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Dear Travel Professional:

We salute your dedication to the travel industry as you embark upon a destination course which will increase your knowledge of our destination.

This course is created to provide you with further understanding of what our famous beaches are all about...and just as important, other destination features which can easily be showcased to your clients to extend their stay even further.

You are our true partners. We appreciate very much the effort you put forth to continue your education in order to offer your clients the most up-to-date destination information.

Please know that you can call upon us any time you need assistance.

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What is a beach?

A beach is a shore of a body of water covered by sand, gravel or larger rock fragments.

Why do the beaches on the Gulf of Mexico have white sand?

The white sand of the St. Petersburg/Clearwater area's Gulf beaches comes from granite (originally from the Appalachian Mountains), which has been broken down into fine grains of quartz and feldspar, which are the fine white particles you see when you go the area's beaches. A variety of factors keep these fine grains of quartz on the beach. The primary thing is that the Gulf beaches are in the Gulf of Mexico and not exposed to the ocean's strong currents.

What are the nationally ranked beaches (by Dr. Beach) in the St. Petersburg/Clearwater area?

In his 2003 rankings list, Dr. Beach rated Fort De Soto Park in St. Petersburg the #2 beach and Caladesi Island State Park in Dunedin the #5 beach in the United States. Clearwater Beach was ranked the #1 beach in the Gulf Region in Dr. Beach's last City Beach poll.

Who is Dr. Beach?

Coastal geologist Dr. Stephen Leatherman, also known as "Dr. Beach", is the director of the International Hurricane Center at Florida International University. Each year he compiles the listing of top beaches. More than 650 beaches throughout the United States are judged on a list of 50 criteria under four main areas: physical factors such as sand softness, and number and size of waves; biological factors such as color and condition of the water, presence of wildlife and pests; and human use and impacts such as lifeguard protection, far-reaching views and traffic.

What is beach renourishment?

Beaches erode, or gradually lose the sand on their shores. This erosion is due in part to natural forces such as coastal storms and hurricanes, rising sea levels and coastal development. Beach renourishment is the process of adding new sand to the beach in order to restore it to some former width. This is usually accomplished by dredge and fill operations with sand pumped onto the beach from an offshore source, such as sand bars or shoals. Beach nourishment does not stop the erosion trend—it simply "resets the clock." But beach fills achieve both goals of providing a wide recreational beach and reasonable storm protection for beachfront development.

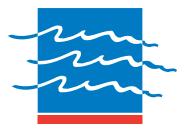
What is the Blue Wave/Flag Program?

The Blue Wave Program is America's first environmental certification for beaches. The goal of Blue Wave is to promote public awareness and voluntary participation in beach sustainability. Blue Wave beaches voluntarily pledge to uphold the following responsible beach management practices: water quality, beach and intertidal conditions,

safety, services, habitat conservation, public information/education, erosion management. Participating beaches proudly fly the distinctive Blue Wave flag – the symbol of responsible beach management.

What beaches in the St. Petersburg/Clearwater area are Blue Wave beaches?

Fort De Soto Park, Caladesi Island, Clearwater Beach, Honeymoon Island, Sand Key Park, St. Pete Beach, Treasure Island and Fred Howard Park received the Blue Wave award in 2002 for the third year in a row.



What is red tide and what should we know about it?

Red tide has been documented since the 1500's and is a natural phenomenon caused by dense concentrations of microscopic organisms that deplete oxygen in the water which can kill fish. At high concentrations (called a bloom), the organisms may discolor the water.

Red tide is an occasional occurrence and lasts for a brief time. They are not predictable. It is important to remember that many people still enjoy the beaches during red tides.

Is it harmful to humans?

Some people may suffer from skin irritation and burning eyes. It is recommended that people susceptible to irritation from plant products avoid red tide water. Generally, symptoms are temporary and disappear within hours once exposure is discontinued.

Can you still swim in red-tide affected areas?

Yes, for most people. However, in some people red tide can cause skin irritation and burning eyes. Use common sense – if you are particularly susceptible to irritation from plant products, avoid red tide water. If you experience irritation, get out and thoroughly wash off. Do not swim among dead fish because they can be associated with harmful bacteria.

What does "Gulf of Mexico" mean?

A gulf is any large coastal indentation, similar to a bay but larger. Most gulfs are connected with the sea by one or more straits and may have a group of islands at its mouth or may open into another gulf. Gulfs may differ from the adjoining sea in water properties and sedimentation.

The Gulf of Mexico is connected to the Atlantic Ocean by the Straits of Florida and to the Caribbean Sea by the

Yucatán Channel. It covers an area of 600,000 square miles and is bounded by the U.S., Mexico, and Cuba. The deepest part of the Gulf, in the Mexico Basin, is 17,070 feet. The Mississippi and the Rio Grande are the major

rivers that drain into the gulf. Its major ports are Veracruz in Mexico, and Galveston, Texas; New Orleans; Pensacola and Tampa in the U.S.

Early maps show that Mexico owned all the land from California to Florida. It is believed the body of water that existed between all that land was named the Gulf of Mexico, after the ruling government. It was possibly named by European cartographers sometime between 1500 and 1800.



You are now ready to answer the questions on the Beach Quiz in the answer supplement.

Cultural tourism continues to represent a growing segment of the travel market. And in the St.Petersburg/Clearwater Area...Florida's Beach...culture is very important. No other beach destination in Florida offers award-winning beaches with such a variety of museums, art galleries, performing arts centers and cultural-related special events throughout 26 unique communities. In fact, the arts have an economic impact of \$40.2 million annually and provide 7,000 jobs to the area. An overwhelming 5.5 million visits are made to non-profit arts and cultural institutions in the Tampa Bay Area in a single year. Visitors can choose from a wide array of outdoor and indoor cultural activities.

Festivals and Events

Our fantastic climate is conducive to a variety of outdoor festivals and events. Hundreds of festivals and events are

held in the county each year, and some of the top ones include: The Mainsail Arts Festival, listed as one of the top 100 fine arts shows in the country and Art Harvest in Dunedin, one of the state's most popular juried art shows. The city of Clearwater is home to the Clearwater Jazz Holiday, held annually the third weekend of October. The Florida African American Festival is held in February at the Pinewood Cultural Park in Largo. The city of Tarpon Springs hosts the largest Greek Epiphany celebration in the United States. And the Scottish Highland Games in Dunedin is another annual event. Sunsets at Pier 60 at Clearwater Beach offer arts, crafts and music 7 nights a week.



Performing Arts and Entertainment

There are many performing arts venues offering a wide variety of entertainment throughout the area including The



Palladium, Largo Cultural Center and The Tarpon Springs Performing Arts Center. The Mahaffey Theater in St. Petersburg and Ruth Eckerd Hall in Clearwater, a Frank Lloyd Wright design, house The Florida Orchestra, one of the best regional orchestras in the United States. American Stage, home to outstanding local theater, performs the annual Shakespeare in the Park at Demens Landing in St. Petersburg in the springtime And if you are interested in foreign and independent films and enjoy specialty coffees, wine, beer and pretty good popcorn try The Beach Theater right on St. Pete Beach.

Museums and Galleries

The City of St. Petersburg is home to 6 museums, all of them easily accessible by The Looper and The Beach Trolley a hot pink downtown trolley. The world renowned Salvador Dali Museum on Bayboro Harbor is home to the world's most comprehensive collection of works by the famous Spanish surrealist. Also on St. Petersburg's waterfront is the Museum of Fine Arts, home to 4,000 objects extending from antiquity to the present. The St. Petersburg Museum of History has over 30,000 of Florida's historical artifacts including the biplane used in the first commercial aviation route. The Florida International Museum houses the Kennedy Collection and is an affiliate of the Smithsonian Institution. The Tampa Bay



Holocaust Memorial Museum and Education Center, the third largest holocaust museum in the country, houses an original boxcar and is home to the permanent exhibit "History, Heritage and Hope". There is even a hands on museum, Great Explorations, where your kids can stretch their mental muscles and have fun at the same time.

Mid-county and north county offerings include the Gulfcoast Museum of Art, the Florida Botanical Gardens and Heritage Park, all located in the Pinewood Cultural Park in Largo. And the newest addition to cultural Pinellas County is Tarpon Spring's Leepa Rattner Museum, located on the St. Petersburg College campus, which contains the modern artworks of Abraham Rattner and Allen Leepa.

You can find art to bring home in one of the over 85 independent galleries in Pinellas County. The city of St. Petersburg has over 40 galleries, 25 of them within walking distance of each other in downtown St. Petersburg. Also in the downtown area are the Arts Center and the Florida Craftsman Gallery featuring fine crafts from around the state. President Clinton, when visiting the area, purchased some art at the Nancy Markoe Gallery on St. Pete Beach. The Dunedin Fine Arts Center has changing exhibitions and the interactive David L. Mason Children's Art Museum. There are also monthly art-walks in downtown St. Petersburg, and in the city of Gulfport, where more than 40 galleries, studios, boutiques and restaurants are all within walking distance.

Special Features and Uses for Cultural Entities

Almost all of the museums and cultural centers offer unique off-site venues for incentive groups, weddings and special events.

Foreign language guides and printed material are available at most cultural entities.

You can always find more information about the area's cultural events in the Thursday's Weekend Section of the St. Petersburg Times and the alternative newspaper The Weekly Planet. To find a calendar of cultural events, please log on to either FloridasBeach.com or Pinellascounty.org/artscoun.htm.

You are now ready to proceed to the Arts & Culture Quiz in the Answer Section.

