



NEW SMYRNA BEACH, FLA. OFFERS INCREDIBLE VIEWS OF NASA'S ARTEMIS 1 LAUNCH

New Smyrna Beach, Fla. (August 17, 2022) – Tens of thousands of onlookers are expected to view NASA's first launch attempt for Artemis 1, scheduled for the morning of Monday, August 29th. Located about 30 miles from the launch site at Kennedy Space Center, New Smyrna Beach is an ideal location for watching the historic maiden voyage of the moon rocket launch. New Smyrna Beach's beautiful beaches and Intracoastal waterways will offer breathtaking vistas of the exciting launch that will be felt and heard throughout the region. Visitors may also enjoy magnificent views of the launch from many of the area's oceanfront condos and hotels that are facing south. For more information about watching rocket launches from New Smyrna Beach, visit <https://www.visitnsbfl.com/rocket-launches>.

Artemis 1 will be the first integrated test of NASA's deep space exploration system at Kennedy Space Center. The uncrewed flight test is projected to travel 280,000 miles from Earth on a three-week mission that will place the Orion spacecraft in orbit around the Moon before returning to Earth. The mission will serve as a keystone test for NASA's future crewed Artemis missions. Backup dates for the launch are Friday, September 2, and Monday, September 5 (Labor Day).

Extend the rocket launch fun by enjoying some of the many delicious dining spots and outdoor activities that await in New Smyrna Beach. A favorite of locals and visitors for outdoor dining, live music, delicious food and hand crafted cocktails is Flagler Tavern, located on Flagler Avenue, just steps away from the shoreline. Cap off

the visit with a drink at The Bounty, a 1920s-themed speakeasy hidden in Flagler Tavern. Visitors may also experience New Smyrna Beach's scenic beauty by enjoying some of the incredible outdoor activities, such as renting a kayak and exploring the diverse blueways that twist through the entire area.

Hotel, condominium and beach house rental information for the rocket launch or other visits may be found at <https://www.visitnsbfl.com/stay>.

About the New Smyrna Beach Area

The New Smyrna Beach area includes the communities of New Smyrna Beach, Edgewater, Oak Hill, Osteen and Port Orange in east Central Florida. New Smyrna Beach is an eclectic mix of old and new; of subtle sophistication and bohemian soul that is as "real" as Florida gets. It occupies a notable place in history as the second oldest city in Florida, site of the largest single attempt at British colonization in the new world. The city's barrier island is recognized worldwide for its incredible surf with Surfer magazine recently touting it one of the "Best Surf Towns in America" and National Geographic magazine including it in its "World's Top 20 Surf Towns."

Accommodations range from charming bed and breakfast inns to family-size condominium units and oceanfront hotels. Natural attractions include 17 miles of sandy beaches from Ponce de Leon Inlet to Canaveral National Seashore and North America's most diverse estuary – the Indian River Lagoon.

Two distinct downtowns along Flagler Avenue and Canal Street and connected via the Waterfront Loop welcome visitors with independent restaurants, unique shops, artisanal coffee shops and art galleries.

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