



Making childhood an adventure again.

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**Teach your family to be early adopters.
Of water, wind and sky.**

Think some people just seem born to the water, to dance in the waves, to breathe in the sky? There's no such thing. Like all the best wisdom, these things are acquired.

But there is a place where they come more naturally. Where the purity of the sand and the amazing tint of the water are perfectly mixed to create a childlike wonder.



Essential gear: playfulness, curiosity and a sense of adventure

But don't worry. You can pick all those up here.

There's something we've learned about getting families out on the water. The parents learn to detach and let their kids go and grow. And the children develop sides they never knew they had. Like courage. Independence. Self-confidence.

And something else: an appreciation of the natural world, its promise and how caring for its future gives families a passion they can share together.



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The harbor



Destin-Fort Walton Beach, Florida, comes from humble beginnings. Today considered one of the world's premier beach vacation destinations, the area started as a small fishing village built around what is now known as the Destin Harbor. However, no matter how large we grow, the harbor will always be the backbone of this community.

Where parent and child can become captain and mate.



Fleet means family

What started as a group of fishermen casting close to the shore with nets from small boats in the mid 19th century has evolved into what is now the country's largest charter fishing fleet. Today, the fleet is operated by men and women tracing their lineage in the area back more than 150 years. In the beginning, cooperation and unity were essential to the fleet's survival, and to this day, that sense of community continues both in the harbor and throughout the entire area.

To see the bond shared among the members of our fleet, just watch them leave the harbor in the morning. The fleet heads for the Gulf together and stops to gather bait for the day together before heading off to their own "lucky spot." It's a ritual that reminds us what this community stands for – where we came from, where we're going – and how we're stronger together.



The heart of the harbor

The Destin Harbor is the epicenter of our community. It's the hub for almost all the commercial and recreational fishing businesses operating in the area. For many locals, the harbor provides a means to support their families. The harbor is popular among visitors looking for things to do both on and off the water. It's what our community was built on, and it's what helps us thrive today. We can't wait for you to explore everything it has to offer.

The harbor is more than just where our area began; it also provides a livelihood for many of our locals and adventures for our visitors. Fishing, be it for leisure or for business, doesn't get any better than in Destin-Fort Walton Beach. While the species might change with the seasons, there's always fish to be caught in and nearby our local waters. The bounty of the Gulf of Mexico is yours to enjoy with fresh, never-frozen

Gulf-to-Table seafood available throughout the area. The fleet works hard to guarantee that our local waters and ecosystems are respected and preserved while still ensuring there's plenty of fresh seafood available in area restaurants and local fish markets.

With mouthwatering waterfront dining, live music, unique shops, evening fireworks and much more, the harbor is the place to be for fun and excitement. Whether you're looking to do a little fishing or just want to get out on the water, the harbor is home to hundreds of rental boats designed for groups of all sizes. If you're interested in doing some sightseeing, including a glimpse of dolphins in their natural habitat, choose from a number of guided boat tours operating out of the Destin Harbor. When it's time to eat, you'll enjoy walking or even boating in between the numerous waterfront restaurants to sample the variety of diverse food, drinks and live music. Uncover unique finds, hidden treasures and fun souvenirs at the different shops that call the harbor home. And stay close to all the action with beautiful accommodations available all along the water. This is only a sample of what the Destin Harbor has to offer; you'll have to explore the rest of it yourself.

Adventure

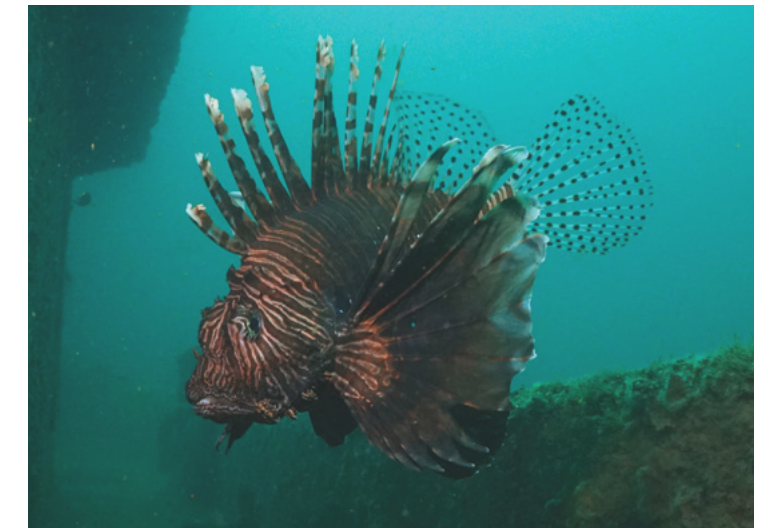


We have it no matter if you crawl. Walk. Swim. Or soar.

Fishing from a boat is a great way to experience the incredible outdoor adventures of our area. Hundreds of boats are available for rent throughout the destination, and fishing charters help anglers of any skill level reel in the “big one.”

Teach a man to fish...

Catching the biggest fish of your life doesn't require a big boat – or any boat. Fishing from the The Island Pier is a quick and easy way to reel in your catch of the day. Tarpon weighing more than 100 pounds, tuna, king mackerel, cobia and even sailfish have been caught off the pier. Plus, you'd be hard-pressed to find a better way to watch the sun rise or set than with a pole in hand at the end of the 1,262-foot Island Pier.



The Destin Fishing Rodeo started in 1948 and, to this day, continues to attract people from around the world to Destin-Fort Walton Beach. Playing a major role in giving Destin the distinction of the “The World’s Luckiest Fishing Village,” this month-long celebration is the ultimate fishing tournament for saltwater anglers of all ages.

An invasive species in the Gulf of Mexico, the lionfish is a threat to our native fish population. While lionfish have venomous spines that can cause pain and swelling if stung, lionfish filets are safe and delicious. Ordering lionfish in our local restaurants will create a higher demand for them and help reduce their impact on our waters.

Our menu

Featuring flavors fresh from the Gulf of Mexico and inspired by global traditions passed down through generations, dining in Destin-Fort Walton Beach is an experience unlike anywhere else. Waterfront restaurants offer panoramic views as incredible as the food they serve.



Take your taste buds on an adventure

From the refined elegance of a romantic, candlelit dinner to mouthwatering finger foods paired with a beer list that reads more like a book, dining in Destin-Fort Walton Beach has something for everyone. Whether you're looking for the perfect guys or girls night out, a place for just the two of you, or somewhere the whole family will love, there are a number of excellent restaurants perfect for any occasion.

Explore the numerous restaurants of HarborWalk Village, enjoy the family-friendly atmosphere of the Boardwalk on Okaloosa Island, or sample an array of different flavors in the easily walkable Downtown Fort Walton Beach. Indulge your senses with bustling waterfront restaurants located directly on the beach or quiet spots tucked away from the crowds. Wherever you go, you're sure to find everything from eclectic culinary delights inspired by international cultures to Gulf-fresh seafood you have to taste to believe.

Featuring everything from tried and true to try something new.



Our menu

What makes our area dining experience truly unique is the use of Gulf-to-Table seafood at many local restaurants. Gulf-to-Table means seafood is caught in the Gulf of Mexico and sent directly to local fish markets where it's bought by local restaurants. Gulf-to-Table seafood is never frozen, caught within a few days before it's prepared for consumption, and exhibits a level of flavor unparalleled by seafood caught and shipped in from elsewhere.

Gulf-to-Table isn't just about incredibly fresh flavors; it's about sustainable practices and local empowerment. By definition, seafood is meant to be fresh, never frozen, going from the water to your plate in a matter of days, not months. So the local fishing industry takes only what it needs, leaving a sustainable ecosystem behind for generations. On a local level, seafood is caught by men and women living in our area, sent to local markets, bought by local restaurants and prepared by chefs who live, work and play right here. Pair a Gulf-to-Table meal with a beer from one of our craft breweries for a dining experience that's as local as it gets.



Eat well, and healthy, in Destin-Fort Walton Beach. The area is home to a variety of delicious organic restaurants balancing clean eating and incredible flavor. The Downtown Fort Walton Beach Farmers' Market and their farmers, artisan food vendors and crafters offer an array of locally grown fruits and vegetables as well as handmade items.



You've left the busy schedule of your everyday life behind, and now it's time for you to gather everyone together, around either a table in your vacation rental or a picnic blanket on the beach, and toast to good food, great weather and the people you love most.



If you're looking to get a little more hands-on in your Gulf-to-Table dining experience, look no further than one of the area's many cook-your-catch restaurants. After a long day of fishing the gorgeous emerald-green waters, bring your own personal catch of the day to one of our participating restaurants and let an award-winning chef turn it into a meal you'll never forget.

The beaches



Sand so beautifully different, it even sounds like no other.

Destin-Fort Walton Beach is home to some of the world's most beautiful and unique beaches. Experience sugar-white sand that squeaks with every step you take and glistening emerald-green waters with waves that shine like jewels in the Florida sun.



Our sand is sweet

It's hard to believe that something as simple as sand could make all the difference in the world when it comes to creating world-renowned beaches. However, to truly appreciate our powdery, sugar-white sand, you have to understand where it comes from. Our beautiful sand started out as part of a mountain thousands of years ago. At the end of the last Ice Age, the world's temperatures rose, ice caps melted and large volumes of water carried by rivers flooded the world's oceans. The rising Apalachicola River, originating in the Appalachian Mountains, carried quartz particles from the mountains down into the Gulf of Mexico and deposited them along our coast. Over time, the sea level rose, and the quartz sand formed the shoreline. Today, our beaches are made up of finely ground, perfectly round quartz crystals that squeak beneath your bare feet with every step.



Spend some time exploring our beaches and experience the area's warm, Southern charm while in Destin-Fort Walton Beach. For many, the unique shimmer of our emerald-green waters is what they remember most about their vacation. How is this historic hue possible? The quartz sand beneath the water reflects the area's abundant sunlight back through the waves to create this distinct emerald color.

There are a lot of ways to enjoy our beaches and waterways, but the best thing you can do in the water is be safe. Understanding the safety flags before hitting the beach means the only thing you're worrying about is having a great time.

The beaches

Beach Flags + Safety

Text "BEACH" to 44144 for daily beach flag updates May through October

FLAG WARNING SYSTEM

 **Water closed**
Water activity is prohibited

 **High hazard**
Knee deep is too deep

 **Moderate surf/currents**

 **Calm conditions**

 **Dangerous marine life**

Absence of flags does not assure safe waters.
Swim at your own risk.



Getting wet



Water this hue is like getting a personal invitation from nature.



When it comes to planning an unforgettable vacation on our emerald-green waters – dive in. From calm, still waterways perfect for paddleboards and kayaks to the expanse and freedom of the Gulf of Mexico where the largest and fastest boats reign supreme, spending some time on and in the water is the quintessential Florida experience.

Getting wet



Make a splash. Make memories.

Destin-Fort Walton Beach's waters are the perfect setting for outdoor, on-the-water adventures. Explore the calm, still waters of Choctawhatchee Bay on a paddleboard, kayak or canoe. There's no better way to immerse yourself among the pristine, natural surroundings of our area than with a paddle in hand. With several rental companies offering instructional classes to help turn even the most novice paddler into a pro, getting on the water is quick and easy.

A great way to explore the area's gorgeous waterways and coastline, kayaking, canoeing and paddleboarding are also total-body workouts that raise your heart rate and strengthen your muscles. For those looking to stay active during their trip, rapidly paddling the waters of the sound or taking your board or kayak on the waves along the coastline is an excellent way to work up a sweat while enjoying the area's beautiful, natural water.

Getting wet



While there's plenty of fun to have on the water, there's an entirely different world to explore below the waves. Scuba diving is one of the best ways to have an underwater adventure in the area. The area's several dive shops offer lessons, certification classes and a variety of excursion itineraries.

Among the pleasures of crystal-clear water is the thrill it lends to activities like snorkeling. Once you've mastered the basics, you'll want to try one of four snorkel reefs, also easily accessible by paddleboard or kayak. If you prefer taking the plunge without training or equipment, SNUBA is part snorkeling, part scuba diving. Swimmers of all ages can explore underwater worlds with the assistance of a 20-foot-long air line connecting them to a boat on the surface.



Water, water, everywhere, and so much of it to see

Whether it's fish, rays, manatees or dolphins, the marine life found throughout the area is varied and beautiful. While the vast majority of native wildlife is friendly and harmless, please use caution when interacting with any animals.