TARPON SPRINGS - A VISIT TO REMEMBER

Tarpon Springs is the leader in the world's natural sponge market. The sponge docks district is the prime tourist attraction featuring shops, restaurants and cafes, many owned by the same Greek families who established them in the 1920's. Tarpon Springs is on the Gulf of Mexico, which is accessible via the route down the Anclote River.

What makes Tarpon Springs so special?

ture...it is all here. A great reason to extend your stay!

It is a real working port which includes sponging, shrimp, fish, crab boats and supply houses. It is a commercial seaport and focal point for the area. It hosts thousands of visitors from around the world each and every year. There are over 100 shops in Tarpon Springs, 35 restaurants in the Tarpon Springs area. Golf, parks, arts and cul-

THE COMMUNITY

Incorporated as city in 1887, the first Greek arrived in 1896.

Population:

20,500, including approximately 8,000 people of Greek descent who live here, many of whom are second or third generation.

Sq. Miles: 7

Proximity:

12 miles from Clearwater. 20 miles from the Tampa Intl. Airport or St.Petersburg/Clearwater Intl. Airport.





What is sponge?

Sponge start as single cell animals attached to rock, shell or coral. They must be 5" in diameter to be harvested.

How important is the sponge fishing industry?

Sponge fishing is a \$15 million industry which at one time employed 1,000 people.

How much does a sponge diver's suit weigh?

154 lb.

How many kinds of sponge are there?

Over 5,000 species, 5 are of commercial value: wool, yellow, wire, grass and finger.

What uses does natural sponge have?

There are over 1,400 uses including manufacturing, auto & household cleaning, smoothing wallpaper, and cosmetics.

How long does a sponge last?

It varies. A wool sponge can last up to 5 years. Depending upon the usage, others may last between 6 months to a year.

Is loofah a sponge?

Loofah is a plant; it is not a sponge.

Does sponge fishing mean that the supply will be exhausted?

Sponge is renewable on its own; the more you pull, the more it will grow back.

Where do you find natural sponge?

Along the whole gulf coast, from Apalachicola to Key West, approximately 25-30 miles offshore.

Nature/Eco based activities In Tarpon Springs

Fred Howard Park - 150 acre wooded preserve, near the beach.

Anderson Park - 128 acres on Lake Tarpon. Picnic, walk nature trails, launch your boat and try for a bass.

<u>Anclote Key State Preserve</u> – A remote area, accessible only by boat, with primitive camping sites, nature trails, swimming and boating. Birders may spot over 43 species of birds.

<u>Fred Marquis Pinellas Trail</u> - Part of the nationwide Rails to Trails, this is the head of the trail which runs 35 miles south, over the site of former railroad tracks. Jog cycle, skate or stroll.

Sunset Beach - Yes, there is a small beach in Tarpon Springs, and its a great spot to picnic, swim, and fish.

What else?

Deep sea fishing for over 300 species of fish. Charter a yacht, scuba dive, snorkel, kayak or ride jet skis.

Festivals/Events in Tarpon Springs

(Please refer to the Calendar of Events on the www.floridasbeach.com website for specific dates)

July 20 - Gavel & Grape Festival/Auction

Nov. - Festival of Arts

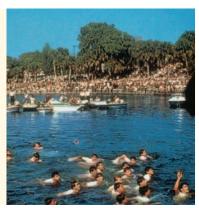
Dec. - Lighted Boat Parade

Jan. 6 - Epiphany Celebration

Feb. - Arts and Crafts Festival - 200 artists

Mar. - Beach to Bayou Run

Apr. - Taste of Tarpon Springs



What is Epiphany?

Every year on January 6, it commemorates the baptism of Jesus Christ by John the Baptist..

Arts & Culture in Tarpon Springs

(please also refer to the Arts and Culture segment of this test)

<u>National Trust for Historic Preservation</u> - There is a large National Register District that includes several hundred historic buildings and 3 sponge boats. One of the earliest buildings dates to 1883. The Victorian homes located on Tarpon Ave. take you back to the turn of the century when the area was known as the "Golden Crescent", noted for famous actors, artists, and government officials who visited the city.

<u>The Cultural Arts Center</u> - Erected in 1914, an outstanding example of Greek Revival architecture featuring art, photography and a National Geographic film on the sponge industry.

Inness Paintings- The paintings of famed artist George Inness, Jr. are on exhibit from November to May.

<u>The Leepa Rattner Museum</u> (newest museum in the county) - Exhibits the modern art of Abraham Rattner and Allen Leepa. This museum is on the campus of St.Petersburg College in Tarpon Springs.

<u>Performing Arts Center</u> - Housed in City Hall, this theater presents amateur and professional productions throughout the year.

Shrine of St. Michaels - Small chapel built in honor of a son's healing.

St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church - A replica of St. Sophia's Cathedral in Constantinople.

Golf

There are golf courses including a municipal public course and the famous Westin Innisbrook Resort in nearby Palm Harbor which is home to the annual PGA Chrysler Championship.

What else?

There are a wide variety of antique shops, restaurants, art galleries and cafes in the downtown area. On the sponge docks you will also find a saltwater aguarium.

Bonus!

Please refer to the Supplement for a handy reference guide on Tarpon Springs Accommodations and helpful websites. You may find this handy to print out for your clients.

You may now proceed to the Tarpon Springs Quiz in the Answer Section.

What do I need to know...and why should I work with Bed and Breakfasts?

B&Bs date back to England when travelers needed a safe haven. They eventually came to the new world via New England, where many still exist. Bed and breakfasts have changed over the years, now becoming an experience that ranks high on the list of favorite vacation memories. You'll also see, however, that bed and breakfasts aren't just for vacationers...the corporate traveler can enjoy them as well. Read on!

Are there official criteria in order to be classified a B&B?

Bed and breakfasts are traditionally private homes with an owner/manager on site. The number of rentable rooms to be classified as a B&B in Florida is 15 or under. A continental or full breakfast is traditional; check with innkeepers for their individual policy.

Who is the typical B&B guest?

The B&B clientele is more apt to be those looking for a luxury experience, a unique venue, and a memorable stay.

Are B&Bs for families?

Children are welcomed in some inns, but with restrictions on age being very common. Some B&B's do not allow children. Many inns limit children to one in a room on a rollaway bed, which incurs an additional charge.

What can you expect in a B&B room?

A B&B will usually accommodate a maximum of two people, with one bed in the room. You may also find a suite which has multiple sleeping rooms with two or more beds separated by doors with one or more baths. Many provide hair dryers, private phone lines, whirlpool tubs, irons, etc.

What about bathrooms?

Most have private bathrooms. A question you should ask is if there is a private bathroom. If it is a shared bathroom, how many people share? It is a law in St.Petersburg that each rentable room must have its own private bath. Many B&B's have whirlpool tubs.

What about handicap accessibility?

Ask the innkeepers about their individual property.

Are pets allowed?

You must ask the innkeeper. Policy varies.

What about telephones and internet access?

Most B&B's will have telephones in the rooms. Some have internet access. Query the innkeeper when making reservations.

My clients have allergies to certain food and animals. Is this a problem?

Advise the innkeeper of any dietary restrictions and any allergies you have. Ask if they have pets or allow them.

Is there someone on site all the time?

Innkeepers are always readily accessible. Ask the innkeeper when making reservations.

Is there any concern about security?

Guests are provided with individual keys for their accommodations. Most B&B's consider themselves even safer than hotels because their clientele is known to them.

Can I expect to find a lounge/bar in a typical B&B?

Most B&B's do not have a liquor license; however, oftentimes complimentary wine will be served.

What about tipping?

Just like any typical hotel, normal tipping can be presumed acceptable for housekeeping services.

PRICING AND BOOKING

Are B&Bs affordable?

Bed and breakfasts may be considered luxury housing; however, when you consider what is included in the price: breakfast, internet access, complimentary refreshments, free parking, luxury robes and first class amenities, the price can be deemed a very good value.

How can reservations be made?

A reservation is confirmed with a credit card. Reservations can be made online if the inn has a web site and is set up to do this. Most inns can be booked by a travel agent through online services just as if they were booking a hotel, or directly to the B&B via phone or fax.

Do any tour operators carry B&Bs in their product line?

Not usually.

What is the cancellation policy?

It varies. Ask the innkeeper when making the reservation. Generally speaking, since a B&B's room inventory is not large, deposits are required and may be kept in case of cancellation. No shows are generally charged. Speak to the innkeeper if you have concerns.

What about early departures?

Reservations are confirmed for the entire stay. Many inns collect the entire reservation amount when you check into the inn. Early checkouts are not refunded. You must pay for the entire stay.

What about "no-shows"?

Similar policy to most hotels; you can be charged the entire amount of the reservation. Check policy when making reservation.

Are bookings at a B&B commissionable?

Most B&Bs pay 10% commission to travel agents based on net rates.

Are there special rates for military, AARP, or special organizations?

B&Bs have discount programs. Ask about specific details.

OTHER USES FOR B&BS

Can B&B's be used for meetings?

Some B&Bs have conference rooms or can turn a dining room into a meeting space for guests. They will often rent the entire premises to a group for a meeting. The B&B can also provide catering and business services for their clients. Space is often given free with the rental of multiple rooms for multiple nights. The clients may have to take the entire property for a meeting.

What about weddings?

Many innkeepers can handle much of the wedding coordination, including securing the person to perform the service. Many beautiful wedding ceremonies have been held at B&Bs.

How about the corporate traveler?

Many B&Bs provide a special environment which appeals to the corporate traveler wanting a restful place to stay while on the road. One example is for clients who may have an early morning appointment. An innkeeper may well accommodate them by providing an early breakfast. Others will provide a brown-bag lunch. The quiet environs of most B&Bs are conducive to allowing the corporate traveler both a comfortable and restful stay as well as an environment in which work can be accomplished. Also for corporate travelers awaiting transfer to a new location, a B&B can become their home between homes. Corporate rates can be negotiated.

