

## Nantucket:

### THE WORTHY LIST

## WHAT'S WORTH YOUR TIME & YOUR MONEY

### Dining Out: Quality Eats

#### Breakfast & Brunch:

##### IN TOWN

##### The Lemon Press

Healthy fit food. Favorites are avocado toast, acai bowls and coconut frozen yogurt.

Grab & go or sit and chill.

[www.lemonpressnantucket.com](http://www.lemonpressnantucket.com) | Tel: 508-228-3800 | [Map It](#)

##### Black Eyed Susan's

Popular local breakfast spot has long lines if you arrive after 9am. Most delicious pancakes. \* NB: cash only

[black-eyedsusans.com](http://black-eyedsusans.com) | Tel: 508-325-0308 | [Map It](#)

##### Downyflake Diner

A full diner menu with all the breakfast classics as well as lighter options. Or if you're short on time, grab a to-go box of their famously delicious doughnuts!

[www.thedownyflake.com](http://www.thedownyflake.com) | Tel: 508-228-4533 | [Map It](#)

##### Fog Island Café

Creative twists on classic meals and rotating specials; an easy spot for yummy breakfast or brunch.

[www.fogisland.com/home](http://www.fogisland.com/home) | Tel: 508-228-1818 | [Map It](#)

##### The Green

For a healthy fix, stop by for a smoothie or breakfast sandwich.

[www.thegreennantucket.com](http://www.thegreennantucket.com) | Tel: 508-228-1100 | [Map It](#)

##### OUTSIDE TOWN

##### Topper's

Get brunch and a cruise all in one with complimentary ferry service from the White Elephant Hotel to Topper's. The menu has something for everyone with a mix of breakfast and lunch goodies.

[www.wauwinet.com/dining/toppers-tidbits.aspx](http://www.wauwinet.com/dining/toppers-tidbits.aspx) | Tel: 508-228-8768 | [Map It](#)



## 45 Surfside

A café and bakery located right on the Surfside bike path! The perfect stop on your way to a day at the beach.  
[www.45surfside.com](http://www.45surfside.com) | Tel: 617-828-3058 | [Map It](#)

## Lunch:

### IN TOWN

#### Greydon House

Aureole vet and Michelin-starred chef Marcus Ware's gastronomy-focused menu of fresh local seafood is served in old-world grandeur with a seafaring design touch.  
[www.greydonhouse.com/eat](http://www.greydonhouse.com/eat) | Tel: (508) 228-2468 | [Map It](#)

#### The Club Car

The resto attached to a train car on Main Street has an updated menu and California-inspired design, having been purchased and revamped by the talented Straight Wharf chefs.  
[www.theclubcar.com](http://www.theclubcar.com) | T: (508) 228-1101 | [Map It](#)

#### Sandbar

Craving champagne? You'll want to unwind under Veuve Clicquot umbrellas at Jetties Beach's newcomer on the sand.  
[www.jettiessandbar.com](http://www.jettiessandbar.com) | T: (508) 228-2279 | [Map It](#)

#### Cru Oyster Bar

Fresh seafood options including a raw bar, with a fabulous waterfront & boats view. Perfect for lunch, dinner or an afternoon cocktail. NB: Not the most friendly staff.  
[www.crunantucket.com](http://www.crunantucket.com) | Tel: 508.228.9278 | [Map It](#)

#### Straight Wharf

'Fine dining' style with a view of the harbor and a classic seafood menu. Also open for dinner and weekend brunch.  
[www.straightwharfrestaurant.com](http://www.straightwharfrestaurant.com) | Tel: 508-228-4499 | [Map It](#)

#### Provisions

Sandwiches and salads; perfect for grabbing take-out on your way to the beach.  
[www.provisionsnantucket.com](http://www.provisionsnantucket.com) | Tel: 508-228-3258 | [Map It](#)

