

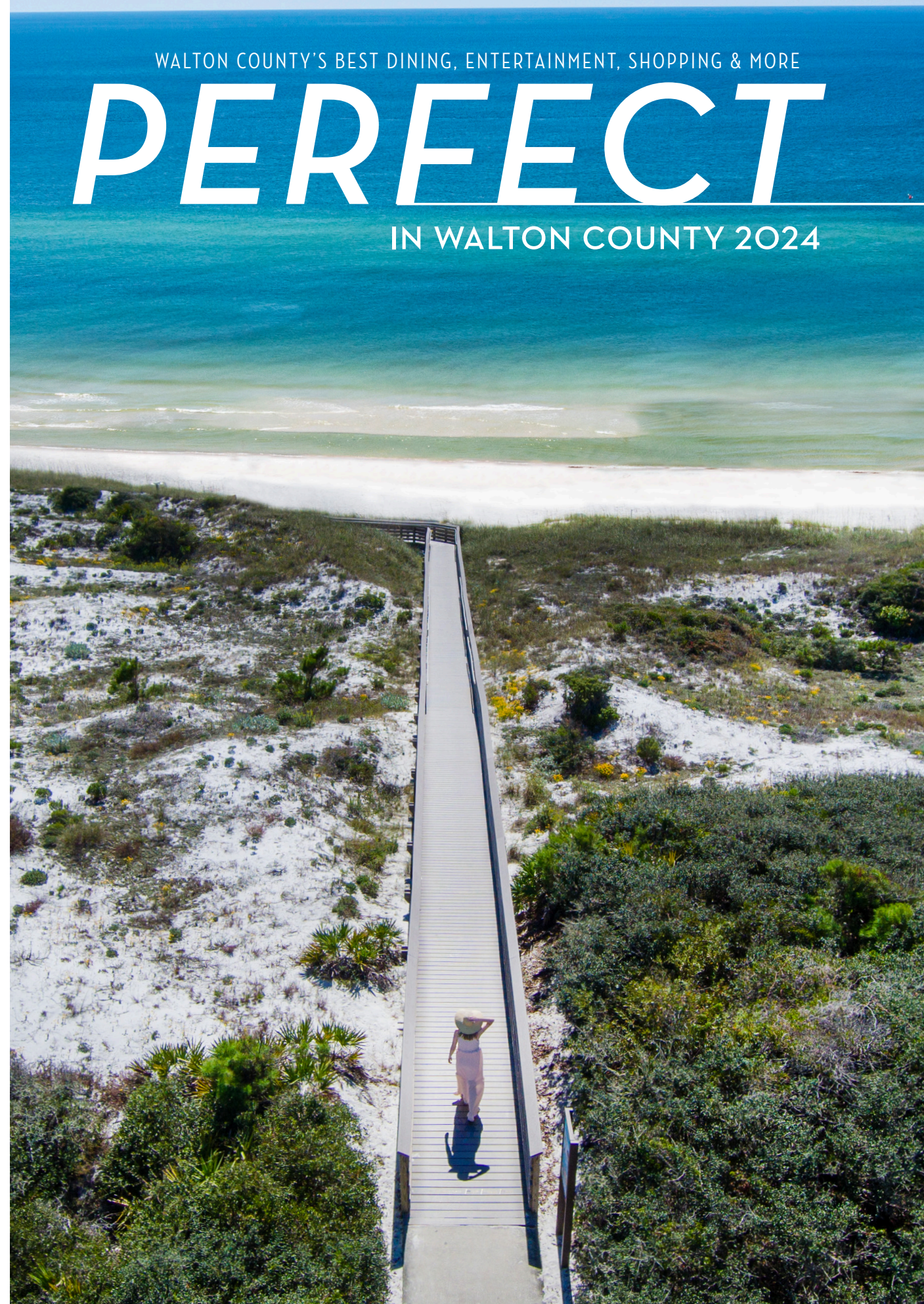


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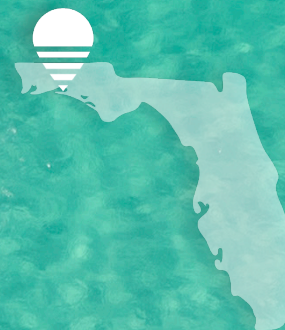
Perfect takes on many shapes and sizes. From cocktails, events and locally owned boutiques to restaurants, small shops, and outdoor adventures, perfect is a feeling that resonates in your heart.

