

SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE HAMPTONS RESORT AREA, NEW YORK

LOCATION: Long Island's eastern end is divided into two peninsulas by Great Peconic Bay. The southernmost and larger of these two peninsulas is known familiarly as "the Hamptons". It extends some forty miles from the Hampton Bays area to the tip of Montauk Point. Some of the better-known small towns are Southampton, Bridgehampton, East Hampton, and Montauk. Elevations are everywhere within a few hundred feet of sea level. The area has a large number of summer homes used by the wealthy and famous—especially those from the New York City area.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	9:36	10:37	11:55	13:17	14:27	15:04	14:49	13:49	12:31	11:10	9:57	9:18
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	4:42	5:58	6:49	7:37	8:44	9:25	9:33	8:45	7:47	6:55	5:09	4:29
AREA OF BLUE SKY	39%	41%	42%	41%	41%	42%	42%	44%	47%	50%	39%	40%
LOW FOR MONTH	8°	8°	18°	28°	37°	47°	54°	53°	44°	35°	24°	9°
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	24°	24°	30°	38°	48°	57°	63°	63°	56°	47°	37°	27°
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	38°	38°	45°	54°	64°	73°	79°	78°	72°	63°	52°	42°
HIGH FOR MONTH	53°	53°	59°	71°	78°	86°	89°	89°	85°	75°	65°	58°
FROSTY MORNINGS	85%	85%	65%	24%	3%	0%	0%	0%	0%	9%	40%	75%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90°	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	9%	6%	3%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	63%	61%	60%	58%	61%	63%	64%	64%	63%	61%	63%	63%
NEARBY WATERS	42°	40°	40°	44°	50°	61°	68°	70°	67°	61°	54°	47°
DRY DAYS	63%	65%	63%	63%	64%	66%	68%	69%	72%	73%	68%	65%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	77%	78%	76%	77%	79%	81%	82%	80%	83%	83%	78%	78%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.64	0.62	0.68	0.63	0.57	0.47	0.46	0.65	0.56	0.57	0.67	0.69
LIKELY SNOWFALL	7.2"	7.9"	6.6"	0.9"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.0"	0.6"	6.0"
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	16%	17%	11%	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	12%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	0%	1%	3%	5%	10%	14%	19%	16%	8%	4%	2%	0%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	9%	9%	10%	11%	16%	15%	14%	11%	9%	9%	7%	6%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 58% of the daylight hours of the year. This might range from a low of 48% in December, to a high of 64% in July. The lowest temperature of the year should be close to 6° on some calm and clear winter sunrise, and the highest should be near 91° on some sunny and windless summer afternoon. Sensible temperatures (the ones you actually feel) will be essentially the same as actual ones. The area gets a four-season year, with winter as the dominant season. From December through February, about one day in five will fail to warm to above freezing during the afternoon; and two or three nights will drop below zero. Snowfall is highly variable from year to year and place to place. The best weather comes from May through October. Many establishments are closed during the off season.