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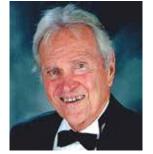
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—Concierge— TOP PICKS

BEST RESORT FOR AGES 2 -12 Legoland

If there's anything that makes you long to be a kid again, it's this totally awesome 150-acre interactive theme park specifically designed for kids 2 -12 years old. With more than 50 unique rides, 10 theme zones and all kinds of really cool attractions, it is the absolute bomb! Lots of special events here, too, FYI: The water ride, "Quest For Chi" is an absolute blast! Find it at 1 Legoland Way in Winter Haven. 877-350-5346; legoland.com/Florida Legoland Properties - Legoland Hotel, Legoland Beach Retreat and opening in 2020, Pirate Island Hotel

BEST SOUTHERN COOKING Ivy On The Square

Southern food is synonymous with comfort food so it's not surprising that great Southern recipes, passed down from one generation to the next, are cherished and protected. And that brings us to Marjorie "Mimi" Hale - the matriarch of the award-winning "Ivy House Restaurant & Catering" in Williston as well as the new, hip "Ivy On The Square" in downtown Ocala. Two restaurants, two different vibes but both share the same authentic Southern specialties created from Mimi's cherished family recipes. You'll find perennial favorites like homemade Pimento Cheese. Fried Green Tomatoes, Shrimp & Grits and

Mimi's signature Baked Krispy Chicken. Everything here is outrageously good! In Ocala at 53 S Magnolia (352-622-5550); and in Williston at 106 NW Mail St (352-528-5410). ivyhousefl.com.

BEST SIGHTSEEING CRUISE **eBOATS TAMPA**

If you've never yachted around Tampa's waterways, you're really missing the boat - literally. Ok, maybe an eBOAT isn't as big as a yacht, but with a length of 21', these luxury all-electric canopy boats are a total hoot and can comfortably hold up to 10 people. Fortunately, eBOATS are super easy to operate and don't require a Boaters License, so after a few brief instructions, you can just hop onboard and head out for a great sightseeing adventure. It almost feels like you're driving a golf cart on the water and it's such a cool way to explore Tampa's harbor. And get this: because eBOATS don't require a Boaters license, just about anyone 25 or older can operate one. So if you're looking for a fun way to see the Tampa area, grab your Topsiders and climb aboard at 333 South Franklin St, Tampa. Info: 813-767-2245; eBoatsTampa.com

BEST CLASSIC BURGER Shula's Steak House

If you love Don Shula's famous steaks, you'll really flip over his fresh, juicy char arilled burgers. The legendary NFL Coach raises the bar with a big beefy patty that is always made fresh from his own signature blend of Premium Black Angus Chuck, Short Rib and brisket, perfectly seasoned and served with lettuce, tomatoe, pickle and your choice of cheese on a brioche style bun. Once you've tackled one of these bad boys, you'll never suffer another "Mac-Attack" again. At the Hilton University of Florida Conference Center, 1714 SW 34th St., Gainesville (305-664-2321). Info: shulas.com.

BEST WILD HANG

Zoo Tampa at Lowry Park

With more than 1300 resident animals, Zoo Tampa is famous for having one of the most beautiful, tropical zoological settings in the world. You'll experience unforgettable, natural connections and get closer to wildlife than ever before. Touch a giant tortoise, feed a giraffe, go nose-to-horn with an Indian rhino, hand-to-fin with slippery stingrays and a whole lot more! You and your family can also splash in the fun water play areas, climb aboard thrilling rides and take in fascinating educational shows. Love manatees? At the David A. Straz Jr. Manatee Hospital, the Zoo's veterinary and animal-care staff treat sick, injured and orphaned manatees before returning them to the wild after rehabilitation. Don't miss this one!

Zoo Tampa is open daily from 9:30am - 5pm. Find it at Lowry Park, 1101 W Sligh Ave, Tampa, Fl 33604. Info: 813-935-8552;

zootampa.org

BEST OF BROADWAY STRAZ Center

If you love Broadway musicals, the STRAZ Center is just the ticket. This extraordinary 335,000 square foot performance center stages some of Broadway's greatest hits Including Cabaret, Wicked, An American In Paris, and other Tony Award-winners, as well as grand opera and a variety of concerts, performances and events. With five halls, three restaurants, a coffee shop and the Patel Conservatory, it's the second largest performing arts center in the U.S. Find it at 1010 N.W. C. MacInnes Place, Tampa. Info 813-229-7827; strazcenter.org.



BEST RIB EYE Bascom's Chop House

It's hard not to love everything on Bascom's menu. The seafood which is delivered daily and beautifully prepared, is always top drawer and the center cut prime chops are as good as they get. But it's the glorious, 16 oz bone-in Ribeye that has us hooked. Hand cut from Certified Angus midwestern grainfed steer, this rich, well marbled steak is served charred outside with an intense, rich steak flavor that's hard to find. If you like great steak, put this one on your bucket list! Find it at 3665 Ulmerton Rd., Clearwater. 727-573-3363; bascoms.com.

BEST SUSHI WITH A VIEW Jackson's Bistro Bar & Sushi

It doesn't get better than award-winning sushi, and a panoramic view of the sparkling downtown Tampa skyline. The unforgettable waterfront views make Jackson's Bistro the perfect place to click your chopsticks and revel in an extensive lineup of fresh sashimi, signature specialty rolls, and an impressive selection of American dishes. Some of our favorite rolls: the Lobster Tempura Roll (lobster meat, cucumber, sushi rice, tempura fried and served with eel sauce and spicy mayo) along with the Happy Sumo Roll (blue crab, spicy tuna, cream cheese & cucumber topped with eel and tempura chips – yum!). Other than sushi, our favorite items include Calamari Rings with sweet chili gioli, and some of the biggest and tastiest coconut shrimp on the planet. Find it at 601 S. Harbour Island Blvd., Tampa. Info: 813-277-0112; jacksonsbistro.com

BEST FRENCH RESTAURANT La Cuisine

Located in historic downtown Ocala, this charming French restaurant is like taking a trip to Paris without having to pack. Owners Ocala.352-433-2570; lacuisineocala.com.



BEST CIGAR EMPORIUM Corona Cigar Tampa

With 5,000 square feet of humidified space, this smoking-hot cigar emporium showcases a unique collection of premium cigars, must-have accessories and curated pieces. But what really puts it over the top are the added amenities which include multiple indoor-and-out smoking lounges, private lockers and an elegant full service bar with top shelf libations. Yowza! Find it at the Metwest International Shopping Center, 4142 Boy Scout Blvd. near Tampa's International Mall and Airport. Info: 813-513-7560; coronacigar.com.

Patrice and Elodie Perron source super fresh, high quality ingredients for their sensational European creations. Specialities include Organic Half Roast Chicken with fresh herbs, black truffle and black truffle au jus; Pan-Seared Sea Scallops with celery root au poivre and a coanac cream sauce; and Herb & Dijon Mustard Crusted Rack of Lamb with demi glace sauce. Save room for dessert because the sweet endings here are the "piece de resistance!" Find it at 48 SW 1st Ave in



Please confirm details with event organizers or venues in case of changes or cancellations. Please follow all mandated local health and safety guidelines, including those set by the event organizer.