Perfect is also a place, embodied by the diversity of the destination that is Walton County - from South Walton's 16 beach neighborhoods with sugar-white sand and turquoise water to the incredible historic treasures and pastoral landscapes beyond the Choctawhatchee Bay. But the heart of our Walton County communities are the people, places, and activities we celebrate.

The Perfect in Walton County Awards give locals and visitors a chance to shine a spotlight on their favorites.

From locally owned boutiques and art galleries to award-winning restaurants, one-of-a-kind events and talented musicians, Walton County is home to a variety of amazing experiences.

PerfectInWaltonCounty.com



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200 YEARS OF PRESERVATION AND TRADITION

With Walton County approaching its bicentennial year in 2024, there's no better time to reflect on the rich history of this incredible destination and how it has evolved over the years while staying true to the unique founding spirit.

It all starts with the sugar-white sand, of course. Over millions of years, particles of quartz weathered away from the Appalachian Mountains and were refined as they journeyed along rivers to the Gulf of Mexico. Here, they formed the substance of South Walton's stunning beaches - a true focal point of our local landscape.

Though the surrounding communities have a much briefer history, they are marked by milestones that are just as worthy of celebrating as those grains of sand. From the earliest residents to the rise of New Urbanism, the incredible variety of influences here is a big part of what makes this such a special area to live and visit. Walton County has benefited from the diverse traditions of the early Native Americans and Spanish, French and English settlers, among others. Elements of all these cultures are still reflected in our local municipalities today.

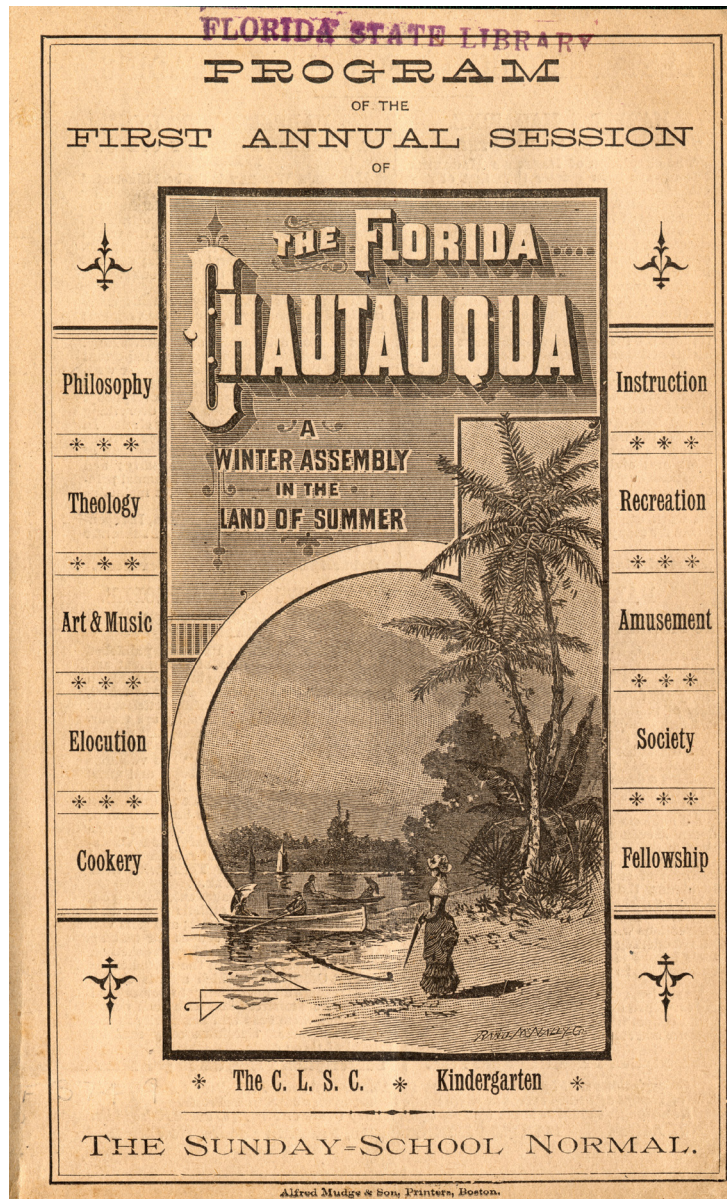
In the 1700s and 1800s, Native American tribes such as the Muscogee, Creek and Euchee Indians inhabited the surrounding land. Today, the Muscogee Nation of Walton County is based in the town of Bruce. This includes a historic schoolhouse that is filled with crafts and work of the tribe's elders.



ABOVE: Landing at Freeport on Fourmile Creek - Walton County, Fla. circa 1900. State Archives of Florida, Florida Memory. Located about one mile from LaGrange Bayou, three miles from Choctawhatchee Bay.



