

## WELCOME TO PROVINCETOWN!

Welcome to our favorite summer destination. Provincetown is a place where you can truly be yourself. You'll find more entertainment, culture, art, food, nature, nightlife, and history, and LGBT people sharing Ptown's 10 square miles than you will anywhere else in the country. We hope you have a great time, look forward to seeing you on the street, and hope that this guide enriches your stay. And please visit us on the web at Towleroad.com. — *Andy Towle and Michael Goff* 



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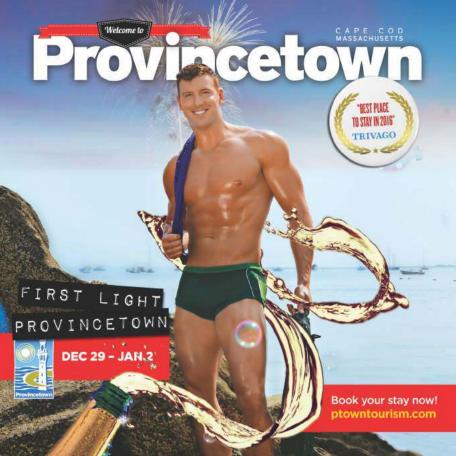
bakery & sandwich shop



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1602 - British explorer Bartholomew Gosnold names 'Cape Cod' as he sails into what is now Provincetown harbor. 1620 - The Pilgrims arrive, sign the Mayflower Compact, 1654 - Plymouth colony purchases land from the Nauset tribe for 2 brass kettles, 6 coats, 12 hoes, 12 axes, 12 knives and a box. 1727 - Provincetown is incorporated. 1871 - The Atlantic House, nation's oldest gay bar, is founded. 1898 -Charles Hawthorne opens Cape Cod School of Art. 1915 - Provincetown Players theatre formed. 1935 - Hans Hofmann opens school of art. 1936 - Tourism begins to compete with fishing as Provincetown's main industry. 1940 - Tennessee Williams arrives, 1961 - Cape Cod National Seashore established by JFK, 1968 -Provincetown Fine Arts Work Center, nationally recognized artists and writers colony, is formed, offering off-season residencies. 1970s - Provincetown starts to become the gay travel destination it is today. 1975 - 'Whale watching' tourism begins. 1983 - Provincetown AIDS Support Group (PASG) established. 1989 - First Cape Air flight between Boston and Ptown 2004 - Ptown becomes gay wedding destination as marriage equality comes to Massachusetts. 2016 - Cabral's Fishermen's Wharf sold to private developer, 2016 - Provincetown First Light New Year's festival begins.

A BRIEF HISTORY OF PROVINCETOWN



#### **NEW DINING IN 2016**

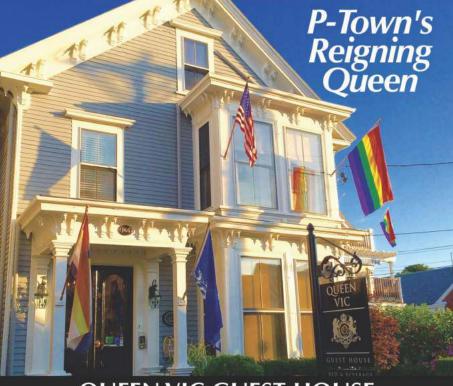
**Strangers and Saints**. A Mediterranean-influenced gastropub from owners Frederick and Steven Latasa-Nicks featuring gourmet bar food and small plates paired with artisanal cocktails, new world wines and craft beers. Set in the historic former home of Captain John Cook, this tavern-style eatery was decorated by renowned interior designer Ken Fulk and features a mural by Provincetown's own John Dowd. **404 Commercial Street** 508-487-1449,

**Yolk**. All-Day Breakfast. Big delicious breakfasts, Benedicts, omelettes, pancakes, waffles, French toast, fried chicken, and more, accompanied by cocktails, and a well-sorted wine list. started by Culinary Institute of America grad Brandon Quesnell and his partner Steve Katsurinis, also caretakers and chefs at the 8 Dyer Street B&B. Pastry chef Brad Carlson is behind the delicious baked goods. 8-3 daily. **401 1/2 Commercial Street**, 508-487-0600 yolkptown.com.

**Spindler's.** Named after Annie Spindler, a "Rum Runner" that ran aground in 1922 during the prohibition era, Spindler's features cuisine from James Beard award-winning chef Barbara Lynch, who prepares seasonal New England ingredients with French techniques and Italian soul. **386 Commercial Street** at The Waterford Inn, spindlersptown.com.

