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USA TODAY 10BEST Readers' Choice
Chincoteague #3 Best Coastal Small Town

CHINCOTEAGUE, VA-May 22, 2019– *USA TODAY 10Best* Readers' Choice Travel Awards announces winners in the Best Coastal Small Town contest. Chincoteague Island finished at #3!! A panel of five travel experts partnered with *10Best* editors to pick the initial 20 nominees and the top 10 winners were determined by popular vote. They are Sandusky OH, Rockport TX, **Chincoteague Island VA**, Georgetown SC, Bay St. Louis MS, Gulf Shores AL, Southport NC, St. Simons Island GA, Saugatuck MI, and Bayfield WI.

Chincoteague Island was also honored in 2013 with TripAdvisor's Top 10 Traveler's Choice Award among America's islands, in 2014 as *Coastal Living's* Happiest Seaside Town, and in 2015 as the #2 Coolest Small Town in America from Budget Travel. In 2016, Chincoteague placed #6 in the USA TODAY 10Best Readers' Choice for Best Coastal Small Town. *Southern Living* honored Chincoteague Island as the #5 South's Best Top 10 Island in 2017. Other accolades have come from MSN, OnlyInYourState, Good Housekeeping, House Beautiful, Country Living, Smithsonian and others.

The Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce welcomes the travelling public to visit soon to see what makes Chincoteague Island so special. Nature trails, pristine beaches, fabulous coastal cuisine, abundant wildlife, breathtaking sunrises over the Atlantic and sunsets over the Chincoteague Bay top the list of reasons to visit. Of course, seeing the wild Chincoteague Ponies is a special treat and a bucket list dream for many. Rocket launches from NASA's Wallops Flight Facility to re-supply the International Space Station can also be enjoyed two or three times per year from nearby Chincoteague Island.

The chamber's website, www.chincoteaguechamber.com will help make those dreams a reality. Come expecting to make lasting memories in one of the Best Coastal Small Towns in America!!!

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