### OUTSIDE TOWN

#### Island Kitchen

One of the best menus ever conceived; something anyone would love. Fresh, no fuss food at fair prices - especially for the high quality. Cute beachy ambience that translates well at all times of day (\* open breakfast, lunch & dinner)  
[www.nantucketislandkitchen.com](http://www.nantucketislandkitchen.com) | Tel: 508-228-2369 | [Map It](#)

#### Something Natural

This sandwich shop is the perfect place to grab a quick sandwich or salad or pick something up on the way to the beach. Great with kids and dogs on the lawn tables.  
[somethingnatural.com](http://somethingnatural.com) | Tel: 508-228-0504 | [Map It](#)

#### The Galley

Beachfront, can be sand on your feet if you choose outdoors! dining with a seafood-heavy menu. One of the Island's best for combo great food and stunning atmosphere.  
[www.galleybeach.net/index.html](http://www.galleybeach.net/index.html) | Tel: 508.228.9641 | [Map It](#)

#### The Chanticleer

Frenchy cuisine in a romantic rose garden setting. Also open for dinner, candlelit, which we like all the more.  
[www.chanticleernantucket.com](http://www.chanticleernantucket.com) | Tel: 508-257-4499 | [Map It](#)

#### Claudette's Sandwich Shop

Small sandwich place in Sconset, with a little porch seating.  
Tel: 508-257-6622 | [Map It](#)

## Dinner:

### IN TOWN

#### Company of the Cauldron

Renowned restaurateur Joseph Keller (of French Laundry and Per Se, to name a few) purchased this India Street gem, planning to put his signature farm-to-table twist on the intimate space.  
[www.companyofthecauldron.com](http://www.companyofthecauldron.com) | T: (508) 228-4016 | [Map It](#)

#### After House

The Galley Beach team's new venture is a cozy wine and raw bar, featuring an impressive wine list alongside local oysters.  
[www.afterhouse.net](http://www.afterhouse.net) | [info@afterhouse.net](mailto:info@afterhouse.net) | [Map It](#)







### American Seasons

Rotating seasonal menu emphasizes on island sourced ingredients; appeals to the farm-to-table crowd.

[americanseasons.com](http://americanseasons.com) | Tel: 508-228-7111 | [Map It](#)

### The Proprietor's Table

Wood paneled, cosy and casual. A perfect blend between the global and local bites and superb wines by the glass!

[www.proprietorsnantucket.com](http://www.proprietorsnantucket.com) | Tel: 508-228-7477 | [Map It](#)

### The Nautilus

A local hotspot with an Asian-influenced menu and inventive cocktails.

[www.nautilusnantucket.com](http://www.nautilusnantucket.com) | Tel: 508-228-0301 | [Map It](#)

### Dune

Sophisticate-chic, romantic ambience; continental cuisine.

[www.dunenantucket.com](http://www.dunenantucket.com) | Tel: 508-228-5550 | [Map It](#)

### Oran Mór

Located on the second floor of a former home, this unique space is owned by local chef Edwin Clafin, whose experience cooking in Michelin-starred restaurants in Paris and New York.

[www.oranmorbistro.com](http://www.oranmorbistro.com) | Tel: 508-228-8655 | [Map It](#)

### The Pearl

A chic cosy den of a restaurant is inspired by chef Seth Raynor's travels across the globe. The Salt & Pepper Wok Fried Lobster is a must-try.

[www.thepearlnantucket.com](http://www.thepearlnantucket.com) | Tel: 508-228-9701 | [Map It](#)

### Boarding House

Classic American comfort food located right in the heart of town.

[www.boardinghousenantucket.com](http://www.boardinghousenantucket.com) | Tel: 508.228.9622 | [Map It](#)

### Languedoc Bistro

Traditional French restaurant offers two dining options: a casual meal in the downstairs café or a more upscale experience in the upstairs dining room.

[www.languedocbistro.com](http://www.languedocbistro.com) | Tel: 508-228-2552 | [Map It](#)

### Ventuno

Italian al fresco on the patio for a romantic night out.