**Upper Deck BBQ and Brews**. Ribs, BBQ wings, brisket, pulled pork, chicken, sandwiches, sides like mac and cheese, collard greens, red rice, potato salad, cole slaw, and more. Casual. Everything is available to go as well. **336 Commercial Street**, 774-593-5169, upperdeckbbqbrews.com.

**Kabob-E-Licious**. New Mediterranean addition to Commercial St. featuring steak, lamb, and chicken kabobs, and traditional Middle Eastern appetizers. 338 Commercial Street, 508-487-6074.



# QUEEN VIC GUEST HOUSE A BED & BEVERAGE

166 Commercial Street | 508.487.8425 | queenvicptown.com

### **WEEKLY SUMMER AGENDA**

SUNDAYS: Leather Party at Purgatory, Doug Repetti at Central House, Billy Hough at Porch Bar (also Sat and Mon), Church at Grotta Bar. MONDAYS: Marshmallow Mondays at Shipwreck Lounge, Showgirls at A House. TUESDAYS: Elle Emenopé Glam-Rock Variety Hour at The Crown. WEDNESDAYS: Fag Bash at Purgatory. THURSDAYS: Black-Out Underwear Party at The Crown & Anchor, Underwear Party at Purgatory, Doug Repetti at Porch Bar (also Friday). FRIDAYS: Joanie Loves Chachi (Billy Hough) at Grotta Bar. SATURDAYS: Testosterone Gear Party at The Crown (from July 30), Bobby Wetherbee at Piano Bar at The Crown. EVERY DAY: Tea Dance at the Boatslip. MULTIPLE NIGHTS: Male Call at Post Office Cafe, Dina Martina and Miss Richfield,





#### PTOWN'S ULTIMATE TAVERN

MEDITERRANEAN INSPIRED FARE
CRAFT COCKTAILS - BEER - FINE WINES

LATE NIGHT MENU HAPPY HOUR 3PM TO 6PM

NO RESERVATIONS NEEDED • OPEN 3PM TO 12:30AM 404 COMMERCIAL STREET • (508) 487-1449 Crispy panko crusted shrimp at The Red Inn.

Peanut butter chocolate pie at Ross' Grill.

Provincetown pickles at Pern's Wine & Liquer.

**Provincetown pickles** at Perry's Wine & Liquors.

Quinoa pancakes at Yolk.

**Roast Chicken Pizza** and any cocktail at Strangers & Saints.

Linguini with clams at Central House at the Crown.

**Spinach and goat cheese scone** at Joe Coffee & Cafe.

Chicken Salad with sweet onion, gorgonzola, fresh pear at Relish.

**Fresh seafood** (to cook yourself) from Mac's fish market.

Pizza after-hours at Spiritus.

Breakfast sandwich with arugula at Pop + Dutch (pictured).

Breakfast burrito at Cafe Heaven.

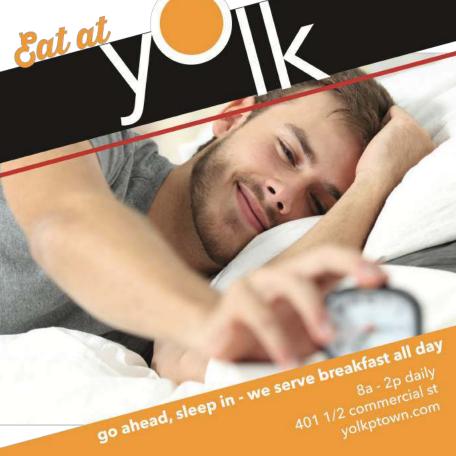
'The Guapo' burger at Local 186.

Wild Mushroom flatbread at Joon.

Fried chicken box from Stop n Shop (best deal in town)

Lobster roll from The Red Shack.









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Indulge your sweet tooth. **Cupcakes** at Relish (pictured, 93 Commercial St), **PB Boulangerie breads and pastries** at East End Market (212 Bradford St), colossal cookies Connie's at Connie's Bakery (205 Commercial St), **Salted caramel yogurt** from Bliss (322 Commercial St), **Homemade popsicles** at Happy Camper (227 Commercial St), **Ice cream shake** at Spiritus (190 Commercial St) **Jams and jellies** at Mimere's Homemade and Cafe, (258 Commercial Street).