Groups?

Smaller groups fit nicely into B&Bs. Think of B&B's for reunions, seminars, retirement parties, fraternal groups, weddings, wedding parties, etc. B&Bs can be a nice alternative for a smaller incentive group as well. Since many B&Bs are often clustered in the same area, as is the case in downtown St. Petersburg, it is entirely feasible to fit a group of 40-50 people in several B&Bs within a mile of one another. Innkeepers will work with you to make arrangements.

What summarizes the B&B experience?

Staying at a B&B is a memorable experience. People get to know the innkeepers and oftentimes become repeat customers. They interact with other guests and make lasting friends. Guests go away feeling special and a bit pampered. B&Bs can become their escape from reality, or their home away from home. It is truly a positive experience.

THINGS TO DO AT FLORIDA'S BEACH WHEN YOU STAY AT A B&B

If someone stays at a B&B in the St. Petersburg/Clearwater area, what can they find to do?

Tons of things! For sports enthusiasts, you're minutes away from Tropicana Field, home to the major league Tampa Bay Devil Rays. For those staying in downtown St. Petersburg, a short stroll or trolley can take you to world class museums including the Salvador Dali Museum, the Holocaust Museum, the Fine Arts Museum, and the Children's

Hands On Museum. In addition, the beautiful waterfront is there to explore with its many shops and restaurants. St. Petersburg is a major sailing venue with many regattas being held from November to May. Triathalons and marathons are prevalent. St. Petersburg is a walkable city; most B&Bs are within a short walk of 30 fine restaurants. St. Petersburg is ablaze with change and excitement. A visit to The Pier and Baywalk is a must visit for all. Fishing? Boating? Golf? All easily accessible. For those staying in Gulfport, explore the great art galleries...on St.



Pete Beach, enjoy the spectacular gulf waters. Staying in Dunedin? Take in a spring training game of the Toronto

Blue Jays. Dunedin has it's own winery! Many shops and restaurants...and not to be missed....a drive out to Honeymoon Island to catch a ferry to Caladesi Island, rated #5 most beautiful beach in North America! Staying in Tarpon Springs? Famous for being the sponge fishing capital of the world, you'll enjoy learning about this fascinating trade, shopping for bargains on famous Deodecanese Blvd., and sampling great Greek cuisine! Use the famous Pinellas Trail, part of the nationwide Rails to Trails, which stretches 35 miles from Tarpon Springs down to St.Petersburg, beckoning you to hike, bike, skateboard or jog. Please refer to www.FloridasBeach.com for additional things to do as well as a comprehensive listing of calendar of events.

Websites about B&Bs

For further info on Bed and Breakfasts around the country, check out the following sites:

Tampabaybb.com
Americanhistoricinns.com
Purpleroofs.com

Inntravels.com
Bbonline.com
Theinnkeeper.com

Bedandbreakfast.com Floridasecrets.com

Where are the B&Bs?

Please see listings in the supplement section. You may wish to make copies of this for your clients.

You are now ready to complete the B&B Quiz in the Answer Section.

PET TRAVEL 33

Have a beloved pet?

Is your pet a deciding factor on whether or not you travel? If so, you will find the following information very help-ful...and with it, the knowledge that pets are most welcome in the area known as St. Petersburg/Clearwater "Florida's Beach"!

ENJOY YOUR STAY!

- You will find a pull-out reference guide on page 51 with over 70 properties that allow pets.
- · Information on pet travel websites included.
- Information on current airline transport regulations is included.



Park Regulations:

<u>State Parks:</u> Honeymoon Island is the only state park in the county that has a pet beach; other state parks allow pets, but they must be on a 6' hand-held leash.

<u>County Parks:</u> Pets are allowed on a leash, maximum of 6', in all county parks except the Friendship TrailBridge. There are certain areas of the parks such as campgrounds, swimming areas, beaches, and any place where food and drinks are sold and consumed that pets are not allowed.

<u>Paw Playgrounds</u>:Currently there are paw playgrounds at A.L. Anderson and Ft. DeSoto Parks. Dogs are not required to be on a leash while visiting the paw playgrounds. The paw playground at Ft. Desoto allows the dogs to enjoy the beach.

A.L. Anderson Park Fort DeSoto Park

39699 US Hwy 19 No. 3500 Pinellas Bayway So.

Tarpon Springs, FL Tierra Verde, FL (tip of St.Petersburg)

ph: 727 943-4085 ph: 866 2482

<u>City Parks</u>: Check with each community for their policy. Clymer Park in Gulfport has a doggie fountain and a dog park "coming soon". Crescent Lake in St.Petersburg has a dog park. Indian Rocks Beach has one leash free park at the Nature Preserve Park, 903 Gulf Blvd. St.Pete Beach allows leashed dogs in all city parks except for designated areas such as playgrounds, ball fields, etc.

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Pet Travel Websites

Here are some additional websites you may find helpful when traveling with your pet!

Aphis.usda.gov/ac

(U.S. Dept. of Agriculture Animal & Plant Health Inspection Svc.)

Petlife.com

Petsonthego.com

Traveldog.com

Interpetexplorer.com

Dogfriendly.com

Pettravel.com

Pettravel/travserv/pet_travel

Petfriendlytravel.com

Geocities.com

Travelingdogs.com

Travelingdogs.com

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AIRLINE TRANSPORT REGULATIONS

(information as of 10/4/2002; call to confirm)

CARRIER	CABIN PRICE	MAX.SIZE IN CABIN	AS CHECKED BAGGAGE	CARGO
America West www.americawest.com/service	\$75 ces/travelpolicies/sv_p	17"l x 16" w x 10"h pets.htm	no pets	no pets
American www.aa.com/content/travelir	\$80 nformation/travelHelp/	23"l x l3"w x 9" h 'main.html	\$80	\$152 and up
Continental www.continental.com/travel/	\$80 policies/animals	22"l x l4"w x 9"h	no pets	\$169-329
Delta www.delta.com/travel/trav_se	\$75 erv/pet_travel/index.js	7" x 2" w x 8" h p	\$75	\$153 and up
Northwest	\$80	17"l x 12.3" w x 8" h	\$139-299	\$105-510
Southwest	no pets			
United www.ual.com/page/middlepa	\$75 age/0.1454.1047.00.h	22"l x 10"h tml	no pets	varies
US Airways	\$100	17"l x 8" h	\$100	\$160-\$618



"FLORIDA'S BEACH" VISITOR GUIDE PORTION

The answers to the questions below can be found in the 2003 edition of the St. Petersburg/Clearwater Area (Florida's Beach) Visitor Guide

History

- 1. A replica of JFK's Rose Garden and Oval Office is housed at which museum?
 - a. Florida Museum of History
 - b. Florida International Museum
 - c. Leepa Rattner Museum
- 2. This museum houses some of the county's oldest structures, dating to the turn of the century.
 - a. Safety Harbor Museum
 - b. Heritage Park
 - c. Ponce de Leon Museum
- 3. A 3,500 year old mummy is displayed at which museum?
 - a. St. Petersburg Museum of History
 - b. Gulfport History Museum
 - c. Sunken Gardens
- 4. In which city is housed the Law Enforcement Memorial and National Armed Services Museum, which contains uniforms and US military memorabilia from the Colonial Army to present?
 - a. Clearwater
 - b. Dunedin
 - c. St. Petersburg
- 5. The St. Petersburg/Clearwater area, Florida's Beach, is located in Pinellas County, Fl. What does the name "Pinellas" mean?
 - a. Named for Count Basin Pinella, who discovered the area is 1682
 - b. Spanish for "Point of Pines"
 - c. Pinellas means "Beach" in Spanish

6.	There are na	atural springs in Safety Harbor. The Native Americans who inhabited the area thought they
	were:	
	a.	Poison
	b.	Sacred and magical
	C.	Entrance to the ocean
7.	One of these	e explorers did not visit here. Which one?
	a.	Hernando DeSoto
	b.	Ponce de Leon
	C.	Christopher Columbus
	d.	Panfile de Narvaez
8.	The Spanish	Explorers settled in this area in the 16th century in search of: (Circle the ONE THING they
	were r	not after)
	a.	Gold
	b.	Fountain of Youth
	C.	Diamonds
	d.	Silver
9.	In Safety Ha	arbor, Odete Phillippe, a surgeon in Napoleon's navy, introduced something to the new world,
	and several	trees still flourish in the area as a result. What was it?
	a.	Grapefruit
	b.	Oranges
	C.	Avocado
10). The comm	unity of Dunedin is considered to be:
	a.	A Scottish settlement
	b.	Birthplace of the citrus concentrate industry
	C.	Both a. and b.
11	. The Dunec	lin Railroad Museum dates back to:
	a.	1889
	b.	1912

1876

C.