The Destin Harbor, HarborWalk Village and marinas of Fort Walton Beach provide ample opportunities for visitors of all ages to get out on the water. Choose from hundreds of rental boats, knowledgeable charter fishing captains and other on-the-water activities like jet skis and kitesurfing.



The wind in your hair, the rhythmic bouncing of the waves and a thrilling ride you'll never forget. While paddling a kayak or canoe is a great way to relax, renting a pontoon boat and cruising up and down the shores is the best way to explore the area's many waterways. Whether it's by a paddle or a motor, go your own speed whenever you're on the water.

New worlds



See what you've never seen. Do what you've never done.

Adventures in Destin-Fort Walton Beach don't end when you come in off the shore. Explore sprawling nature preserves, beautiful parks and so much more with a variety of inland activities perfect for satisfying that itch for adventure even off the water.



Get in some outside adventure

Whether you're a nature lover or someone who loves to stay active, the natural splendor of our beautiful state parks offers outdoor adventures that will take your breath away. Mattie Kelly Park and Nature Walk in Destin is a 10.13-acre bayou access park with a pier, beach and picnic area. The majority of the land is considered wetlands and cannot be developed, but a raised wooden boardwalk makes the park easily accessible by explorers of all ages. The 30-foot sugar-white sand dunes and sprawling pet-friendly trails of

Henderson Beach State Park are ideal for reconnecting with nature with leisurely hikes or overnight camping. This protected preservation features some of the area's most intriguing wildlife, including waders and shorebirds (as well as migratory birds in the spring and fall), migrating monarch butterflies, small reptiles, rabbits, bobcats and gopher tortoises. The area is also home to several other parks that are perfect for playing, picnicking, exploring and taking in the pristine, natural surroundings.

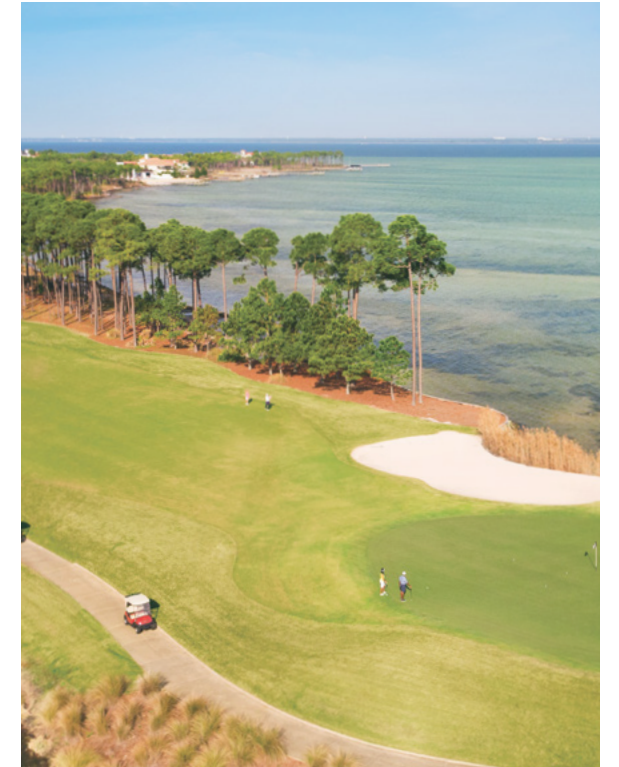
The Gulf Islands National Seashore is a protected region of Northwest Florida, as well as sections of Mississippi, made up of several parks and includes mainland areas and parts of islands. Visitors will enjoy the iconic beaches the area is known for, plus picnic tables, areas for bird-watching (maybe you'll even see a bald eagle), a boat launch and other amenities. The Gulf Islands National Seashore is teeming with native wildlife and buffers the mainland from storms. Here you'll find everything from shrimp and fiddler crabs to herons and egrets. Besides being a beautiful slice of the majestic outdoor tapestry found throughout our area, the Gulf Islands National Seashore also serves an important purpose. Without the protection afforded by these barrier islands, the plant and animal habitats found on the mainland coast would be susceptible to the impacts of storms and unable to flourish.



Reaching more than an incredible 30 feet in height, the sand dunes found throughout our area are some of our most impressive and cherished natural wonders. Found on barrier islands and mainland beaches, dunes form by the movement of sand with waves and wind. While beautiful, the sand dunes are protected by law, so please look, but don't touch.



For those looking to take their adventures from the land to the water, several of our area parks feature conveniently located public-access boat ramps. Some boat ramps have restrictions on the size of vessels you can launch there and if they're allowed to have a motor or not.



Golf in Destin-Fort Walton Beach is one of the best ways to enjoy the abundant brilliance of our outdoors. With nine courses found throughout the area, including private clubs and public courses, you're sure to find the perfect place to tee off. Thanks to nearly year-round favorable weather, it's always a great time to play a round or two within mere feet of the coastline. Considering the incredible views you'll see while putting around the green, golfers of any skill level are sure to have a great time in Destin-Fort Walton Beach.

In our nature



Discovering some not-so-hidden gems

Imagine this: You've spent hours in the car getting here, and your gang needs a little break before you hit the beach. Or you've been spending days in the sun and sand, and the family needs a change of pace. Either way, you're primed for one of these natural beauty spots that await behind the bay or Gulf. All easily accessible, all packed with wonderful surprises.

Sometimes, fun is where you find it. So come find it.



Fred Gannon Rocky Bayou State Park

Just off Route 20 north of the Mid-Bay Bridge, this beauty offers a convenient boat ramp if you want to get your boat in the water before you get to Destin. It's also a terrific place for kayaking or paddleboarding, or for getting some practice in for your kids. Also, a great spot to jet ski well away from the boat traffic further south. The park features some nice, flat hiking trails where you can get acquainted with the local fauna and flora. And if you're camping, the sites have great separation. The restroom facilities are always clean and there's an inviting, modern bathhouse.



White Point

Want some spectacular views of Choctawhatchee Bay that few ever get to see? Since this favorite is located on Eglin Air Force Base, you'll need to get a permit in advance at eglin.isportsman.net. It's well worth it even for a day, and the pass is good for a year. This is a serene place for breaking out a fishing pole, tossing in a kayak or just wading around looking for hermit crabs. Easy access is off Route 293 near Niceville, and there are picnic tables that come in handy after a day in the car. It's wide open and a little on the wild side, so it's easy to claim your own space. There are no amenities, so plan accordingly!



Turkey Creek Park

How about a boardwalk adventure where you can eavesdrop on the local turtles, ducks, wading birds and other wildlife beneath a spreading canopy of cypress trees? The raised wooden Turkey Creek Nature Trail is so broad, it easily accommodates two-way traffic, including strollers. Turkey Creek Park has a pavilion with shaded picnic tables, and if you're tired of car food, a local favorite called Danny's just before the park entrance serves up yummy fried chicken and Southern fare. Take your tubes and inflatables down to dock 6 or 7 and float lazy river style all the way back to dock 1. Absolute heaven.



Blackwater River State Forest: Karick Lake Recreation Area

North of I-10, Blackwater River State Forest calls to your adventurous side. Karick Lake Recreation Area, accessed with a minimal fee, rewards with vistas of unparalleled peacefulness. A total change of pace from the Gulf strand, you'll feel like you've stepped into another world with wide-open spaces framed by forest. While there is no swimming, canoeists and kayakers are welcome, and there is a boat ramp. The lake is well stocked if you have a hankering for some freshwater fishing. And if you're camping, you can pick out a campsite right on the shore of the lake.



Timberlake Trail

Get to know this 8.4-mile loop trail near Eglin Air Force Base. Generally considered a moderately challenging route, it takes an average of 2 hrs and 45 mins to complete. This is a popular trail for hiking, mountain biking and walking, but you can still enjoy some solitude during quieter times of day. Dogs are welcome but must be on a leash.



Gulf Islands National Seashore – Okaloosa Area

Part of the National Park Service, Gulf Islands National Seashore stretches for 160 miles along the northern coast of the Gulf of Mexico, and includes barrier islands, maritime forests, historic forts, bayous and marine habitat. There is an incredible variety of activities for visitors throughout the seashore year-round. The Okaloosa Area anchors the national seashore's eastern end on the Santa Rosa Sound.



Henderson Beach State Park

Enjoy a majestic shoreline anchored by 30-foot, snow-white sand dunes where basking in the Florida sun or wading into warm Gulf waters is the order of each and every day. Fishing, a nature trail and 60 campsites connected to the beach via boardwalk are among this park's featured areas. This special place was established for the preservation and protection of the last remaining coastal scrub area in Destin.

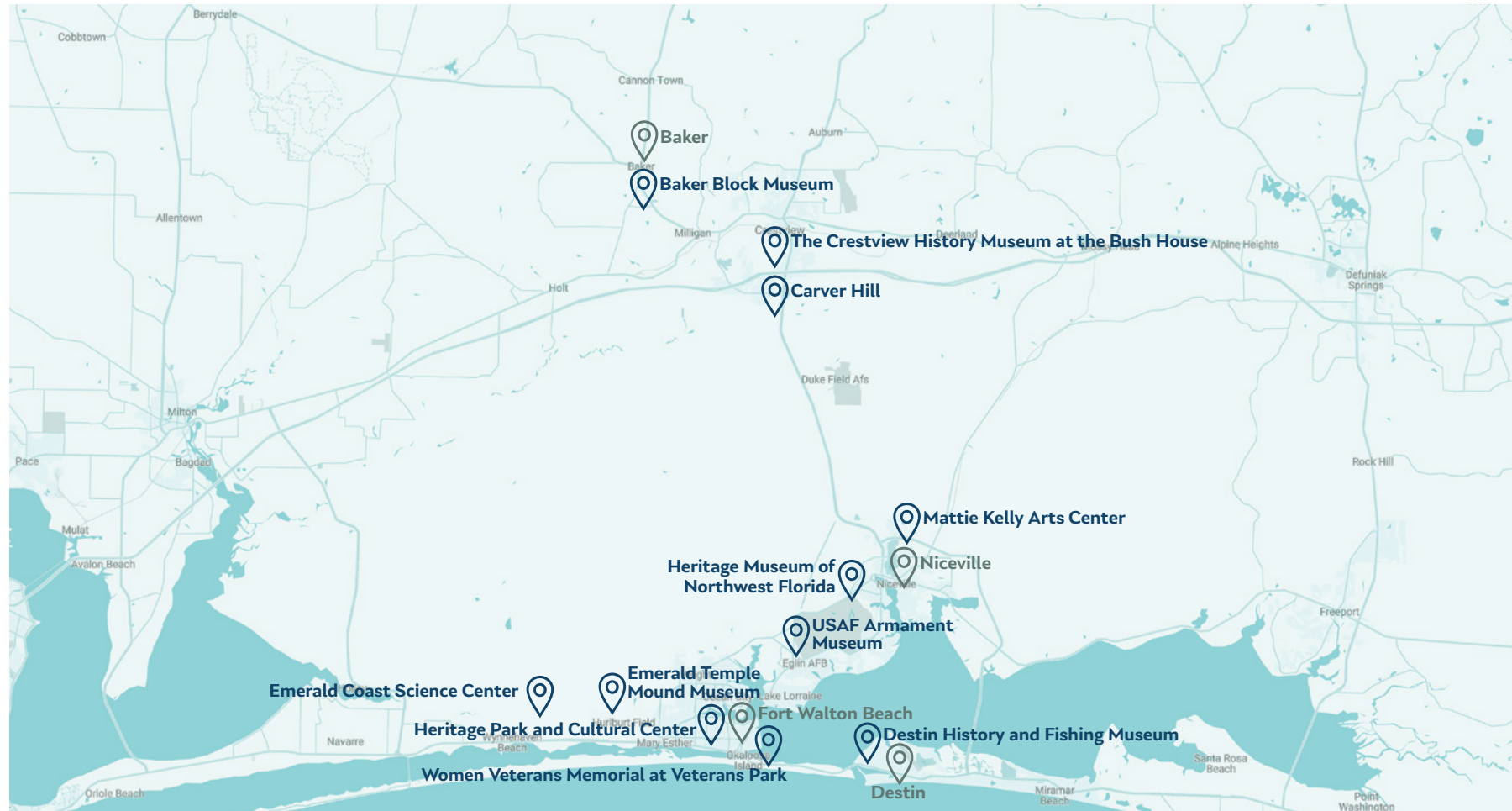


Florida National Scenic Trail

The Florida National Scenic Trail, better known as the Florida Trail, is a federally designated, non-motorized recreation trail that meanders approximately 1,500 miles across some of the most beautiful, unique landscapes in the entire country. With a trailhead conveniently located on SR 285, the Okaloosa County section of the Florida Trail is 32.9 miles long and perfect for hikers looking for a challenge.