# Prince Albert Guest House



# PTOWN'S CROWN JEWEL

www.PrinceAlbertGuestHouse.com

### SHOPPING LIST

Liquor: Perry's (1 Tremont St), Glass Half Full (191 Commercial)

Art, fine interior goods: **John Derian Company** (396 Commercial St, back)

Designer gifts from undersea: The Shell Shop (276 Commercial St)

A gift for your host: **Urban Man Made** (184 Commercial St)

Wigs 'n' things: **House of La Rue** (244 Commercial St)

Beard oils and special scents: Kiss and Makeup (244 Commercial St)

Non-basic boutique: **MAP** (220 Commercial St) Second-hand drag: **Ruthie's** (14 Center St)

Accessoires: Yates & Kennedy (173 Commercial St)

Essentials: Essentials (362 Commercial St)

Haircut: **Monument Barber Shop** (145 Commercial St) Bohemian Marine gifts: **Loveland** (120 Commercial St)

Flowers and Kale: Town Hall Farmer's Market (, Town Hall, Sat)

Lube: Toys of Eros (200 Commercial St)

Books: **Tim's Used Books** (242 Commercial St) Kitchen Basics: **Utilities** (393 Commercial St) Leather Needs: **Full Kit** (192 Commercial St)

Organic and Natural Groceries: 141 Bradford (141 Bradford St)

Last-minute costume emergency: Marine Specialties (235 Commercial St)



**Mate**. Hyper-local statement t-shirts, thermals and tank tops that you'll only find here in Provincetown. *349 Commercial Street*.

## JOHN DERIAN COMPANY

396 COMMERCIAL STREET (AT LAW STREET) | JOHNDERIAN.COM





Ptown Male Call at the Post Office Cafe is Ptown's only nude all-male dance revue choreographed and directed by Robert La Fosse with musical direction by Randy Bettis.

Meet the men (right) — Shadoe, Noah Scape, producer Troy David, Mason Dickson, and Kris Code — as they pay homage to the legendary strippers of the Times Square era in a nostalgia trip inspired by NYC's take-it-off palace, The Gaiety. It's a show which is filled with, and leaves little to, the imagination.

photo: Dwight Huffman





## 7 HACKS TO HELP YOU...

**Need to pee?** There are public restrooms at the public library, the old fire station across from Spiritus Pizza, Town Hall, and Whalers Wharf.

Go to the gym **during tea dance** if you aren't a drinker and prefer some quieter gym time.

Make sure to get the **cash** you need at the *beginning* of a holiday weekend because the ATMs can run out.

Anyone can get a **weekly parking pass** at the Grace Hall parking lot (Prince St. and Bradford) for \$75 (in and out. 7 days) or at the Jerome Smith lot (Shankpainter and Rte 6) for \$50 (In and out. 7 days) It's \$275 for all summer parking in all meters or municipal lots as a non resident.

Look for parking on unmarked curbs on Bradford Street and Pleasant.

There is **no line** at Spiritus Pizza. After the bars close, you'll see a huge line form out the door of the pizza place. Head right inside and you'll be getting your slice sooner.

The Provincetown Tourism Office offers a mobile app called "**iPtown**" that lists just about everything the town has to offer along with maps, links to reservation and review sites and a complete integration with social media.

# CHECK YOUR UNIT.



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## BEACHES

The Cape Cod National Seashore is the great treasure of Provincetown and there are several beaches from which to choose.

**Herring Cove**. A bay beach, and also the gay beach, it's a bit rockier than the other beaches and also calmer (much of the time). The gay beach can be a bike and a hike (see next page), or park in the parking lot and keep walking to the left until you find the men. Keep walking further and you'll find the men without clothes.

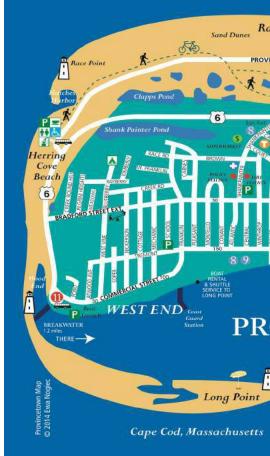
**Race Point.** The ocean beach, it's more family friendly and also further away. It can have its gay pockets as well, and wind can vary greatly between the two beaches.