ONGOING Daily

Sunsets at Pier 60 Festival

Clearwater: This fun, nightly sunset celebration features artisans, crafters, street performers, live music and more. Starts two hours before sunset until two hours after sunset at Pier 60. 1 Causeway Blvd. Info: 727-449-1036; sunsetpier60.com.

Every Tuesday Gulfport Fresh Market

Gulfport: Stock up on local fresh fruits and veggies, shop for plants, crafts, baked goods and more. Open 9am - 3pm on Beach Blvd, Gulfport. FYI: Free clothing swap happens from 9am - 1pm on the second Tuesday of every month.

3rd Saturday, Oct.-April Hispanic Farmers Market

Clearwater: Select from seasonal market favorites, including fruits and veggies, local honey, plants and flowers, smoothies, healthy juices, baked goods, craft and artisan items. Latin cuisine and more. Enjoy live music and entertainment as you shop. Free. 9am-3pm. 710 Court St. Info: clwhispanicfarmersmarket.com

Every Saturday

Saturday Morning Market St Pete: Find fresh and organic produce, meats and cheeses, baked goods, fruits and veggies,

clothing, gifts, arts, crafts and more. Takes place from 9am - 2pm in the parking lot of Al Lang Stadium, 230 1st St SE, St Pete. Info: saturdaymorningmarket.com.

Every Saturday

Ybor City Saturday Market

Ybor City: Centered in Tampa's Historic District, the market is one of the most popular shopping destinations for locally produced items unique to the Tampa Bay Area.Open 9am - 1pm (May - September) and 9am - 3pm (Oct - April). Info: ybormarket.com.

Every Sunday

Corey Avenue Sunday Market St Pete: Discover local and homemade produce. plants, prepared food, unique handmade and artisan gifts, eco-friendly and fair-trade products. Takes place from 10am - 2pm on Corey Ave between Boca Ciega Ave and Gulf Blvd. Info: tampabaymarkets.com.

MONTHLY: Second Wednesday Heights Night Market

Tampa: A rotating cast of artisans and makers offer handmade goods, jewelry, art, woodwork, unique gifts, and more. Takes place from 5:30 -9:30pm on 7th Ave in front of Armature Works. Info: armatureworks.com.

MONTHLY - First Thursday Rock the Park

Tampa: Celebrate 12 years of the free live monthly entertainment series show-casina music from all genres. Showtime: 6:30pm at Curtis Hixon Waterfront Park, 600 N Ashley Dr. Join us in October at Water Works Park, 1700 N. Highland Ave. Info: rockthepark.com.

MONTHLY: Third Thursday

Third Thursday Market

Tampa: This hip, fun nighttime gourmet food event features food trucks, cocktails, live music and more! Dog Friendly and free, on site parking. Takes place from 6 - 10pm at 1208 E Kennedy Blvd. Info: tampabaymarkets.com.

MONTHLY: First & Third Saturday Fresh Market At Wiregrass

Tampa: Over 50 vendors offer a variety of local, certified organic, hydroponic and conventional produce, plants, organic garden food/supplies and locally made foods while local artists showcase their creative works and eco-friendly products. Takes place from 10am - 3pm in the heart of the shopping center at 28211 Paseo Dr, Wesley Chapel. Info: 813-994-2242; tampamarkets.com.

MONTHLY: Second Saturday Second Saturday ArtWalk

St Pete: This "After Hours" arts scene includes more than forty galleries and studios, spanning across five different arts districts, including Duncan McClellan Glass and Morean Arts Center. Free trolleys run throughout the city's art districts to get you around. Takes place in the Waterfront Arts District, Central Arts District and EDGE District from 5 - 9pm. Info: stpeteartsalliance.org.

MONTHLY: First Saturday & Sunday Vintage Marche

St Pete: Explore more than 15,000 feet of hand-picked vintage, repurposed, antique and mid-century modern furnishings, home décor, art, jewelry and more at this unique vendor run market. Takes place on Saturday from 9am -6pm; and on Sunday from 9am - 5pm at 2906 34th St. S. Info: vintagemarche727.com.

MONTHLY: First Sunday

Hvde Park Essentials Market

Tampa: Listen to great live music as you browse more than 100 vendors offering fresh and organic fruits and veggies, locally prepared foods, handcrafted and artisan home décor, and gifts. Takes place from 10am - 3pm inside Hyde Park Village, 742 S Village Circle. Info: tampabaymarkets.com

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TAMPA BAY STORM

MONTHLY: Second Sunday

Seminole Heights Sunday Morning Market

Tampa: Shop a wide variety of unique gifts, clothes, healthy living products and more from your favorite market vendors. Takes place from 11am - 3pm at 4500 N Nebraska Ave. Info: tampabaymarkets.com.

October 14 - 23

SHINE Mural Festival

St Pete: Explore vibrant images and techniques from local, regional, national and international artists using every flat surface imaginable as their canvas to bring 17 new murals to life. Discover virtual and interactive art, youth and adult mural painting and more. Free. Various times/locations. Info: stpeteartalliance.org.

October 22

47th Annual St Petersburg International Folk Fair

St Pete: Explore cultures from around the world as Downtown turns into a microcosm of the world, with a multitude of ethnic crafts, arts, food, cooking demos and continuous live entertainment on two stages, Takes place from 10am - 6pm at Albert Whitted Park, 480 Bayshore Dr SE. (behind the Dali Museum). Info: spiffs.org.

October 22

Broadway Ball After Dark

Tampa: Celebrate Broadway, good friends and great times at this special benefit for the Straz Center. The evening features live entertainment, a silent auction, elegant bites and a full open bar. Takes place at the Straz Center, 1010 McInnes Pl. Tickets and info: strazcenter.org.

October 22

11th Annual Tampa Pig Jig Tampa: Feast on delicious food and refresh with ice-cold bear during this fierce BBQ

competition on downtown Tampa's waterfront. The philanthropic event takes place at Julian B Lane Park, 1001 N Blvd, Tampa. Info: 813-251-4336; tampapigjig.com.

October 22

11th Sarasota Water Lantern Festival Sarasota: Voted #1 Festival by USA Today, this amazing experience showcases the magic of hundreds of lanterns as they dramatically illuminate the night. Takes place from 3 -7:30pm at Nathan Benderson Park, 5851 Nathan Benderson Circle, Sarasota. Info: 941-358-7275; waterlanternfestival.com.

October 22 Sarasota Pride in the

Park Sarasota: This annual bay front celebration of diversity includes Live music, a food truck rally and a vendor expo. Takes place from noon -5pm at JD Hamel Park, 199 Bayfront Rd, Sarasota. Info: 941-320-9268; https://bit. ly/3SH7DKL.