Local color and culture



Go deeper into what makes this place tick.

Just beyond our beaches and blue waters lies a rich and varied culture that can add depth to your family's experience. From a legacy of American servicemen and women who have reached for the sky to delightful performances and science exhibits, our region offers many opportunities to reawaken your inquisitive side and create one-of-a-kind memories.



USAF Armament Museum

This indoor/outdoor museum will instill a profound sense of the special mission of the U.S. Air Force and its unique role in the nation's history. Interactive exhibits combine with scores of historic aircraft, each with its own story, its own heroes. Stroll beneath a massive B-52, or imagine the WWII exploits of the B-17, the Vietnam-era AC-130 and the jet fighters that patrolled the Cold War skies. At 100 Museum Drive, just off SR 85 near Eglin Blvd., the museum has aircraft from every era, making it a must-see for families of men and women who have served our country, whether in the Air Force or any branch of the armed forces. It's also an inspiration for anyone who has been beguiled by the idea of flight, the barriers to be broken, and the aircraft and people who have made American history.



Mattie Kelly Arts Center

Need a change of pace, like a Broadway musical the performers really throw their hearts into, the culinary excitement of Master Chef, or the zany universe of Mystery Science Theater 3000. A kids fantasy such as Pete the Cat. A symphony orchestra or a live concert by a terrific tribute band. All these and more have recently graced the stage at the Mattie Kelly Arts Center on the beautiful campus of Niceville's Northwest Florida State College. Seating up to 1,500, this theater is where professional entertainers and our local stars alike come out to shine. Two separate seasons in spring and fall are guaranteed to add a special memory to your visit, within easy reach of wherever you're staying.

Local color and culture



Emerald Coast Science Center

A child’s fantasy museum of science stimulates the imagination with interactive fun and great kids’ stuff, like a reflecting Castle of Mirrors, “adult-sized” bubble makers, a literally hair-raising Vandergraph generator, an electrifying Illuma Storm and much more. Put some amazing in any day, rain or shine.



Women Veterans Memorial at Veterans Park

The Women Veterans Monuments at Veterans Park honors women who have served and made significant contributions in the U.S. military throughout history. The monuments are arranged along a picturesque trail of the 17.5-acre Veterans Park at 1300 Miracle Strip Parkway on Okaloosa Island.



Take a break

Refuel, relax and cool down with a range of off-the-beach attractions and activities. From shopping to live music, from mini golf and go-karts, there's something for everyone to enjoy in Destin-Fort Walton Beach.



Wherever you go, whatever you do, make it memorable

If you're looking for a break from the beach, look no further than the exciting attractions and activities of Destin. Destin Commons is a large outdoor, open-air mall with some of the area's most mouthwatering dining options, fun events for the whole family and a movie theater. You'll also love the variety of incredible shops, including everything from national brands to unique styles found only here. For even more dining options, discover a range of restaurants in HarborWalk Village, featuring upscale, waterfront spots perfect for a romantic evening, family-friendly chain restaurants that will please the pickiest eaters, and fun bars with outdoor seating and live music nearly every night.

For those shopaholics, HarborWalk Village is also home to several shops, with everything from art and jewelry to apparel and cherished souvenirs. Offering fun activities guaranteed to entertain kids of all ages, don't miss the exciting go-kart racing and mini golf of The Track or the thrilling water slides and surfing at Big Rahuna's Water Park.

Make the most of the moments between the moments.



With fun restaurants, a craft brewery, lively bars, eclectic shops, beautiful parks and a large outdoor shopping center, Fort Walton Beach offers plenty to do if you're seeking some adventure off the sand. Downtown Fort Walton Beach features several restaurants and bars that are favorites among locals and visitors alike. The layout of the downtown area makes it convenient to walk from one establishment to the next, making it easy to sample the food and drinks at several different restaurants. Uptown Station is a large

outdoor shopping center with more than 60 national and specialty stores and dining options. Besides the terrific shops and delicious dining options you'll find in this center, Uptown Station holds outdoor movie nights, has a pet-friendly park, and is home to the tallest flagpole in Florida standing at an impressive 170 feet. For nature enthusiasts, you'll love the Fort Walton Beach Landing and the Fort Walton Beach Indian Temple Mound, an archaeological site and platform mound built in 850 C.E.

Take a break



Destin-Fort Walton Beach hosts several annual events that have attracted visitors from around the world for more than 70 years. Whether it's the Destin Fishing Rodeo, the Mattie Kelly Arts Festival or our beloved pirate festival, there's never a shortage of fun, outdoor events.

While many annual events already include live music performances, there's never a shortage of musicians performing covers and original works throughout the area. Found in restaurants, bars and even along the walkways of HarborWalk Village and Downtown Fort Walton Beach, you don't have to look far to find an area musician entertaining a crowd.

From the beaches to the nature preserves, the entire area overflows with inspiring beauty that's reflected in the art, culture and music found here. Whether it's the pieces on display in the Destin-Fort Walton Beach Convention Center or artwork featured in the several area galleries and shops, creative expression here is as abundant as the waves along the shore. If you're an art lover, a trip to Destin-Fort Walton Beach will surely result in an addition to your collection or at least a surge of creative inspiration.

The laid-back, fun atmosphere found throughout the entire area makes this a great destination for families of all sizes and children of all ages. The calm, warm waves along the coast make our beautiful beaches a great place for families to play and grow closer together. However, when you're ready to move away from the beach, there are several indoor and outdoor activities to keep the whole family entertained.



Sail through the air with a number of exciting rides and activities perfect for thrill seekers of all ages. Whether you're strapped into a high-speed ride spinning through the air, swinging in a harness like a trapeze artist, or even sailing through the sky in a parasail high above the emerald-green waves, outdoor adventures are plentiful throughout the area.



The Destin-Fort Walton Beach Airport (VPS) is the area's closest airport and offers nonstop flights to several major cities throughout the United States. With major airlines already flying in and out of VPS, this award-winning airport is always growing and adding routes. When planning your trip, consider the convenience and efficiency of flying directly to VPS instead of another airport and driving into the area.



Indoor activities range from arcades and adventure zones to educational and interactive museums. The Gulfarium Marine Adventure Park lets you get up close to dolphins, sea lions, turtles, penguins and more. The Air Force Armament Museum features some of our country's most impressive aircraft and the stories behind how they shaped the world. Learn about our area's rich history at the Destin History & Fishing Museum.

Your place

Make your nights as amazing as your days.



A vacation in Destin-Fort Walton Beach isn't about what you'll gain; it's about what you'll lose: your stress, your anxiety, yourself. Relaxing in Destin-Fort Walton Beach isn't limited to lounging on the area's sugar-white sand and floating on its emerald-green waters.

Get going with the perfect place to stay

Unpack, unwind and unwrap the gift of gorgeous beachfront accommodations found throughout the area. With more than 13,000 rooms available across a variety of accommodations, from luxury hotels to private condos offering all the comforts of home, you're sure to find the right place and amenities

for you. Many of our area accommodations are located on the water along the Gulf of Mexico and offer incredible panoramic views ideal for watching sunrises and sunsets. And, all of our beautiful accommodations are located near popular attractions and are just steps from the water.

Your place



The hotels in Destin-Fort Walton Beach are more than just a place to stay. Discover incredible views, rooms that fit your budget, brand-name chains you can find around the world and charming locations only found here. Enjoy the space and privacy of multiroom units, the convenience of attached restaurants serving fresh Gulf-to-Table seafood, and the excitement of nearby attractions for all ages. Most of all, fall in love with the area's unique Southern hospitality found in every accommodation.

Unlock new levels of tranquil relaxation with a trip to an area spa. Several of our hotels offer their own spas so you can find rest and relaxation all in one place. However, we also feature independent spa locations throughout the area that offer massages, facials, skin treatments and much more.



Vacation rentals, such as beach homes and condos, offer you more space and amenities than what you'll find in hotels, such as fully equipped kitchens and large dining rooms. Private rentals are a great option for families or groups interested in taking advantage of their time on vacation to bring everyone together around the table for a home (away from home) cooked meal.

Staying in a private rental means more than incredible views; it means making where you stay an integral part of your vacation. Check the guestbook at any one of our area's condos or homes to see annual entries from visitors returning to the same property again and again. Spend just one night in a private condo or home and you'll see why these accommodations are as important to visitors as our beaches.

Our partners



Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar

Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar is a beachfront experience unlike any other. This famous fast-casual burger bar features classic American burgers and homemade custard milkshakes (adult and kid-friendly). The open-air venue is complete with a kids splash pad, cornhole boards and kid-friendly experiences that help mom and dad enjoy vacay-mode. Al's is the perfect trifecta of food, family and fun on the beach!



850.226.4100 | AlsBeachClub.com



American Spirit Party Boat

Popular party boat known for half-day and all-day fishing for the last 30 years. Fun family fishing where kids 12 years and under are always half price!



850.837.1293 | AmericanSpiritPartyBoatFishing.com



Angler's Beachside Bar & Grill

Enjoy fresh seafood and local favorites while overlooking the beautiful Gulf of Mexico. Angler offers something for everyone to enjoy with an impressive menu selection and a spacious bar area to enjoy a handcrafted cocktail. Angler's Beachside Bar & Grill is pleased to offer complete beachfront wedding packages, along with an option for a beachside reception. The restaurant has a top-floor, private, farmhouse-style venue that overlooks the emerald waters of the Gulf of Mexico.



850.796.0260 | AnglersGrill.com



Artesano Boutique

Artesano is a specialty art store offering the very best local artists under one roof, nestled in the heart of vibrant Downtown Fort Walton Beach. This homegrown boutique opened in 2012 and since has been voted Best Art Gallery in the area and featured in Southern Living Magazine as one of the "Best Boutiques in the South." You will find a stunning variety of jewelry, pottery, wood-turned bowls, wall art and more handmade items.



850.244.4222 | Artesano.Boutique



Baker Bites

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We're all in this together. Trust us to make it great.



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850.622.1066 | BeachSandSculptures.com



Beach Vibes Picnic Company

Celebrate moments that matter with one-of-a-kind luxury picnic experiences, whether it's a low boho-style picnic on the beach with friends or a decorated boat picnic for two cruising the harbor at sunset. Great for micro weddings, family reunions, anniversaries, birthdays, bachelorette parties, proposals or any other special occasion. It's about creating memories on the beach with the ones you love!



850.466.8209 | BeachVibesPicnic.com



Beach Weekend Marina

Beach Weekend Marina, where every day is a Saturday. Our fully stocked store provides all you need to make your day on the water a fun day. Our wraparound patio provides an excellent location to enjoy a cold beverage of your choice, grab some rays or stay to enjoy an Emerald Coast Sunset. Beach Weekend takes pride in making sure that each of our guests has an enjoyable experience.



850.360.6020 | BeachWeekend.com



Beal House Fort Walton Beachfront

Beach dreams come to Beal life! This beachfront hotel is just steps from the water on Okaloosa Island and only minutes to the Boardwalk. Mixing contemporary décor with a healthy dose of history, it features 100 guest rooms – 60 with balconies overlooking the Gulf – plus a fitness center, outdoor pool and direct beach access. The Remedy serves coastal-fresh cuisine along with craft cocktails and specialty martinis.



850.243.9444 | BealHouseFortWaltonBeach.com
TapestryCollection.com



Big Kahuna's Water and Adventure Park

Big Kahuna's Destin is the largest water park on the Emerald Coast! Enjoy a day full of 40+ water rides and slides. Splash, race and relax on the Tiki Tides! Big Kahuna's makes a splash with kahuna's of all ages. The NEW Caribbean-themed food and beverage options will quench your appetite while soaking up fun in the sun. Private cabanas are available to rent. The adjacent Adventure Park has three updated miniature golf courses.



