



Eilat

Photo: Oleg Zaslavsky/Shutterstock.com



IrynaGu./Shutterstock.com

Although Eilat existed already in ancient times, the modern town dates back to 1949. It is Israel's premier winter sun resort and the heart of the Red Sea Riviera. Thrilling landscapes of red-tinted mountains, sheer blue skies and crystal clear waters give an exhilarating sense of adventure, pleasure and freedom, with a myriad of things to do and see.



Protasov AN/Shutterstock.com



Sergei25/Shutterstock.com

QUIZ

*What Type of Traveller
Are You Based on
Your Travel IQ?*

TAKE THE QUIZ

Top 5



Sea Cruise

Schooners and other boats offer leisurely half-day cruises around the gulf i...



Timna National Park

At Timna National Park you will find arches and tunnels of ancient copper mi...



Underwater Observatory

The Underwater Observatory has big windows that look onto the underwater lif...



Dolphin Reef

Meet a dolphin face-to-face! This beautiful private beach lets you watch the...



North Beach

North Beach is the main beach area which is divided into a dozen different s...



THE CITY



Saikom/Shutterstock.com

Israel's access to the Red Sea is through the beautiful city of Eilat. The city on the south tip is a popular destination for tourists around the globe and offers a huge variety of cultural and sports activities. Surrounded by water in the south and desert in the north, Eilat has a unique location. At the coast you get great beaches, a small but beautiful harbor area and in good weather conditions you can see as far as Egypt, Jordan and Saudi Arabia.

DO & SEE



Sergei25/Shutterstock.com

The warm and dry desert climate, the beautiful Red Sea and the amazing mountains, make Eilat the perfect holiday escape. The city offers amazing beaches and a great variety of attraction and activities to both youngsters and families, everything from cruising, diving to amusement park and hiking in the desert. Desert excursions and sea diving are major attractions

in Eilat.

Sea Cruise



Schooners and other boats offer leisurely half-day cruises around the gulf including on-board lunch. This is a lovely tour that should not be missed while you are visiting.

Photo: Protasov AN/Shutterstock.com

Address: Eilat

Timna National Park



At Timna National Park you will find arches and tunnels of ancient copper mines survive in this awesome desert park. Other sights include an artificial lake, 50 m rock columns and Egyptian temple ruins.

Photo: Sergei25/Shutterstock.com

Address: Arava Highway, Eilat

Phone: +972 8 631 6756

Internet: www.parktimna.co.il

Email: timna@timnapark.co.il

More Info: 24 km north of Eilat

Underwater Observatory



The Underwater Observatory has big windows that look onto the underwater life outside Eilat's top attraction which is a part of the Coral World marine reserve. There is also a fascinating museum, Oceanarium cinema and submarine dives.

Photo: Sergei25/Shutterstock.com

Address: Taba Road, Eilat
Opening hours: Every day 9am - 4pm
Phone: +972 8 636 4200
Internet: www.coralworld.co.il/en

Dolphin Reef



Meet a dolphin face-to-face! This beautiful private beach lets you watch the dolphins in their own environment. It is simply

magical.

Photo: Shimon Bar/Shutterstock.com
Address: Southern Beach, Eilat
Phone: +972 8 6300 111
Internet: www.dolphinreef.co.il
Email: info@dolphinreef.co.il

North Beach

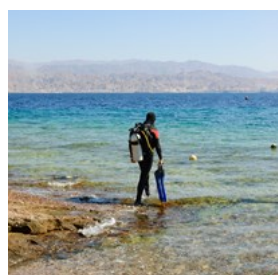


North Beach is the main beach area which is divided into a dozen different sections. Some are artificially improved and backed by a lively

promenade with extensive leisure facilities, including restaurants to suit all tastes.

Photo: Sergei25/Shutterstock.com
Address: North Beach, Eilat

Coral Beach



Coral Beach is a spectacular offshore 'park' with the world's most northerly coral reef. This is the main attraction on this

enjoyable pay-to-enter beach. You will find anything from cafés to snorkelling equipment for hire here.

Photo: Elena Dijour/Shutterstock.com
Address: Taba Road, Eilat
Phone: +972 2 500 6261
Internet: www.parks.org.il

Dekel Beach



Located just north of the port, Dekel Beach is a quiet beach in daytime and a party beach at night. Bring a picnic and change of clothes, and

you can stay here the whole day and long into the night.