DEFUNIAK SPRINGS IN 2023



ABOVE: First Annual Session of the Florida Chautauqua program, 1885. State Archives of Florida, Florida Memory.

BELOW: Seventh hole green - DeFuniak Springs, Fla. circa 1920. State Archives of Florida, Florida Memory.



Walton County was officially founded on December 29, 1824. It was named for Col. George Walton Jr., son of a signer of the Declaration of Independence and secretary of the Florida Territory from 1821 to 1826. The area was originally comprised of more than 2,900 square miles that covered parts of Okaloosa, Washington and Holmes counties. The first census in 1830 tallied a head count of just 1,207 residents. The county initially thrived north of the Choctawhatchee Bay. Since the early days, farming has remained one of the primary occupations of local residents. However, waterways and later railways continued to bring more development to the area.

Founded in 1880, DeFuniak Springs would become the county seat. Its historical presence - including the remnants of the community's original Chautauqua Assembly - is still on full display in the ornamental homes and buildings along Main Street and around Circle Drive.

Grayton Beach later became the first community established in South Walton. Named after Army Major Charles T. Gray, it was founded in the mid-1880s. Despite sustaining damage in the great hurricane of 1926, the beach neighborhood's largest home at the time (built in 1890) still remains standing today.



ABOVE: Loading timber on the Choctawhatchee Bay, 1928. State Archives of Florida, Florida Memory.

Beyond all its historical and cultural charm, Walton County is also home to natural elements that continue to stand the test of time. Explore preserved forests of scrub oaks and pines. Dive into crystal-clear, spring-fed swimming holes like Morrison Springs. Paddle across rare coastal dune lakes, only found elsewhere in far-flung locales such as New Zealand, Australia and Madagascar.

On the cusp of its 200th birthday, Walton County's present-day personality reflects equal parts adventure, refinement and beauty. Perhaps its most important ongoing legacy is the effect it has on so many lives - creating lasting memories for residents and visitors alike. It always feels new because there's never a shortage of things to see and experience. So, make it a point this coming year to discover something about this place you never knew existed. That's the best birthday gift you can give to a place that has offered so much.



ABOVE: Mansion at Eden Gardens - Point Washington, Fla. circa 1920. State Archives of Florida, Florida Memory. The mansion belonged to William Henry Wesley and Katie Strickland Wesley.

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30A-beachgirls.com



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790 N County Hwy 393, #3B
(800) 554-9522
360blue.com

BEST HOTEL/RESORT

PERFECT ACCOMMODATIONS

THE PEARL HOTEL, *Diamond*

Located in Rosemary Beach, The Pearl Hotel takes top honors as South Walton's "Best Hotel."

This 55-room boutique hotel has received praises near and far, being honored with a AAA Four Diamond rating, a Four Star rating from Forbes Travel Guide and a bevy of Reader's Choice honors from Conde Nast Traveler. Each room at The Pearl, an upscale retreat, offers its own private balcony with views of the Gulf of Mexico or the West Indies-inspired architecture of Rosemary Beach.

In addition to the award-winning on site restaurant, Havana Beach Bar & Grill, and the rooftop Havana Beach Rooftop Lounge, guests are within walking distance to a variety of local restaurants and boutiques.

63 Main St
(850) 588-2881
thepearlrb.com



BEST ART GALLERY/STUDIO

PERFECT ACTIVITY

THE BLUE GIRAFFE, *Diamond*

Need a dose of happy? You'll get it at The Blue Giraffe. This mother/daughter owned gallery has established itself over the past twelve years as the place to shop for gorgeous art and one-of-a-kind gifts. They are honored to represent many local and regional award-winning artists who partner exclusively with them to showcase their special creations. If you need help choosing the perfect artwork for your home and you want it installed, they offer onsite Art Consulting services. They also love to be Personal Shoppers by helping you select unique and meaningful gifts. The Blue Giraffe's tagline is "Art & Gifts with Heart" and it is perfect for them.