October 22 - 23 **Sponge Docks Arts & Crafts Festival**

Tarpon Springs: More than 90 of the nation's top artists and crafters showcase their "Made in the USA" original creations. Takes place on Sat from 10am - 6pm and on Sun from 10am - 5pm in historic downtown Tarpon Springs. Info: 352-344-0657; spongedocks.net.

October 22 - 24

Top of the Bay Oktoberfest Oldsmar: Roll out the barrels for a festive party that includes German food, drinks, music and

dancing, a Carnival Midway plus lots of wacky games. Kicks off on Fri-day from 5 - 11pm, continues on Saturday from 11am - 11pm and wraps up on Sunday from noon - 6pm. Takes place at Tampa Bay Downs, 11225 Race Track Rd, Westchase. Info: 813-855-4233; http:// utbchamber.com.

October 26

Greta Van Fleet: Dreams in Gold Tour

Tampa: This acclaimed three brother band has performed across multiple continents, sold over two million albums worldwide, performed on late night television shows, topped the Billboard US Mainstream Rock and Active Rock charts and has also won the Grammy Award

for Best Rock Album in 2019. Showtime: 7pm at the Amalie Arena, 401 Channelside Dr. Tickets and info: amaliearena.com.

October 27

Iron Maiden: Legacy of the Beast World Tour

Tampa: England's acclaimed heavy metal band returns to Tampa supported by Within Temptation. Takes place at 7:30pm at the Amalie Arena, 401 Channelside Dr. Tickets and info: amaliearena.com.

October 29

Riverwalk Trick or Treat

Tampa: Children in costume and their families get to "Trick Or Treat" over 50 vendors along the Riverwalk while enjoying all kinds of fun activities along the way. A festive Halloween Lighted Boat Parade follows the goodie grab. Takes place from 4 - 7pm along the Riverwalk from Water Works Park to MacDill Park including Curtis Hixon Waterfront Park at 600 N Ashley Dr. Info: thetampariverwalk.com.

October 29 & 30

Tacos & Tequila on the Pier

St. Pete: Feed your hungry tummy with tons of tacos, salsa and authentic Mexican dishes from 15+ vendors with smooth margaritas, palomas, craft beers and cocktails to quench your thirst. And enjoy live music, games and a Halloween costume contest. Tickets. Noon-8pm. 600 2nd Ave. NE. Info: https://stpetepier.org/event

October 29 - 30

St. Pete Beach Corey Area Craft Festival St Pete: This fun, fall outdoor festival features lots of cool handcrafted items, home decor, jewelry, holiday items, food and more. Takes place from 10am - 5pm at 350 Corey Ave. Info: 561-746-6615; artfestival.com

The Florida Orchestra: Where the music is as beautiful as the weather

In the Tampa Bay area, the arts and culture scene is as beautiful as the beaches. Winter brings gorgeous music performed LIVE by The Florida Orchestra in major concert halls in Tampa, St. Petersburg and Clearwater. Here are can't miss moments:

Carmina Burana (Oct. 7-9):

This epic fight back against the powers of fate has become the inspirational soundtrack for everything from Tampa Bay Buccaneers games to commercials and movies. Featuring The Master Chorale of Tampa Bay. Michael Francis conducts.

Music of Led Zeppelin Rock Concert (Nov. 18):

Everything you love about the iconic British rock band only better – amped up by the awesome power of The Florida Orchestra, plus a vocalist and electric violinist. Includes Kashmir, Black Dog, All of My Love and, of course, Stairway to Heaven. Brent Havens conducts.

Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 4 (Dec. 2-4):

In addition to Tchaikovsky's powerful symphony, Michael Francis conducts one of the most anticipated moments of the season: the world premiere of Michael Ippolito's Violin Concerto, written specifically for TFO Concertmaster Jeffrey Multer. Be there LIVE for this big moment.

Holiday Pops (Dec. 9-11):

After you build a "snowman" on the beach, take the family to the concert hall for the true spirit of the holidays. We're performing all of Santa's favorites - Sleigh Ride! - at our most popular concert of the year. It's a very merry tradition for the whole family, with two matinees. Bob Bernhardt conducts.

For more information on The Florida Orchestra, visit FloridaOrchestra.ora



DON'T MISS A MOMENT OF GREAT MUSIC

Upcoming Concerts: Brahms' Violin Concerto Nov 12 & 13

Music of Led Zeppelin Nov 18

Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 4 Dec 2 - 4

Holiday Pops Dec 10 - 12

Classical Christmas Carols Dec 17 & 18

Gershwin's An American in Paris Jan 6 - 8







October 30 Halloween on Central 2

St. Pete: Enjoy trick or treating, a mini parade, costume contests, wiener dog races, Sip & Stroll shopping, street performers and more over 22 blocks of car-free Central Ave! Hop aboard the new SunRunner for a fare-free ride, grab a ride-share or bring your bike. Car parking available at the Trop and on surrounding streets. Free. Noon - 5pm. Central Ave from Dr. ML King Jr. St N. - 31st St. Info: carfreestpete.com/halloween-on-central

November - January Holiday Spectacular

Tampa: Enjoy festive floating displays, enchanted lighted forests, twinkling lights and holiday decorations, all anchored by a 35-foot floating lighted holiday tree in Tampa Harbor. Free admission. Takes place at dusk along the Tampa Riverwalk. Info: thetampariverwalk.com.

November 1 - 6

SIX - The Musical

Tampa: This original Tony Award-Winning musical features an all-woman cast and allwoman band. From Tudor Queens to Pop Icons, the SIX wives of Henry VIII take the microphone to remix five hundred years of historical heartbreak into a Euphoric Celebration of 21st century girl power! Takes place at Carol Morsani Hall, 1010 N Macinnes Pl. Info and tickets: 813-229-7287: strazcenter.com

November 4

Marc Anthony: Viviendo Tour Tampa: Marc Anthony is one of the most influential artists of his time and a true ambassador of Latin music and culture. Takes

place at 8pm at the Amalie Arena, 401 Channelside Dr. Tickets and info: amaliearena.com.

November 4 - 5

St Pete Brewfest

St Pete: Quench your thirst at the biggest celebration of beer from the area's best craft breweries. Shop a maker's market and local artists, discover food truck favorites, live music and more! Tickets. 2201 1st Ave. S. Fri: 4-8pm; Sat: 11am-8pm. Info: https://coastalcreativetv.com/ events

November 4 - 6

Pirate Invasion Cedar Key: Ahoy, mateys! The annual pirate invasion is back and it's time to pillage, plunder and battle for the right to claim Cedar Key. Enjoy a fun, family friendly weekend of wenches, pirates, cannon firing, traditional food and grog, kid's activities and more. Takes place from 10am - 6pm at 192 2nd St. Info: cedarkeypiratefest.com.

November 5 - 6 Savor St Pete

St Pete: This sensual and exotic food event artfully blends local chef rock stars with national brand partners for a weekend of great food, wine and microbrews. Admission includes a limited-edition wine glass, custom tote bag, wine glass lanyard and exclusive access to the Grand Tasting Village that is located within over 25,000 square feet of tented space. Food, wine and beer samplings are all inclusive in the ticket prices. Takes place from 1 - 4pm at N Straub Park, 400 Bayshore Dr NE. Tickets and Info: SavorTheBurg.com.

