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Gurney's Montauk

When you want the ideal of summer vacationing in the Hamptons.

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AMENITIES

Bar

Beach

Spa

Wifi

ROOMS

158

Why book?

The only luxury hotel in the **Hamptons** that is located on a sprawling 2,000-foot private beach, Gurney's is the epitome of summer vacationing offering warm sun, an excellent seaside food and drink program, a destination spa, and fabulous people watching.

Set the scene

Gurney's is undoubtedly a staple of Montauk, opening in its first iteration in 1926 as a small 20-unit hotel named Gurney's Inn. Now a behemoth of luxury and exclusivity—and as of my winter 2026 stay, featuring a very newly renovated lobby—the resort is a beacon for city dwellers and well-to-do vacationers looking for their summer escape. Drawing a monied crowd, you'll find couples and celebratory parties looking to get the perfect tan amidst flowing cocktails and elevated food. Pack your Ralph Lauren shorts and effortlessly cool swimsuit coverups and be prepared to be at the scene in Montauk.

The rooms

The resort has 158 rooms, suites, and beachfront cottages which all deliver ocean views. You'll find queen- or king-sized beds and complimentary Wi-Fi in all rooms, with spa perks like walk-in rain showers, Salt & Stone toiletries, robes, and slippers. The style is minimalist nautical chic, with a neutral color palette that helps draw your attention through the floor-to-ceiling windows to the real focal point: the ocean. All rooms also come with access to The Dolce & Gabbana Beach Club, the luxury fashion brand's first-ever beachfront takeover in the United States, where guests can lounge on Dolce & Gabbana's signature Blu Mediterraneo Collection that evokes lazy summer days of Sicily and the Amalfi Coast. And when you get tired of all the sun-soaking? Treat yourself to an onsite shopping experience featuring an exclusive selection of Dolce & Gabbana's signature style, from apparel to home goods.

Food and drink

Gurney's offers multiple dedicated dining spaces, each with their unique seaside charm. To start your day, you'll want to hit Dune Cafe. Open for breakfast and lunch, you'll find classic café selections like ham and cheese croissants, lobster rolls, and chopped wedge salads in a cozy relaxed environment.

If you're looking to kick it up a notch, The Firepit, an all-outdoor venue, is perfect for starting your evening with light bites against stunning views of the ocean, or as the must-hit final stop of the night for specialty cocktails and unmatched energy.

But the real star of the property is the newly opened Gigi's, a seafood-forward celebration of Long Island's coasts. Set against creams and whites, the minimally decorated space charms its guests by drawing all eyes to the unobstructed ocean views surrounding the restaurant. The warmth from the dimly lit interior and the friendliness of the staff is the cherry on top. While the specialty cocktails, appetizers, and entrées were all wonderful—I can personally attest to the perfectly balanced spices in the El Diablo cocktail and am still thinking about the pepper crusted tuna and rigatoni alla vodka—do not sleep on the dessert. We ordered almost the entire dessert menu and every bite surpassed our expectation.

The spa

Having completed an extensive \$20 million dollar renovation led by Alonso Designs in 2022—the team behind Manhattan destination spa [Aire Ancient Baths](#)—Gurney's Seawater Spa is the pinnacle of relaxation and pampering. The 30,000-square-foot destination is filled with soft color palettes and carefully designed to ensure consistent, unobstructed views of the Atlantic Ocean as you float from room to room. Take a dip in the ocean-fed seawater pool or indulge in their full bathhouse experience including a caldarium, thermal baths, sauna and steam rooms, a salt room, and an indoor/outdoor fitness center.

If you're looking for a treatment, you'll find a smorgasbord of body massages, facials, and scalp and hair therapies; however, if you want a personal recommendation, the 60-minute full body massage is otherworldly. A special shoutout goes to the spa's investment in their massage and facial beds which are truly state-of-the-art luxury experiences. From their thick, quality padding to the fully adjustable settings that make you feel dreamily cradled, the beds were the best I've ever experienced.

Note that Gurney's also offers a dedicated spa membership option for those who wish to visit the spa without staying as a guest. In addition to access to the pool and bathhouse experiences, spa members also receive one-on-one fitness coaching and wellness classes along with curated spa treatments.

The neighborhood/area

Gurney's is a community in itself when you're staying as a guest. However, if you want to explore charming downtown Montauk, it's just a seven-minute drive east. Don't have your own car? Not a problem. The property offers a complimentary house car service to downtown Montauk that can be reserved on a first-come, first-serve basis through the front desk team. Must-dos include breakfast at Anthony's Pancake House, dinner at il Buco al Mare, and visiting the famous Montauk Point Lighthouse at the easternmost point of the island.

The service

You can expect a team that is truly eager to please. The front desk staff and porters go particularly above and beyond with warm welcomes and offers of assistance at every turn. While not stuffy, there is certainly a hint of luxury and exclusivity in the air. But the five-star service isn't just for hotel guests. The hotel also offers full service wedding ceremonies and receptions from September through June. With your own dedicated team, numerous on-site venue options, custom themed menus sourced from local purveyors, and a stunning beach backdrop, it's easy to understand why brides and grooms choose to celebrate an event of a lifetime with the Gurney's team.

For families

With an entire weekend program dedicated to kids, parents can relax at The Beach Club or explore the town while their kids enjoy arts and crafts, bingo, movie nights, and more. The program is complimentary for all guests and open to kids ages 5-12.

Eco effort

The team has focused their sustainability efforts around the spa, with the onsite pool being the only ocean-fed seawater pool in North America. The 2022 renovations also provided opportunities to lessen their environmental footprint including changes to filters that reduce water waste, using energy-saving heating systems, and the use of UV to limit the need for harmful chemicals. If you're looking to be an active participant during your stay, the hotel also organizes beach cleanups for guests and locals alike.

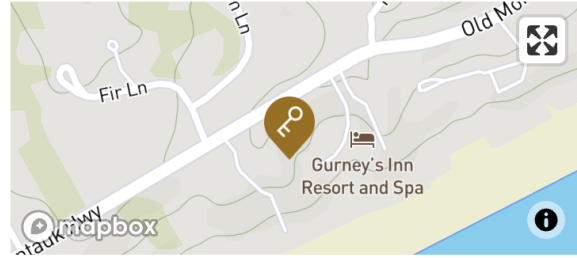
Anything left to mention?

Four-legged friends are welcome at Gurney's! Do note there is a 40-pound weight restriction and a \$75 nightly service fee applied, excluding service animals.

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