Photo: Sergei25/Shutterstock.com
Address: Taba Road, Eilat

Diving



With clear warm waters, dazzling coral and exotic fish, the resort is world famous for snorkelling and scuba. An instructor will accompany you all the way if you wish. There are many dive clubs with varied rates. Main centre is Coral Beach.

Shulamit's Eilat Diving Adventures
34 HaTsaftefa St, Eilat
+972 54 475 8525
shulamit-diving@outlook.com
www.shulamit-diving.com

Aqua-Sport
Coral beach, Eilat
+972 863 344 04
Info@aqua-sport.com
www.aqua-sport.com

Photo: irisphoto1/Shutterstock.com
Address: 34 HaTsaftefa Street, Eilat
Phone: +972 54 475 8525

Internet: www.shulamit-diving.com
Email: shulamit-diving@outlook.com

Hai Bar



This special zoo took up the task to train animals for living in the wild.

Ostrich, antelope, oryx and co are nurtured in a sanctuary until they are

fit enough to be released again. A visit is a fun experience for the whole family.

Photo: [Sergei25/Shutterstock.com](#)

Address: Yotvata

Phone: +972 8 637 6018

More Info: 30 minutes north of Eilat (Route 90)

Negev desert



Adventurers will find a thrill in hiking the Negev desert. You can visit the Mountain Nature Reserve, take a 4x4

journey or join a guided

tour. The unique landscape makes this trip a must do.

Photo: [Oleg Lopatkin/Shutterstock.com](#)

Address: Negev, Israel

Red Sea Jazz Festival



Once a year, Eilat turns into a music hub with lots of jazz. If you happen to be around at this time of the year, you should not miss this mega event.

Check their website for upcoming artists and shows.

Photo: [Furtseff/Shutterstock.com](#)

Address: Eilat

Phone: +972 8 6340 253

Internet: www.en.redseajazz.co.il

Email: rsjfbooking@gmail.com

Chamber Music Festival



Summer, sun and music is celebrated at the annual Chamber Music Festival in Eilat. Come here to enjoy music with like-minded. Upcoming

artists are announced on their website.

Photo: [Evgheni Lachi/Shutterstock.com](#)

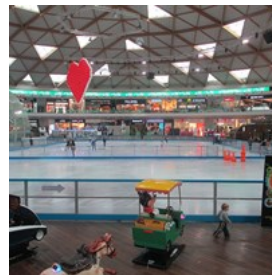
Address: Eilat

Phone: +972 8 633 0808

Internet: www.eilat-festival.co.il

Email: info@eilatfest.com

Ice Park Mall



This unique shopping mall offers more than just great shops and fashion. In the middle of the glass building you can find a big ice rink. Bring your

skates and the whole family, a fun time is guaranteed.

Photo: [Dr. Avishai Teicher/Wikimedia Commons](#) (image cropped)

Address: Kampen Street 8, Eilat

Opening hours: Sun - Thu 9.30am - 11pm, Fri - Sat 9.30am - 10pm

Phone: +97286379552

Internet: www.icemalleilat.co.il

Rafsoda



This entertainment complex is situated just east of the Marina entrance and offers stunning views of the Gulf of Aqaba, the beach, Eilat

and the red mountains of Edom. At this giant, multi-story floating raft you will find restaurants, sundecks where you can relax, swimming pools, snorkelling facilities and much more.

Photo: Kzenon/Shutterstock.com

Address: Rafsoda, Eilat

Phone: +972 8 633 9199

More Info: East of the Marina, by the Hilton Hotel

DINING



Teodora D/Shutterstock.com

With high quality restaurants along a seafront promenade, Eilat occupies a dramatic setting on the sandy north shore of the Gulf of Akaba and the sun-baked southern tip of the Negev Desert.

Eddies Hideaway



Mediterranean cooking.