12.	Which pro	perty is not on t	he Nation	al Trust of ⊢	listoric Places	s?	
	a.	Don CeSar E	Beach Res	ort & Spa			
	b.	Safety Harbo	or Spa				
	C.	Renaissance	Vinoy				
13.	True or Fa	lse? Pre-Colum	nbian Nativ	ve American	ns inhabited th	his area.	
	a.	True	b.	False			
14.	Weedon Is	sland in St. Pete	rsburg wa	s inhabited I	how many ye	ars ago?	
	a.	5,000					
	b.	10,000					
	C.	750					
15.	Which one	e of the below w	as NOT a	Native Ame	erican tribe in	this area?	
	a.	Timucans					
	b.	Choctaw					
	C.	Manasotas					
16.	True or Fa	llse? There is a	a pre-Colu	mbian Nativ	e American L	_earning Cent	er newly opened in
	St. Pe	tersburg.					
	a.	True	b.	False			
17.	Fort DeSo	to Park was bui	lt in 1898	to protect to	he bay area d	during which v	war?
	a.	Spanish Ame	erican War				
	b.	Revolutionar	y War				
	C.	Civil War					
Bot	anical						
1	The Florida	Botanical Garde	ens at Pine	ewood Cultu	ural Center co	ontains how m	nany acres?
	a.	70					
	b.	150					
	C.	400					

2.	How many o	county parks are t	here?		
	a.	9			
	b.	15			
	C.	24			
3.	True or False	e? We have been	called t	the "Birding capital of Florida."	
	a.	True	b.	False	
4.	In Brooker C	Creek Preserve, ci	rcle the (ONE bird not seen there.	
	a.	Reddish egret			
	b.	Bald eagle			
	C.	Mallard duck			
	d.	Wood stork			
	e.	Mangrove cucl	< 00		
5.	Sunken Gar	dens, a historic la	ndmark l	built in the early 1900's, sits on 6 beautiful acres in what	
	community:				
	a.	Madeira Beach	ì		
	b.	Treasure Island			
	C.	St. Petersburg			
6.	True or False	e? The state rec	reation a	area of Caladesi Island is reachable by ferry.	
	a.	True	b.	False	
7.	Which fish w	ould you not catc	h in our	waters?	
	a.	Tarpon			
	b.	Great White Sh	arks		
	C.	Amberjack			
Fu	n Stuff to D	Do			
1.	If you were a	a canoe enthusias	and wa	ranted to use the Weedon Island Canoe Trail, how long is the course	?
	a.	1 mile			
	b.	4 miles			
	C.	12 miles			

2.	If you were a	golfer, how many	courses	s could you choose from in our area?						
	a.	9								
	b.	23								
	C.	50								
3.	If you wanted	d to ride the Sunc	oast Bea	ach trolley up and down the beaches and to downtown St. Petersburg,						
	how much would it cost you a day?									
	a.	\$1								
	b.	\$3								
	C.	\$10								
4.	What is a Du	ick Tour?								
	a.	A canoe ride through Honeymoon Island								
	b.	An amphibious vintage WWII vehicle used as a tour in St. Petersburg								
	C.	An escorted tou	r of Sund	coast Seabird Sanctuary						
5.	Which one of	f these would you	NOT fin	nd at the Clearwater Marine Aquarium?						
	a.	Stingrays								
	b.	Turtles								
	C.	Whales								
6.	The Pinellas	Trail, perfect for cy	/clists, w	alkers, and skateboarders, is how many miles long?						
	a.	37								
	b.	82								
	C.	14								
7.	True or False	? The D.T. Sheric	lan lies c	off the coast of Clearwater Beach and is perfect for diving						
	excursions.									
	a.	True	b.	False						
8.	The type of r	acing held at Derk	by Lane	is Greyhound racing True or False?						
	a.	True	b.	False						

- 9. You won't want to miss a trip to the Florida Orange Groves and Winery in Pasadena. Name the one ingredient you could not find wine made from:
 - a. Grapefruit
 - b. Blueberries
 - c. Avocado
 - d. Tangerines
- 10. Baywalk, the new \$40 million entertainment center with 29 shops and restaurants, is located in:
 - a. Clearwater Beach
 - b. St. Petersburg
 - c. North Redington Beach
- 11. International Plaza is an upscale shopping center adjacent to:
 - a. Tampa International Airport
 - b. The Pier at Clearwater Beach
 - c. The Museums of St. Petersburg
- 12. Hungry? How many restaurants in this area?
 - a. 675
 - b. 1500
 - c. 2000
- 13. Name the one team that does not spring train in our general area:
 - a. Tampa Bay Devil Rays
 - b. Philadelphia Phillies
 - c. Baltimore Orioles
 - d. Toronto Blue Jays

2003 WEBSITE PORTION

N	a	t	u	r	е

1.	The St.	. Peters	burg/Clearwater	Area is a	rookery for Loggerhead Sea Turtles. How many did we hatch last year?
	а	١.	2,000		
	b).	5,000		
	С	•	10,000		
2.	A Cou	nty Parl	k where people ca	an enjoy	the beauty of nature would be Ft. DeSoto Park.
	а	l.	True	b.	False
3.	It is co	mmon 1	to see signs that	protect o	ur environment, including those which say "Do Not Trample". Which
	plant v	vould th	nis refer to?		
	а	l.	Mangroves		
	b).	Sea oats		
	С		Pinecones		
4.	Our are	ea can	be considered:		
	а	L.	An Island		
	b).	A peninsula on a	peninsul	la
	С		An ocean inlet		
TL	inac ta	a da			
	ings to		fich compressity for	برمائم ميا	w waters
١.			fish commonly for		
	а	l.	True	b.	False
2.	Does t	he St. F	Petersburg/Clearv	water are	a offer freshwater fishing?
	а	l.	Yes	b.	No
3.	Deep S	Sea Fisl	hing and in-land f	lats fishir	ng can be found in St. Petersburg/Clearwater?
	а	l.	True	b.	False

- 4. Which one of these resorts in <u>not</u> affiliated with a golf course?
 - a. Westin Innisbrook
 - b. Belleview Biltmore
 - c. Hilton Clearwater Beach
- 5. The closest Theme Park to our area is?
 - a. Sea World
 - b. Universal Studios
 - c. Busch Gardens
- 6. Starlite Princess is the name of:
 - A famous ballroom dance floor
 - b. An Annual parade celebrating the waterfront
 - c. A popular dinner dance cruise
- 7. Which of the 3 area properties listed on the National Trust of Historic Places is fondly referred to as "The PinkCastle?"
 - a. The Don CeSar
 - b. The Belleview Biltmore
 - c. The Renaissance Vinoy

Weather

- 1. How many average days of sunshine does this area enjoy?
 - a. 225
 - b. 170
 - c. 361
- 2. What is the average mean temperature for April:
 - a. 72 degrees
 - b. 85 degrees
 - c. 66 degrees
- 3. The record low was in 1962. What was the temperature?
 - a. 58 degrees
 - b. 22 degrees
 - c. 0 degrees

Communities

1.	Pass-A-Grille	e, and are	a on St. Pete Bea	.ch is a re	egistered National Historic District.
		a.	True	b.	False
_		Б			
2.	Indian Rocks		o .		
	a.	2.7 mile			
	b.	3.2 mile			
	C.	10 mile	S		
3.	True or False	? Treasur	e Island is 5 islan	ds combi	ned into one community.
		a.	True	b.	False
C۱	/B Departme	ents			
	-		ur and Travel Depa	artment h	as reps who cover all areas of the U.S.
		a.	True	b.	False
2.			ur & Travel Depart ge for inbound ec		n arrange for in-house presentations, assist with special trips.
		a.	True	b.	False
3.	The Public Retravel trade r		epartment offers	color slid	es and black and white photographs that can assist you in your
		a.	True	b.	False
4.			blic Relations Deposition own brochures.	partment	has a number of copy points and story features that can be
		a.	True	b.	False
5.			eetings & Convent ace once a meetin		urtment can assist with efforts to host meetings in our area and irmed.
		a.	True	b.	False
6.	True or False' teams to trai			an work w	vith you to bring youth, amateur, collegiate or professional sports
		a.	True	b.	False
7.	True or False about our wo		•	water Are	ea CVB is very proud to know you have taken the time to learn
		a.	True	b.	False

BEACH QUESTIONS

1.	What is	s the	Blue	Wave	Program?

- a. An environmental certification for beaches
- b A university course on oceanography
- c. A scuba diving certification program
- 2. What is "Red Tide"?
 - a. High tide after a hurricane
 - b. An explosion in the population of marine algae
 - c. The after-effect of an oil spill
- 3. How can Red Tide affect humans?
 - a. Skin irritation
 - b. Respiratory irritation
 - c. Ankle swelling
- 4. Ft. DeSoto Beach is rated #2 in the top rated beaches of the U.S.?
 - a. True
- b. False
- 5. How many beaches are rated by "Dr. Beach" each year?
 - a. 50
 - b. 250
 - c. 650
- 6. One reason beaches erode is because of coastal storms.
 - a. True
- b.
- False
- 7. The material our beach sand comes from is:
 - a. Mica
 - b. Phosphate
 - c. Granite

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- 8. Which body of water is the Gulf of Mexico not connected to?
 - a. Atlantic Ocean
 - b. Mississippi River
 - c. Rio Grande
 - d Pacific Ocean
- 9. What is a "gulf"?
 - A. Atributary leading to an ocean
 - B. A large coastal indentation, usually connected to the sea
 - C. An area where barrier reefs are found
- 10. "Gulf of Mexico" is referred to as a locator for our area because:
 - a. In early days, it was part of the body of water owned by Mexico
 - b. We have similar weather

1. Arts and culture have an economic impact in the St.Petersburg/Clearwater area of:

ARTS & CULTURE QUESTIONS

	a. \$11 millionb. \$26.5 millionc. \$40.2 million
2.	One of the top 100 fine art shows in the country, held in our area is: a. Dunedin Fine Arts b. Mainsail Arts and Crafts c. Tarpon Springs Arts and Crafts
3.	The famous Clearwater Jazz Holiday is held annually in what month? a. June b. October c. December
4.	True or False? The Florida Orchestra is one of the best regional orchestras in the U.S a. True b. False
5.	How many museums in downtown St. Petersburg are easily accessible by trolley? a. 4 b. 6 c. 9
6.	Which museum houses the biplane used in the first commercial aviation route in the U.S.? a. Safety Harbor Historical Museum b. Museum of Aviation c. St. Petersburg Museum of History
7.	How many galleries can be found throughout the St.Petersburg/Clearwater area? a. 20-30 b. 40-50 c. 80-90
8.	Museums and cultural centers can be used for off-site venues such as functions for incentive groups, weddings, and special events. a. True b. False
9.	The Florida Holocaust Museum is the largest in the country? a. 9th b. 3rd c. 1st
10	What website can you use to find a continually updated calendar of events in the St. Petersburg/Clearwater area?a. Stpetersburgclearwater.comb. Floridasbeach.com
	c. Calendar.com