[www.ventunorestaurant.com](http://www.ventunorestaurant.com) | Tel: 508.228.4242 | [Map It](#)

### Lola 41

A chic, vibrant restaurant for sushi and fab varied dishes. Super music.

[www.lola41.com](http://www.lola41.com) | Tel: 508-325-4001 | [Map It](#)

### Station 21

Casual; classic family-friendly dishes like pizza, pasta and burgers.

[www.station21nantucket.com](http://www.station21nantucket.com) | Tel: 508-228-2121 | [Map It](#)

## OUTSIDE TOWN

### Millie's

Best sunset on the island, delicious Mexican food. The casual atmosphere and kids' menu make this a great family-friendly option. (their food truck appears at parties, Cisco Farms as well)

[milliesnantucket.com](http://milliesnantucket.com) | Tel: 508-228-8435 | [Map It](#)

### The Summer House

Old-fashioned date-night spot in a beautiful oceanfront setting. A piano bar adds just the right amount of atmosphere.

[thesummerhouse.com/dining/the-summer-house-restaurant/](http://thesummerhouse.com/dining/the-summer-house-restaurant/) | Tel: 508-257-9976 | [Map It](#)

## Sweets, Treats & Casual Foodie Delights:

### Nantucket Bake Shop

Stop by this bakery at breakfast, lunch or dinner for a quick bite on the go. Be sure to try the doughnuts!

[www.nantucketbakeshop.com](http://www.nantucketbakeshop.com) | Tel: 508-228-2797 | [Map It](#)

### The Juice Bar

You've probably already heard of this famous ice cream shop, and there's a reason for its ubiquity. A must-do for anyone at any age!

Tel: 508-228-5799 | [Map It](#)

### Oath Pizza

The perfect stop-off for pizza night. Purists will be happy to see classics like pepperoni, while foodies will love branching out into inventive creations like the "Muffled Trushroom."

[oathpizza.com/nantucket](http://oathpizza.com/nantucket) | Tel: 508-825-5963 | [Map It](#)

## Experiences/Fun

### Beaches

A full overview of Beaches is available via this pictorial link:  
<http://www.nantucketchamber.org/beaches.html>

### Cultural

#### Historic Walking Tour

Walk through the historic district with a guide from the Nantucket Historical Association to learn how Nantucket grew from a remote island to the hotspot it is today.  
[www.nha.org/hours/walkingtours.html](http://www.nha.org/hours/walkingtours.html) | [Map It](#)

#### Cisco Brewers

Offering live music on summer afternoons, Nantucket's finest brewery is the perfect spot to unwind with a cold one. Also offers wine tastings and behind-the-scenes tours.  
[ciscobrewers.com](http://ciscobrewers.com) | Tel: 508-325-5929 | [Map It](#)

#### Starlight Theater

Dinner and a movie is a one-stop night when you visit this 90-seat movie theater showing first-run films with a cute restaurant attached.  
[www.starlightack.com](http://www.starlightack.com) | Tel: 508.228.4435 | [Map It](#)

#### Nantucket Culinary Center

Hone your culinary skills with cooking classes and demonstrations from some of the island's most renowned chefs.  
[nantucketculinary.com](http://nantucketculinary.com) | Tel: 508-228-2665 | [Map It](#)

#### Whaling Museum

Located in a restored former candle factory, the Whaling Museum is home to various relics of Nantucket's past, and is the best place to learn about the island's fascinating history.  
[www.nha.org/sites/](http://www.nha.org/sites/) | [Map It](#)

#### Nantucket Shipwreck and Lifesaving Museum

History buffs and avid boaters alike will find something

fascinating at this museum on Nantucket's nautical history.  
[www.nantucketshipwreck.org](http://www.nantucketshipwreck.org) | Tel: 508-228-2505 | [Map It](#)