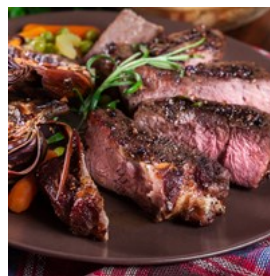
Eddies Hideaway is located off the beaten track, with a convivial atmosphere and huge menu of excellent. They serve creative Israeli and

Photo: Alias Studiot Oy/Shutterstock.com

Address: HaMasger Street 2, Eilat

Phone: +972 8 637 1137

El Gaucho



flavours.

El Gaucho serves beef - and other dishes - done the Argentinian way. The flair, quality and a vivacious atmosphere match the Argentinian

Photo: Slawomir Fajer/Shutterstock.com

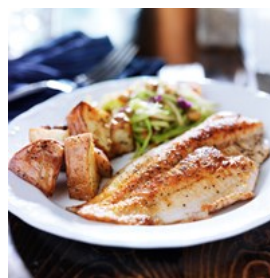
Address: 90 Ha'Arava Road, Eilat

Opening hours: Every day 12pm - 11pm

Phone: +972 8 633 1549

Internet: www.elgaucho.co.il

The Last Refuge



waterside tables.

The Last Refuge is a well-known, cosy and popular fish restaurant. The interior has an appealing bare wood and fishing net décor with

Photo: Joshua Resnick/Shutterstock.com

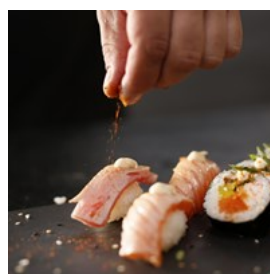
Address: Almog Beach, Eilat

Opening hours: Sat - Thu 12.30pm - 10.30pm, Sun 12.30pm - 11pm

Phone: +972 73 702 7301

More Info: Near Coral Beach

Ginger



are found on the menu and the staff will help you with choosing the best wine for your meal.

This Asian restaurant is the ideal place for an extended dinner with some friends. Sushi, Tapas, Vietnamese as well as Chinese dishes

Photo: Robert Przybysz/Shutterstock.com

Address: Derekh Yotam 3, Eilat

Opening hours: Sat - Thu 12pm - 11pm, Fri 12pm - 11.30pm

Phone: +972 8 637 2517
Internet: www.gingereilat.com
Email: ginger@bezeqint.net

Pedro



This is the ideal place for meat lovers. Come here for quality steak, great wine and impeccable service. It is the kind of restaurant you will

recommend to your friends.

Photo: [vsl/Shutterstock.com](https://www.shutterstock.com)
Address: 14 Ye'elim Street, Eilat
Opening hours: Sun - Thu 4.30pm - 11pm, Fri 6pm - 11pm, Sat 2pm - 11pm
Phone: +972 8 637 9504
Internet: www.pedro.co.il
Email: info@pedro.co.il

Rak Dagim



Known as one of the best fish restaurants in the area, Rak Dagim's menu leaves nothing to be desired. Fresh shrimps, delicious salt- and

freshwater fish as well as seafood can be found on their menu. Come here for a night to remember.

Photo: [Visionsi/Shutterstock.com](https://www.shutterstock.com)
Address: Tarshish 7, Eilat
Opening hours: Sat - Thu 2pm - 10.30pm, Fri 4pm - 10.30pm
Phone: +972 8 633 7450

Barbis Diner



Craving pub food? Then drop in Barbis Diner for savoury hamburgers, salads and fries. The serving are generous and the prizes reasonable.

Photo: [Ratov Maxim/Shutterstock.com](https://www.shutterstock.com)
Address: Tarshish 19, Eilat
Opening hours: Every day 12pm - 1am
Phone: +972 8 634 2404
Internet: www.barbis.co.il

Little Brazil



This Brazilian restaurant offers you just the best meat and vegetables. Come here for quality steaks or meaty sharing plates. A special service

is provided by the "Pasador" who walks from table to table to cut slices of meat in front of your eyes.

Photo: [bucks134/Shutterstock.com](https://www.shutterstock.com)
Address: 3 Eilat Street, Eilat
Opening hours: Every day 12.30pm - 11pm
Phone: +972 8 637 2018
Internet: www.littlebrazil.co.il
Email: brazil.eilat@gmail.com

Bar Beach



Lunch in the sun or dinner under a starlit sky can be enjoyed at this beachbar. Feel the sand between your toes and relax with a delicious

cocktail while waiting for your meal. Try the calamari and scampi - they are heavenly.

