U.S. Coast Guard Barque Eagle to Visit Los Angeles During Fleet Week



CGC Eagle parades into Los Angeles Harbor under the watchful eye of a CG Dolphin helicopter and 41-foot Utility Boat. (Photo by Michael Brodey, USCG Aux.)
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LOS ANGELES – U.S. Coast Guard Barque Eagle (WIX 327) will participate in **Los Angeles Fleet Week** festivities during Memorial Day weekend, May 23 – 26.

Eagle will be moored at Berth 50/51 in San Pedro's Outer Harbor, where it will offer free public tours during the following dates and times:

- Friday, May 23 (10 a.m. to 3 p.m.)

- Saturday, May 24 (10 a.m. to 3 p.m.)

- Sunday, May 25 (10 a.m. to 3 p.m.)

Visitors will need to join a digital queue and be assigned a time to get in line before their visit. They will then take a shuttle bus to the ship. For more information, go to the Los Angeles Fleet Week's web page at: **https://lafleetweek.com/events_schedule/ships/**

At 295 feet in length, Eagle is the largest tall ship flying the stars and stripes and the only active square-rigger in United States government service. Constructed in 1936 by the Blohm and Voss Shipyard in Hamburg, Germany, and originally commissioned as the Horst Wessel by the German Navy, Eagle was a war reparation for the United States following World War II. Eagle is a three-masted barque with more than 22,300 square feet of sail and six miles of rigging. Eagle has served as a classroom at sea to future Coast Guard officers since 1946, offering an at-sea leadership and professional development experience as part of the Coast Guard Academy.

Los Angeles marks the third port call of Eagle's 14-week journey along the West Coast. Many Coast Guard Academy practices are steeped in what the Academy mission refers to as "the sea and its lore," traditions that date back to the golden age of sail, when vessels like Eagle made up the Navy and Revenue Cutter Service, the precursor of the modern United States Coast Guard. Eagle also serves as a goodwill ambassador for the United States and Coast Guard, making calls at foreign ports to foster relations with partner nations.

For a continuous stream of information about Eagle, including port cities, tour schedules, current events, as well as cadet and active duty crewmember photographs, follow the **United States Coast Guard Barque EAGLE** Facebook page or on Instagram @barqueeagle. All U.S. Coast Guard imagery is in the public

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