850.837.8319 | BigKahunas.com

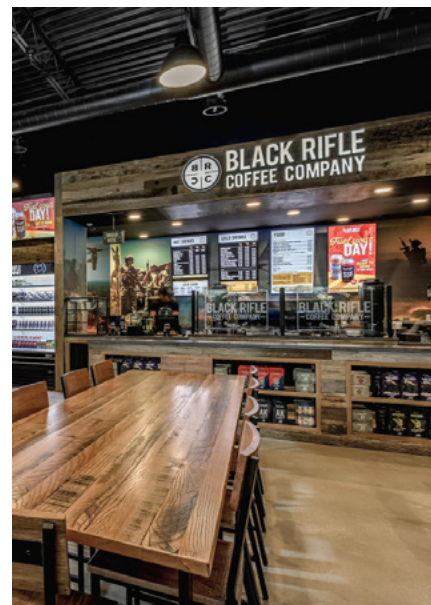


Bitterroot

Established in 2020, Bitterroot Food and Spirits is Destin's premier establishment for high-end cuisine and cocktails. Thoughtfully crafted and always fresh, we aim to lead the industry by example. No exceptions, no compromises.



850.460.8881 | BitterrootDestin.com



Black Rifle Coffee Company

Black Rifle Coffee Company's mission is to serve coffee and culture to people who love America. Featuring a full espresso bar, grab-and-go food menu. We carry over 15 different blends of coffee for in-store dining and drive-through. Come in and enjoy our Wi-Fi, or enjoy sitting outside! We also offer a merchandise selection with shirts, hats, mugs and accessories.



850.353.2179 | BlackRifleCoffee.com/Pages/Niceville-Retail



Blackwater Golf Club

Blackwater Golf Club is the premier way to experience championship golf in North Okaloosa County. With 18 newly renovated holes, the course will challenge golfers of all skill levels. In addition to the links, the club has pickleball and tennis courts open to the public, a 14-bay driving range powered by Toptracer that features games for the whole family, The Drive Bar and gourmet dining at The Crossing.



850.806.2350 | GolfAtBlackwater.com



Bliss Charters

All charters are private and are flexible to Crab Island, a Harbor Tour, or a Sunset Cruise. Bliss Charters accommodates up to six passengers, and you can choose anywhere from two to six hours. Included are an ice cooler, snorkeling gear, volleyball, football, fun water cannons, lilypad and floating chairs. Listen to your choice of music on Bluetooth speakers. Dolphin sightings can happen anytime, so the captain will always be on the lookout.



850.424.8775 | BlissCharterTours.com



Blue Water Escape Charters

Blue Water Escape Charters is a veteran-owned and operated family business. The Respite, our modern 27' center console vessel with twin outboard engines is fast and offers 360 degrees of fishing access. She accommodates six anglers and is equipped with the best electronics, safety equipment and tackle. She is also federally permitted for deep-sea fishing far beyond the nearshore waters of Florida.



850.218.4517 | BlueWaterEscape.com



Bluewater Bay Marina

Home to over 120 boat slips, Bluewater Bay Marina Complex offers permanent and guest dockage, power, water, fueling station and more.



850.897.2821 | BluewaterBayMarina.com



Boathouse Oyster Bar

The Boathouse Oyster Bar is one of Destin's best-kept secrets. Located in the heart of Destin on the Destin Harbor, the Boathouse specializes in making oysters a delicacy. Our award-winning gumbo recipe has been passed down for over 35 years, and we've been voted Best Oysters in town. With live music and cold drinks every night, there is something for everyone at the Boathouse Oyster Bar.



850.837.3645 |
BoathouseOysterBarDestin.com



BOTE

The best way to spend your time on the Emerald Coast is by getting out on the water. With a BOTE paddleboard or kayak, you can make the most of your time on the water. Paddling, fishing, exploring, even yoga, our super-stable and easy-to-use platforms were built for all sizes and skill levels. Visit BOTE retail stores in Fort Walton Beach and Destin.



850.460.2250 | BOTEBoard.com



Brooks and Shorey Resorts

Brooks and Shorey Resorts Vacation Rentals specializes in beachfront rentals along the beautiful beaches of Okaloosa Island in Fort Walton Beach. All of our properties are beachfront and fully furnished, with fully equipped kitchens. Condos in all sizes are available for nightly, weekly and monthly rentals.



888.244.4137 |
EmeraldCoastRentals.com



Brotula's Seafood House & Steamer

Here at Brotula's, we specialize in fresh, locally sourced seafood, produce and a wide array of steamed and boiled shellfish platters that are integrated into a fun and rustic, yet sophisticated Southern fish house. The chef-inspired menu will display a wide variety of flavors, with focuses on New South culinary preparations of traditional coastal offerings from around the country. Come and join us for a one-of-a-kind dining experience overlooking the historic Destin Harbor.



850.460.8900 | Brotulas.com



Buccaneer Pirate Cruise

Take to the seas in search of undiscovered treasure, family fun and adventure aboard Buccaneer — Destin's Premiere Pirate Cruise! Our captain and crew engage willing participants in sword fighting, water gun battles, treasure hunting and authentic cannon fire. Parents may join, but only those brave enough to complete pirate training will be made honorary crew members. If you're not keen on plundering and swabbing decks, simply watch your children have the time of their lives.



Buccaneer
pirate cruise

850.269.0896 | DestinPirateShip.com



Camille's

Camille's is a beachside café by day and a beautiful refined seafood and sushi restaurant by night. Downstairs at the café, we offer breakfast, smoothies, cocktails and more. Upstairs at 5 p.m., we open for dinner, serving award-winning sushi curated by Chef Yoshie Eddings and plated Gulf-to-Table seafood dishes.



850.337.8860 |
CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com



Camp Retreat

Camp Retreat started as an open pole barn that we transformed into a wedding and event venue. The Barn features high ceilings, a beautiful chandelier, white draping, AC and a dance floor with enough room to seat 200 people. Camp Retreat offers both indoor and outdoor spaces, ensuring that your event will continue no matter the weather. The Barn at Camp Retreat is located on 150 acres of green fields, perfect for a Southern wedding!



850.398.0411 | CampRetreat.net



Cattywampus Aquatic Adventures

Cattywampus provides family-friendly cruises with swimming, snorkeling and dolphin watching. We also offer private outings for large family groups, birthdays, weddings and other celebrations. In the summertime, Cattywampus also offers firework cruises on Wednesdays in June, July and August. Book your cruise online or by phone.



850.586.0450 | Cattywampus-Snorkeling.com



Our partners

Chef B.K.

Chef B.K. brings the restaurant to you and prepares quality meals in the comfort of your home or vacation rental with a fine-dining experience.



850.368.4361 | TheChefBK.com

Classic RC Company

Classic RC Company is a hobby shop that specializes in high-quality surface radio controlled vehicles, parts and accessories. The store features an on-site workshop and offers repair and maintenance services. We proudly carry and support Traxxas vehicles as well!



850.331.3246 | ClassicRCShop.com

Compass Resorts

Since 2006, we've been a locally owned and operated business inviting guests and homeowners to join our family. With Compass, you'll experience a vacation getaway like no other. Whether it's a week in a luxurious beachfront condo or a family reunion in a private vacation home, we welcome you!



850.269.1005 | CompassResorts.com

Crab Island Adventures

We specialize in family-friendly fun on Crab Island! We have a U.S. Coast Guard approved captain and a boat loaded with water mats, paddleboards, snorkeling equipment, Bluetooth radio and a cooler filled with ice. We take you to the crystal waters of Crab Island, snorkeling for seashells and on a grand adventure looking for dolphins. We focus on making every trip unique and memorable.



850.714.1097 | DestinCrabIslandAdventureCruises.com

Crab Island Watersports

Crab Island Watersports is a full-service pontoon boat and jet ski rental company offering guests safe and high-quality equipment. We welcome visitors to Destin, Okaloosa Island, Fort Walton Beach and the surrounding area so that they can experience adventures in the spectacular turquoise waters. When guests arrive, a choreographed and care-free water experience with their friends and families will be waiting for them.



850.243.2722 | CrabIslandWatersports.com

Dan Castles

Get ready to experience sandcastle passion like you've never seen before! Dan In The Sand will offer you a unique sandcastle experience that will show you everyone loves a sandcastle! From 3 to 93, there is not an age Dan cannot provide sandcastle joy! Grab your family and let's build a sandcastle for the whole Beach to enjoy!



DanCastles.com

Destin Brewery

Destin Brewery has combined our love of the Emerald Coast and our passion for craft beer, brewing a line of beers that reflects the flavor and fun of Destin. Enjoy them on the beach, boat, golf course, at one of Destin's fabulous restaurants or at the Brewery's Tasting Room.



850.842.4757 | DestinBrewery.com

Destin Commons

Celebrating over 19 years as the Emerald Coast's best shopping center, Destin Commons boasts 85+ stores and restaurants, plus hosts exciting events throughout the year. The award-winning lineup of stores and restaurants includes national and locally owned favorites, AMC Movie Theatre, City Food Hall and Uncle Buck's Fishbowl & Grill, an underwater-themed bowling alley. Enjoy our mural art walk and state-of-the-art Luckey Climber. There is truly something for everyone!



850.337.8700 | DestinCommons.com



Destin Dolphin Cruise

Destin Dolphin Cruise offers daytime and sunset dolphin cruises. If you're looking for the best dolphin tour in Destin, then look no further, you have found it! Come enjoy our 49-passenger catamaran, tour the Harbor, enjoy our famous sunsets and look out for dolphins in their natural habitat.



850.200.2260 | SunshineDestin.com/Dolphin-Tours-In-Destin



Destin Gulfgate

Destin Gulfgate is a luxury property in the heart of Destin, offering 450' of private beachfront space on the Gulf of Mexico. The property's two-bedroom condos each feature 30' private balconies with breathtaking views of sugar-white sand beaches of the Emerald Coast. Guests also enjoy complimentary beach chairs with a front-row seat to the Gulf. Destin Gulfgate is walking distance or a short car ride away from Destin's world-class dining, shopping, entertainment and more.



888.234.4853 | DestinGulfgate.com



Destin Harbor Haulers

A local business with its own app and drivers, DHH transports residents and vacationers to and from desired locations in our service area for FREE. Just tip your driver! Download the DHH App to request on demand FREE rides to and from sponsored restaurants. Sponsors pay a monthly subscription for their restaurants to be a drop off location on the DHH app. Residents and visitors can enjoy dinner and nightlife, leaving their vehicles at home.



850.842.0252 | DestinHarborHaulers.com



Destin Inshore Fishing

Destin Inshore Fishing Co. makes fishing accessible and enjoyable for everyone. We cater to both first-time families and avid anglers, with half-day, full-day and night fishing trips for all levels. Our experienced captains and guides will make sure you're fishing like a local in no time. Whether a first-timer or avid angler, we cater to your needs so you have a blast while fishing with us. Let us show you what Destin fishing is all about!



850.424.5555 | DestinInshoreFishing.com



Destin Inshore Guides

Destin Inshore Guides, started eight years ago by Capt. Josh and his wife Anna, has a passion for fishing and providing the same fun to other families. Capt. Josh and his team pride themselves on being one of the best in Destin, with a variety of options for all types of fishermen, from a kids charter to a nearshore Gulf charter. Join Capt. Josh and his crew for memories that will last a lifetime.



850.502.9170 | DestinInshoreGuides.com



Destin Kayak Rentals

Destin Kayak Rentals, a long-established equipment rental company located in the heart of Destin, Florida, is a delivery service for fishing kayaks, recreational kayaks, Crystal brand of clear kayaks, and both YOLO and BOTE brand paddleboards. We currently offer daily and weekly rentals to help cut the costs of hourly equipment rentals and ensure that our clients have the best opportunity to use the equipment during their visit. Inquire about local and military specials.



850.974.1787 | DestinKayakRentals.com



Destin Sailing Adventures

Sit back, relax and let Destin Sailing Adventures take you on an excursion that is sure to be a highlight of your vacation. Forget the stress, worries and responsibilities that come with boat rentals. Let our local guide show you around the best spots the area has to offer while you kick back, open your favorite beverage and enjoy a stress-free adventure. Book online or give us a call.