BED & BREAKFAST QUESTIONS

a. Trueb. False

1. What is the maximum number of rooms to be classified as a B&B in Florida?

	b. 10 c. 15				
2.	Most B&Bs have private bathrooms?	a.	True	b.	False
3.	Most B&Bs have telephones in each unit?	a.	True	b.	False
4.	Most innkeepers pay travel agent commissions. a. True b. False				
5.	One reason B&B's consider themselves safe ar a. They have locks in all rooms b. There is nighttime security c. They know their clientele	nd se	ecure is:		
6.	Are B&Bs very popular for honeymooners or war a. Yes b. No	eddii	ngs?		
7.	One reason a corporate traveler would enjoy a late. a. True b. False	3&B	is all the	an	nenities provided at no extra charge?
8.	Should B&Bs be used for certain small meeting a. Yes b. No	gs?			
	How many B&Bs are in the St.Petersburg/Clea a. 2-4 b. 8-10 c. 18-20			, io	it is more intimate
10	One reason a B&B stay is different from a hornal having fewer than 15 rooms?	ι σ ι/ []	iolei siaj	, 15	it is more intimate,

TARPON SPRINGS QUESTIONS

a. 1-2b. 4-6c. 8-10

When was Tarpon Springs incorporated? a. 1887
b. 1902
c. 1924
2. Tarpon Springs is famous for two things; which one are they not famous for:
a. Greek fishing village
b. Top rated beach
c. Sponge fishing
3. Is there a beach in Tarpon Springs? a. True b. False
4. Is a sponge:
a. A single cell animal
b A plant
c. A mussel
5. How many species of sponge are there?
a. 200
b 5,000
c. 3
6. Tarpon Springs is a port? a. True b. False
7. What day does the Epiphany Celebration always fall on?
a. January 6
b March 1
c. December 19
8. How many properties in Tarpon Springs are on the National Trust for Historic Preservation
a 9
b Over 50
c. Over I50
9. The newest museum in the Tarpon Springs area is called:
a. Museum of Botany
b. Leepa Rattner Museum
c. Salvador Dali Museum
10. How many properties are in the Tarpon Springs general area?

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HELPFUL REFERENCE INFO ON ARTS & CULTURE

St. Petersburg/Clearwater Area CVB floridasbeach.com

Pinellas County Arts Council pinellascounty.org/artscoun.htm

THEATER AND ORCHESTRA

American Stage	St.Petersburg		americanstage.org
Ruth Eckerd Hall	1111 McMullen Booth Rd.,Clwtr	727 791 7400	rutheckerdhall.com
Palladium Theater	St.Petersburg		palladiumtheater.com
The Florida Orchestra	St.Petersburg		floridaorchestra.org
Performing Arts Center	324 W. Pine St., Tarpon Springs	727 942 5605	

MUSEUM

Salvador Dali Museum	1000 3rd St. So., St.Pete	727 823 3767	Salvadordalimuseum.org
Florida International Museum	100 2nd St.No., St.Pete	800 777 8882	flavidanaman
i londa international Museum	100 211d Stino., Strete	000 111 0002	floridamuseum.org
Fl.orida Holocaust Museum	55 5th St.So., St.Pete	727 820 0100	flholocaustmuseum.org
	2224		
Leepa Rattner Museum	600 Klosterman Rd., TS	727 712 5762	spcollege.edu/central/museum
St. Pete Museum of History	335 2nd Ave. NE., St.Pete	727 894 1052	museumofhistoryonline.org
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Gulf Coast Museum of Art	12211 Walsingham Rd., Largo	727 518 6833	
Great Explorations-Hands on Museum	St.Petersburg		
Creat Explorations Flands of Museum	Jul eleisburg		
Cultural Arts Center	101 So.Pinellas Ave., Tarpon Springs	727 942 5605	
	500 5 1 1 5 11		
National Armed Services Museum	500 Douglas Ave., Dunedin	727 734 0700	
Kid's Firehouse Museum	13094 95th St. Largo	727 585 1300	naslemm.com
	3		The second secon
Napoleonic Library, Museum & Study Center	1115 Ponce de Leon Blvd., Belleair	727 586 1779	
Children's Museum-Dunedin Fine Arts Center	1143 Michigan Blvd, Dunedin	727 298 3322	dfaaaya
Children's Museum-Dunedin Fine Arts Center	1140 Michigan Divu,Dunedin	121 280 3322	dfac.org
Dunedin Historical Museum/Railroad Museum	349 Main St., Dunedin 34698	727 736 1176	ci.dunedin.fl.us

GALLERY

Dunedin Fine Arts Center	1143 Michigan Blvd., Dunedin	727 298 3322	dfac.org
Firehouse Gallery	818 Highland Ave.,Dunedin	727 738 8120	
Painted Fish Gallery	350 Main St., Dunedin	727 736 0934	
Syd Entel Galleries/Susan Benjamin Glass	247 Main St., Safety Harbor	727 725 1808	Sydentelgalleries.com
George Innes Jr. Paintings	57 Read St., Tarpon Springs	727 937 4682	
Christopher Still Studio	Tarpon Springs		
Mitch Kolbe Studio	Tarpon Springs		

La Mancha Mesa	Tarpon Springs		
Moon Bay Glass	Tarpon Springs		
Decora Studio	Tarpon Springs		
Nancy Markoe Gallery	3112 Pass- A- Grille Way, St. Pete Bch	727 360 0729	nancymarkoegallery@earthlink.net
Sign of the Dolphin Artists Training Ctr. Of Paul	652 Madeira Bch Cswy, Mad.Bch	727 393 1400	dolphin652@juno.com
Foropoulos	Tarpon Springs	727 942 7278	paulforopoulos.com
Class Act	2902 Beach Blvd. S., Gulfport	727 322 8978	
Nature of Art Inc.	105 8th Ave. Pass-A-Grille, StPete Bch	727 367 5654	
Art Galore	21680 US Hwy 19 N., Clearwater	727 791 9924	
The Emerald Rainbow	300 S.Belcher Rd., Clearwater	727 532 9001	emeraldrainbow-wedgie.com
Snooty Judy's Fine Art Gallery	514 Skinner Blvd., Dunedin	727 734 9835	openmindart.com

OTHER ST.PETERSBURG GALLERIES

The Arts Center*	719 Central Ave., St. Pete	727 822 7872	theartscenter.org
Art Space	10 Fifth St. No. Ste. 200, St. Pete	727 804 7004	spaceartspace@aol.com
Central Gallery	475 Central Ave., St. Pete	727 898 3997	centralgallery.net
531 Central Fine Arts Gallery	531Central Ave, St. Pete	722 822 2787	531central.com
Confident Gallery	695 Central Ave,, St. Pete	727 502 5233	
Creative Clay Inc	1001 4th St. No., St. Pete	727 825 0515	crtvclay@itel.net
Crystal Mirage Gallery	800 2nd Ave. NE, St. Pete (Pier)	727 895 1166	crystalmirage.com
Davidson Fine Art	725 Central Ave., St. Pete	727 827 1888	
East West Gallery & Framery	529 Central Ave., St. Pete	727 823 9629	
Florida Craftsmen Gallery	501 Central Ave.,St. Pete	727 821 7391	floridacraftsmen.net
Gallery Enormous	540 Central Ave., St. Pete	727 551 9865	galleryenormous.com
Glass Canvas Gallery	146 2nd St. No., St. Pete	727 821 6767	
Grand Finale	1101 First Ave. No., St. Pete	727 823 9921	gfinale.com
Heavenly Things	2126 1st Ave. No., St. Pete	727 822 0883	heavenlythings@aol.com
Jane Morris Gallery & Studio	685 Central Ave., St. Pete	727 822 0883	
Lynn Merhige Gallery & Studio	216 4th St. No., St. Pete	727 895 2797	
M. Petty Photography	538 Central Ave., St. Pete	727 898 2600	
P. Buckley Moss Gallery	190 4th Ave. NE., St. Pete	727 894 2899	
Red Cloud Gallery*	208 Beach Dr. NE., St. Pete	727 821 5824	redcloudindianarts.com
Shapiro Studio and Gallery	185 2nd Ave. N., St. Pete	727 894 2111	shapirogallery.com
SoHo South Gallery	2105 Central Ave., St. Pete	727 822 2280	

Studio Encanto	209 First St. NE., St.Pete	727 821 2959	encantoart.com
Studio Szabries	2057 Central Ave., St.Pete	727 895 2444	szabries.com
T.W. Curtis Galleries/Studio Thomas Kinkade	331 16th St. No., St.Pete	727 898 9898	TwCurtisGalleries@msn.com
Spring Gate Galleries	Tyrone Sq. Mall, St.Pete	727 344 4215	
Vladimir's Collection	111 Second Ave. NE, St.Pete	727 895 9755	