November 6 **Adam Sandler Live**

Tampa: A successful actor, writer, producer and musician, Sandler has performs on stage to live audiences on a sold-out tour across the US and Canada. Takes place at 7:30 at the Amalie Arena, 401 Channelside Dr. Tickets and info: amaliearena.com.

November 11

Reba

Tampa: This Oklahoma native and Golden Globe® nominated actress has eleven movie credits to her name, a lead role on Broadway in Irving Berlin's "Annie Get Your Gun" and has starred in the six-season television sitcom. Joining her is special guest Terri Clark, a three time JUNO Award winner and the only Canadian female member of the legendary Grand Ole Opry. Takes place at 7:30 at the Amalie Arena, 401 Channelside Dr. Tickets and info: amaliearena.com.

November 11 - 12

Tarpon Springs Seafood Festival Tarpon Springs: A fun-filled weekend of local

seafood, arts, crafts, and live music. Free admis-sion. Open on Fri from 2 - 10pm; on Sat from 10am - 10pm; and on Sun from 10am -5pm. Takes place at the Sponge Docks, 761 Dodecanese Blvd. Info: spongedocks.net

November 11 - 14

Crystal Classic Int'l Sand Sculpting Festival

Sarasota: Experience the beauty of largerthan-life sand masterpieces hand-carved by international sand artists along beautiful Siesta Key Beach. Enjoy sculpting demos, contests, live music, food and more. Takes place from 10am - 5pm at 948 Beach Road. Info: siestakeycrystalclassic.com.

November 12 & 13

33rd Annual St Armand's Circle Art Festival

Sarasota: Browse hundreds of outdoor booths filled with life-size sculptures, fine jewelry, paintings, hand-crafted apparel and decor from more than 200 national and international artists. Free admission. Takes place from 10am - 5pm at 411 St. Armand's Circle. Info: artfestival.com.

November 13

46th Annual Christmas Under the Oaks Clearwater: This popular local event features a big selection of handmade arts & crafts, unique gifts, and creative holiday themed products. The food

court offers an assortment of local food vendors with a diverse mix of offerings. Takes place from 9am - 4pm at St Petersburg College, Clearwater Campus, 2465 Drew St. Info: https://gfwcnpwc.org/

November 16

12th Annual Ybor City Tree Lighting

Ybor City: Deck the halls with live music and holiday fun as Ybor City welcomes the holiday season. Free admission. Takes place from 6 -8pm at 6100 E 8th Ave. Info: ybor.org.

November 17 - 22

St Pete BikeFest

St Pete: Cited as this one of the best rallies in Florida, this four day event includes nightly concerts with national acts, vendors, bike shows, and lots more. Takes place from 10am - 6pm at 10575 49th St N. Info: stpetebeachbikefest.com.

November 19

The Millennium Tour: Turned Up

Tampa: Multi-platinum and award-winning recording stars, Bow Wow and Mario along with R&B starlet Keri Hilson rock the house with "a revue-style, all-killer-no-filler procession of R&B and hip-hop acts". Takes place at the Amalie Arena, 401 Channelside Dr. Tickets and info: amaliearena.com.

November 19

Merry Martini Tarpon Springs: Taste and vote on festive, signature martinis crafted from 5 different local establishments while you indulge in appetizers, a main buffet course and desserts prepared by local restaurants.

Sister and Brother -Jenna and Hunter Having Fun At The Beach

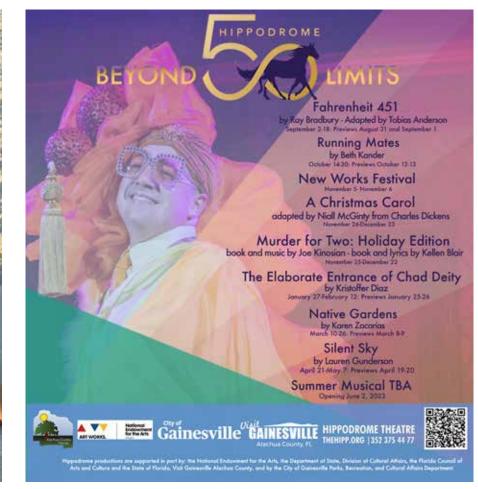
Takes place from 6 - 10pm at 20 W. Tarpon Ave. Info: 727-940-8632; spongedocks.net.

November 19 - 20

Tampa Bay Holiday Market St Pete: More than 100 vendors present home essentials, handmade gifts, holiday décor, edible goodies, accessories and more. Photos with Santa, too! Takes place from 10am - 5pm at the Coliseum, 535 4th Ave North. Info: tampabay.com/expos.

November 19 - 20

25th Annual CraftArt Festival St Pete: This juried event showcases over 110 exhibiting artists and features contemporary crafts, as well as artist demos and interactive arts areas. Takes place on Sat from 10am - 5pm and on Sun from 10am - 4pm just outside



November 19 - 20

9th Annual Sarasota Fine **Art Festival**

Sarasota: This outdoor gallery showcases an array of original painting, photography, jewelry, glass, fiber, wearable art, mixed media and more by artisans from across Florida and the US. Free admission. Takes place from 10am - 5pm at 199 Bayfront Dr. Info: paragonfestivals.com

November 19 - 20

41st Annual Downtown Festival & Art Show

Gainesville: Over 190 of the nation's most talented artists display their original oils and acrylics, vibrant watercolors, captivating sculptures, dazzling jewelry, decorative ceramics and vivid photography. Takes place from 10am - 5pm in historic downtown Gainesville on the streets around Bo Diddley Plaza located at 111 East University Ave. Info: gainesvilledowntownartfest.net.

Florida CraftArt Gallery, at 501 Central Ave. & 5th St. Info: 727-797-8712; floridacraftart.org.

November 26

Santa Parade & Tree Lighting St Pete: This fun annual event also

includes live entertainment and kicks of a month-long holiday celebration in the Sunshine City. The festivities start at 6pm on the waterfront at N Straub Park, 400 Bayshore Dr. Info: 727-893-7441; stpeteparksrec.org.

November 26 - 27

Shopapalooza Festival

St Pete: Over 250 small businesses and vendors show off their unique hand-crafted gifts, services and more. Takes place from 10am - 5 pm at Vinoy Park, 701 Bayshore Dr NE. Info: shopapaloozafestival.com.

November 26 - 27

Thanksgiving Arts & Crafts Festival Tarpon Springs: Kick-start your Christmas shopping with original works from new and established artists and crafters. Takes place from 10am - 5pm in historic downtown Tarpon Springs. Info: 352-344-0657; spongedocks.net.



November 29 - December 4 Hadestown

Tampa: Intertwining two mythic tales - that of young dreamers Orpheus and Eurydice, and that of King Hades and his wife Persephone. this award-winning musical from celebrated singer-songwriter Anaïs Mitchell, is a love story for today. Takes place at Carol Morsani Hall, 1010 N Macinnes Pl. Info and tickets: 813-229-7287; strazcenter.com.