850.217.3448 | DestinSailingAdventures.com



Destin Snorkel

Destin Snorkel is your headquarters for SNUBA®, snorkeling, shelling, dolphin watching and sunset adventures in beautiful Destin, Florida. Enjoy every excursion with our highly trained, professional, and best of all...FUN... staff! Make great vacation memories — whether you choose to be above or below the beautiful water of the Emerald Coast. Every trip is family-friendly - all ages are welcome. There's an adventure for everyone. Go beyond snorkeling with SNUBA, the perfect introduction to diving for ages 8+.



850.269.2329 | DestinSnorkel.com

Our partners



Destin Wakesurf

Similar to surfing a regular wave, wakesurfing is riding a wave that our boat creates but is much easier to catch. The boat pulls you out of the water and operates at a relatively low speed. This ensures you have the opportunity to ride a continuous wave and experience the thrill of surfing, all while maintaining a safe environment for your adventure.



850.714.1677 | DestinWakesurf.com



Destin West RV Resort

Our RV resort is all about the beach, the bay and the RVer's lifestyle. Book a stay at Destin West RV Resort and prepare to bask in the sun, sand, RV resort amenities, views and beauty of the resort. The RV resort is directly on the bay and across the street from the Gulf of Mexico.



850.200.4533 | DestinWestRVResort.com



Destin West Vacations

Paradise awaits you at Destin West Vacations. Our combination of spacious vacation rentals, resort amenities (including a 700-ft. award-winning lazy river) and gorgeous location makes us a favorite place to stay for families, business travelers, groups and couples. For newlyweds, be sure to take advantage of our Honeymoon Specials!



800.947.0701 | DestinWest.com

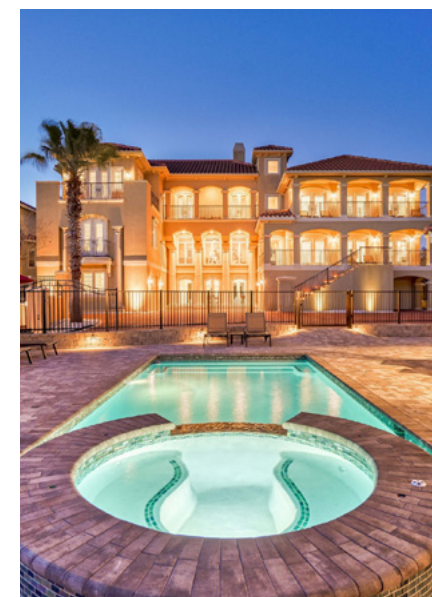


Dewey Destin's Seafood Restaurant

Open seven days a week, Dewey Destin's Seafood Restaurant is home to award-winning fried shrimp, lunch specials, dinner entrees and cook-your-catch options. Dewey Destin's Seafood Restaurants offers two more locations: Dewey Destin's Harborside Restaurant and Dewey Destin's Navarre Restaurant. To learn more, please visit our website.



850.837.7575 | DestinSeafood.com



Diamond Gulf Rentals

Diamond Gulf Rentals is a boutique Florida vacation rental company dedicated to luxury and guest experience. Our portfolio of rental homes is selective, so we can focus on what is important to our guests...quality. We have put much thought into what families value and need during their stay and provide a luxury guest experience.



850.270.5232 | DiamondGulfRentals.com



Drop Anchor

This cozy apartment is ideal for a single person or a couple looking for some true R & R. It has just been completely updated. The location is situated right in the Blue Water Marina and next to LJ Schooners bar and restaurant. Stroll down to the marina, which is literally just steps away, and enjoy a drink at sunset. Only 15 minutes to Destin.



251.543.6513 | Abnb.Me/CpOc5il1t1b



East Pass Coffee Co.

East Pass Coffee Co., established in 2020 by three local friends, has a passion to brew the best beans in town. Something as simple as a good cup of coffee can change the way we start our day. In hopes of brightening up some customers' mornings, East Pass Coffee Co. provides fresh coffee, acai bowls, smoothies, toast and sandwiches to the Emerald Coast.



850.353.2906 | EastPassCoffeeCo.com



East Pass Sailing Company

East Pass Sailing Company operates daytime and evening charters in the Destin Harbor, East Pass and Gulf of Mexico. Join us for an authentic and exciting sailing adventure! Relax with family and friends in the comfort of your own private charter. Feel the Gulf breeze on our spacious top deck and see dolphins play in the emerald waters. Watch the colorful sunset on the horizon or gaze upon Destin's twinkling night skies.



850.714.1070 | EastPassSailing.com

Our partners



East Pass Seafood & Oyster House

East Pass Seafood & Oyster House is located within the world-renowned HarborWalk Village in Destin, Florida. This harborfront family-style seafood house specializes in local fresh-caught seafood, fresh shucked oysters and good times served up in a rustic open-air ambience. Enjoy watching the water activities while sipping craft cocktails at our waterfront bar, or people-watch within HarborWalk Village while eating chef-inspired seafood at our Main Street bar and patio.



850.424.3507 | EastPassSeafood.com



Easy Vacation Services

We are a full-service beach vacation rentals management company...making it EASY! We are located in Fort Walton Beach on beautiful Okaloosa Island and specialize in coastal Southern hospitality. Servicing Okaloosa Island, Fort Walton Beach & Destin area! We offer something for everyone and every budget! Our services include: luxury beach vacation rentals, vacation rentals near the beach, short-term vacation rental management, airport shuttle services and much more!



850.357.3138 | EasyVacationServices.com



Emerald Beach Watersports

Emerald Beach Watersports is a veteran owned and operated business that is dedicated to providing affordable kayak and paddleboard rentals so everyone can enjoy the beautiful waters along the Emerald Coast.



Emerald Coast Bait and Tackle

Emerald Coast Bait and Tackle is your one-stop, locally owned and operated, bait and tackle shop that can supply all your fishing needs, including kayaks, apparel, sunglasses, and Yeti and Toadfish products. We have multiple captains on staff to not only answer all your fishing questions but also get you set up for a successful day on the water. Stop in today to see what we have for you.



850.362.6128 | ECBaitandTackle.com

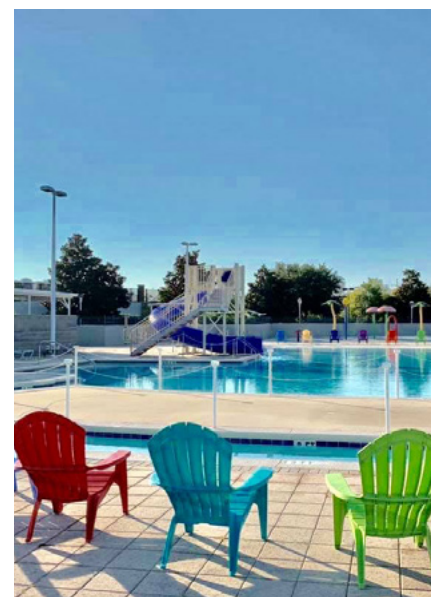


Emerald Coast Charters

30 years ago, it was just a dad taking his daughter. Today, it's two captains with two boats taking your family fishing. This father-daughter team enjoys sharing their passion with fishermen young and old; from the most serious anglers to the first-time fisherman. With over 50 years combined experience, your family is sure to make lifelong memories. Our 40-foot boats have comfortable cabins with restrooms and air-conditioning. Offering private charters that accommodate up to 15 passengers.



850.356.4034 | EmeraldCoastCharters.net



Emerald Coast Fitness Foundation

ECFF is a public charity formed to develop physical fitness and water safety among the youth and adults of Okaloosa County. We have three locations, the Taj Renee Community Aquatic Center (Destin), the Bernie R. Lefebvre Aquatic Center (FWB) and the ROC Pool (Crestview). We offer swim lessons, lap swim and family swim, as well as pool rentals, seasonal swim teams, year-round teams and private parties.



850.863.SWIM | ECFitnessFoundation.org



Emerald Coast Scuba

Emerald Coast Scuba is a proud PADI 5-Star Career Development Center and dive resort that thrives on quality, safety and FUN! This full-service dive shop caters to divers of all skill and experience levels. From beginner snorkeling trips to advanced spearfishing charters, scuba certification classes and professional diver training, they got you covered! Visit Emerald Coast Scuba today and SEA what lies beneath the surface.



850.837.0955 | DiveDestin.net



Emerald Coast Zoo

At Emerald Coast Zoo, you can get an up-close and personal experience with your favorite members of the animal kingdom, like sloths, kangaroos, big cats and bears. Watch the mighty lion devour lunch at noon every day. You can also feed the giraffes, visit our aviary to feed the birds, or hold an alligator. Come meet A&E TV star Rick the Reptile Guy along with his family who actually live in the zoo.



850.682.3949 | EmeraldCoastZoo.com



Emerald Grande at HarborWalk Village

Emerald Grande at HarborWalk Village is a condo-resort destination offering 2-, 3- and 4-bedroom accommodations and breathtaking, panoramic views of the Destin Harbor. Amenities include a full-service spa, room service, poolside services and more. Enjoy a boat shuttle ride to a private beach with complimentary chairs and umbrellas. Only an elevator ride away from HarborWalk Village, a bustling boardwalk with water activities, restaurants, retail shops and year-round events.



855.923.7582 | EmeraldGrande.com



Everything But Fish

Everything But Fish is a premier watersports company servicing Destin, Fort Walton Beach and surrounding areas. We offer private chartered Crab Island tours, wakeboarding, kneeboarding, sunset tours, dolphin tours and more. We have something for all ages and you can do as much or as little as you like, all with the comfort of having a professional, licensed captain. Bring the family and enjoy a day on the water with EBF, your friend with a boat.



850.904.6511 | EBFAdventures.com



Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott Crestview

Fairfield Inn & Suites Crestview is directly off Interstate 10 and next door to Chick-fil-A. Perfect for business, government and leisure guests. Start your day with a complimentary hot breakfast buffet. Our lobby has cozy couches and tables perfect to gather and plan or conclude a day of fun or business. The on-site fitness center has cardio, free weights and yoga equipment available 24/7. Enjoy the sparkling outdoor pool and patio area.



850.689.0074 | Marriott.com/vpsfc



Fairfield Inn & Suites by Marriott Destin

Fairfield Inn & Suites Destin has easy access to the Gulf, directly across the street from the hotel and with shopping nearby. The amenities include free Wi-Fi, complimentary hot breakfast, free on-site parking and a hotel fitness center with cardio equipment/free weights. Also, enjoy indoor/outdoor pools. Our spacious rooms and suites feature plush bedding, mini-fridges and Gulf views from select rooms. At Fairfield Inn & Suites Destin, you're our #1 priority.



850.654.8611 | Marriott.com/vpsdf



Finest Kind Charters

The "Finest Kind" is luxury when it comes to charter fishing in Destin. Coming in at 53 feet and federally permitted for up to 22 people, she is the ultimate fishing machine, whether you're looking for a half-day or multi-day charter. Captain Jason has more than 30 years of experience fishing the Gulf out of Destin, Florida, and will ensure your trip is successful. "We want to be the best part of your family's vacation."



850.837.6800 | CharterFishingDestin.com



Flat Attack Charters

We catch fish! I've lived here my entire life and know where to go. I also teach marine science at the high school, so when I'm not on the water, I'm educating our youth about it. Everything is covered for you. Just show up with a small cooler, drinks and snacks. I have everything else. I look forward to hearing from you soon!



850.218.4477 | Flat-Attack-Chararters.Business.Site



Flies and Fins Charters

Flies and Fins Charters is the premier shallow-water fly and light-tackle fishing Guide Service of the Choctawhatchee Bay with service to Destin, Santa Rosa Beach, Fort Walton Beach, Freeport, Niceville, Shalimar, Bluewater and Valparaiso. Specializing in shallow-water sight fishing, you will have the opportunity to target species such as redfish, speckled trout, black drum and flounder as well as jack crevalle, sheepshead and tarpon depending on the time of year.



850.855.7337 | FliesandFinsCharters.com



Flipper's Adventures Snorkeling

Let Flipper's Adventures help you make the most of your vacation in beautiful Destin, Florida! Whether your group is large or small, we can offer you a unique experience snorkeling out in our Emerald Coast waters.



850.837.0113 | SunshineDestin.com/Snorkeling-Tours-In-Destin



Floyd's Shrimp House

Floyd's Shrimp House is one of Okaloosa Island's most popular restaurants! This waterfront eatery is notorious for its all-you-can-eat fried shrimp, all day, every day. If bottomless isn't your style, Floyd's features baked oysters, local seafood platters and all-American fare. One visit and you'll see why families have made this their favorite spot to revisit year after year.