13123 E Emerald Coast Pkwy, Ste E
(850) 326-5939
bluegiraffe30a.com



WATERCOLOR INN & RESORT, *Platinum*

34 Goldenrod Cir
(850) 534-5000
watercolorresort.com



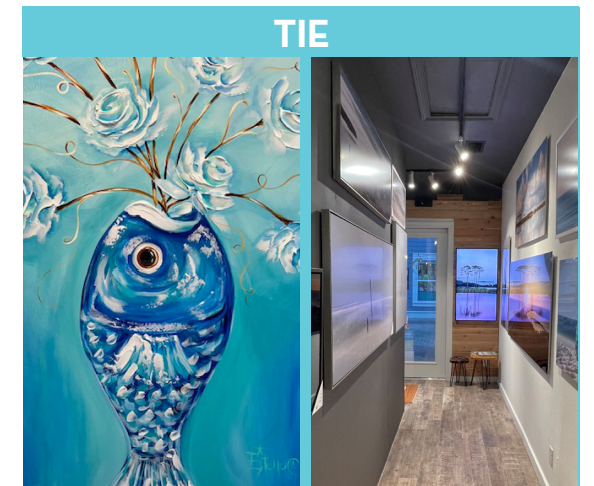
HOTEL EFFIE, *Gold*

1 Grand Sandestin Blvd
(850) 351-3000
hoteleffie.com



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21 Blue Gulf Dr
(703) 380-1940
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(850) 787-1020
estellestudioandgallery.com

MODUS:
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(850) 714-7997
modusphotography.com

BEST EVENT



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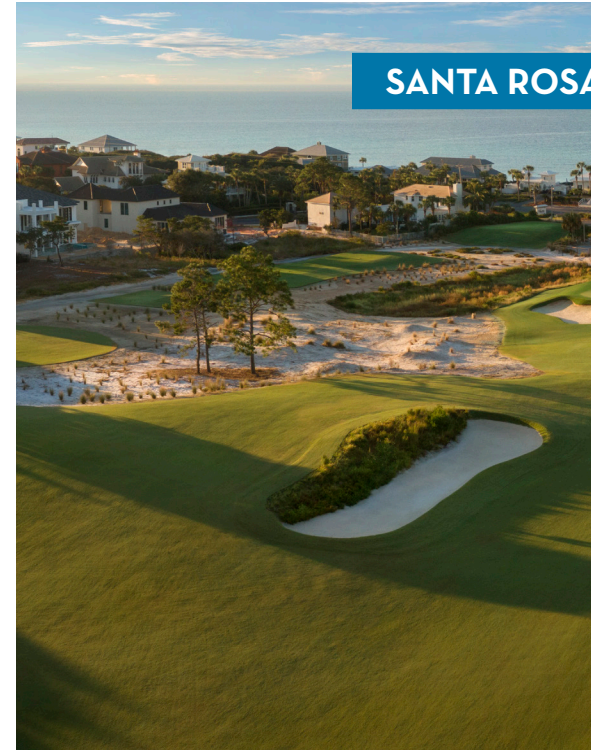
30A SONGWRITERS FESTIVAL, *Diamond*

Music helps keep the beat here in South Walton. In addition to nightly live performances, South Walton becomes the epicenter of music during the annual 30A Songwriters Festival.

Some of the most recognizable singers and songwriters share their stories on the stages of South Walton's restaurants, music venues and bars. You'll see names like Tanya Tucker, Shawn Mullins and John Prine. The 30A Songwriters Festival is a local favorite that also brings in thousands of visitors each year, earning it top honors for the Perfect Awards' "Best Event" category.

(850) 622-5970
30asongwritersfestival.com

BEST GOLF COURSE



PERFECT ACTIVITY

SANTA ROSA GOLF & BEACH CLUB, *Diamond*

Awarded Honorable Mention in Golf Inc. Magazine's "2022 Renovation of the Year" awards, Santa Rosa Golf & Beach Club has an impeccable 18-hole championship golf course, an award-winning waterfront restaurant and a private beach and pool club to soak up the Florida sunshine all year long.

334 Golf Club Dr
(850) 267-2229
santarosaclub.com



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(850) 837-3099
sowalwine.com



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(850) 267-6365
fishecbc.com



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(850) 231-7601
watersoundclub.com



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1199 Troon Dr N
(850) 267-8155
sandestin.com

BEST KIDS ATTRACTION



PERFECT ACTIVITY

THE VILLAGE OF BAYTOWNE WHARF, *Diamond*

Located along the shores of the Choctawhatchee Bay in Northwest Florida, The Village of Baytowne Wharf features an array of boutiques, eateries, galleries and nightlife -- not to mention a jam-packed schedule of outdoor festivals and special events for the entire family. This spectacular setting, all within the gates of Sandestin Golf and Beach Resort, is the perfect spot to spend a vibrant afternoon, evening, week, vacation, or you can be one of the lucky few who frequently experiences Baytowne Wharf through home ownership.