December 2

Snow Place Like Tarpon Springs

Tarpon Springs: This free holiday soiree includes a tree lighting ceremony, snow play area with 20 tons of blown snow, horse drawn carriage rides, music, children's activities, a visit with Santa, a lighted boat parade and lots more. Takes place from 5 - 10pm downtown on Tarpon Ave. Info: 727-942-5628: spongedocks.net.

December 2

Tarpon Springs Illuminated Boat Parade

Tarpon Springs: Festively decorated vessels shimmer and shine down the Anclote River and into the bayous where Santa gives out treats to the children. Best viewing is from Craig Park/Spring Bayou. Boats enter Spring Bayou between

8pm and 8:15pm. Info: 727-514-1033; https://exploretarponsprings.com.

December 2 - 4

35th NSRA Southeast Street Rod Nationals

Tampa: Feast your eyes on all makes and models of antique cars, 50's classics, 1960



Deck the Halls, and everything else.

Here in Key West, We've been known to get into the spirit of things. The annual Key West Holiday Fest is no exception. While you'll find plenty of lights and trimmings on display, you'll also discover an endless variety of family festivites along the way. From the Holiday Historic Inn Tour to the Key West Bight Before Christmas to the Schooner Wharf Lighted Boat Parade, come experience a holiday that's far from the norm.

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Gypsies, Knights And Magicians! 36th Annual Hoggetowne Medieval Faire

mmerse yourself in a world of medieval magic where jugglers, knife throwers and gypsy dancers perform in the street, jousting knights charge across fields on horseback and spellbinding magicians captivate your imagination during the 36th Annual Hoggetowne Medieval Faire.

For three consecutive weekends, on Saturday, January 14 and Sunday, January 15; Saturday, January 21 and Sunday, January 22; as well as on Friday, January 27 through Sunday, January 29 the Alachua County Fairgrounds in Gainesville morphs into a virtual "Medieval Marketplace."

More than 160 talented artisans journey to the Faire from across the



You can also engage in traditional Medieval games, shoot arrows, hurl battle axes, navigate your way through a winding maze and, get your hair braided and even look into the future with a mystical fortune teller. When hunger strikes, just head on



over to the Food Court where you can feast like a king on giant turkey legs, succulent ribs, blooming onions and an assortment of other goodies.

You can experience all of this Medieval magic on Saturday and Sunday from 9:30am to 5pm and on

"Family Friday," January 29 from 9am - 4pm which features reduced price tickets for all quests.

Find the Hoggetowne Medieval Faire at the Alachua County Fairgrounds in Gainesville, 3100 NE 39th Avenue. For more info and tickets, hit up HoggetowneMedFaire.com.

- 1970 muscle cars, custom rods, sports cars and trucks at this outdoor show and swap meet. Takes place on Fri from 8am - 6pm; on Sat from 8am - 5pm and on Sun from 8am - 1pm at the Florida State Fairgrounds, 4800 N US Highway 301. Info: floridastatefair.com.

December 3

St. Pete Beach Corey Area Craft Festival

St Pete: This sprawling outdoor festival features cool handcrafted items, home decor, jewelry, holiday items, food and more. Takes place from 10am - 5pm at 350 Corey Ave. Info: 561-746-6615; artfestival.com.

December 3 - 4 Festival at Fort Kina

Ocala: Step into the 1800s with historic-themed crafts, games, living historians, vendors and more, including a spectacular re-enactment of events the fueled the start of the Second Seminole War. Takes place from 10am - 4pm at 3925 E Fort King St. Info: bit.ly/3RBSPFX.

December 4

Ybor City Cigar Festival *Ybor City:* Experience the World's Largest Cigar Festival where you can indulge in handmade

Festival where you can indulge in handmade premium cigars from around the globe and

enjoy live music, ethnic foods, dancing, cigar rolling demos, mobile cigar lounges and a cultural arts marketplace, Takes place from noon - 5pm at 1800 E 8th Ave. Info: cigarheritagefestival.com.

December 7 - 9 The Nutcracker

Decala: The all-time family favorite with beautiful dancing, sets and costumes is here for the holidays! Discover the magical story of Clara told through exquisite costumes, elaborate scenery and elegant ballet performed by the Dance Alive National Ballet troupe. Tickets. 7:30pm. 500 NE 9th St. Info: reillyartscenter.com.

December 9

For King & Country: A Drummer Boy Christmas Tour

Tampa: Grammy Award winning brothers, Joel and Luke perform Christmas classics and brand-new songs including fan favorites like "Little Drummer Boy" from "For God Is With Us," "What Are We Waiting For?" and many more. Takes place at 7pm at the Amalie Arena, 401 Channelside Dr. Tickets and info: amaliearena.com.



The Florida Orchestra Holiday Pops Tampa/St. Pete/Clearwater: Celebrate the season at the most popular holiday concert of the year! Takes place in Tampa at 8pm on December 9 at the Straz Center, 1010 N Macinnes Pl; In St Pete at 2pm on December 10 at Mahaffey Theater, 400 1st St S; and in

Clearwater at 2 and 7:30pm on December 11 at Ruth Eckerd Hall, 1111 McMullen Booth Rd. For a complete schedule go to the.floridaorchestra.org.

December 10 Christmas Parade

Tarpon Springs: This sweet home town parade includes marching bands, dancers, local community organizations, and more.



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December 12 - 23, 26 - 31 January 1 - 2

Selby Gardens Lights in Bloom

Sarasota: More than two million lights magically illuminate the gardens and transform walkways into tunnels of light, creating a fantastical holiday wonderland filled with beautifully-lit flowers, rainforest butterflies, dragonflies and more. Tickets. 6 - 9pm. 1534 Mound St. Info: https://selby.org/

December 17

Bowzer's Holiday Rock 'n' Roll Party

Clearwater: Sha Na Na's Jon "Bowzer' Bauman hosts his annual star-studded music extravaganza featuring Herman's Hermits with Peter Noone, Joey Dee, Gary US Bonds, and more! Showtime: 7:30pm at Ruth Eckerd Hall, 1111 McMullen Booth Drive. Info: rutheckerdhall.com.

December 17

Riverwalk Boat Parade

Tampa: Tampa's largest lighted boat parade shoves off at 6pm from the Convention Center Basin, travels to the Heights, and ends at Sparkman Wharf. Info 813-221-1539; thetampariverwalk.com

December 18

A Taste of Chanukah Winter Festival

Sarasota: Enjoy delicious kosher food and the community of friends and neighbors along with family-friendly entertainment, a giant human snowglobe, 3 ton snow slide, and trackless train ride. ice menorahs, latkes, live music and fun for all ages. Tickets. 4 - 6pm. 5500 S Tamiami Trail. Info: atasteofchanukah.com

December 18

Trans-Siberian Orchestra: Ghosts of **Christmas Eve**

Tampa: Known around the world for rocking Christmas tunes, the TSO is known for its energetic show and popular holiday music. Takes place at 2pm and 7pm at the Amalie Arena, 401 Channelside Dr. Tickets and info: amaliearena.com.

