

## A Weekend Guide to Montauk

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### Brand-New For Summer 2014

**Seawater Grill at Gurney's Montauk Resort & Seawater Spa** - Jennifer Oz LeRoy has taken the helm at this classic Montauk institution (above), revamping the menu by installing chef Seth Levine (Hotel Chantelle, Penthouse808). The entire space has gotten a major facelift, including the main dining room (Seawater Grill), where the menu is focused on seasonal, local fare.

**Westlake** - Chef Larry Kolar has opened this seafood-focused spot (below) featuring sushi, steaks and classics like fish 'n' chips and fish tacos at Westlake Marina.

**The Harbor Raw Bar & Lounge** - This new eatery on Montauk's north bay offers oceanside views and an extensive raw bar plus more maritime treats like surf 'n' turf tacos and "drunken lobster."



## Must-Visits

**South Edison** - Todd Mitgang's five-year-old Montauk restaurant offers an array of local seafood. Highlights include the clam bake in a bowl, scallop tartare and grilled lobster.

**Surf Lodge** - The 47-year-old beachside shack got a revamp in 2008 and a new menu from chef Sam Talbot. Now Australian chef Chris Rendell and chef de cuisine Michael Hamilton are running the show, but the focus is still on fresh local seafood.

**668 The Gig Shack** - The casual family-run cafe and bar, which started as a simple ice cream stand, is beachy and delightful with items like crispy fish tacos and tuna tartare taquitos.

## City Outposts

**Zum Schneider** - This popular East Village German restaurant and beer hall recently opened this Montauk outpost (below) which speaks to the increased "bro" factor around town.

**Montauk Milk Bar** - The summertime pop-up of Christina Tosi's popular Momofuku Milk Bar opens July 4th weekend.

**La Brisa** - Fresh seafood is integrated into beachy Mexican fare from the folks at **Tacombi** in NYC.



# Old-School Classics

**Shagwong** - A Montauk classic since 1969, this American tavern specializes in steaks and seafood.

**Duryea's Lobster Deck** - This no-frills dockside eatery is supposedly being sold, as the space is rumored to become part of a new marina. So catch those lobsters while you can this summer at this Montauk classic.

**The Memory Motel** - The Montauk motel from which the classic Stones tune takes its name, the bar at this frozen-in-time fixture is a local favorite.

# Beach Trucks

**Turf** - Supposedly the best lobster roll in town, this Ditch Plains beachside truck (below) in an Airstream trailer got a few healthy additions when former Surf Lodge chef Sam Talbot came on board last summer.

**Ditch Witch** - A 20-year old beachside truck serving up sandwiches, burritos, iced coffee and more on Ditch Plains beach.

**Montaco** - This roving Mexican food truck serves up tacos and quesadillas, often on Ditch Plains beach, but gets around to a few other destinations. Check the [website](#) for locations.



# Stay

**Ruschmeyer's** - A modern-day summer camp of sorts for adults, this renovated 1950s-era beach resort (below) is one of the trendiest lodging options in town, with food from the team behind NYC's **The Smile**.

**Montauk Blue Hotel** - This beachside motel once known as Ocean Beach Resort has been given a complete makeover for this summer season.