### Sporty/Active

#### Biking & Walking Routes

32 miles of bike paths on the island. Surfside, Bartlett, Madaket & Polpis are the favorites.  
[www.wheelsandpedals.com](http://www.wheelsandpedals.com)

#### Young's Bicycle Shop

Nantucket is a fantastic location for biking, and Young's offers reliable and reasonably priced rentals for adults and children alike. They deliver to your house or hotel for a small fee.  
[www.youngsbicycleshop.com](http://www.youngsbicycleshop.com) | Tel: 508.228.1151 | [Map It](#)

#### Coskata-Coatue Wildlife Refuge

Nature lovers and adventurous types can't miss Coskata-Coatue's 16 miles of hiking trails.  
[www.thetrustees.org/places-to-visit/cape-cod-islands/coskata-coatue.html](http://www.thetrustees.org/places-to-visit/cape-cod-islands/coskata-coatue.html) | [Map It](#)

#### ACK Surf School

A great place to learn to surf, offering private and group lessons at a reasonable price.  
[acksurfschool.com](http://acksurfschool.com) | Tel: 508-246-7872 | [Map It](#)

#### Paddleboard Rentals

Nantucket offers great spots for paddle boarding, and Nantucket Surf Company offers board rentals by day, half day, or hour. Plus, they'll deliver your board to any beach in town for free!  
[www.nantucketsurfcompany.com/pages/rentals](http://www.nantucketsurfcompany.com/pages/rentals) | Tel: 508-325-2792 | [Map It](#)

#### Dharma Yoga

Located in the hayloft of Bartlett's Farm & Groceries Shop, a wholesome vibe. Offers group and private classes, as well as aerial yoga.  
[www.dharmayoganantucket.com](http://www.dharmayoganantucket.com) | Tel: 508-901-1355 | [Map It](#)





### The Yoga Room

A wide range of classes makes this the perfect spot for yogis of all levels, whether you're looking for a relaxing class or something a little more challenging.

[www.nantucketyogaroom.com](http://www.nantucketyogaroom.com) | Tel: 508-825-2211 | [Map It](#)

### Jetties Tennis

Book a private lesson, sign the kids up for youth camps or simply reserve a court for a few hours at this facility near Jetties Beach.

[www.nantucket-ma.gov/276/Jetties-Tennis](http://www.nantucket-ma.gov/276/Jetties-Tennis) | Tel: 508-325-5334 | [Map It](#)

### Endeavor Sailing Excursions

Offers daily sailing cruises and private charters around Nantucket Sound led by Captain Jim, who has over 30 years experience sailing Nantucket.

[www.endeavorsailing.com](http://www.endeavorsailing.com) | Tel: 508-228-5585 | [Map It](#)

### Island Boat Rental

Explore the waters out on your own with a wide selection of boats available for rent.

Boats range from 15 to 20 feet and are suitable for boaters of any experience level.

[www.nantucketboatrental.com](http://www.nantucketboatrental.com) | Tel: 508-325-1001 | [Map It](#)

### Sea Nantucket Paddle Sports

Rent single or double kayaks perfect for a workout adventure.

[www.seanantucketkayak.com](http://www.seanantucketkayak.com) | Tel: 508-228-7499 | [Map It](#)

### Core

This in-town pilates studio offers private and semi-private lessons with well-trained instructors.

[www.pilatesnantucket.com](http://www.pilatesnantucket.com) | Tel: 508-228-1699 | [Map It](#)

### With the Kids

#### Maria Mitchell Association

Kids will have a blast at this science museum that's great for the whole family.

[www.mariamitchell.org](http://www.mariamitchell.org) | [Map It](#)

### Critter Cruise

This hour-long cruise on Nantucket Harbor is the perfect way to introduce children to fishing and ocean life.

[crittercruise.com](http://crittercruise.com) | Tel: 508-228-6867 | [Map It](#)

### Children's Beach

The perfect beach for young children, who can play in the park or on the playground when they get tired of splashing around in the water. Just a short walk from town, the beach also hosts G-rated movie nights on Fridays and free concerts on Sunday nights. Children's Café, located right on the beach, is open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner during the summer.