December 27 Cirque Dreams St. Pete: Delight in a new holiday family tradition set in a magical winter wonderland. complete with fantastical holiday storybook characters, nutcrackers and snowmen, aerialists, flying ornaments and carolers performina original songs and new twists on seasonal favorites.

Tickets. 7:30pm. 400 1st Ave S. Info: themahaffey.com

December 28 -January 22 Hamilton

Tampa: This Broadway blockbuster has had a profound impact on culture, politics, and education. The musical score blends hip-hop, jazz, R&B and Broadway, for an unforgettable night of theater. Takes place at Carol Morsani Hall, 1010 N Macinnes Pl. Info and tickets: 813-229-7287; strazcenter.com

December 31

New Year's Eve Parade

Tampa: Elaborate floats, over 20 marching bands, a Pep Rally and a special "Battle Of The Bands" celebrate the coming new year. Parade starts at 5:30pm and runs along 7th Ave in Ybor City. Info: outbackbowl.com.

December 31 New Yarrgh's Eve Booty Drop

Tampa: See Rivergate Tower come to life with a 3-D mapped, 320 foot tall projection of a treasure chest being lowered on the side of the building. Takes place from 9pm - 12:30am at Curtis Hixon Waterfront Park, 600 N Ashley Dr. Info: tampa.gov.

December 31 Light It Up Clearwater!

Clearwater Beach: Catch a world famous sunset, grab a bite to eat and then ring in the New Year with a spectacular fireworks display at midnight. Info: 727-447-7600. Info: myclearwaterevents.com.



December 31

Info: newyearswing.com

Swingin' the New Year Gulfport: Swing into 2023 with live music and dancing for all ages, dance lessons, a vintage fashion photo shoot, midnight countdown, balloon drop and champagne toast. 9 pm -1am. Gulfport Casino, 5500 Shore Blvd. S.

January 1

Reliaquest Bowl

Tampa: Witness the excitement as two of college football's best teams from the SEC and Big Ten go head-to-head for bragging rights as 2022's champion. Kick off TBD. Takes place at 4201 N Dale Mabry Hwy. Info: reliaquestbowl.com.

January 6 - 15

Tampa Bay Black Heritage Music **Festival**

Tampa: This ten-day celebration includes live entertainment, exciting cultural events, workshops, renowned speakers, a music festival with national recording artists and more. Takes place at Curtis Hixon Park, 600 N Ashley Dr. Info: 813-218-3320; tampablackheritage.org.

January 14 - 15; 21 - 22; 27 - 29 **36th Annual Hoggetowne Medieval** Faire

Gainesville: For three consecutive weekends, the Alachua County Fairgrounds transforms into "Hoggetowne" - a medieval marketplace where you can immerse yourself in the rich culture of the Middle Ages. Open Saturdays and Sundays from 10 am - 5 pm and on "Family Friday," January 28 from 9 am - 4 pm Find it at 9409 SW Archer Rd. Tickets and info: 352-334-5084; Hoggetowne/MedFaire.com.

January 16

MLK Dream Big Parade

St Pete: Top college marching bands, city leaders and the community come together in a show of diversity and inclusivity. Takes place at 11am in downtown St Pete. Info: mlkdreambig.com.

January 19 - 22

St Petersburg Power & Sailboat Show

St Pete: Explore the latest in power boats, sailboats and personal watercraft and marine gear, sailing workshops and a youth fishing clinic. Takes place Thur - Fri from 10am - 6pm; on Sat from 10am - 7pm; and on Sun from 10am - 5pm. 400 1st St S. Info: stpeteboatshow.com.

January 21

Children's Gasparilla Extravaganza

Tampa: Gasparilla Days kicks off with a children's parade along Bayshore Blvd and a "pyrotechnic" sea battle commemorating the imaginary invasion of Tampa. Info: gasparillapiratefest.com

January 22

Festivals of Speed

St Pete: Some of the world's most exotic cars, motorcycles, and watercraft strike a pose along St Pete's sparkling waterfront. Takes place from 10 am-4 pm at Vinoy Park, 701 Bayshore Dr NE. Info: festivalsofspeed.com.

January 27 - 29

Sarasota Seafood & Music Festival Sarasota: Feast on fresh, local seafood, shop the marketplace and get serenaded by some of Florida's top musicians. Open on Fri from 4 - 10 pm; on Sat from 11am - 10pm; and on Sun from 11am - 6pm. Takes place at N. Straub Park, 400 Bayshore Dr NE. Info: paragonfestivals.org.

January 28 & 29

20th Annual St Armand's Circle Festival

Sarasota: Browse life-size sculptures, fine jewelry, paintings, hand-crafted apparel and decor from more than 200 national and international artists. Takes place from 10am - 5pm at 411 St. Armands Circle. Info: 561-746-6528; artfestival.com.

January 28

Gasparilla Invasion Tampa: This annual re-enactment of Tampa's historic pirate invasion boasts the world's

only fully rigged pirate ship, the Jose Gasparilla, which emerges at the south end of Hillsborough Bay followed by hundreds, if not thousands, of boats. The flotilla makes its way to the Tampa Convention Center where Tampa's Mayor surrenders the Key to the City. Takes places from 11:30am - 1pm. Info: gasparillapiratefest.com.

January 28

Gasparilla Parade of Pirates Tampa: Tampa's original buccaneers wind their way down historic Bayshore Blvd and into downtown. Festivities take place from 2 - 6pm. Info: gasparillapiratefest. com.

January 31 - February 5

Tina - The Tina Turner Musical Tampa: This new musical reveals how Tina Turner dared to defy the bounds of racism, sexism and ageism to become the global Queen of Rock 'n' Roll. Takes place at Carol Morsani Hall, 1010 N Macinnes Pl. Info and tickets: 813-229-7287: strazcenter.com.

February 9 - 20 Florida State Fair

Tampa: The state's largest celebration of agriculture includes midway rides, games, tractor pulls, sheep shearing, cow milking, equestrian events, 4H Best of Show and more! Takes place weekdays from 11am - 10pm and on weekends from 10am - 10pm at the Florida State Fairgrounds, 4800 US 301 N. Info: 813-621-7821; floridastatefair.com.

February 15 - April 8 **Shear Madness**

Tampa: This screwball hair salon whodunit is an interactive production where you get to figure out the crime by following clues and even questioning suspects. Takes place at the Jaeb Theater, 1010 N Macinnes Pl. Info and tickets: 813-229-7287; strazcenter.com.

February 24 - 26

St Petersburg Seafood & Music Festival St Pete: Celebrate our beautiful ocean with fresh seafood pulled from local Gulf waters. Open Fri from 4 - 10pm; on Sat from 11am - 10pm; and on Sun from 11am - 6pm. Takes place in Williams Park, 350 2nd Ave N. Info: 941-487-8061; seafoodfestivals.com.