Photo: [gowithstock/Shutterstock.com](https://www.shutterstock.com)
Address: Hof Almog, Eilat

Opening hours: Every day 8am - 8pm

Phone: +972 8 632 3286

Pago Pago



Pago Pago floats in the lagoon with a South Seas theme. They offer an international menu with over 300 drinks to choose from. Needless to say

that you will be here for a while.

Photo: Torsak Thammachote/Shutterstock.com

Address: Eilat Marina, Eilat

Opening hours: Every day 12.30pm - 11pm

Phone: +972 8 637 2526

Internet: www.pagopagorest.com

More Info: Beside Crown Plaza Hotel

CAFES



Protasov AN/Shutterstock.com

The small town centre, with a central boulevard leading to the sea, has malls and budget eateries. The main hotel and entertainment district is North Beach, with an attractive waterside promenade running from the town centre to a marina and lagoons, linking most of the tourist amenities.

Aroma



Aroma is a chain of coffee shops that can be found all over Israel. Their signature blend, the Aroma Israel blend contains beans from

Zimbabwe, Brazil and Malawi. This café provides free WiFi and tasty snacks.

Photo: Lovely Bird/Shutterstock.com

Address: Neviot Beach, Eilat

Opening hours: Daily 6am-12am

Internet: www.aroma.co.il

Café café



Café café gives you the option to sip a cup of coffee or sit down for a regular fine dining experience. On their menu you will find kosher

dairy and a wide array of light dishes such as salad, pasta and sandwiches.

Photo: SITTISAK YODNUY/Shutterstock.com

Address: Sderot HaTmarim, Eilat

Phone: +972 8 634 4790

More Info: Near The Shalom Mall

Dolphin Reef Restaurant



Sit on tree stumps or in cushioned booths and shaded tables at this lush beach café and enjoy a cup of coffee, a light snack or lunch with

music.

Photo: Gekko Gallery/Shutterstock.com

Address: Southern Beach, Eilat

Opening hours: Daily 9am-5pm

Phone: +972 8 630 0111

Internet: www.dolphinreef.co.il

U Coral Beach Club



Relax at the beach café before or after a dive, also an excellent place to grab lunch. The beach club offers a wide array of activities in addition to

tasty food and swift service.

Photo: Maksim Toome/Shutterstock.com

Address: Taba Road, Eilat

Phone: +972 8 635 0000

Mall Hayam



Mall Hayam is the town's main indoor mall and located where the town centre reaches the North Beach. Next to numerous fashion stores it has many

options and comfortable places for a coffee or a snack.

Photo: Rawpixel.com/Shutterstock.com

Address: Hapalmah No. 1, Eilat

Opening hours: Sun-Wed 9:30am-11pm, Thu 9:30am-12am, Fri 9:30am-5:30pm, Sat 11:30am-12am

Phone: +972 8 634 0006

Internet: www.mallhayam.co.il

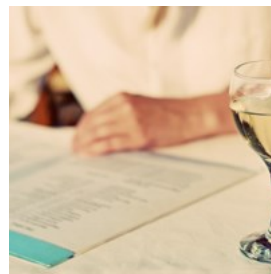
BARS & NIGHTLIFE



Sopotnicki/Shutterstock.com

After dark, North Beach promenade and the lagoon throngs with people. There is little drinking – the emphasis is on food, atmosphere and quality entertainment. Large hotels have plush lounge bars offering folklore shows, glitzy cabaret or live music. Many have discos, but for grittier late-night venues with a young crowd, try the beach bars and New Tourist Center in town.

Pago Pago



Pago Pago floats in the lagoon with a South Seas theme. They offer an international menu with over 300 drinks to choose from. Needless to say

that you will be here for a while.

Photo: Dmitri Ma/Shutterstock.com

Address: Eilat Marina

Phone: +972 8 637 2526

Internet: www.pagopagorest.com

More Info: Beside Crown Plaza Hotel

Beach Parties



In high summer – peak season for Israeli visitors – late-night dance parties are organised on the Taba Rd beaches, especially Dekel. Meet

other party animals in town.