[www.nantucketchamber.org/beaches.html](http://www.nantucketchamber.org/beaches.html) | [Map It](#)

### Shearwater Excursions

Enjoy the wild beauty and wildlife of Nantucket with clamming and whale watching outings.

[www.shearwaterexcursions.com](http://www.shearwaterexcursions.com) | 508-228-7037 | [Map It](#)

*Shhhhh... only a local would tell you...*

### Supper Club at the Nantucket Hotel

The Nantucket Hotel joins forces with ReMain to host evenings of dining and dancing to live music, taking place every Thursday from July 6 to August 24.

[Website](#) | [Map It](#)

### Nantucket Culinary Center

Fabulous hands-on cooking classes followed by dinner en groupe or as a couple! In their dining room. \* also is the best 'grab & go' on island for lunch, dinner & deserts from their cafe to have home.

<https://nantucketculinary.com> | [Map It](#)

### Glowing Jellyfish at Step's Beach

Starting in early August, head down to this scenic beach after dark for a magical nighttime swim among the phosphorence.

[Map It](#)

### Bartlett's Farm Veggie Truck

Freshly picked produce brought right to the middle of town.

[mlynch874@gmail.com](mailto:mlynch874@gmail.com) | Hours: Mon-Fri, 9AM-1PM



### View from First Congregational Church

For the best view of the island, climb the 94 steps of this church tower. On a clear day, you can see all the way to Cape Cod.

[www.nantucketfcc.org](http://www.nantucketfcc.org) | [Map It](#)

### Walking Hidden Forrest & more

Some magical walks to do solo: contemplative or with others! Not the "normal" Nantucket experience.

[Read More Here](#)

### Christmas Stroll

Annual Event: Early December, a few days of holiday charming cheer. The entire town is decorated and lit up, stores & restaurants are all open.

Lovely shopping the dates of ornaments and artisanal gifts. A precious affair with young children.

[christmasstroll.com](http://christmasstroll.com)

## Useful Services

### Getting there

Tailwind Aviation makes coming and going extra convenient in summer, operating seaplanes between the Manhattan Seaport and the Nantucket airport. Outgoing flights leave on Thursdays and Fridays, with inbound flights on Sunday afternoons and Monday mornings.

[www.flytailwind.com](http://www.flytailwind.com)

### Affordable Rentals

A reasonably priced car rental place conveniently located downtown near the Steamship Authority and Hyline Ferries.

[www.affrentals.com](http://www.affrentals.com) | Tel: 508-228-3501 | [Map It](#)

### Petite Travelers of Nantucket

A one-stop rental shop for those traveling with small children, offering everything from cribs and strollers to beach chairs and boogie boards.

[petitetravelers.com](http://petitetravelers.com) | Tel: 508-221-1081 | [Map It](#)

### The Nantucket Club

A membership to the Nantucket club will get you access to top-of-the-line facilities including a fully equipped gym, yoga and fitness classes, massages, swimming pools, and a children's program. Memberships are offered for the summer and winter seasons or annually.

[www.thenantuckethotel.com/the-nantucket-club-2/](http://www.thenantuckethotel.com/the-nantucket-club-2/) | Tel: 508-228-4747 | [Map It](#)

### Nannytucket

Placement agency providing access to a network of fully vetted babysitters, as well as personal chefs, yard workers, and staffers for any of your vacation needs.

[www.nannytucket.net](http://www.nannytucket.net) | Tel: 508-332-0951 | [Map It](#)

### Sayle's Seafood

A fresh fish market open for lunch and dinner that offers an extensive takeout menu perfect for a picnic on the beach. Catering options also available.

[www.saylesseafood.com](http://www.saylesseafood.com) | Tel: 508-228-4599 | [Map It](#)



### Worthwhile Recent Published Guides to Nantucket (linked below)

- [Daytripper](#)
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