

## SUNSHINE GUIDE TO THE SANTA MONICA BAY RESORT AREA, CALIFORNIA

LOCATION: Santa Monica Bay is located in southwestern California. The shoreline of the Los Angeles basin features two bays separated by the San Pedro peninsula. Santa Monica Bay is the northernmost of these bays, stretching from Point Dume to Point Vicente. It includes the communities of Malibu, Los Angeles, Santa Monica, Marina del Rey, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach, and Palo Verdes Estates. The area is best noted for its many fine beach resorts. It is also the site of the Los Angeles International Airport, some three miles inland. Elevations are everywhere close to sea level.

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
HOURS OF DAYLIGHT	10:11	10:57	11:58	13:01	13:55	14:23	14:11	13:26	12:26	11:22	10:27	9:57
HOURS OF SUNSHINE	5:58	6:52	7:34	8:53	8:23	8:37	9:15	9:15	8:02	7:34	7:01	6:33
AREA OF BLUE SKY	48%	48%	48%	53%	49%	51%	60%	64%	59%	56%	56%	53%
LOW FOR MONTH	39 °	42 °	43 °	47 °	51 °	55 °	59 °	60 °	57 °	52 °	44 °	40 °
SUNRISE TEMPERATURE	46 °	48 °	49 °	52 °	56 °	59 °	62 °	63 °	62 °	58 °	51 °	47 °
AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE	64 °	65 °	65 °	67 °	69 °	72 °	75 °	76 °	76 °	74 °	70 °	66 °
HIGH FOR MONTH	80 °	80 °	79 °	82 °	80 °	82 °	84 °	86 °	91 °	91 °	85 °	80 °
FROSTY MORNINGS	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
AFTERNOONS OVER 90 °	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	5%	5%	1%	0%
AFTERNOON HUMIDITY	59%	61%	62%	62%	66%	67%	67%	68%	66%	63%	58%	58%
NEARBY WATERS	57 °	57 °	58 °	59 °	61 °	64 °	67 °	68 °	67 °	64 °	61 °	59 °
DRY DAYS	82%	79%	81%	89%	96%	98%	98%	99%	96%	94%	88%	83%
REASONABLY DRY DAYS	86%	87%	88%	94%	99%	99%	99%	99%	99%	98%	93%	91%
5-DAY PRECIPITATION	0.44	0.52	0.33	0.14	0.03	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.03	0.05	0.22	0.31
DAYS WITH SOME SNOW	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER	1%	2%	3%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
DAYS WITH SOME FOG	14%	12%	10%	8%	5%	5%	6%	7%	11%	14%	16%	16%

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 64% of the daylight hours of the year. This might range from a low of 59% in January, to a high of 69% in sunny August. The lowest temperature of the year should be close to 37° at some clear and windless winter sunrise, and the highest should be near 98° on some windless summer afternoon. When the prevailing wind out of the west drops, temperatures become more extreme—both high and low. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you feel) will be essentially the same as actual ones. There is strong local variation in amounts of sunshine, morning and afternoon temperatures, and relative humidity and you go from the shoreline of the Pacific farther inland to the higher elevations. This is due to the similar variation in fogginess and the low cloud that is associated with the coast. Inland areas are likely to be a bit sunnier than the table shows, have hotter days and cooler nights, and be much drier. The shoreline will be foggy, have more cloud and less sunshine, be more moderate in temperatures, and be much more humid.