9300 Baytowne Wharf Blvd
(850) 267-8180
baytownewharf.com

BEST NATURE LOCALE



PERFECT ACTIVITY

GRAYTON BEACH STATE PARK, *Diamond*

South Walton is home to four state parks and a state forest. Immersing yourself in nature is easy here. From hiking and biking to camping and enjoying the beach, there's no better spot than Grayton Beach State Park.

The nearly 2,000-acre park has a mile of sugar-white sand beach, four miles of hiking and biking trails, and a variety of cabins and campsites where you can enjoy a night under the stars, all while surrounded by scrub oaks and magnolias. The adjoining Western Lake offers plenty of recreational opportunities from kayaking and paddle boarding to fishing. Grayton Beach State Park was hailed as the "Best Beach in the U.S." by Dr. Stephen Leatherman, aka Dr. Beach, in 2020.

357 Main Park Rd
(850) 267-8300
floridastateparks.org/graytonbeach



THE BIG CHILL, *Platinum*

24 Hub Ln
(850) 213-0782
thebigchill.com



WILD SEA TURTLE WEDNESDAY/ SOUTH WALTON TURTLE WATCH, *Gold*

755 Grand Blvd, Ste B-105
(850) 865-4503
southwalmarturtlewatch.org



EDEN GARDENS STATE PARK, *Platinum*

181 Eden Gardens Rd
(850) 267-8320
floridastateparks.org/parks-and-trails/
eden-gardens-state-park



TOPSAIL HILL PRESERVE STATE PARK, *Gold*

7525 W County Hwy 30A
(850) 267-8330
floridastateparks.org/parks-and-trails/topsail-hill-
preserve-state-park

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PERFECT ACTIVITY

SHOP ON 30A, *Diamond*

Experience Seaside and Grayton Beach's Best-Kept Secret: your ultimate style and gift destination! Our locally owned women's and men's lifestyle boutique and gift shop caters to all age groups, offering a diverse range of styles and prices. Visit us on your vacation for a shopping experience like no other.

57 Uptown Grayton Cir
(850) 231-0146
focusseaside.com

BEST SHOPPING AREA



PERFECT ACTIVITY

GRAND BOULEVARD, *Diamond*

Grand Boulevard at Sandestin is a destination, and when you arrive, it's exactly where you want to be. Exclusive local boutiques and eateries along with nationally recognized brands line Grand Boulevard. The merging of nearby and nationwide sets the collection of retailers apart. The mixed-use property is home to more than 50 retail shops, 14 restaurants and eateries, as well as three hotels, a cinema and more than 30 professional offices. Here, you can shop, dine, play and stay. Since its beginnings in 2007, Grand Boulevard has been a place that vacationers and locals both frequent. For the parent ducking the sunlit beach to take kids to the movies, a business owner connecting with new clients over dinner or a solo shopper on a mission for the ideal gift, the destination works and works well.

585 Grand Blvd
(850) 837-3099
grandboulevard.com



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(850) 231-0433 (850) 692-6884
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seasidefl.com



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(850) 654-9771
premiumoutlets.com/outlet/silver-sands

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PERFECT ACTIVITY

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Rosemary Beach is a tennis lover's paradise. Our staff is friendly, knowledgeable, and ready to assist you with great instruction, new equipment, and the latest in tennis fashion. We can even help you find a match! We maintain our eight clay courts in top condition, and four of them are lighted for evening play. Restroom and shower facilities are available on the premises, along with a viewing deck for observation of matches and tennis programs. We are open to the public. Call for rates and court availability!

235 E Water St
(850) 278-2061
rosemarybeach.com/rosemary_beach_racquet_club.aspx

BEST BREAKFAST

PERFECT FOOD & DRINKS

DONUT HOLE, *Diamond*



Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner, the Donut Hole is a South Walton favorite. The eatery is known for scratch-made donuts, pastries, and pies, as well as a full menu of savory eats like omelets, pancakes, sandwiches, salads and burgers.

With a name like Donut Hole, you know the donuts are what bring in the crowds. From traditional glazed or raspberry-filled donuts to the red velvet, chocolate peanut butter and Dutch crumb varieties, there are endless opportunities to find a favorite. Donut Hole is also known for its key lime pies, which are made fresh daily.

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SANDESTIN TENNIS CENTER, *Platinum*

53 Bayside Tennis Ct
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sandestin.com/things-to-do/tennis



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CRACKINGS, *Gold*

51 Uptown Grayton Cir
(850) 231-7835
crackingsfl.com

BEST CASUAL DINING



PERFECT FOOD & DRINKS SHUNK GULLEY OYSTER BAR, *Diamond*

Named after the legendary fishing reef off our coast, Shunk Gulley Oyster Bar is your favorite laid back seafood and casual fare restaurant on 30A, offering classic coastal cuisine and genuine southern hospitality. There is live music happening daily overlooking the Gulf of Mexico and a love for everything local here, as they bring only the freshest, locally caught and sourced seafood to their diners' plates.