Photo: Kzenon/Shutterstock.com
Address: Dekel Beach, Eilat
Internet: www.dekelbeach.com

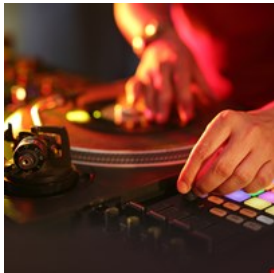
Kibbutz Eilat



Kibbutz Eilat is only available as an organised group excursion. Enjoy a light-hearted evening of entertainment in a desert kibbutz just out of town.

Photo: k45025 Draw K/Shutterstock.com
Address: Kibbutz Eilat Holiday Village, Eilat
Phone: +972 1 700 703 710
Internet: www.eilat.co.il

Messi BAR



DJs, live-acts, cocktails - you name it, this bar has got it all. Drop by at Messi to enjoy a long night out and meet some new people. The international crowd and the rock music will make this spot your favourite in Eilat nightlife!

Photo: Robert Przybysz/Shutterstock.com
Address: Agur Street, Eilat
Opening hours: Tue - Sat 9pm - 3.30am, Sun 9pm - 12am

Paddy's Irish Pub



The friendly staff and the laid-back atmosphere of this rustic pub make it a favourite of locals. Come here for dark beer, strong whiskey and great burgers and keep an eye on their weekly programme. They even have pool tables if you are up for a game. Paddy's Irish pub is always

worth a visit.

Photo: Kucher Serhii/Shutterstock.com
Address: Derekh Yotam 1, Eilat
Opening hours: Every day 1pm - 2am
Phone: +972 8 637 0921
Internet: www.paddys.co.il

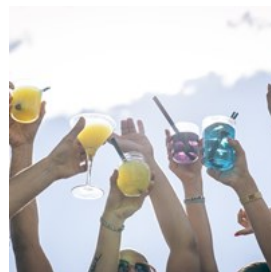
Mike's Place



Music, sports and party people can be found at Mike's Place in Eilat. Don't miss out on great live bands and football screenings within and bring your friends to spend a great night on the town.

Photo: Vlasov Volodymyr/Shutterstock.com
Address: HaMayim Street, Eilat
Opening hours: Every day 12pm - 3am
Phone: +972 8 864 9550

Dolphin Reef



Dolphin Reef welcomes you to barefoot chic and laid-back fun at a thatched beach bar with dancing by the water. This is the perfect place to just enjoy the presence.

Photo: oneinchpunch/Shutterstock.com
Address: Dolphin Beach Taba Road, Eilat
Internet: www.dolphinreef.co.il

SHOPPING



andras_csontos/Shutterstock.com

Along the North Beach promenade, stalls offer cheap fashions and hippy-style crafts, beachwear and souvenirs. Note that no VAT or sales tax (normally 18 per cent) is charged in Eilat.

For better quality items, with genuine brand names, head to the eastern end of the promenade beyond the north lagoon.

Ha Yam Mall



Ha Yam Mall is the town's main indoor mall and located where the town centre reaches the North Beach. Next to numerous fashion stores it has many options and comfortable places for a coffee or a snack.

Photo: Syda Productions/Shutterstock.com
Address: Hapalmah No. 1, Eilat
Phone: +972 8 634 0006
Internet: www.mallhayam.co.il

North Beach



The area around North Beach offers a wide variety of stores including bookstores, children's wear and fashion boutiques. Also familiar international brands and designers, for lower prices can be found. Look out for Israeli names such as the imaginative, romantic clothes and jewellery of Michal Negrin.

Photo: Sergei25/Shutterstock.com
Address: North Beach, Eilat

BIG Eilat



Get a new outfit, buy some beachwear or look for gifts in this well-equipped shopping center. Fashion stores, supermarket as well as book shops offer a great choice of shopping opportunities. What are you waiting for?

Photo: Antonio Guillem/Shutterstock.com
Address: Ha-Satat Street 20, Eilat
Phone: +972 73 260 0450
Internet: www.bigcenters.co.il

Le Boulevard



Several North Beach hotels have their own small high-quality malls with a good selection of stylish shops, notably the trendy Le Boulevard mall beneath the Royal Garden Hotel.