OTHER FLORIDA HAPPENINGS

January 25 - 29

Key West Food & Wine Festival: Viva **Argentina!**

Key West: Voted "Best Food & Wine Festival in America," this festival attracts thousands of culinary explorers from around the country. Adventurous aficionados of fine food and vintages can explore creative cuisine, premium wines and unique events in a subtropical island setting during the annual celebration. Ticket sales available online. Info: 305-292-1622; KWFoodWineFest.com.



January 26 - 29

61st Rolex 24 At DAYTONA Weekend

Daytona Beach: Heralded as North America's most prestigious sports car event, Daytona's big season opener showcases more than 60 exotic sports cars battling it out over 24 hours on the 3.56-mile road course. Garage access will also be included for all 2-day infield and single-day patrons. Enjoy carnival rides, live entertainment, vendor displays and more. Takes place at Daytona International Speedway, 1801 W International Blvd. Info: 1-800-PITSHOP; daytonainternationalspeedway.com.

February 4 - 5

ArtFest Ft. Myers

Downtown Fort Myers: Enjoy the works of 200 outstanding professional artists from across the country, as well as a high school art competition, children's craft area, sidewalk chalk extravaganza, and yummy food and beverages. Opening Night: February 3. Free parking and trolley service. Takes place from 10 am - 5 pm. Info: ArtFestFortMyers.com.

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elegant full service bar with over 100 different spirits. In addition to Davidoff, Camacho, Avo, Room 101, BG Meyer, Griffin's and Zino Platinum Cigars, you can also savor special featured cigars from renowned brands like Padron, MyFather Montecristo, Ashton, Fuente, Tatuaje and Illusione. The store features a big assortment of pipes, humidors, lighters, cutters and other smoking accessories, as well.

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After spending 12 years at The Golf Club of Oklahoma as Director of Instruction, Fisher moved to Florida to



further her golf teaching career. Starting this summer, she'll be hosting an in-house PGA Junior league program at the course.

A native of Coffs Harbour, Australia, Fisher has a true passion in helping golfers of all levels and ages and also runs year round Ladies and Men's Clinics, as well as private instruction.

For more Information about clinics and lessons contact her at sfisher2450@gmail.com.

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ST. PETERSBURG AREA

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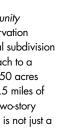


home. It's a community designed around the principles of wellness, sustainability and a farm-to-table lifestyle.

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Tampa At A Glance

So much to see and do!

ampa Bay – the second largest metro area in Florida – offers a variety of treasures in the communities that surround its beautiful waters. From gleaming high rises and the rich Latin heritage of Tampa, to St. Petersburg's European-style charm of café-lined streets along the nation's most beautiful waterfront, and to Clearwater's white sand beaches, Tampa Bay offers everything under the sun.

A visitor here can enjoy it all within a 45-minute drive from their hotel. Three bridges span Tampa Bay, and the drive yields a spectacular vista of all that is Florida: palm trees, gliding pelicans and dolphins paint a picture of a paradise where summer never ends.

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Just minutes away in downtown St. Petersburg, this resort city boomed while the big bands played and is now home to a thriving arts community.

Seven arts districts, dozens of galleries, world-class museums such as the Dali Museum and the Chihuly Collection, and a rising curtain on a host of performing arts rival the best arts cities in the world. And, sandwiched between museums and galleries, is stylish Beach Drive, a European promenade with open-air cafés overlooking beautiful waterfront parks, Mediterranean-tiled towers and the masts of sailboats.

Tampa's Busch Gardens is not only one of America's most popular theme parks with heart-palpitating rollercoasters, but it is also home to one of the largest zoos in the United States. Downtown Tampa's Riverwalk provides a linear path past the Tampa Museum of Art, Curtis

Hixon Park and the city's gleaming business district.

And less than a minute away, the Ybor City Historic District, where former cigar factories transformed into restaurants and nightclubs and the smell of Cuban coffee seems to seep from the old hexagon block sidewalks.

From the shores of Tampa Bay, discover everything from 21st century cities embracing the future, to spinetingling rollercoasters, the crack of a Major League Baseball bat and the perfect place to nestle your toes in the sand. We invite you to explore and discover the treasures of Tampa Bay.



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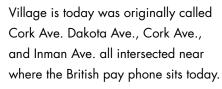
Hyde Park Village today is a charming area with locally owned national boutiques and restaurants.

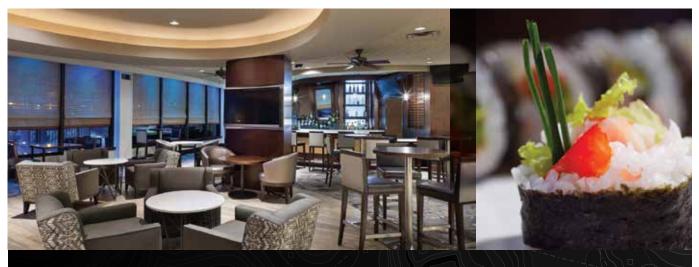
historic neighborhood and district located within the city Vimits of Tampa. It includes Bayshore Boulevard, Hyde Park Village and SoHo.

Hyde Park is located adjacent to the University of Tampa and Downtown. The neighborhood history begins back in the 1880s when railroad financier Henry B. Plant built the first bridge across the Hillsborough River at Lafayette Street (now John F. Kennedy Blvd). The first house was built by James Watrous in 1882.

Growth occurred rapidly and a street car line was put in on Swann

Ave and Rome Ave. This is the reason for the wideness of the two streets, while most in the neighborhood are much narrower. The area where Old Hyde Park





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Gainesville's Iron Chef Winner Winner of Gainesville's 2017, 2018 and 2019 Iron Chef Competition, owner Nestor Espartero is a master at creating fabulous Fusion dishes which reflect his passion for

Asian, Latin and French cuisine. The food at his small, unassuming eatery is deliciously fresh, beautifully plated and artistically arranged (the wasabi is sculpted to resemble leaves). Chef Nestor's flavors are often complex resulting in sensational dishes like the Sweet Salmon Teriyaki, Shaken Beef Tenderloin and Duck Curry. His signature rolls are also off the chart - especially the crunchy Haile Roll with tuna tartare and lotus root drizzled with eel sauce. Simply the best.



Clearwater

For Everything Under the Sun



rom its renowned white sand beaches, amazing marine life and glorious weather, to fabulous dining, shopping, cultural attractions and festivals, Clearwater has it all. Lots of sports and recreational activities also make it a perfect place to stay and play.

So it wasn't surprising when USA Today readers named this popular year-round destination as "Best Beach Town," and "Best Place To Watch A Sunset," and also voted theClearwater Marine Aquarium as "Best Florida Attraction."

Remember Winter, the dolphin with a prosthetic tail made famous in the blockbuster movie, "Dolphin Tale?"Well, you can see

her here at the Marine Aquarium whichfocuses on rehabilitation and education.And speaking of dolphins, you may be greeted by anynumber of six-foot tall dolphins -115 of them in fact, that comprise the Clearwater Dolphins Trail which extendsfrom Tarpon Springs to St. Petersburg.