850.243.2232 | FloydsShrimpHouse.com



Fudpucker's Beachside Bar & Grill

Fudpucker's is famous for 40 years of great food, family FUN, live alligators and world-famous T-shirts! Stuff your face with the "Original" Fudburger or chow down on the best shrimp and local seafood around. Check out Gator Beach — The World's Greatest Alligator Park. Admission is FREE! Visit the website for information on live entertainment, menu and Fudpucker merchandise.



850.654.4200 | Fudpucker.com



Good Times Rentals

Good Times Rentals is a family-owned and operated rental company. We offer premium gas and electric golf carts, as well as bicycles, electric bikes, beach chairs and umbrellas, cornhole, and beach accessories all with free delivery. If you are all set on rentals, Good Times provides full-service beach bonfire events for the whole family to enjoy. Give us call. Let's create Good Times and Great Memories.



850.797.9405 | GoodTimesFL.com



Got The Hook Up Charters

Got The Hook Up Charters is veteran owned/operated by Capt. Brandon Hilliard. He operates a 2022 Cape Horn 31T which can accommodate up to 6 passengers. Capt. Brandon specializes in bottom/reef fishing for Snappers, Groupers and Amberjacks, but is also well versed with the Pelagic species. He is fully certified through the United States Coast Guard and will ensure a safe and excellent time, filled with plenty of fun, laughs and jokes.



850.240.6186 | GotTheHookUpCharters.com



Gulf Coast Surf School

Gulf Coast Surf School was founded by a group of surfers while attending the University of West Florida. During downtime and on holidays, you would find us on Pensacola Beach, Navarre Beach and Okaloosa Island, surfing and sharing the love of surfing with others. Together we have decades of surfing experience and would love to share the stoke with you.



850.324.7416 | GulfCoastSurfSchool.com

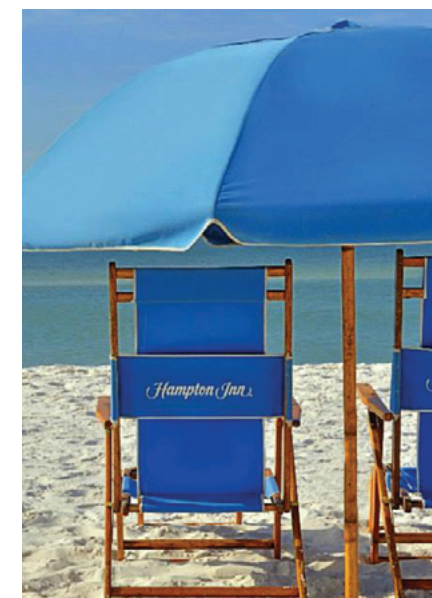


Gulfarium Marine Adventure Park

Gulfarium Marine Adventure Park has brought fun and learning to Destin-Fort Walton Beach for over 60 years. The Gulfarium provides opportunities to see marine life up close, presents educational chats, hosts daily dolphin and sea lion presentations, and leads hands-on animal encounters. Dedicated to educating, entertaining and inspiring their guests to respect and preserve wildlife by providing unique and memorable experiences for all ages.



850.243.9046 | Gulfarium.com



Hampton Inn FWB

Relax at our newly renovated, beachfront hotel in Fort Walton Beach on beautiful Okaloosa Island where every room features a private patio or balcony! Our Hilton property is within walking distance to several local restaurants, shopping venues and top attractions. Enjoy our complimentary hot buffet breakfast every morning and then simply walk right out your door onto the beautiful Emerald beaches. Our Hampton staff is one of a kind! Let us be your home away from home.



850.301.0906 | FtWaltonBeach.HamptonInn.com



Harbor Docks

Back in 1979, Harbor Docks was just a weather-beaten little cottage with six picnic tables. We were nothing fancy back then, and things haven't changed much. The history of Destin lines our walls. Local legends fill our barstools. Fishermen unload the day's catch on our dock. Destin may change, but one thing you can be sure of, Harbor Docks will be serving the freshest seafood and the coldest beer, here in the heart of Destin.



850.837.2506 | HarborDocks.com



HarborWalk Village

HarborWalk Village, located in the heart of the Destin Harbor, is a lively, festive marketplace offering fresh, local seafood, boutique shopping and year-round events. A true waterfront destination, HarborWalk Village features a variety of water adventures, including dolphin cruises, pirate expeditions, pontoon and jet ski rentals for a day at Crab Island, and more. Discover the place for unique experiences and memorable moments.



Henderson Beach Resort

Experience the timeless romance of Henderson Beach Resort on Florida's Emerald Coast. Where Southern charm meets modern luxury. A place to create joyful memories and be welcomed home. Generations have chosen Henderson Beach Resort as a place to reconnect, discover and unwind. Surround yourself with the beauty of nature and shape memories that will last a lifetime.



Henderson Park Inn

Enjoy the perfect intersection of modern luxury and coastal charm at Henderson Park Inn, an all-inclusive, adults-only boutique hotel and long-time favorite relaxing getaway. Named one of the top 25 hotels in the U.S. by Tripadvisor, the Inn is tucked away on the peaceful shores of the Emerald Coast and nestled along Henderson Beach State Park's mile of undisturbed beach.



Hey Baby Charters

Custom-built right here in Destin, Florida, the Hey Baby is one of Destin's finest charter boats. Winner of numerous tournaments, Captain Kevin Moak specializes in live-bait, light-tackle nearshore trolling and bottom fishing for king mackerel, red snapper, sharks and more! Charters available for up to six passengers. Located behind the world-famous seafood restaurant, Harbor Docks.



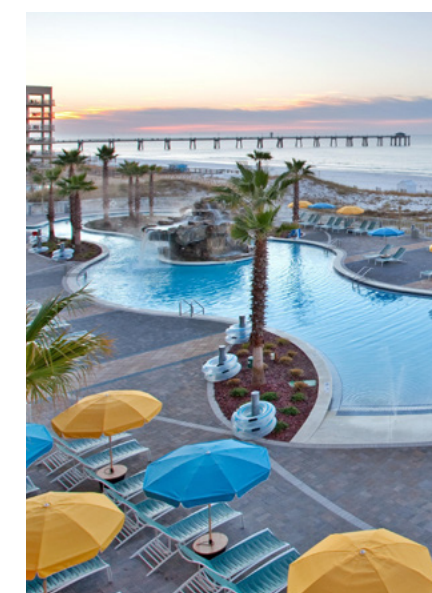
Hilton Garden Inn

Indulge in the warmth and beauty of Florida's Gulf Coast from the Hilton Garden Inn Fort Walton Beach. Upon arrival, you'll be greeted by expansive views of the Gulf of Mexico through modern glass windows. We offer spacious guest rooms and suites decorated in elegant coastal style. Bask in the endless sunshine from the lazy river pool deck overlooking the beach or enjoy easy beach access with our dune walkover. On-site dining available.



Holiday Inn Express Fort Walton Beach Central

Enjoy your stay at the Holiday Inn Express Fort Walton Beach Central. Our hotel is just a short five-minute drive to the beautiful beaches of the Emerald Coast. Our Downtown Fort Walton location is just moments from unique shopping, dining, nightlife and local attractions.



Holiday Inn Resort Fort Walton Beach

Paradise FOUND! Located directly on the white sand beaches of the Gulf of Mexico, our beachfront resort features a unique mix of complimentary amenities such as a seasonally heated beachfront lazy river pool, indoor heated pool, hot tub, beachfront tiki bar, game room, Dive-Inn movies and kids club.



Holloway Yacht Charters

Enjoy the beautiful scenery Destin has to offer with a group or in a romantic setting. We have a variety of charter types so you can be sure to choose the one that's right for you! Holloway Yacht Charters is committed to providing you and your guests an unparalleled adventure that can only be experienced aboard your own personal yacht, "Propensity." There are many ways to see the sites and spectacular underwater wonders Destin offers.



Our partners



Homewood Suites by Hilton Destin

Experience apartment-style living in our studio, one-bedroom and two-bedroom suites that include in-suite fully equipped kitchens, separate areas for living and sleeping, free breakfast and Wi-Fi! Located across the street from the Emerald Coast's pristine beaches and in walking distance of Henderson Beach State Park, waterparks, go-cart tracks, golf courses, dining, nightlife, museums and more!

HOMWOOD SUITES by Hilton

850.269.8100 | Destin.HomewoodSuites.com



Hub City Smokehouse & Grill

Award-winning BBQ in historic downtown Main Street in Crestview, offering breakfast, lunch and dinner.



850.423.7770 | HubCitySmoke.com



Intentional Fishing

Intentional Fishing is based out of Two Georges Marina in Shalimar, Florida. Owner and operator Captain Alex Hensley specializes in a variety of fishing – from deep-sea fishing offshore to light-tackle angling inshore. Fishing trips are offered from 4 to 10 hours and are designed to be family friendly. No matter your level of experience, you can count on Captain Alex to teach, coach and educate your group for the memories you are after!



850.586.1456 | IntentionalFishing.com



Island Watersports Company

Island Watersports Company offers vacationers pontoons, paddleboards, kayaks, double-decker pontoons with waterslides and so much more. We pride ourselves on having the newest and cleanest equipment in town. The only thing better than our equipment is the friendly and knowledgeable service provided by our staff. You can find us on Okaloosa Island and in a 15-minute boat ride be around the area's favorite on-water attractions.



850.424.7625 | IslandWatersportsCompany.com



Jackacudas Seafood & Sushi

Locally owned and operated, Jackacudas serves fresh seafood, award-winning sushi, burgers, poke bowls and more in a casual, high-energy family environment. The Bar features award-winning happy hours, live music, local brews and craft cocktails. Check out our new location: We just moved from HarborWalk Village to our new home right on Hwy 98 in Midtown Destin, just past Whole Foods in the former home of Cuvée Kitchen & Wine Bar.



850.460.2909 | Jackacudas.com



Jetty East Condominiums

Jetty East Condominiums is home to the most unique beach in Destin. We have gorgeous white sand beaches with emerald-green waters of the Gulf just steps away from our condos. Enjoy swimming, tennis, pickleball, paddleboarding, kayaking, sandcastle building or simply relaxing. You can watch the boats pass by, snorkel, fish or enjoy the natural sights around you. Countless adventures are available for you and your family at Jetty East.



800.368.0222 | JettyEast.com



Just Chute Me Parasail

Parasailing in Destin is one of the best ways to enjoy your vacation here on the Emerald Coast. Here at Just Chute Me Parasail we offer you the safest, most exciting and fun way to enjoy sailing high above the waters of the beautiful Gulf Coast. Our experience is one you will never forget.



850.650.4630 | SunshineDestin.com/Parasailing-In-Destin



Kitty Hawk Kites

Kitty Hawk Kites and Life is Good shops bring fun and the spirit of adventure to Destin and Fort Walton Beach. You can find a huge selection of kites, flags, spinners, toys & games, optimistic apparel & accessories, gifts, jewelry and more!



850.837.2800 | KittyHawk.com/Area/Florida

Our partners



L4R Charters

L4R Charters provides inshore and nearshore fishing experiences in Destin. Captain Rob Hansill is a Florida native and U.S. Marine (retired). Families touched by tragedy, cancer survivors, and combat veterans have priority. Purple Heart recipients can fish for free. "At EASE" is a 2017 Sea Hunt powered by Mercury. She features comfortable seating, a private toilet and plenty of shade. It's a great platform for young families and first-time fishermen, as well as hardcore anglers.



850.895.1224 | L4RCharters.com



La Paz

Since 1993, La Paz has been serving Destin's best Mexican and Southwestern cuisine. Our margaritas are made with fresh-squeezed citrus juices and top-shelf tequilas. We showcase our local Gulf-to-Table seafood and source all of our seafood from Harbor Docks Wholesale Seafood Market.



850.837.2247 | LaPazDestin.com



Lady Luck Adventures

Lady Luck Adventures invites you to spend a day on the water of Destin, Florida, with Capt. Gabrielle Barnes. She specializes in light-tackle inshore fishing and nearshore wreck fishing for a multitude of species. Capt. Gabrielle offers trips ranging from 2 to 8 hours in the daytime and nighttime to fish both inshore waters and the nearshore wrecks. You can target a variety of fish in the bay and the Gulf of Mexico.