Photo: hurricanehank/Shutterstock.com
Address: North Shore, Eilat
Phone: +972 8 638 6628
Internet: www.isrotel.com/isrotel-royal-garden

Ice Park Mall



This unique shopping mall offers more than just a great shops and fashion. In the middle of the glass building you can find a big ice rink. Bring your skates and the whole family, a fun time is guaranteed.

Photo: Dr. Avishai Teicher/Wikimedia Commons (image cropped)

Address: Kampen St 8, Eilat

Opening hours: Sat - Tue 9.30am - 11pm, Wed & Thu 9.30am - 12am, Fri 9.30am - 10pm

Phone: +972 8 637 9552

Internet: www.icemalleilat.co.il

TOURIST INFORMATION



Arkady Mazor/Shutterstock.com

Best Time To Visit



The best time to visit Eilat are the months of September and October, as the weather is amazing, with pleasant outdoor and water

temperatures. The months with the lowest chance of rain however, are June, July, and then August.

Photo: VectorA/Shutterstock.com

Passport/Visa



To visit Israel you need a passport valid for at least six months from the date of entry. If you hold an Israeli passport, you will be required to present it

upon arrival.

Many countries have a Visa Waiver Program with Israel, which allows their citizens to visit Israel without a pre-arranged visa. Citizens of Australia, Canada, the EU, and the USA do not need a visa for touristic stays up to 90 days.

Citizens of other countries can check if they need a visa at www.mfa.gov.il/MFA/ConsularServices/Documents/VisaRequirements-Tourists.pdf

Because of diplomatic issues, you might not be able to travel to some Arab or predominantly Muslim countries if your passport shows an Israeli visa or stamp. To solve this problem, your visa will be stamped on a separate entry card when you arrive in Israel.

Remember to bring your passport with you on trips to Palestinian territories: it will probably be required at checkpoints and border crossings.

Photo: TukTuk Design/Shutterstock.com

Airport



Eilat's second international airport is Ovda or Uvda (code:VDA), 60 km (37 miles) north. Driving time to town is about 50

minutes. Most passengers arrive on tour operator packages that include bus transfer, so it is often difficult to pick up a taxi at the airport. There are car hire desks at the airport. Public

bus 392 runs into town every hour.

Photo: Juan Garces
Phone: +972 8 634 0152
Internet: www.iaa.gov.il

Public Transport



Eilat town centre is small and easy to get around on foot. Local buses serving the hotel area (no 1) and Taba Road (no 15), run every 30 minutes,

07.00-19.00 daily except Saturday, stopping about 15.00 Friday.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

Taxi



Numerous privately owned metered taxis wait at hotels and attractions and can also be hailed in the street. Rates are 25% higher at night and on

Shabbat.

Photo: ArrivalGuides
Address: Eilat
Internet: www.eng.eilattaxi.co.il

Post



Stamps are sold at hotels and street kiosks. The main post office is located on:

Photo: Andy Fuchs
Address: Sderot HaTmarim, Eilat
Phone: +972 8 637 2348
More Info: Red Canyon Shopping Center

Pharmacy



A pharmacy can be found at the BIG Eilat Shopping center. A list on the door of all pharmacies shows which pharmacy is on night duty.

Photo: Gemma Garner
Address: Ha-Satat Street 20, Eilat
Phone: +972 77 888 1120

Electricity



220V

Photo: Stirling Tschan

Telephone



Country code: +972 Area code: 08

Photo: Jardson Almeida

Population
50,000

Currency
Shekel or New Israeli Shekel (NIS). 1NIS = 100 agorot. Prices are often given in \$US.

Opening hours
Normal hours are Sunday-Thursday 09.00-19.00, and Friday 09.00-14.00. From Friday evening to Saturday evening is Shabbat, when Jewish-owned business would normally be closed. However, many Eilat stores and restaurants remain open.

Newspapers
Jerusalem Post (daily), Ha'aretz (daily) and Jerusalem Report (monthly) are in English. Ha'Ir Eilat is a popular local

magazine in Hebrew.

Emergency numbers

Police: 100

Medical emergency: 101

Fire: 102

Tourist information

8 Beit Hagesher

+972 8 630 9111

Sunday-Thursday 08.30-17.00, Fridays 08.00-13.00



Gulf of Eilat

250 m

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A

1

2

3

4

90

12

North Beach

0

D

C

B

A