*Call these for info on Monthly Gallery Walk Dates

ADDRESS	NO UNITS & FUNCTION SPACE?	PAY T.A. COMM?	H4	Fax 727 307 0368	website	e-mail maylomelebb@acl.com
No.Redington Bch 33708		res	S00 440 7215	121 391 9308	parkeire bole sol.com	parkc relevol (Naoreom
5701 Shore Blvd. So. Gulffort 33707	7 urats	Yes	888 343 4445 727 343 4445	727 343 4447	seabree & maror.com	rsvp@seabreezmanor.com
13355 2nd St. E. Madeira Beach 33708	7 units; no furc space	seX	800 241 0334 727 393 72855	727 391 0015	stayattle lighthouse.com	
458 Virginia Lane Dunedin, Fl 34698	7 units; no function space		727 733 9248	727 736 9079	me ia nova.com	bonait)@verizon net
335 8th Ave. NE St.Petersburg 33701	5 units; no function space	Yes	800 381 2022 727 822 6222	727 822 6312	dirkenshows.com	moo smodsney que com
7141 Bay St. StPete Beach 33706	10 units; yes, function space	Yes	727 367 9907	727 367 9906	moo odmaq-esed	info@pass-tempo.com
1401 Guff Way St.Pete Beach 33706	12 units; no function space	oN	727 360 8844		inronbeach.com	
702 Pass-A-Grile Way StPete Beach 33706	y 12 units; no function space	oN	727 367 1515	727 367 1616	(a) (b) (b)	imkee per@passagrilleinn.com
1719 Beach dr. SE St.Petersburg 33701	ro furction space	Yes	727 823 4955/877 823 4955	727 821 0088	bayborohousebandb.com	bayboro@sol.com
357 3rd St. So. StPetersburg 33701	5 units; no function space	No	727 823 0498	727 821 0088	travelbase com/destinatio- rs/st-pete/bayboro-im	baybonobb@aol.com
126 4th Ave NE StPetersburg 33701	12 units; small function space	Yes	727 822 1700	727 896 7412	imathebay.com	info@innatthebaycom
111 5th Ave. No. St.Petersburg 33701	5 units; small function space	Yes	727 824 9997	727 827 1431	kverandabb.com	info@laverandabb.com
105 5th Ave. NE St.Petersburg 33701	13 units; small function space	Yes	800 274 7520 727 821 9391	727 821 6906	marsipubandb.com	
635 BaySt. NE StPetersburg 33701	9 units, function space	Yes	800 794 5133 727 896 6701	727 898 5311	sunsefbayirn com	
532 Beach Dr. NE St.Petersburg 33701	7 units; no function space	Yes	866 846 6947 727 827 4855	OI.	vinoyhouse.com	michae Ovinoyhouse im.com
32 W. Tarpon Ave Tarpon Springs 34689	5 & 1 effe. No furct.space	Cal	727 938 9333		sprigbayouim.com	jska IZ @gto. net
209 Scotland St. Dunedin, Fl 34698			727-735-9006	727-736-0626	jodovglasho we.com	
856 5th St. South Safety Harbor, FL 34695	51		727-723-9000	727-726-3054	lbisbb.com	moo.ddsd@dni

ACCOMMODATIONS IN THE TARPON SPRINGS AREA

There are great places to stay in Tarpon Springs itself, including one Bed & Breakfast. Tarpon Springs is a short 20 minute drive from Clearwater and easily accessible from anywhere in the county.

 Four Points Sheraton
 Spring Bayou Inn B&B
 Tarpon Shores Inn

 37611 US Hwy 19N
 32 W. Tarpon Ave.
 40346 US Hwy 19N

 727 942 0358
 727 938 9333
 727 938 2483

www.fourpointstarponsprings.com www.springbayouinn.com www.tarponshoresinn.com

 Tarpon Inn
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 Golf View Motel

 110 W. Tarpon Ave.
 38724 US Hwy 19N
 1475 S.Pinellas

 727 937 6121
 727 934 5781
 727 937 7342

 www.stargest@cs.com
 727 934 5781
 727 937 7342

 Days Inn
 Red Roof Inn
 Hampton Inn

 40050 US Hwy 19N
 32000 US Hwy 19N
 39284 US Hwy 19N

 727 938 8000
 727 786 2529
 727 945 7755

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Sun Bay Motel 57 W. Tarpon Ave. 727 934 1001

TARPON SPRINGS USEFUL WEBSITES:

 Absolute Flats Fishing •Acme Sponge & Chamois Charters By Design (fishing) www.fishknox.com www.chartersbydesign.com www.acmesponge.com Classic Corvettes & Collectibles •CNR Watercraft Rentals County Line Bingo www.classiccorvettes.com www.cnrwatercraft.com www.countyline-bingo.com Cypress Run Golf DeJaVu Charters (Fishing) •GMV Superstore (Greek Music) www.tarpon-toms.com www.greekmusic.com www.cypressrun.com •Island Wind Tours LaMancha Carved Glass Narcosis Scuba Center www.islandwindtours.com www.Lamanchaglass.com www.LOLscuba.com

Outrageous Tours (fishing)
 Seacoast Yacht Charters,
 Travel Service & Sailing School www.seacoastcharters.com
 Christopher Still (artist)
 SunLine Cruises (Eco Tours)
 Konger Tarpon Springs Aquarium

•Christopher Still (artist)

•SunLine Cruises (Eco Tours)

•Konger Tarpon Springs Aquarium

www.christopherstill.com

www.sunlinecruises.com

www.tarponspringsacquarium.com

•Tarpon Springs Awesome Tours www.tarponspringsawesometours.com

ST. PETERSBURG/CLEARWATER NATIONAL HISTORIC PLACES

Facility Name	Address	City	Listed
Alexander Hotel	535 Central Ave.	St. Petersburg	11/1/1984
Anclote Key Lighthouse	Southern end of Anclote Key Island	Anclote Key Island	4/1/1999
Andrews Memorial			
Chapel Buena	Vista and San Mateo	Dunedin	7/31/1972
Arcade Hotel	210 Pinellas Ave.	Tarpon Springs	1/12/1984
Arfaras, N. G., Sponge			
Packing House	26 W. Park St.	Tarpon Springs	4/10/1991
Bay Pines Site (8Pi64)	Address Restricted	Bay Pines	2/23/1983
Belleview-Biltmore			
Hotel	Off FL 697	Clearwater	12/26/1979
Boone House	601 Fifth Ave. N	St. Petersburg	7/3/1986
Casa Coe da Sol	510 Park St.	St. Petersburg	7/17/1980
Casa De Muchas Flores	1446 Park St. N.	St. Petersburg	1/31/1985
Central High School	2501-5th Ave. N.	St. Petersburg	8/1/1984
Cleveland Street			
Post Office	650 Cleveland St.	Clearwater	8/7/1980
Dennis Hotel	326 First Ave. N	St. Petersburg	4/17/1986
Domestic Science and			
Manual Training School	440-442 Second Ave. N	St. Petersburg	10/14/1999
Don Ce Sar Hotel	3400 Gulf Blvd.	St. Petersburg Beach	4/3/1975
Douglas, J. O., House	209 Scotland St	Dunedin	11/29/1979
DUCHESS	Tarpon Springs Sponge Docks		
(Sponge Hooking Boat)	at Dodecanese Blvd.	Tarpon Springs	8/2/1990
Ducros, Louis, House	1324 S. Fort Harrison St.	Clearwater	7/2/1979
First Methodist Church			
of St. Petersburg	212 Third St., N	St. Petersburg	9/13/1990
Fort Desoto Batteries	8 mi. S of St. Petersburg		
	on Mullet Key	St. Petersburg	12/2/1977
GEORGE N. CRETEKOS	S Tarpon Springs Sponge Docks		
(Sponge Diving Boat)	at Dodecanese Blvd.	Tarpon Springs	8/3/1990
Green-Richman Arcade	689 Central Ave.	St. Petersburg	1/30/1998

Harbor Oaks Residential	Roughly bounded by Druid Rd., S.		
District	Fort Harrison Ave., Lotus Path, Clwtr Hrbr	Clearwater	3/15/1988
Ingleside	333 S. Bayshore Blvd.	Safety Harbor	4/28/1992
Johnson, Louis, Building	161 First St., SW	Largo	12/3/1987
Kress, S.H., and			
Company Building	475 Central Ave.	St. Petersburg	10/1/2001
Meres, E. R., Sponge			
Packing House	106 Read St.	Tarpon Springs	4/10/1991
Mount Olive African			
Methodist Episcopal			
Church	600 Jones St.	Clearwater	2/3/2000
N.K. SYMI	Tarpon Springs Sponge Docks		
(Sponge Diving Boat)	at Dodecanese Blvd.	Tarpon Springs	8/2/1990
Old Belleair Town Hall	903 Ponce de Leon Blvd.	Belleair	5/6/1994
Pass-a-Grille Historic	Roughly bounded by 12th Ave.,		
District	Gulf Blvd., 4th Ave., and Gulf Ave.	St. Pete Beach	10/19/1989
Pinellas County			
Courthouse, Old	315 Court St.	Clearwater	6/25/1992
Potter House	577 Second St. S	St. Petersburg	6/13/1986
Roebling, Donald, Estate	700 Orange Ave.	Clearwater	12/19/1979
Roser Park Historic	Roughly bounded by 5th and 9th Sts. S		
District	and 6th and 11th Aves. S	St. Petersburg	4/1/1998
Safety Harbor Site	Address Restricted	Safety Harbor	10/15/1966
Safford House	Parken Pl.	Tarpon Springs	10/16/1974
Snell Arcade	405 Central Ave.	St. Petersburg	11/4/1982
South Ward School	610 S. Fort Harrison Ave.	Clearwater	6/18/1979
ST. NICHOLAS III	Tarpon Springs Sponge Docks		
(Sponge Diving Boat)	at Dodecanese Blvd.	Tarpon Springs	8/3/1990
ST. NICHOLAS VI	Tarpon Springs Sponge Docks		
(Sponge Diving Boat)	at Dodecanese Blvd.	Tarpon Springs	8/3/1990
St. Petersburg Lawn			
Bowling Club	536 4th Ave., N.	St. Petersburg	7/9/1980
St. Petersburg			
Public Library	280 Fifth St. N	St. Petersburg	6/13/1986

