among America Online's "Top 10 More Beach for Your Money" destinations, along with being voted among the best beaches in New Jersey by FOX-29 Philadelphia and named "Best Sports Beaches" by the New York Daily News. Not only are the Wildwoods' beaches FREE, wide and beautiful, but they also offer a variety of ways to spend the day near the ocean.

Swimming in our crystal clear waters and soaking up the sun are perfect options for a day with the family. For the more adventurous types, there are a range of other beach activities including surfing, boogie boarding, fishing, power boating, jet-skiing, sailing, kayaking, and whale watching. Steps away from the Wildwoods' beaches are three fun-filled waterparks with plunging waterfalls, hydrochutes, speed slides, raft rides, tube floats, lazy rivers, waterslides and rope swings, plus cool cabanas, beach bars and spas, – perfect for cooling off after spending a morning in the hot sun.

Recognized for its unique special events and sporting competitions, the Wildwoods' beaches are the backdrop for a variety of one-of-a-kind festivities throughout the year including the Annual Wildwoods International Kite Festival, the largest kite festival in North America, featuring hundreds of kites from all over the world soaring in the sky above the Wildwoods' beaches; the Annual National Marbles Tournament which attracts "mibsters" from across the country competing to become marbles champions; Monster Truck Races and Motocross Races on the Beach; and many more.

The beach event season doesn't end in the Wildwoods once winter hits, either. The Wildwoods' beach hosts the annual Wildwoods' Polar Bear Plunge for Special Olympics every January, attracting hundreds of the region's bravest men and women raising hundreds of thousands of dollars for a great cause.

The Wildwoods' soft, white sand also serves as the playing field for an array of sporting events throughout the summer. Barefoot soccer with over 10,000 youth soccer players participating, Ultimate Frisbee tournaments, and one of the world's only lacrosse tournaments are Wildwoods staples.

The Wildwoods' beaches also host action-packed Monster Truck and Motocross races throughout the year. Seeing monster trucks jumping over beach dunes is exhilarating and adrenaline-pumping. Monster truck rides on the beach are also offered to visitors everyday throughout the summer.

In addition to monster truck racing, the Wildwoods' expansive beaches are transformed into a custom motocross course with hair-pin turns and huge jumps during the popular Beach Motocross Races, featuring professional and amateur dirt bike and ATV races.

After a day on the beautiful beaches, guests can spend an evening walking the Wildwoods Boardwalk. Offering pure sensory overload, with over 100 rides and attractions (more than Disneyland) ranging from world-class roller coasters and wet 'n wild waterparks to carnival-style midway games, flashing arcades and a myriad of retail shops and eateries (more than the Mall of America), the Wildwoods Boardwalk stretches for two and a half miles overlooking the Wildwoods' beaches.

Grabbing a towel, sunscreen and a good book and going to the beach has never been an easier decision in the Wildwoods, NJ. It's easy because it's absolutely FREE.