

**The Viper 2019 Pacific Coast  
Championship**  
August 10-11  
Santa Barbara, Yacht Club  
Santa Barbara, CA

## **A bucket list vacation including two world-class regattas.**

### **You may ask yourself:**

Why should you go? What's to offer? What more can you ask for?

For starters, how about some of the best Pinot Noir in the world, unbelievable restaurants, perfect weather, oh and don't forget world-class sailing!

Southern California also boasts one of the largest and most competitive Viper 640 fleets in the world.

Come for a vacation and race Vipers in sunny Southern California this summer.



# The Viper 640 2019 World Championship

## Regattas Wrapped inside of a Vacation!

To paraphrase, "I went on vacation in Southern California and two regattas broke out!"

If you're on the fence about traveling to southern California next August for the Viper 640 2019 World Championship, it's time you got off the fence and made your plans to come.

Why? It's simple: because the world-class regatta being hosted in Long Beach by Alamitos Bay Yacht Club (August 17-24) and the Viper 640 Pacific Coast Championship hosted the weekend before (August 10-11) by the Santa Barbara Yacht Club just to the north in Santa Barbara create bookends for a fantastic SoCal vacation for visiting sailors and their families.



Here's what you have to look forward to during your stay in SoCal starting with your first stop in Santa Barbara:

## SANTA BARBARA

Santa Barbara is known as **The American Riviera**—where golden hillsides cascade into sparkling seas. Red-tile roofs give way to abundantly sunny skies and a relaxed coastal way of life is anything but routine.



This is where **wine country and lush gardens** welcome you, festivals and music dance through the streets, and porticos lead to quaint downtown enclaves.

**Possible group wine tour and tasting in the works.**

With **beach front hotels** located on a pristine stretch of California's central coastline, Santa Barbara brings together the Golden State's Spanish influence, laid-back vibe, and upscale sensibility in a way few places can. Here are some ideas to help you make the most of your visit to The American Riviera.



## Things To Do in Santa Barbara

The ultimate Southern California waterfront playground.

**Chill at the Beach**—Santa Barbara is best known for its broad, sandy beaches, and whether you're looking to catch the perfect wave or the perfect sunset, there are plenty from which to choose.

**Wine and Dine**—As a world-class destination, Santa Barbara does not disappoint when it comes to food and drink, and the surrounding area now rivals Northern California's Napa and Sonoma regions for wine production. The valleys created by the Santa Ynez Mountains are dotted with rolling vineyards, and their tasting rooms welcome locals and tourists alike. If you prefer to stay downtown, Santa Barbara's Urban Wine Trail brings wine from nearby wine country to more than two-dozen tasting rooms.



**Embrace Nature**—The beauty of Santa Barbara is that there's never a shortage of outdoor inspiration. Just off the shore is Channel Islands National Park, an archipelago where you can kayak through caves, snorkel in pristine waters, and hike among wildlife.

Whale watching is a must-do in Santa Barbara, whose coastal waters provide passage for humpback, blue, gray, and killer whales. Santa Barbara is also at the doorstep of the Los Padres National Forest, which extends from San Luis Obispo to northern Los Angeles. The nearby Romero Canyon Trailhead is popular with hikers and mountain bikers. Los Padres also provides opportunities for camping, fishing, and swimming.



**Possible excursion to the Channel Islands in the works.**

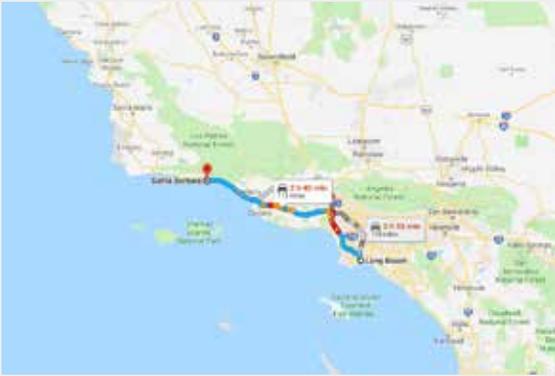


**Be a History Buff**—In the late 1700s, the Spanish settled in the region. Don't miss Old Mission Santa Barbara, the town's chief cultural and historic landmark. Established in 1786, it is the 10th of 21 California missions set up by the Spanish Franciscans and offers tours of the buildings and grounds.

With so many activities, you'll need to stay fueled. Fortunately, there are plenty of dining options—from harbor-side classics, stylish Funk Zone hot spots and cozy State Street cafés to casual taquerias, elegant wine bars and cocktail lounges.

And while you're in Santa Barbara, compete in the [2019 Viper Pacific Coast Championship](#).

## Then, travel to **LONG BEACH**



A scenic three hour drive south from Santa Barbara and conveniently located near the greater Los Angeles and San Diego areas, getting to Long Beach is easy by car or train.

Explore Long Beach on foot, bike or on-board the free downtown Passport shuttle. Downtown's First Street Station connects you to Los Angeles attractions and surrounding cities. As it will be summer, you can also explore Long Beach's lively waterfront via AquaBus and AquaLink.

## Want some Long Beach tips?

The Long Beach Convention & Visitors Bureau provides Visitor Information Centers throughout the downtown and waterfront areas, as well as a Concierge Desk located in the lobby of the Long Beach Convention & Entertainment Center. There, you'll find a complete range of Long Beach brochures, maps and guides to get around our unconventional city. Be sure to ask our friendly, knowledgeable staff to help you make restaurant reservations and find the information you need to make the most of your stay in Long Beach, California.

### Surf at Huntington Beach - 15 Minute Drive

Often referred to as "Surf City," Huntington Beach provides some of the best waves close to Long Beach. Leave your things at the hotel in Long Beach and spend the morning on the water! Grab a late breakfast or lunch in Belmont Shore or Downtown Long Beach on your way back to the hotel.



### Catch a Game at Angel Stadium or Dodger Stadium



Even if you didn't grow up playing baseball, it's fun to experience "America's Game." Less than an hour away, you can catch an exciting game in the LA area and continue the celebrations at one of our sports bars after the game!

**Disneyland & Disney's California Adventure**—Just a 30-minute drive, visit the amusement/theme park that started it all! The amazing Disneyland is not to be believed...and not to be missed. Make time during your SoCal stay to visit this world-renowned attraction.



**Flex at Muscle Beach**—Whether you're just going to see what this world-famous beach is all about or you're going to strut your stuff, Muscle Beach is just a short drive from Long Beach. Reward yourself for a day well-spent with a drink at one of our top bars.



**Universal Studios Hollywood**—Another destination only 40 minutes away, this film studio and theme park are located just north of L.A.



Visit the famous **Hollywood Walk of Fame & Hollywood Sign**--Spend the day exploring some of L.A.'s most renowned sights but avoid the crowds and return to Long Beach for lunch or dinner.

**Trip to Catalina** - "26 miles across the sea...Catalina is a-waiting for me." Famous song, famous island, epic destination. Possible group excursion being planned.



**Explore the La Brea Tar Pits**—Experience the world's only active, urban Ice Age excavation site. Come inside and discover the mysteries of the ice age revealed. Sign up for one of the tours in the morning and be back in Long Beach in time for lunch!

**Hike at Runyon Canyon Park**--Runyon Canyon Park is one of the most popular hiking destinations in SoCal. This 130-acre dog park is located in Hollywood and provide hikers with some of the best views over Hollywood. Stay in Long Beach and wake early to beat the crowds to the trails.



Question: Is this a vacation or two regattas?

Answer: It's both...two world-class regattas bookending a bucket list SoCal vacation.



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