St. Petersburg			
Woman's Club	40 Snell Isle Blvd.	St. Petersburg	7/15/1994
Studebaker Building	600 Fourth St. South	St. Petersburg	7/5/1985
Tarpon Springs City			
Hall, Old	101 S. Pinellas Ave.	Tarpon Springs	8/10/1990
Tarpon Springs			
High School, Old	324 E. Pine St.	Tarpon Springs	10/11/1990
Tarpon Springs	Roughly bounded by Read St.,		
Historic District	Hibiscus St., Orange St., Levis Ave.,		
	Lemon St. and Spring Bayou	Tarpon Springs	12/6/1990
U.S. Post Office	SW corner of 1st Ave. N. and 4th St. N.	St. Petersburg	4/4/1975
Veillard House	262 N. 4th Ave.	St. Petersburg	10/29/1982
Vinoy Park Hotel	501 Beach Dr.	St. Petersburg	9/11/1978
Weeden Island Site	Address Restricted	St. Petersburg	6/13/1972
Williams, John C., House	444 5th Ave. S.	St. Petersburg	4/24/1975

PET FRIENDLY ACCOMMODATIONS

Name	City	Zip	Phone	Web
All Suite Motel, 3751 Gulf Blvd.	St.Pete Beach	33706	727 367 7837	allsuitevillas.com
Anchor Apts., 10225 Gulf Blvd.	Treasure Island	33706	727 360 1871	
Bay Palms Apts., 7241 Bay St.	St.Pete Beach	33706	727 360 1754	gulfcoastflorida.com/baypalms
Bayview Plaza Resort, 4321 Gulf Blvd.	St.Pete Beach	33706	727 367 1387	thebayviewplaza.com
Beach Suites Resort, 14560 Gulf Blvd.	Madeira Beach	33708	727 319 6393	beachsuiteresort.com
Beachflower, 14048 Gulf Blvd.	Madeira Beach	33708	727 442 3877	thebeachflower.com
Best Western Sea Castle Motel, 10750 Gulf Blvd.	Madeira Beach	33706	727 367 2704	
Butterfly Motel, 12500 US Hwy 19 No	Clearwater		727 536 1500	
Casa Chica Cottages, 19000 Gulf Blvd.	Indian Shores	33785	727 596 1602	casachicacottages.com
Castillian Lake Club Apts., 11444 137th St.N	Largo	33774	727 596 9133	apartmentguide.com
Causeway Motel, 2624 Paula Dr.	Dunedin	34698	727 734 1734	
Chart House Suites, 850 Bayway Blvd.	Clearwater Bch	33767	727 449 8007	charthousesuites.com
Chesapeake Apts., 2307 Cumberland Cir.	Clearwater	33763	727 791 0336	
Clearwater Beach Hotel, 500 Mandalay Ave.	Clearwater Bch	33767	727 441 2425	clearwaterbeachhotel.com
Coral Shell Motel/Apts., 143 Brightwater Dr.	Clearwater Bch	33767	727 447 1169	coralshell.com
Days Inn Gateway, 9359 US Hwy 19 No.	Pinellas Park	33782	727 577 3838	daysinn.com
Days Inn, 2595 54th Ave. No.	St.Petersburg	33714	727 522 3191	
Delux Motel, 1477 S.Fort Harrison Ave.	Clearwater	33756	727 442 8993	deluxmotel.com
Dockside Apt. Motel, 403 E.Shore Dr.	Clearwater Bch	33767	727 443 6665	
Driftwood Inn, 462 E.Shore Dr.	Clearwater Bch	33767	727 442 9389	driftwoodinnflorida.com
Dunedin RV Resort, 2920 Alt. 19N.	Dunedin	34698	727 784 3719	gocampingamerica.com
Echelon at Bay Isle Apts., 11850 9th St. No	St.Petersburg	33716	727 568 9200	echelonne.com
Eight Eighty Mandalay Apts.,880 Mandalay Ave	Clearwater Bch	33767	727 441 1743	
Eldorado Village, 601 Starkey Rd.	Largo	33771	727 531 9105	
Fairhaven Estate, 612 Pass-A-Grille Way	St.Pete Beach	33706	727 367 1764	fairhavenestate.com
Gateway Apts., 2000 Gandy Blvd.	St.Petersburg	33702	727 579 9935	
Grande Bay Apts., 2909 Gulf to Bay Blvd.	Clearwater	33759	727 725 2926	
Gulf Breeze Inn, 2008 Gulf Blvd.	Ind.Rocks Bch	33785	727 595 6104	
Gulf Front Retreats Vac.Rentals, 19535 Gulf Blvd.	Indian Shores	33785	727 517 7527	fla-beaches.com
Hilton St.Petersburg, 333 1st St. So.	St.Petersburg	33701	727 894 5000	stpetehilton.com
Holiday Villas II Condos, 19610 Gulf Blvd.	Indian Shores	33785	727 596 4852	holidayvillas2.com
Homestead Studio Hotels, 2311 Ulmerton Rd	Clearwater	33762	727 572 4800	homesteadhotels.com

Homewood Suites, 2233 Ulmerton Rd.	Clearwater	33762	727 573 1500	homewood-suites.com
Imperial Palms Apts.,101 Imperial Palm Dr.	Largo	33771	727 585 3723	imperialpalms.com
Island Paradise Cott./Apts., 13215 2nd St. E	Madeira Beach	33708	727 395 9751	islandparadise.com
Knights Inn, 34106 US Hwy 19 No.	Palm Harbor	34684	727 789 2002	
La Veranda Bed & Breakfast, 111 Fifth Ave. North	St. Petersburg	33701	727 824 9997	laverandabb.com
Lamara Motel Apts., 520 73rd Ave.	St.Pete Beach	33706	727 360 7521	lamara.com
LaQuinta Inn, 3301 Ulmerton Rd.	Clearwater	33762	727 572 7222	laquinta.com
LaQuinta Inn, 4999 34th St. No.	St.Petersburg	33714	727 527 8421	www.laquinta.com
LaQuinta Inn, 7500 US Hwy 19 No.	Pinellas Park	33782	727 545 5611	laquinta.com
Lighthouse B&B Motel, 13355 2nd St. E	Madeira Beach	33708	727 391 0015	stayatthelighthouse.com
Lorelei Resort, 10273 Gulf Blvd.	Treasure Island	33706	727 360 4351	loreleiresort.com
Malibu Resort, 1700 Gulf Blvd.	No.Redington B	33708	727 393 1150	hometown.aol.com/maliburesortfl
MarJac Apts.Motel, 144 Brightwater Dr,	Clearwater Bch	33767	727 442 6009	beachdirectory.com
Palm Harbor RV Resort, 2119 Alt. 19 No.	Palm Harbor	34683	727 785 3402	
Paradise Cove Apt. Motel, 145 Brighwater Dr.	Clearwater Bch	33767	727 446 4910	
Pleasant Inn, 1744 N. Ft.Harrison Ave.	Clearwate r	33755	727 442 8067	pleasantinn.com
Princess Martha Retirement Res.,411 1st Ave.No.	St.Petersburg	33701	727 894 6788	princessmartha.com
Ramada Inn Countryside, 26508 US 19 No.	Clearwater	33761	727 796 1234	ramadacountryside.com
Ramada Inn Mirage, 5000 34th St. No.	St.Petersburg	33714	727 525 1181	ramadainnstpete.com
Red Roof Inn, 32000 US 19 No.	Palm Harbor	34684	727 786 2529	
Residence Inn by Marriott,5050 Ulmerton Rd.	Clearwater	33764	727 573 4444	
Safety Harbor Resort and Spa, 105 N. Bayshore Dr.	Safety Harbor	34695	727 726 1161	safetyharborspa.com
Sailwinds Waterfront Resort, 1414 Bayshore Dr	Dunedin	34689	727 734 8851	
Sand Glo Villas, 19316 Gulf Blvd.	Indian Shores	33785	727 320 9720	sandglo.com
Sandy Shores Condos, 12924 Gulf Blvd.	Madeira Beach	33708	727 392 1281	gulfcoastflorida.com
Sandy Shores Vac.Rentals, 816 Gulf Blvd.	Ind.Rocks Bch	33785	727 595 3226	sandyshoresvacation.com
Schooner Motel, 14500 Gulf Blvd.	Madeira Beach	33708	727 392 5167	schoonermotel.com
Scilla Motel, 3833 Gulf Blvd.	St.Pete Beach	33706	727 367 1983	
Sea Cove Motel, 316 Hamden Dr.	Clearwater Bch	33767	727 442 4636	bdir.com/seacove
Sea Oats on the Gulf, 12625 Sunshine Lane	St.Pete Beach	33706	727 367 7568	
Sea Star Motel, 1805 Gulf Blvd.	Ind.Rocks Bch	33785	727 596 2525	seastarmotel.homestead.com
Seahorse Cottages, 10356 Gulf Blvd.	Treasure Island	33706	727 367 2291	seahorse-cottages.com
Seaside Motel, 1064 Broadway	Dunedin	34689	727 736 4657	
Snowden Resort Apts., 5353 Gulf Blvd.	St.Pete Beach	33706	727 367 1444	snowdenresort.com