Serving Shunk Gulley's signature bushwackers and the coldest local brews, they are known as the premier place to watch sports on 30A. Voted Best Casual Dining in South Walton four years in a row and voted Best Oysters and Best Grouper Sandwich on the Emerald Coast consecutively, you don't want to miss out on including this hot spot on your MUST DO List while on 30A.

1875 S Hwy 393
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shunkgulley.com

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(850) 706-1300

Seaside:
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(850) 738-6771

Grayton Beach:
26 Logan Ln, Unit G
(850) 213-4528

blackbearbreadco.com



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1708 Scenic Gulf Dr
(850) 424-7804

badasscoffee.com



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104 N Barrett Sq #1A
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Visit Growler Garage 30A on Facebook or at GrowlerGarage30A.com for current beer selections and hours.

Cheers!

4368 W County Hwy 30A, Ste 101
(850) 660-1965
growlergarage30a.com

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idyllhoundsbrewingcompany.com



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vueon30a.net



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PERFECT FOOD & DRINKS

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37 Logan Ln
(850) 231-0787
hurricaneoyster.com

BEST LUNCH



PERFECT FOOD & DRINKS

CHANTICLEER EATERY, *Diamond*

The motto at Chanticleer Eatery is “Food Worth Crowing About,” and the voters in the annual Perfect in Walton County awards couldn’t agree more, as the Grayton Beach restaurant took home top honors in the “Best Lunch” category. With locally made art lining the wall, as well as indoor and outdoor seating, this casual eatery is the perfect place to grab lunch. In fact, their lunch menu is available from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Start off with the triple pork nachos, Chanticleer caprese or creole crab claws to warm up your taste buds before diving into any number of fresh salads, jambalaya, shrimp and grits, the “Not Yo’ Mama’s Chicken & Rice” or the roasted veggie pasta. And don’t forget one of Chanticleer’s famous cookies on your way out.

55 Clayton Ln
(850) 213-9065
chanticleereatery.com



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SHUNK GULLEY OYSTER BAR, *Platinum*

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PERFECT FOOD & DRINKS

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(850) 231-1090
gbcevents.com

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PERFECT FOOD & DRINKS

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2217 W County Hwy 30A, Ste E
(850) 267-0400
bluemountainbakery.com



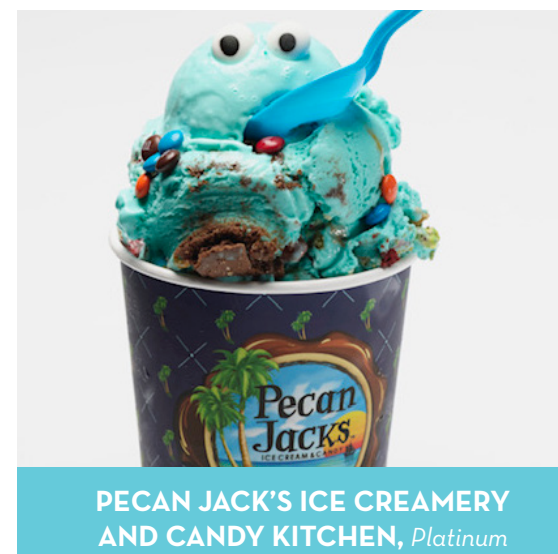
SWIFTLY CATERED, *Platinum*

90 Wrm Cir #10
(850) 972-0850
swiftlycatered.com



BLUE MAGNOLIA CATERING, *Gold*

116 MC Davis Blvd, Ste 104
(850) 502-7406
bluemagnoliacatering.com



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4771 E County Hwy 30A (850) 622-0011
pecanjacks.com



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sweethenriettas.com

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PERFECT FOOD & DRINKS

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At La Dolce Vita, we offer daily and weekly beach chair and bicycle rentals for the 30A, Sandestin, and Miramar Beach areas.

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Give us a call or book online to enhance your beach vacation experience!