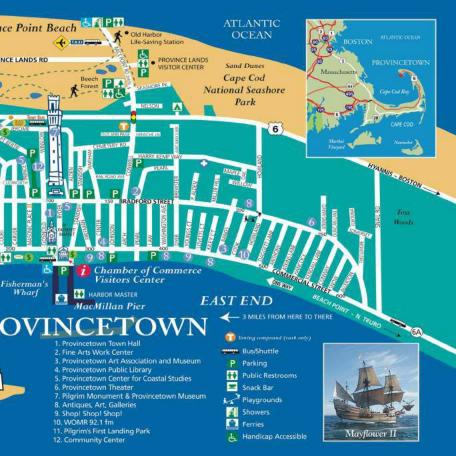
**Hatches Harbor**. If you're adventurous, walk to the right about half a mile from the Herring Cove parking lot. The tides come in and out in a beautiful way.











## BEACH 'DOS AND DON'TS'

To get to 'Boy Beach', bike down Bradford Street to Route 6 and park at bike racks about a quarter mile from Bradford Street. Bring your essentials, you won't be running home for them. You must hike to Boy Beach through the dunes and be prepared to wade through **waist-high water** at times and at high tide transport your belongings on your head.



**Don't swim alone** at dawn or dusk, or around seals. There are Great White sharks in the area.

Keep an eye out for **whales**. You can sometimes see their spouts from the beach.

Think about bringing some bug spray.

Watch out for **poison ivy in the dunes**. It is plentiful and will ruin your vacation.

There are no **'concessions' stands** at Boy Beach at Herring Cove or Race Point Beach. Bring food and drink with you (but make sure to leave the beach as clean as you found it)



PROVINCETOWN

Iconic hyper-local swag embracing everything that is Provincetown.

Cool T-Shirts, Tanks, Muscle Shirts and Thermals.

349 Commercial Street

# BONFIRE

The best summer evening with friends at Herring Cove Beach with the bay on one side and a cozy fire on the other can be yours if you plan it right.

Cape Cod National Seashore allows beach bonfires with a permit and here's how to get one. Demand for the permits is very high in the summer. In Ptown they're issued at the Province Lands Visitors Center beginning at 9 am and the policy is to give permits out to people in person before phone reservations are accepted. Permits need to be picked up by 3:30 pm the day of the bonfire and can be made three days in advance.



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# **ADVENTURES**

#### **Art's Dune Tours**

Many people visit Provincetown without seeing much of the natural beauty of the Cape Cod National Seashore. Ptown's beautiful beaches are only a small part of it. There are also majestic sand dunes, historic shacks where writers and artists like Eugene O'Neill and Harry Kemp found inspiration, and pristine landscapes of tall grass, dark pines, and red beach plums. You'll see it all on Art's Dune Tours along with the Cape's own set of ruins: the Peaked Hill Life Saving Station that served as a base for shipwreck rescues many years ago. You'll come away from this tour with a new sense of history and gratitude for all we have here.

The Costa family has been running the hour-long dune tours, which take place in comfortable Suburban SUVs, since 1946. **1-800-894-1951 or artsdunetours.org** 



# CENTRAL HOUSE at the CROWN

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Rent paddleboards and kayaks at **Flyer's Boat Rental** (133 Commercial) or **Provincetown AquaSports** (333r Commercial). At the latter, you can take a \$35 yoga paddleboarding class from **SUP Floating Fitness and Yoga** at 9 am daily. It's a great way to see dolphins, seals, birds, and (if you're super lucky) whales inside the harbor when the waves are calm.



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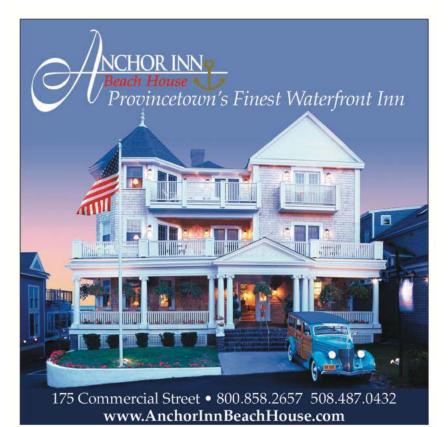
WATERFRONT DINING & LODGING

PROVINCETOWN, MASSACHUSETTS



Whales are abundant in the waters of Provincetown and seeing them up close is something you'll remember for the rest of your life. Humpback, Fin, Northern Right, Minke, Sei, and Pilot whales share these waters along with dolphins, porpoise, and a variety of sea birds, seals, and even Great White sharks. Several whale watch companies run boats from Macmillan Wharf.

