## Discover Black Rock, CT



Waterfront Living In Fairfield County





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### A Waterfront Lifestyle

With its nautical heritage and serene waterfront location, Black Rock offers many opportunities to relax in Fairfield County. Sailors can set off for a day on Long Island Sound from one of the yacht clubs and marinas.

Those preferring to stay on dry land can take a leisurely stroll around St. Mary's, or enjoy the sun at Seabright Beach. Captain's Cove Seaport attracts visitors from all over Connecticut and Long Island with its restaurant, bar, and the shops along the boardwalk.



#### PARKS

**St. Mary's-by-the-sea** Eames Boulevard Bridgeport, CT 06605

**Seabright Beach** Seabright Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06605

Ellsworth Field Ellsworth Street Bridgeport, CT 06605

#### YACHT CLUBS & MARINAS

Black Rock Yacht Club 80 Grovers Ave Bridgeport, CT 06605 203.335.0587 blackrockyc.com

Fayerweather Yacht Club 51 Brewster St Bridgeport, CT 06605 203.576.6796 fycct.org Captain's Cove Seaport 1 Bostwick Ave Bridgeport, CT 06605 203.335.1433 captainscoveseaport.com

**Cedar Marina** 86 Bostwick Avenue Bridgeport, CT 06605 203.335.6262 cedarmarina.com

### A Vibrant Nightlife

Whether you are looking for live music or just a casual bar for a drink, Black Rock has it all. The vibrant nightlife along Fairfield Avenue attracts visitors from throughout Fairfield County and Southwestern Connecticut. Grab a pint in the inviting ambiance of The Shebeen, or enjoy a cocktail by the water at Captain's Cove.

Seafood on a waterfront patio, upscale Italian, or go for a unique Southern dining experience. Area dining establishments provide for every taste, and are recognized as some of the best in Fairfield County.



#### RESTAURANTS

Bereket Turkish Cuisine Turkish, Middle Eastern

Beverly Pizza House Pizza, Greek

Black Rock Social House New American, Gastropub

Blind Rhino Sports Bar, American Fare

Bloodroot Vegetarian, Vegan BRYAC Restaurant Seafood, Raw Bar

Captain's Cove Seaport Seafood, American Fare

Fire Engine Pizza Co Pizza, Italian

Harborview Market Deli, Breakfast & Brunch

Hub & Spoke New American, Gastropub Mr. Crab Seafood & Bar New American, Seafood

RoadRunner Kitchen/Cantina Southwestern

The Shebeen Pub, Irish Fare

Taco Loco Mexican, Tex-Mex

Tautog Tavern New American, Gastropub

### A Community With Spirit

Black Rock is a close-knit neighborhood comprised of a diverse group of residents. The area attracts young professionals, growing families, and retirees alike. Black Rockers take great pride and an active role in the betterment of the community.

The Black Rock Community Council is the oldest and largest organization, with a focus on beautification efforts, historic preservation, and organizing local events and business initiatives.

Residents can always be found at Harborview Market discussing the issues of the day, while enjoying the work of local artists and musicians.



#### COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Ash Creek Conservation Association

Black Rock Art Guild

Black Rock Business Association

Black Rock Community Council

Black Rock Garden Club

Black Rock Neighborhood Revitalization Zone

**Burroughs Community Center** 

### **EVENTS**

Black Rock Day

Black Rock Restaurant Week

Christmas Tree Lighting

Movie Nights In The Park

Porchfest Music Festival

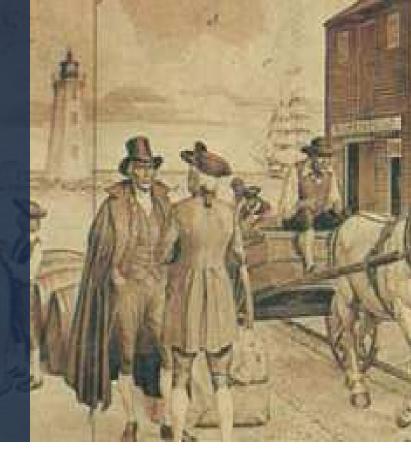
Summer Concert Series

Taste of Black Rock

### A Nautical Heritage

Black Rock's most well known historical figure, Caleb Brewster, was featured prominently in the Revolutionary War drama "TURN." Brewster was an integral part of George Washingtons Culper Spy Ring, rowing across Long Island Sound to ferry secret messages from Setauket LI to Connecticut.

Photo Courtesy of The Fairfield Museum



Black Rock is one of the most active Long Island Sound seaport communities in Connecticut. From the tidal shores of Ash Creek to the deep water refuge of Black Rock Harbor, this community served an important role in the colonial settlement of Fairfield County.

In 1644 Black Rock was settled by the colonial English, displacing the local Unquowa residents, and became an important shipping and military port. As the battle for colonial independence became heated, a fort was erected on Grovers Hill to protect Fairfield center from British warships based on Long Island.

American independence brought increased commerce and development to Black Rock, which became home to wealthy shippers, farmers, and businessmen.

The construction of coastal railroads in the 1800's spurred development even further, and helped Black Rock become an important tourist destination. The massive and opulent George Hotel on Saint Mary's Point, built in 1874, attracted wealthy tourists from all over the world, and boasted modern conveniences including a direct electric connection to the New York Stock Exchange. Part of the George stands today as the clubhouse of the Black Rock Yacht Club.

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