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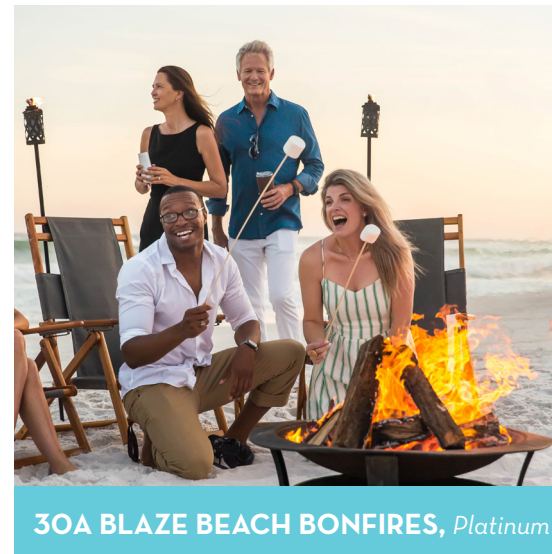
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vintij.com



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seagars.com



30A BLAZE BEACH BONFIRES, *Platinum*

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30ablaze.com



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BEST LOCAL MUSICIAN/BAND



PERFECT SERVICES

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Reel 30A specializes in surf fishing, so there's no need to hop on a charter boat, as the team will outfit you and your friends or family with all the equipment you need to reel in the big one at a convenient location. A variety of packages are available to suit your needs, from three-day packages to two-hour private lessons. No matter how you choose to fish, Reel 30A will help make your visit to South Walton memorable.

(850) 687-6063
reel30a.com



PERFECT SERVICES

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jaredherzogmusic.live



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CHOCTAWHATCHEE BAY FISHING CHARTERS, *Gold*

(850) 543-8303
choctawhatcheebayfishingcharters.com



FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, *Platinum*

facebook.com/theforrestwilliamsband
forrestwilliamsband.com



DREAD CLAMPITT, *Gold*

facebook.com/dreadclampittband

BEST OUTDOOR ACTIVITY COMPANY



PERFECT SERVICES

YOLO BOARD + BIKE, *Diamond*

If adventure is on your mind, look no further than YOLO Board, a brand born in South Walton. From standup paddleboards to bikes, both pedal-powered and electric, YOLO has become synonymous with outdoor adventure in South Walton. You can paddle along the coastal dune lakes or on the Gulf of Mexico, or you can grab a bike and pedal your way through more than 200 miles of hiking and biking trails in the state parks, state forest or along the Timpoochee Trail. The YOLO brand breathes outdoor adventure and South Walton is the perfect place to enjoy that lifestyle.

11610 US Hwy 98 W
(850) 424-6852
yoloboard.com

BEST PHOTOGRAPHER



PERFECT SERVICES

MODUS PHOTOGRAPHY, *Diamond*

Modus Photo gallery in Grayton Beach is excited to feature the recently launched Chandler Williams Fine Art Collection. The local landscape art gallery that offers custom prints to custom framing now offers limited fine art photographs for the collectors.

Book your appointment today or stop by!

39 Logan Ln, Ste #9
(850) 714-7997
modusphotography.com



30A BLAZE BEACH BONFIRES, *Platinum*

(850) 733-0302
30ablaze.com



30A BEACH BOYZ, *Gold*

274 Serenoa Rd
(850) 849-2888
30abeachboyz.com



MOON CREEK STUDIOS, *Platinum*

1414 Co Rd 283 S
(850) 231-0102
mooncreek.com



SARAH LYNN PHOTOGRAPHY, *Gold*

(801) 857-5148
photographybysarahlynn.com

BEST SPA/SALON



PERFECT SERVICES SERENITY BY THE SEA SPA, *Diamond*

Pamper yourself in style at the Serenity by the sea Spa, located within the Hilton Sandestin Beach Golf Resort & Spa.

If you're looking to relax while on vacation, spend quality time with your bridal party or just need a little pick me up after a long week, the staff at Serenity by the sea Spa has just what the doctor ordered. Treat yourself to a variety of spa services, such as massages, a full-service salon, pedicures or a facial. Serenity by the sea has been recognized by both USA Today's "10 Best" and Conde Nast Traveler, so you know the services are top notch. Find your perfect way to relax at South Walton's "Best Spa."

4000 S Sandestin Blvd
(850) 622-9595
serenitybytheseaspa.com



SPA PEARL, *Platinum*

63 Main St
(850) 460-9041
thepearlrb.com



LOVE SALON 30A, *Gold*

29 Village Blvd, B102 274 Serenoa Rd, Ste 1-D
(850) 583-0639 (850) 583-0639
lovesalons.us

BEST LIVE MUSIC VENUE



PERFECT VENUES THE RED BAR, *Diamond*

If you love tapping your toes along with some of South Walton's most beloved musicians, a stop at The Red Bar in Grayton Beach is a must. This funky hangout is just as well known for its live music scene as it is for its funky décor and laid-back vibe. The Red Bar Jazz Band plays Tuesday through Saturday from 5:30-9 p.m. Dread Clampitt takes the stage each Sunday, playing two sets that showcase their bluegrass, jazz, and rock 'n' roll influences.