850.240.4842 | LadyLuckAdventures.com



Lions Tale Adventures

Lions Tale Adventures is a top-rated, family-friendly fishing charter in Destin, Florida. Our team of captains specializes in both inshore (bay) and offshore (Gulf) fishing, nearshore sight fishing along the beaches, and shark fishing. Our ultimate goal with every trip is having a great time on the water. No experience is necessary; our captains will handle everything to make this a smooth and enjoyable experience for all ages!



850.585.4747 | LionsTaleAdventures.com



LJ Schooners Dockside Restaurant & Oyster Bar

A restaurant. An oyster bar. A place to spend time with friends. Since 1980, LJ Schooners has been offering great food and drinks to enjoy while watching amazing sunsets, overlooking the water.



Dockside Restaurant & Oyster Bar
850.897.6400 | BluewaterBayMarina.com/Schooners



Local Market

Sure, we are Destin's best sandwich shop and neighborhood breakfast joint. We offer fresh-squeezed juices, smoothies and homemade ice cream. We are also a retail store selling Destin's best local products and our beer and wine selection is extensive. A gathering spot for locals and visitors alike.



850.460.8979 | LocalMarketDestin.com



LuLu's Destin

LuLu's Destin is all about FUN • FOOD • MUSIC! Coastal Cuisine flavored with FUN! Live music nightly and waterfront dining on Choctawhatchee Bay! Extensive allergy menu available for those with gluten, soy, dairy, egg, shellfish and seafood allergies. Fun, free annual family events, check out their website for more information.



850.710.5858 | LuLusFunFoodMusic.com



Luther's Pontoon, WaveRunner & Kayak Rentals

Located in Destin, Florida, we are a family-owned and operated business that offers pontoon boat, waverunner, kayak and paddleboard rentals. We have dockside parking, wheelchair accessibility, and our dockmates help load and unload your equipment from your car to and from your boat. Remember, you're on vacation! Our pontoon boats have a built-in Bluetooth and FM/AM radio. We also offer floating mats for an extra fee with our pontoon boat rentals.



850.650.8733 | LuthersPontoon.com

Our partners

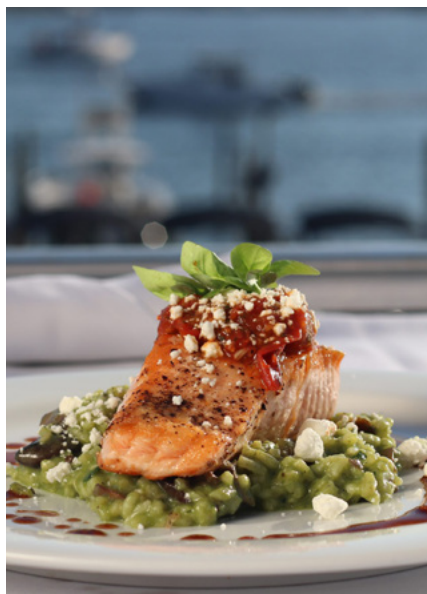


Manor on the Bay

Featuring six bedrooms, six bathrooms, three kitchens and up to five private completely separate apartments, you can book as much or as little of the Manor as you need. Sleeping up to 44 guests, you'll have plenty of room in this 5300 square foot waterfront property. If you're a family with small children, you'll love to head down to your very own private beach and watch the dolphins right in your backyard.



850.792.5556 | ManorOnTheBay.com



Marina Café

At Destin's most awarded restaurant, Marina Café, it is all about sensational food, attentive service and breathtaking harbor views from the candlelit dining room that envelops you in soft colors. Relax and enjoy our extensive wine collection with over 100 wines that perfectly complement the wonderfully progressive cuisine. With fresh daily seafood selections, USDA prime steaks, pastas, sushi and wood-fired pizzas, there is something for everyone at Marina Café.



850.837.7960 | MarinaCafe.com



Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation

Mattie Kelly Arts Foundation is Northwest Florida's premier cultural arts organization committed to cultivating and nurturing a deep appreciation of the arts along the breathtaking Emerald Coast. MRAF operates the Mattie Kelly Cultural Arts Village, providing a central location for families to celebrate cultural arts in Destin, Florida, all year long. Families can enjoy Concerts in the Village through the spring, summer and fall seasons, and one of the Southeast's premier art festivals, Festival of the Arts.



850.650.2226 | MRAF.org



MidBay Sailing

Midbay Sailing is an American Sailing Association (ASA) affiliate school located in Bluewater Bay Marina in Niceville. We offer classes for those new to sailing, as well as those looking to improve their sailing skills. In addition to ASA classes, we offer experience sailing classes and sailing charters for those that just want to find out if sailing is something they want to pursue or to enjoy a day on the water.



850.764.5538 | MidBaySailing.com



Newman-Dailey Resort Properties

Voted "Best Vacation Rental Company" by the readers of Emerald Coast and VIP Destin Magazine, Newman-Dailey Resort Properties has been welcoming families to the beach for more than 37 years. The local team at Newman-Dailey is ready to make your beach vacation dreams a reality. With complimentary seasonal beach service, complimentary activity and attraction tickets, and a premier collection of vacation rental homes and condominiums, you'll discover NewmanDailey is where you'd rather be.



800.225.7652 | DestinVacation.com



Nonie's Ark Animal Encounters

A Fun, Hands-On Learning Adventure Featuring Live Exotic Animals. Crewmates include rescued, exotic pets adopted by Nonie, a Wildlife Educator. "Edutainment" is provided in a one-hour presentation, indoors, to small groups, in a "story time" type setting with seven animals, teaching about their natural history, behaviors, habitats and why she has them. Everyone gets to pet and some volunteers get to hold various critters.



850.862.9588 | NoniesArk.com



Okaloosa Donuts

Gourmet, handcrafted donuts made daily! Serving delicious breakfast burritos! Coffe, hot and iced lattes!



850.368.7413 | OkaloosaDonuts.com



Parlor Doughnuts

Parlor Doughnuts craft doughnut and coffee shop offers an array of unique bakery items, including our original layered doughnuts; vegan, gluten-friendly and keto-friendly products; artisanal breakfasts; and specialty coffee. Our goal is to efficiently deliver a superior product, at a moderate price, with exceptional service, in a comfortable setting.



850.374.3776 | ParlorDoughnuts.com

Our partners



Parrot Head Yachts

Parrot Head Yachts offers our guests the elegance of an Emerald Coast cruise aboard a luxury motor yacht – manned by a U.S. Coast Guard-certified captain and crew.



Pelican Adventures

Welcome to Pelican Adventures. We offer a variety of activities, including deep-sea fishing, parasailing, snorkeling, and shelling, eco and Crab Island tours. Yes, something for the whole family. We want to make your vacation one truly worth remembering. Come see us — you will not be disappointed.



Reel Grace Fishing Charters

Experience the fun of fishing in The World's Luckiest Fishing Village! Reel Grace Fishing Charters specializes in deep-sea fishing with anglers of any age or skill level. Capt. Cliff Atwell has over 35 years of experience fishing in local waters and will tailor your charter to suit your group. Reel Grace Fishing Charters offers year-round fishing for a variety of species aboard a comfortable 48' boat, USCG-approved for up to six passengers.



Reel Nock Outfitters

Family-owned and operated, Reel Nock Outfitters specializes in creating lifetime memories for all, from the little ones to grandparents! For a fun night of adventure on the water with family/friends, our bowfishing trip might be right up your alley! For a relaxing day exploring the waters and wildlife of Old Florida, our eco tour is just the ticket! If you're looking to teach the kids to fish, you can't beat our kids inshore trip!



Residence Inn by Marriott Fort Walton Beach

Overlooking the Santa Rosa Sound and only 1.5 miles from beaches of Okaloosa Island, the Residence Inn Fort Walton Beach is your home away from home. Our pet-friendly, all-suite hotel features fully equipped kitchens, flat-screen TVs with streaming capabilities, and complimentary Wi-Fi.



Roast'd Yoga

Roast'd Yoga is Destin's first yoga bar. We bring a full variety of yoga classes for all levels, including hot yoga, specialty workshops, retreats and yoga trainings. Come into our vegan café before or after class, or just shop our new collection of boutique apparel! Grab something from the café while you browse. Our café is complete with coffee, juices, kombucha, smoothie bowls and more.



Rock Out Climbing Gym

Experience the premier indoor bouldering facility on the Emerald Coast! Pursue adventure, conquer new challenges and socialize with other active people, all while you get great exercise and have fun! RAIN OR SHINE, ROCK OUT & CLIMB!



Rockin Tacos

This authentic Mexican eatery is uniquely elevated above the Gulf of Mexico, offering incredible Gulf-front views with high-energy vibes. Rockin Tacos shakes things up with house-infused margaritas, local fish tacos with homemade tortillas, and a rockin' house DJ. Feeling adventurous? The Travel Channel and Forbes both have featured the Cajun-favorite gator tacos. Whether you're looking for a flavorsome lunch or late-night snack, you'll find it here.



Our partners



Salt Water Vacations

For over 35 years, Salt Water Vacations has serviced Destin and Fort Walton Beach with a variety of vacation homes, condominiums and cottages. SWV is proud to be a locally owned and operated, full-service vacation rental and property management company. Call them for your next vacation in a private home, cottage or a luxurious unit at The Inn at Crystal Beach, Island Princess, Emerald Dunes, Destin West, Grand Caribbean East and West, or Shoreline Towers.

Salt Water Vacations
 877.665.5045 | SaltWaterVacay.com



Salty Escapes

Salty Escapes is a local, professional hospitality service provider offering property management, rental accommodations, rental cars, transportation services and more! Servicing the Destin, Fort Walton Beach and Okaloosa Island area.

Salty Escapes
 850.582.7258 | SaltyEscapes.com



Scallywag Charters

Scallywag Charters is the perfect choice for families with kids, first-timers and experienced fishermen. We provide year-round, privately guided kids fishing, inshore fishing, shark fishing and Gulf fishing charters in Destin, Florida. Catch varies depending on time of year. Fishing trips are available for up to six passengers per vessel, start at a minimum of two hours, and include bait, ice, licenses, tackle and equipment. Let's get hooked on fishing!

Scallywag Charters
 850.218.6827 | BayFishingDestin.com



ScubaTech

ScubaTech is a full-service SCUBA diving facility. Offering SCUBA diving trips for certified and non-certified divers, instruction, retail sales, equipment rental, equipment service, air/nitrox fills, and some out-of-country travel. Come by and see us!

ScubaTech
 850.837.2822 | ScubaTechWFL.com



S.E.A. Chase Watersports

S.E.A. Chase Watersports is home to Niceville's largest rental fleet, offering 24-ft 12-passenger Bentley pontoons with 115 HP motors. Our larger motors allow guests to quickly get the area favorite hang out spots. We also offer paddleboard and kayaks for guest to paddle around in the calm waters of Boggy Bayou.

S.E.A. Chase Watersports
 850.607.0071 | SeaChaseWatersports.com



Sinfonia Gulf Coast

Sinfonia Gulf Coast was founded in 2005 on Florida's Northwest Gulf Coast with the mission of redefining the symphony experience. Under the guidance of Founder and Music Director Demetrius Fuller, the orchestra is in its 17th season of innovative musical programming, designed to entertain, educate and inspire the community. From Broadway's best voices to films with music to award-winning international classical musicians and must-not-miss gala events, Sinfonia elevates the live music experience with style.

Sinfonia Gulf Coast
SinfoniaGulfCoast.org



SkyRun Vacation Rentals

SkyRun Vacation Rentals is a locally owned and operated, full service property management company that specializes in vacation rentals in Destin.

SkyRun
 850.460.3410 | Destin.SkyRun.com



Smile N' Wave

Enjoy Destin by sailing on your own private 39' trimaran! We offer personalized dolphin excursions, snorkeling, swimming, and amazing sunset spots all to yourself.

Smile N' Wave
 850.368.5921 | SailingInDestin.com

Our partners



Snapper Scuba

Welcome to Snapper Scuba! Located in Niceville, we specialize in recreational, technical and cave diving training with over 40 specialty classes to suit your interests, including introductory Discover Scuba. Our approach is relaxed with low instructor-to-student ratios to ensure you are a confident and safe diver. Certifications are offered through PADI, SSI/TDI and PSAI. We also offer CPR, first aid and related classes. Join us and experience the other half of Florida!



