

Voting Begins Monday, April 18th in 4th Annual “Best Harbor in the U.S.” Contest

US Harbors uses crowd-sourcing, and passionate coastal communities, to find the winners.

Rockland, ME — April 12, 2022 — On Monday, April 18th, 2022, online voting begins in the 4th annual “Best Harbor in the U.S.” contest at <https://www.usharbors.com/best-harbor-2022/>. Participation is open to everyone, including the 10+ million people who use US Harbors (usharbors.com) for their coastal and marine weather, tides charts, and harbor-local boating and fishing information. The contest has seen tremendous growth over the years, with considerable competition as coastal communities around the country vie for the title of “Best Harbor in the U.S.”.

The purpose of the contest is to promote the strength and vitality of coastal communities: past winners have been harbors whose residents are passionate about where they live and work and have strong communication networks. These kinds of networks are vital in supporting the resilience—and sustainability--of coastal communities as they face the impacts of climate change and other events.

Voting for this year’s Best Harbor contest is open from April 18th through May 31st, 2022. Participation is limited to one vote per user. People can vote on any of the 1,400+ harbors US Harbors provides coastal weather and tides for, from Maine to Hawaii, Florida to Alaska, and the Great Lakes. The winning harbors will be announced on Tuesday, June 7, 2022. Special commemorative plaques recognizing their win will be given to the Overall Winner, and each of the 6 regional winners (e.g., Northeast, Mid-Atlantic, Southeast, Gulf Coast, Pacific, and Great Lakes). Additionally, US Harbors will throw a special live Awards Event with harbormasters and residents of the winning harbors on Tuesday, June 14th, 2022, at 3pm EST.

In 2021 over 200,000 people from around the country participated in the annual contest: they voted online, shared photos and stories of their harbors, and most importantly they spread the word in

their local communities to get others to join them. Previous “Best Harbor” winners have included Charlevoix, Michigan (2021); Depoe Bay, Oregon (2020); and Padanaram, Massachusetts (2019).

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About US Harbors: US Harbors is a weather data and media company in Rockland, Maine that specializes in “tides, weather, & local knowledge™” for people who love the coast. The company has data on 1,400+ harbors across 30 coastal states and the Great Lakes. The company’s primary website, <https://usharbors.com>, has been helping people make good decisions about their time on--and near--the water since 2009. The mission of the company is to promote the sustainability and resilience of coastal communities, both economically and environmentally. US Harbors started the “Best Harbor in the U.S.” contest in 2019, using crowdsourcing to determine the harbor best loved by its community. The company also sponsors National Harbormaster Appreciation Day (celebrated every year around the country on Oct. 8th – www.harbormasterday.com). The demographic is primarily ages 25-65, 55% male | 45% female, with interests in boating, fishing, paddling, swimming, and other activities on or near the water.

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