

## Vineyards & Breweries

- Barley Head Brewery is the only brewery in Mystic proper, and offers 3-5 beers on tap that are rotated weekly
- Beer'd Brewing Co. is located just outside of Mystic in Stonington and is another nano-brewery with a wide range and rotating taps.
- Saltwater Farm Vineyard is located in Stonington and has 100 acres of coastal property with a renovated WWII hangar that opens onto terraces
- Jonathan Edwards Winery is located in North Stonington and, along with various wines, offers events throughout the year and festivals in the spring and fall

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Location/Getting there

- Mystic is located just off I-95, about an hour from Newport or Providence.
- Highway 1 takes you along the Rhode Island and Connecticut coastlines and straight through downtown Mystic, if you prefer a scenic route.
- T. F. Green in Rhode Island is the closest airport.
- Easily accessible by train to/from Boston and New York City, and a great stop on the drive to either city.

### Staying There

There are many small hotels and resorts in the area, however, prices do increase in the summer season. Both casinos have hotel options, including family-friendly suites. The Navy Lodge at Naval Subbase New London, located just off base in Groton, has great rates.



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# Mystic, Connecticut



Mystic is situated on a river on the coast of Connecticut, and offers old town charm and quaint restaurants and shops. There are many activities for the family year-round.

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## **FAMILY FUN**

### **Mystic Aquarium**

Interactive fun for the whole family, the aquarium offers touch tanks and pools as well as crafts and activities for kids. The only facility in New England with beluga whales, and one of the few with Stellar sea lions. Offers encounters with several different animals, including penguins, sea lions, beluga whales, and more. 4-D movie experience available, along with a famous sea lion show. A military discount is available at the gate, with valid ID, and special promotions occur throughout the year for free admission for military members. Local AAA offices may also carry discounted tickets

### **Olde Mistick Village**

Conveniently located next to the Aquarium, the village offer shopping, movies, and food for every appetite. It was created to look like an 18th-century New England village and takes you back in time as you shop. The shops are all small and local, so you will always have unique finds, including Connecticut's largest chocolate maker.

### **Mystic Seaport Museum**

The nation's leading maritime museum. Home of four National Historic Landmark Vessels. Museum contains a working shipyard, recreated 19th century village, and more. The Charles W. Morgan is the last of an American whaling fleet and one of America's oldest ships still afloat – second only to the USS Constitution. There are multiple rare and historic boats that can be boarded. Some can be chartered as well. There are special events at the museum where you can spend a night aboard one of the ships. Military discounts are available at the gate and you receive free admission on your birthday.



### **Argia Mystic Cruises**

The 81-foot sailing ship offers day-sails and sunset cruises featuring gorgeous views of the coastline and lighthouses. Help the crew hoist and trim the sails, or sit back and relax if you prefer. Each cruise has snacks, but you are welcome to bring your own food and beverage (including beer and wine for the adults) – cooler and cups are available. Private charters of the entire ship are also available. A ticket is required for all passengers including infants, to ensure that the maximum number of passengers is not exceeded. It is recommended to buy tickets in advance, as cruises do fill up.

### **Downtown Mystic**

Home to the famous “Mystic Pizza” and much more! Downtown offers a variety of shops, restaurants, museums, and small parks. Enjoy ice cream and watch the historic bridge open or grab some sweet treats at one of the many sweet shops like Sift bake shop. The small downtown area is great for walking and relaxing alongside the river and many areas are dog friendly. Home to the annual Pirate Invasion in the Fall, with a movie in the park and specials at downtown restaurants. Outdoor concerts and festivals occur throughout the summer and seasonal events in the Fall/ Winter months.



## **FOR THE ADULTS**

### **Casinos**

Mohegan Sun and Foxwoods Casinos both offer hotels, shopping, food, and gambling Shows and concerts throughout the year.

### **Mystic Dark Room**

An intimate show lounge for theater and ballets. A unique seating arrangement offering front-row views for every guest. Experience great shows like the Nutcracker Spectacular.