Snug Harbor Inn B&B, 13655 Gulf Blvd.	Madeira Beach	33708	727 395 9256	snugharborflorida.com
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Four Points Sheraton, 37611 US Hwy 19 No.	Palm Harbor	34684	727 942 0358	fourpointstarponsprings.com
Sunbay Motel, 57 W.Tarpon Ave.	Tarpon Springs	34689	727 934 1001	sunbaymotel.com
Sunset Bay Inn B&B, 635 Bay St. N.E.	St.Petersburg	33701	727 896 6701	sunsetbayinn.com
Towne Place Suites, 13200 49th St.No.	Clearwater	33762	727 299 9229	towneplacesuites.com
Travel Towne RV Resort, 29850 US 19 No.	Clearwater	33761	727 784 2500	rvresorts.com
Tropic Isle Motel, 23 Rockaway St.	Clearwater	33767	772 442 8438	
Tvl.Resort Svcs.(Condos), 13030 Gulf Blvd.	Madeira Beach	33708	727 393 2534	trsinc.com
Valley Forge Motel, 6825 Central Ave.	St.Petersburg	33710	727 345 0135	
Victoria Apts., 19738 Gulf Blvd.	Indian Shores	33785	727 595 4004	
Vinoy House, 532 Beach Dr. NE	St. Petersburg	33701	vinoyhouse.com	
Williamsburg Place Apt., 2230 Nursery Rd.	Clearwater	33764	727 446 0167	
Passe-A-Grille Co-Op Motel, 709 Gulf Way	St.Pete Beach	33706	727 367 4726	



PETERSBUR CLEARWATER

About our Intercoastal Waterways...

wonderland where wildlife – winged, marine and land bred abound in the countless Some of the most beautiful and unspoiled coastlands in Florida are found along the West Coast Intracoastal Waterways (ICWW), especially at Florida's Beach. It is an ecological coves and bays, inlets and island nooks along the mainland.

Birds

cormorants which have to dry their wings in the sun Birds are particularly prevalent along the waterway. even within its most populous area, wildlife sanctuaries dot the coastline. Herons, Ibis, Egrets, Cormorants, Brown and White Pelicans, Roseate Spoonbills, Seagulls, and occasionally and Osprey or Seahawk may occupy the same sandbar or roosting island. The ICWW navigational markers are favorite perchaites for after diving. The Least Tern, often seen, is a federally endangered species.

Mammals

attention from scientists, coastal managers, and the public in recent years. About 1700 manatees exist in the The West Indian Manatee, Trichechus Manantus, is an endangered species that has received considerable southeast United States, mainly Florida. This population is one of the world's largest for the species.

creation of boat speed zones in the coastal counties to The Florida Department of Protection has required the protect the manatee. Speed zones are enforced by both state and local enforcement agencies.

Reptiles

While cruising the waterways you may see one of the many types of turtles common to our area, Kemp's Ridley sea turtle or the Loggerhead sea turtle. Caution should be used when around turtles and be especially careful of nests on the shoreline during breeding season.

Major Habitat Types

The Tampa Bay area underwater habitats include, submerged aquatic vegetation (sea grass), artifical reefs, barrier islands, sand bars, sand, mud, salt flats, salt/brackish marsh, mangrove, forested wetlands, freshwater lakes, ponds, scrubs and shrubs.

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monitor's VHF channel 16 & 9. Always check current The following are bridges over the West Coast Intracoastal Waterway in the area. The Bridge Tender Please direct any questions on the bridges to the Florida charts and Notice to Mariners for detailed openings. Department of Transportation at (941) 359-5666. The following information is supplied by place, type of bridge, clearance in feet (Vertical) above mean high water, and clearance (horizontal) Fender to Fender.

- Sunshine Skyway Fixed, 151, 803
- Pinellas Causeway, Bascule, 25, 91 Tierra Verde, Bascule, 25, 89
 - Corey Causeway, Bascule, 23, 91
- Treasure Island Causeway, Bascule, 8, 80 Tom Stuart Causeway, Bascule, 25, 89 Johns Pass, Bascule, 26, 62
 - Belleair Causeway, Bascule, 21, 80 Indian Rocks, Bascule, 25, 90
- Clearwater, Bascule, 25, 90

Clearwater Pass, Fixed, 74, 90

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Dunedin, Bascule, 24, 91

Shallow Draft Harbors

The following areas have shallow drafts - Please use caution.

- Pass-A-Grille Entrance channel from seaward 150 Clearwater Pass - Entrance channel seaward 150feet, depth ten feet. Extreme shoaling in channel.
- 250 feet, depth ten feet. Extreme shoaling across John's Pass – Entrance channel from seaward 150 channel

Deep Draft Harbors

feet, depth ten feet.

St. Petersburg Harbor/ Bayboro Basin Channel - 300 +feet, depth 15 + feet



St. Petersburg/Clearwater

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St. Petersburg/Clearwater - Florida's Beach offers 35 miles of pristine powder-white activities to name a few. Most people take advantage of our destination from a landlubbers view, but did you know that Florida's Beach is a great sailing destination? sandy beaches, cultural and historical

St. Petersburg is known as the sailing capital year and its Municipal Marina is the largest in of the South. Its coastline stretches for 234 miles, making it a prime location for boaters. It hosts international regattas throughout the the state.

each November, Regata Del Sol al Sol held each April, and the Mainsail event held each The St. Petersburg /Clearwater area boasts many sailing events such as Sail Expo held April as well.

hosting regattas and an international reputation for excellent race management and Petersburg waterfront, Established in 1909 and renovated in 1992, the club has 2800 of the south". SPYC has an 90 year history of The St. Petersburg Yacht Club is located at 11 Central Avenue on the downtown St. members and is known as the "sailing capital on-shore activities.



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The largest in-water all sailboat and related equipment show on the Gulf coast! Climb experts and take part in informative aboard the new sailboats, talk with industry seminars. Located in downtown St. Petersburg at the picturesque Vinoy Park and Marina.



is omnipresent in SPYC one-design activities. Ed Baird, who athletes. Yacht clubs nation-wide strive annually to win the notably, Allison Jolly won a gold medal in the 1988 Olympics and boat builder/America's Cup competitor Charley Morgan coached the New Zealand team to victory in the 1995 New York Yacht Club Challenge. Numerous SPYC Junior sailors have gone on to becoming Collegiate All-American coveted "St. Petersburg Yacht Club Award of Race Many members have achieved great fame in sailing. Most America's Cup, is currently the skipper of the Young America, Management. Facilities include a clubhouse with 4 dining rooms, three bars, and banquet rooms which can accommodate 800. The clubhouse also features a swimming pool and locker rooms The main dock across the street has 80 slips.

maintained by the SPYC, the Salling Center has four hoists and floating docks. Active fleets include FDs, Stars, J-24s, SR Maxs, Snipes, Lasers, and Optimists. SPYC owns fleets of providing a fenced and paved launch site. Managed and Sonars, Rhodes 19s, 420s, and Prams. The protected harbor Adjacent to the SPYC is the St. Petersburg Sailing Center is free of wave surge and the race area is quickly accessible

Optimist Pram

pram, a tiny boat that has given joy to kid sailors around the The area is home to the well know designer of the Optimist world, Clark W. "Clarkie" Mills

soapbox derby racing because Pinellas County lacked the The Clearwater Optimist Club was unable to promote hills for the homemade cars, so they decided to embark on a sailing program for youngsters.

on a soapbox design to race in the wind. They were about Familiar with soapbox racing, Mr. Mills basically put a sail 8 feet long by 4 feet wide, with one sail. The bow and stern were square. The catch: It had to cost less than \$50.00. Mr. Mills is also famous for his Windmill boat, which became an international racer for the young and old. Getting away from the wood construction, Mr. Mills used fiberglass to build the Paper Tiger, a lightweight fiberglass yawl that won Southern Ocean Racing Conference championships in both 1961 and 1962.

Sailing SchoolsHere is a brief listing of some of the many sailing schools at St. Petersburg/Clearwater - Florida's Beach.

St. Petersburg Sailing Center - 727.822.3113 Offshore Sailing School - 800.221.4326

Treasure Island Tennis & YC - 727.367.4511 Eckerd College Waterfront - 727.864.8288

Sunsail Tampa Bay Charters - 727.898.6232 Annapolis Sailing School - 727.867.8102

Boca Ciega Yacht Club - 727.321.7295 Sea Sense, Inc. - 800.332.1404

Windjammers of Clearwater - 727.596.1327 Clearwater Community Sailing Center 727.462.6368

Sailing Florida Charters and Sailing Schools -Clearwater Yacht Club - 727.447.6000

www.sailingflorida.com

Visiting By Boat?

If you are visiting the area by boat we have a selection of hotels that have slips or marina's for your convenience.

Holiday Inn SunSpree Marina Cove - 727.867.1151 Holiday Inn Harbourside Marina - 727.595.9484

Best Western Sea Stone Resport - 727,441,1722 The Renaissance Vinoy Resort - 727.894.1000 Snug Harbor Inn - 727.

The Hilton St. Petersburg - 727.894.5000

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offering a wide range of services.

Anclote Harbors Marina - www.gulfside.com

Blind Pass Marina - www.blindpassmarina.com Bay Pines Marina - www.baypinesmarina.com Holiday Inn Harbourside Marina -

www.hiharbourside.com

John's Pass Marina - www.johnspassmarina.com Home Port Marina - www.homeportmarina.com Maverick Marina -

Maximo Marina - www.maximomarina.com Sailor's Wharf Yacht Yard & Marine www.maverickmarineservices.com

Snug Harbor - www.snugharborflorida.com www.lakewaymarina.com www.sailorswharf.com Tierra Verde Marina -

St. Pete City of Marina Municipal - 727.893.7329 Holiday Inn SunSpree Marina Cove www.himarinacove.com

Harborage Marine - 727.821.6347 Vinoy Club - 727.894.1000



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