Visiting in the summer? Don't miss DJ Vladi, who has been a staple of The Red Bar stage for years. No matter when you're here, great tunes are never hard to find at The Red Bar.

70 Hotz Ave
(850) 231-1008
theredbar.com



NORTH BEACH SOCIAL, *Platinum*

24200 US Hwy 3315
(850) 622-8110
northbeach.com



AJ'S GRAYTON BEACH, *Gold*

63 DeFuniak St
(850) 231-4102
ajsgrayton.com

BEST MEETING/CONFERENCE SPACE

BEST WEDDING VENUE

PERFECT VENUES

HILTON SANDESTIN BEACH GOLF RESORT AND SPA, *Diamond*



For meetings that surround attendees with luxury and indulgence not often experienced during business travel, the Hilton Sandestin Beach truly has it all. In addition to being the largest full-service beachfront resort hotel along Northwest Florida's Gulf Coast - with 590 guest accommodations - the Hilton Sandestin Beach boasts spacious meeting and banquet facilities with more than 40,700 square feet of meeting space. Thanks to a \$35 million renovation, you can now enjoy expanded deck areas overlooking the Gulf's sugar-white sand beaches and emerald-green waters, a new beachside restaurant and bar, remodeled meeting spaces and amenities, and much more. In fact, there's so much to discover, you'll need more than one meeting to experience it all.

4000 S Sandestin Blvd
(850) 267-9500
hiltonsandestinbeach.com

PERFECT VENUES

THE CHAPEL AT SEASIDE, *Diamond*



Designed by architect Scott Merrill, The Chapel at Seaside has served as an architectural landmark in the Seaside community for almost 20 years. The 68-foot bell tower marks the highest point in Seaside and serves as a beacon of spiritual unity throughout the community.

Over the years it has become a highly sought-after venue for destination weddings. Identified as one of the South's Most Beautiful Chapels by "Southern Living" magazine, the simple sophistication of the Chapel's interior makes the perfect backdrop for timeless memories.

582 Forest St
(850) 633-3392
thechapelatseaside.com



HOTEL EFFIE SANDESTIN, *Platinum*

1 Grand Sandestin Blvd
(833) 873-3343
hoteleffie.com



SANDESTIN GOLF & BEACH RESORT, *Gold*

9300 Emerald Coast Pkwy
(850) 267-8888
sandestin.com



THE VUE ON 30A, *Platinum*

4801 W County Hwy 30A
(850) 267-2305
vueon30a.net



WATERCOLOR INN & RESORT, *Gold*

34 Goldenrod Cir
(850) 534-5000
watercolorresort.com

WALTON COUNTY TOURISM



A BETTER BEACH EXPERIENCE

Walton County Tourism is committed to protecting all our beachgoers - from tourists to turtles. In the past year, we spent almost \$4 million on beach improvements and maintained a program that pays for more than 50 lifeguards. We also sent nearly 7.3 million texts last year on surf conditions from marine pests to dangerous rip currents. Learn more to improve your next visit.



Beach Safety in South Walton

For a complete guide on Walton County's beach rules, visit BeachSafety.com



Glass containers and littering are prohibited.



Vehicles, dogs and bonfires require permits.
Permits may be obtained through Walton County Code Compliance, (850) 622-0000.



Know Before You Go. Obey all beach flag warnings.



Leave No Trace. Items left on the beach overnight will be discarded.



Keep off the dunes.



Removal of sand, water or vegetation is strictly prohibited.



Sea turtle nesting season is May 1 through October 31.
If you find an injured, sick or dead sea turtle, or to report someone disturbing a sea turtle nest, please call the Walton County Sheriff's Office, (850) 267-2000.



KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

TEXT SAFETY TO 31279 FOR SURF CONDITIONS

BEACH FLAGS



DOUBLE RED FLAGS
WATER CLOSED TO PUBLIC*



RED FLAG- HIGH HAZARD
High Surf and/or Strong Currents



YELLOW FLAG- MEDIUM HAZARD
Moderate Surf and/or Currents



GREEN FLAG- LOW HAZARD
Calm Conditions, Exercise Caution



PURPLE FLAG- STINGING MARINE LIFE
Man O' War, Jellyfish, Stingrays

*Entering the Gulf during double red flag conditions can result in a \$500 fine and criminal charges. Absence of flags does not assure safe waters. Swim at your own risk. For emergencies call or text 911.