To schedule an excursion, call **Provincetown Whale Watches** at 1-800-225-4000 or ptownwhalewatch.com, **Dolphin Fleet** at 508-240-3636 or whalewatch.com.



Provincetown is home to the **Center for Coastal Studies**, celebrating its 40th anniversary this year. They've got a big list of events on their site including kayak tours, seal walks (where you can observe grey and harbor seals in their 'haul-out' areas), tidal flats exploration, whale watches, and more. Visit coastalstudies.org/category/events for more info.

You can also visit the **Province Lands Visitor Center** at 171 Race Point Road off Route 6, approximately 1 mile from Provincetown center, open from May 1 through October 31 from 9-5. From the observation deck you can see a 360-degree view of the dunes, the Outer Beach and the Atlantic Ocean, Race Point Beach, and the Pilgrim Monument. You can also visit exhibits about local plants, animals, and history, and watch short films on the area.







## TAKE A BIKE

You must see Ptown on a bike! The Cape Cod National Seashore provides nearly 10 miles of stunning, sometimes challenging, very hilly bike trails (red dashed lines on opposite page) which loop from Herring Cove Beach to Race Point Beach and around to the lush ponds of the Beech Forest. It's a great way to exercise and unwind at the same time!





### PTOWN DOG'S LIFE

**OFF-LEASH**: Town Beaches: 6am-9am and 6pm-9pm. Pilgrim Bark Park (Route 6 and Shank Painter Road)

**ON-LEASH**: Up to 6 ft at Race Point and Herring Cove beaches in the National Seashore. (except lifeguarded areas, near nesting shore birds, and on bike trails)

**SUPPLIES**: Get your food, toys, and doggie day care at the **Provincetown Pet Resort** 79 Shank Painter Rd, 508-487-7900



**DINE WITH DOG** Bubala's, Central House, Governor Bradford, Patio, Twisted Pizza, Joe Coffee, Bliss Yogurt.

**BONUS CAT HACK**: Keep them inside. Foxes (and dogs) live all over town.

# **VETS Herring Cove Animal Clinic**79 Shank Painter Rd 508-255-8948 508-487-6449

**Provincetown Animal Hospital** 9 Center St. 508-487-2191

**24-Hour C.A.R.E.** South Dennis 508-398-7575



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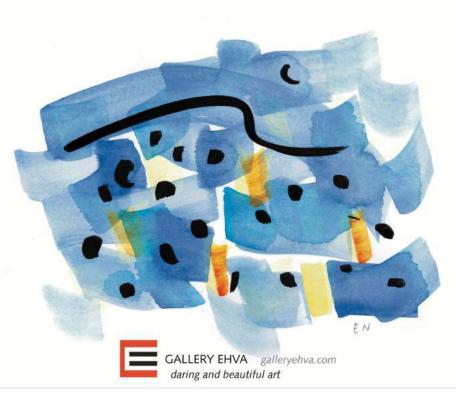
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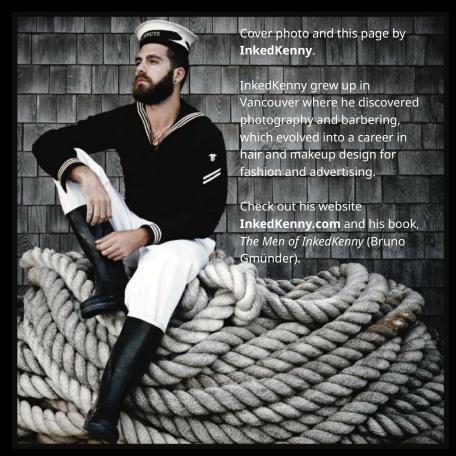
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GYM
Mussel Beach Gym
508-487-0001
35 Bradford St @ Conant

Provincetown Gym 81 Shank Painter Rd 508-487-2776

### **FERRIES**

Bay State Cruises 617-748-1428 Boston Harbor Cruises 617-227-4321

CAPE COD

NATIONAL SEASHORE

nps.gov/caco

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HEALTH

Outer Cape Health Services 508-487-9395

Provincetown Medical Group (508) 487-3505

Referral Service of Cape Cod Health Care (1-877) CAPE-COD

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# PTOWN MALE CALL

Provincetown's only nude male dance revue

> Post Office Cabaret 303 Commercial Street 10:00pm

June 3rd - Sept 11th Tuesdays through Sundays

Tickets and info online at:

PTOWNMALECALL.COM

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