



# FACT SHEET

From the finest beach in Southern California's South Bay to an exploding craft beer scene, fantastic food to one of the largest shopping malls in the United States, Torrance is the next city poised to become the new Los Angeles County hot spot.

Tucked away on the coast of the South Bay, Torrance is conveniently located 10 miles south of LAX and 17 miles north of Long Beach Airport. Discover Torrance and enjoy the quintessential California beach experience where hops and flip-flops are the way of life.

# **QUICK FACTS**:

- Total population: 148,495
- Size: Fourth largest city in Los Angeles County at 20.5 square miles
- Lodging: 2,500 hotel rooms
- Meeting space: 51,000 square feet
- Weather: Averages 72° year-round
- Location: Approximately 20 miles southwest of Los Angeles, 396 miles south of San Francisco and 30 miles from Hollywood, Universal Studios and Disneyland<sup>®</sup> Resort
- Restaurants: 400+ unique dining options
- Breweries: 11 craft breweries
- Outdoor recreation: 30 city parks, 1.5 miles of beach, the last remaining vernal marshland, 22 miles of paved oceanside pathways for walking, biking and jogging

# FUN FACTS:

- Childhood home of Louis "Louie" Zamperini, 1936 Berlin Olympics distance runner and U.S. POW survivor of WWII, also the subject of Laura Hillenbrand's biographical book turned 2014 movie, *Unbroken*
- Hundreds of TV/movie appearances, most notable: *Boogie Nights, Beverly Hills 90210, Pulp Fiction* and *Buffy the Vampire Slayer*
- Home to Del Amo Fashion Center, the largest mall in the Western U.S. with 2.7 million square feet of shopping
- Notable celebrity natives include Michelle Kwan, Chuck Norris, Quentin Tarantino and Chloe Kim
- Birthplace of the American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO)

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## **ACCOMMODATIONS**

From luxurious suites to cozy hotel rooms, Torrance offers a variety of welcoming lodging options to meet any traveler's taste or budget.

#### DINING

With more than 400 eateries, Torrance features a vast array of multicultural dining including American, Asian, Italian, Mediterranean, Mexican and more.

#### TASTING

Ahead of the Los Angeles County beer scene curve, Torrance has been a hotbed of craft breweries, brewpubs and beer-focused bars for years and continues to grow with 11 local breweries and more cropping up each year.

## **MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

Conveniently located just minutes from LAX and offering top-notch venues, quality hotels, ample meeting space and popular attractions, Torrance has all of the amenities to suit meeting and event needs.

#### **MUSEUMS**

With an impressive collection of fine art from international, national and locally renowned artists, Torrance's cultural experience is bountiful. See a performance, stroll through a collection of ancient Chinese artifacts or immerse yourself in the history of Torrance–whatever you are looking for, Torrance's museums offer it.

#### **PARKS/RECREATION**

Torrance boasts more than 90,000 street trees, 30 city parks, a pristine beach on the Pacific Ocean, a 44-acre community park and the Madrona Marsh Wildlife Preserve & Nature Center. Madrona, the last remaining vernal marsh offers visitors a look at a rare wetlands habitat with native plants, wildlife, bird watching and a nature center.

#### **SHOPPING**

Del Amo Fashion Center has 2.7 million square feet of shopping with more than 200 stores in the indoor/outdoor mall. Attracting shoppers from all over the world, Del Amo is the largest mall in the South Bay and the third largest mall in the United States.

#### **TORRANCE BEACH**

Stretching 1.5 miles, Torrance Beach is situated between Redondo Beach and Malaga Cove on the Santa Monica Bay and is known for being the "crowd-less" South Bay beach. The 22-mile beach trail–The Strand–welcomes outdoor enthusiasts to explore the South Bay by walking, jogging and biking its paved path.

#### **ATTRACTIONS**

Torrance attractions include everything from a historic downtown to the largest collection of Asian art and artifacts in the United States. With a number of cultural venues, museums, shopping and events, Torrance is the perfect destination for groups, couples, families and everyone in between.