850.217.0679 |
SnapperScuba.com



South Laurel Farm Weddings & Events

South Laurel Farm provides the perfect space to embrace a country chic style for birthdays, corporate events, reunions, weddings and all of life's special events. We provide 2,800 SF of heated and cooled space in our event barn with access to decorations and an event coordinator. Our picturesque landscape includes beautiful trees, a pond, wide-open spaces for photography and trails providing, the perfect backdrop for any event.



850.585.7050 |
SouthLaurelWeddingsandEvents.com



Southern Star

Witness the extraordinary aboard Southern Star – Destin's original and award-winning dolphin cruise as featured on CNN and National Geographic Explorer! Observe coastal bottlenose dolphins in their natural habitat on our family-friendly adventure. Experience up-close viewing of dolphins, seabirds and a variety of marine life as we cruise the pristine waters of the Emerald Coast aboard our comfortable double-decker boat. Our relaxing, fully narrated eco tour provides fun for all ages! Come have fun with us!



850.837.7741 |
SouthernStarDolphinCruise.com



Southern Vacation Rentals

Enjoy sweet Southern moments at the beach. Stay with Southern in beach vacation homes, cottages and condos in Destin and Fort Walton Beach to experience local service and beautiful accommodations. With an incredible selection of properties, from luxurious ten-bedroom homes to charming one-bedroom condos, Southern is the perfect place for family vacations and reunions, couples and friends getaways, corporate retreats, and more!



888.965.1241 | SouthernResorts.com



Strange Colt Brewery

Strange Colt Brewery is a Euro-style pub, serving craft beer, brewed on-site, and a dynamic food menu with craft beer-inspired fare. At Strange Colt, we are dedicated to creating an assortment of unique craft beers, as well as creating quality food. Cheers!



850.424.5300 |
StrangeColtBrewery.com



Sunshine Watersports

Sunshine offers half-day (4hrs) or full day (8 hrs) pontoon boat rentals. Whether you just want cruise the bay or go fishing, renting a pontoon boat in Destin is a great way to kick back with family and friends and enjoy nature. Our pontoon boat rentals can be rented for groups of up to 12, making them perfect for the entire family.



850.837.2299 | SunshineDestin.com/
Pontoon-Boat-Rentals-In-Destin



Taiwan Ice Cream & Poke

Serving made-to-order Hawaiian poke bowls, delicious Taiwanese style shaved ice and boba tea.



850.353.2479 |
TaiwanIceCreamPoke.com



The Barn at Water Oaks Farm

The Barn at Water Oaks Farm is the premier wedding venue in Northwest Florida. Host 50 or 400 of your closest friends and family in this elegant, yet rustic event venue. Now offering special weekday pricing for corporate retreats as well. Make your appointment soon to schedule your own private tour. Don't forget our annual Antique Vintage Picking Market the second weekend in March.



850.764.3644 |
TheBarnAtWaterOaksFarm.com

Our partners



The Boathouse Landing

Experience unique waterfront dining on Boggy Bayou at this established Valparaiso restaurant. The Boathouse Landing offers a maritime experience in a cozy atmosphere, featuring local seafood and American favorites. Voyage downstairs to the Bilge Pub for curated cocktails and live music during warm summer nights. The Boathouse also offers versatile banquet facilities for large groups, weddings and special occasions.



850.678.2805 | BoathouseLanding.com



The Cowhead

2020 Emerald Coast's favorite burger restaurant. Breakfast every day from 7am to 11am with weekly breakfast and dinner specials. Hand-dipped ice cream cones, milkshakes and dessert specials. Indoor and outdoor seating, in the heart of the bustling Downtown Fort Walton Beach, just steps from the water.



850.226.6656 | TheCowhead.com



The Crab Trap, Destin

Since 1991, The Crab Trap in Destin has been a family tradition for all the right reasons — it's everything you came to the beach for! Gulf-front views, local seafood and happy service complete the iconic experience. Sandy toes and salty hair are welcome for lunch and dinner in the dining room, or enjoy classic coastal cocktails at the beach bar. It's easy to see why The Crab Trap is a staple of Emerald Coast locals and visitors.



850.654.2722 | CrabTrapDestin.com



The Crab Trap, Fort Walton Beach

Located at the busy Boardwalk, The Crab Trap is known as the first and last stop for visitors. Perched high above the powdery white sand over the Gulf, it's the perfect place to begin or end your day at the beach. Kids are easily entertained with a beachfront playground, giving parents time to sip frozen cocktails. Simply put, The Crab Trap is everything you came to the beach for!



850.301.0959 | CrabTrapFortWaltonBeach.com



The Crossing at Blackwater

The Crossing restaurant is open from 11am, with our weekend brunch starting at 10am. Come and enjoy our wide range of menu choices in the intimate dining room or the bar where you can enjoy pool, darts and five large-screen TV's! And then there's the Drive Bar at the Driving Range @ Blackwater for gorgeous views!! Have a celebration or a meeting coming up? Contact us regarding our event spaces and catering menu.



850.331.3572



The Edge Seafood Restaurant & SkyBar

Enjoy fresh, local seafood at this Destin Harbor restaurant, offering a rare over-the-water dining experience with panoramic waterfront views, outdoor seating and a harborside rooftop bar.



850.659.3549 | EdgeSeafood.com



The Gulf

The Gulf on Okaloosa Island is a restaurant, bar and venue adjacent to the Brooks Bridge. It is a hidden treasure in the Fort Walton Beach area where the sun, sand and lush beach setting complement the tasty food, drink and friendly, casual service. Recline with your toes in the sand, have a seat at the bar or communal table, and enjoy the good vibes, views and tunes.



850.387.1300 | TheGulf.com



The Hub American Family Restaurant

The Hub American Family Restaurant is exactly what it sounds like. We have the best comfort food from soup to salad – that's 17' of salad bar!!!!



850.398.5266



The Island Pier

The Island Pier, on Okaloosa Island, is located just steps away from the stunning sugar-white beaches and the vibrant green waters of the Emerald Coast. Stretching out 1,262 feet into the Gulf of Mexico, The Island Pier provides breathtaking views of magnificent sunrises and sunsets. Whether you're looking for a fishing adventure, watersports activities, or just a relaxing stroll to re-energize and recharge, you'll find it all at The Island Pier!



850.244.1023 | TheIslandPier.com



The Island Resort at Fort Walton Beach

Fort Walton Beach's only boutique beach resort located on Okaloosa Island, featuring 600 feet of private, sugar-white beachfront. Enjoy cocktails and amazing sunsets at Tripp Tide Beach Bar. Cool down with your favorite frozen concoction at the iconic Grotto pool's swim-up bar. Relax in the heated pool and hot tub. Grab a bite from The Fish House restaurant and lobby bar. Unwind and relax in guest rooms and suites with Gulf, pool or garden views.



850.243.9161 | TheIslandFL.com



The Nautilus Condominium

AFFORDABLE LUXURY VACATION RENTALS – MILLION-DOLLAR VIEWS. Come experience the new Nautilus! Our sparkling new exterior complements the sugar-white sand Nautilus sits on. The 7-story Nautilus provides 1-, 2- and 3-bedroom condos directly on the beach. We have a seasonally heated pool, and in season receive free beach service!



850.244.9860 | NautilusCondominium.com



The Ratchet Hatchet Axe Range

The Ratchet Hatchet Axe Range was established in 2018 and is Florida's first axe venue here in Fort Walton Beach! We have 5 lanes, 10 targets and 20+ games to play. Check out our bar and start throwing! Call for party reservations.



850.533.4014 | TheRatchetHatchet.com



The Resorts of Pelican Beach

With a nearly unmatched waterfront location in Destin, Florida, Pelican Beach is a vacation experience inspired by water. Experience all your vacation dreams at Pelican Beach - the perfect place to enjoy "Your Vacation, Your Way." Select your condominium from the Pelican Beach Premier Collection, which is, simply, the best collection of vacation condominiums at The Resorts of Pelican Beach. Pelican Beach has one of the largest selections of the best vacation condominiums.



888.735.4226 | Pelican-Beach.com



The Yard Milkshake Bar – Destin

The Yard Milkshake Bar is a dessert place like no other you have visited. The Yard offers a variety of "crazy milkshakes" with delectable toppings and blended delicious Hershey ice cream flavors. The Yard milkshake concept was created by Logan and Chelsea Green and opened May of 2017 in Gulf Shores, AL. The Yard debuted on Shark Tank in 2019 and currently has over 20 locations open or opening soon.



850.353.2670 | TheYardMilkshakeBar.com/Destin



TownePlace Suites Fort Walton Beach-Eglin AFB

Overlooking Choctawhatchee Bay, we have ideal accommodations for any out-of-town guest. Our hotel features spacious, pet-friendly accommodations with a full kitchen, complimentary breakfast, Wi-Fi and parking. Guests enjoy views of the bay as they grill out on the patio, take a dip in the pool and stay fit in our fitness center. Only five miles to beaches and attractions. Our location gives guests a live, work, play lifestyle.



850.315.6000 | Marriott.com/vpsts



TripShock

TripShock is proud to have helped connect thousands of people like you with unforgettable tours, activities, attractions, rentals and much more since 2009. With exciting vacation experiences in nearly 50 cities across the USA, including Destin and Fort Walton Beach, you can browse, compare and book on one easy-to-use site with live support, verified traveler reviews and our lowest price guarantee.



850.424.5125 | TripShock.com



Tru by Hilton Destin

Along the Emerald Coast Parkway, the hotel is across from Henderson Beach State Park and the Destin beaches. Indoor heated saltwater and outdoor pools with water features. Will accommodate families, with many guest rooms that feature an alcove with bunk beds. Wi-Fi and hot breakfast are on us, and pets are welcome. Located within minutes of the Big Kahuna's Water & Adventure Park and a short drive to local restaurants featuring Gulf-inspired cuisine.



850.279.9500 |
TruByHilton.com/Destin



Urban Air Adventure Park

Urban Air Adventure Park is THE place for indoor family fun on the Emerald Coast. With an array of trampolines, a Ninja Warrior course, the area's only indoor zipline, VR and laser tag, there is something exciting to do for the whole family. Our café features pizza, burgers, waffle fries and other food items, along with plenty of refreshments. Consistently voted the #1 place for birthday parties and other group events.



850.398.4729 | UrbanAirDestin.com



WET Paddle Boards

Book our famous guided SUP tour and let's enjoy the sunrise or sunset from a paddleboard! No worries if you have never paddled before. We'll have a short introduction of paddleboarding and answer any questions you have. You won't find this adventure anywhere else! Open 7 days a week.



850.974.0134 |
WetPaddleBoards.com



Wet-N-Wild Watersports

Start closer to Crab Island! Save big on parasailing trips, pontoon boat rentals, jet ski rentals and guided dolphin tours from Wet-N-Wild Watersports! Spend less and get more time for fun with the area's best watersports adventure company! Get ready for an awesome vacation experience in Destin, Florida!



850.243.2628 |
DestinFLBoatRentals.com



Wild Willy's Adventure Zone

Wild Willy's Adventure Zone is Northwest Florida's largest family entertainment center, located on Okaloosa Island just outside of Destin in Fort Walton Beach, Florida. Featuring 17,000-sq-ft arcade, two fully animatronic golf courses and kiddie golf course, go-karts, 60-ft ropes course, laser maze, 4D movie experience, VR gaming, and so much more! It's fun for all ages!



850.400.3300 | www.WWAZone.com



Wingate by Wyndham

Enjoy all-inclusive amenities and homestyle comfort when you book a room at our Wingate by Wyndham Destin hotel. Located minutes from the scenic shores of the Gulf of Mexico, our hotel near Henderson Beach State Park, just across the street from the hotel, is perfect for a beach getaway in Florida's beautiful Emerald Coast region. Spend time in the Florida sunshine on our beautiful Emerald Coast beaches, and relax on the sugar sands on the Gulf!



850.654.4678 |
WyndhamHotels.com/Hotels/30308



Xtreme H2O Sports

Xtreme H2O Sports is a full-service watersports company with several locations in Destin and Fort Walton Beach, Florida. We offer parasailing, pontoon boat and jet ski rentals, and dolphin tours. Our crew of homegrown locals take great pride in our equipment and our reputation for offering the most fun and safe water activities on the coast!



850.978.3060 | XtremeH2O.net



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DestinFWB.com

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