If shopping's your bag (and even if it's not) head on over to Westfield Countryside Mall. With 180+ retailers, twelve movie theaters, an indoor ice-skating rink and Restaurant Row, it has just about everything you need for a day of fun.

Another "Must- See": the free nighty Sunset Celebration at Pier 60 which includes local artisans, street performers, musicians and terrific live entertainment.

For true world-class entertainment, check out the performance lineup at Ruth Eckerd Hall. Long a mainstay of the Tampa Bay Cultural scene and downtown Clearwater's beautifully restored Capitol Theatre, it hosts some of hottest acts in the US. So come see for yourself because Clearwater really does have it all!

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Bascom's Cajun Lobster Deviled Eggs



INGREDIENTS FOR FILLING (Yields 12 Servings) 6 Large Eggs 3 Tbs Mayonnaise 2 Tbs Dijon Mustard 1 Tbs Sriracha Sauce 1/2 Tbs Cajun Spice 1/2 Tbs Lemon Juice 1 Tbs Fine Chopped Chives

PREPARATION FOR EGG FILLING

• Bring a deep pot of water to a boil on high heat. Reduce heat to low. When water stops boiling, place the eggs in the water using a skimmer or spoon. Increase the heat and back to boil for approximately 13-14 minutes.

• While eggs are boiling prepare an ice bath and set aside. After 14 minutes place eggs in ice bath let cool for 2-3 minutes.

 Once the eggs have cooled completely, peel and slice in half lengthwise. Using a spoon, remove hardened egg yolks and place in a bowl. Place remaining whites in a flat dish.

• Using an electric mixer, beat egg yolks on low speed and crush with a fork. Then, add one by one, add remaining inaredients to incorporate mixture into a stiff play-dough like consistency.

• Place mixture in a pastry bag (or spoon in) and pipe back into the egg white whole.

• Top with Lobster salad mix and garnish with quinoa (recipe follows).

cclaimed Chef Tony Bonanno from the award-winning Bascom's Chophouse in Clearwater also overseas all food and beverages services at the luxe Karol Hotel. Tony has a passion for combining flavors and methods from around the world. Molecular Gastronomy is his specialty and his use of new and exciting methods are creating a big buzz with local foodies. Here's his signature recipe for Cajun Lobster Deviled Eggs - perfect for the holidays!



INGREDIENTS/PREPARATION FOR LOBSTER SALAD

2oz Cooked Lobster Knuckle and Claw, roughly chopped (may substitute lobster tails or shrimp) 2oz Mayonaise 1 Tsp Shallots, finely chopped 1 Tsp Quinoa, cooked

- 1 Tsp Sriracha
- 1/2 Tsp Lemon Juice

Thoroughly mix together all ingredients. Place a generous amount on each deviled egg.

FOR THE RED QUINOA

1 Tbs Red Quinoa 6oz Water 1 Tsp Salt 1 Tsp Extra Virgin Olive Oil Bring a small pot of water to a simmer and add quinoa. Cook until water is mostly absorbed and guinoa fluffs up and not crunchy. Strain grain for excessed water. Sprinkle over top of lobster salad.

You can enjoy many of Chef Tony's other wonderful dishes, at the Club Bar & Bistro in the Karol Hotel, located just down the road from Bascom's Chop House, at 2675 Ulmerton Road. Info: 833-928-1437: theKarolHotel.com. 32 DESTINATION FLORIDA

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The award-winning team at Bascom's Chophouse (3665 Ulmerton Rd) along with acclaimed chef Tony Bonanno, are overseeing all food and beverage services which is a sign of fabulous food and fun times.

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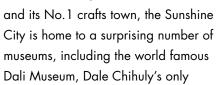
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Tampa Bay. In between, discover great shopping at Sundial or throughout downtown, or the eclectic homegrown businesses in the Grand Central District. Ranked as America's No.1 Arts Destination,



permanent collection of his glass art, and an acclaimed Museum of Fine Arts. Add to that a rich performing arts scene, including the home of the Florida Orchestra, and the cultural lover will be captivated by what's on exhibit or on stage.

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Gainesville

Where Nature and Culture Meet



ome to both "real" gators and the University of Florida's "Fightin' Gators," Gainesville is where nature and culture meet.

Alligators, bison and wild horses freely roam the 22,000 acres of Paynes Prairie State Park, a National Landmark which has lots of walking trails and



platforms that provide fantastic views of the prairie and the 100 - 270 bird species that regularly visit here.

And then there are the museums. The Florida Museum of Natural History hosts fascinating exhibits about Florida and also features a Butterfly Rainforest with hundreds of free-flying butterflies and birds from around the world.

Just next door is the Harn Museum of Art - one of the country's largest university owned art museums. The Harn's impressive collection totals more than 10,000 objects including an extensive collection of Asian Art, as well as modern and contemporary art, photography and more.

For foodies, Gainesville's vibrant downtown delivers a plethora of

excellent local restaurants that range from sushi to steak to everything in between. After dark, lively nightclubs and a professional theater keep things even more

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Haile Village Center Small Town Charm In Gainesville

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gracious homes, treelined brick sidewalks and pedestrian-friendly streets

Each Saturday morning, Haile Village hosts a bustling Farmers' Market where you can shop for locally grown organic produce, fresh baked goods and a variety of crafts. The market is

open from 8:30am until noon and is also a performance venue for local musicians.

Throughout the year, the Village is also a hotspot for fun community



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In both locations, owner Marjorie "Mimi" Hale, along with her two daughters and granddaughters, set the stage for a gracioius southern style meal to remember.

The dishes, many of which are created from cherished family recipes, are simply prepared but absolutely outstanding.

Mimi's signature Baked Krispy Chicken, BBQ Shrimp & Grits and Fried Green Tomatoes are some of the most popular picks on the restaurants' big menus which also include lots of fresh seafood and hand-cut steaks, as well as an extensive selection of glutenfree items.



and so many others.



The portions are always big so be sure to save room for Mimi's decadent desserts which are made daily on premises. FYI: The vanilla-soaked French Bread Pudding with a whisper of bourbon cream sauce is totally outrageous!

You can find Ivy On The Square at 53 S Magnolia in Ocala (352-622-5550) and the original Ivy House Restaurant & Catering at 106 NW Mail St in Williston (352-528-5410).

SAMPLE MENUS



sushi

Poke Bowl

tuna & salmon poke, sushi rice, avocado, cucumber, carrots, seaweed salad & calamari salad

Lobster Tempura Roll

lobster, cucumber, fried tempura with spicy mayo & eel sauce

Crazy Salmon Roll

spicy salmon, avocado topped with ikura, green onion, spicy mayo & eel sauce

SAMPLE MENUS



first steps

Spring Rolls philly cheesesteak or southwest chicken

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Buffalo

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Baked Shrimp Savannah

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BBQ Combo Platter

cheeses, breadcrumbs

with fresh tomato sauce

Grilled Meatloaf

coleslaw, fries

14 oz Ribeye heavily marbled with full rich flavor

12 oz Bone In Pork Chop premium center cut, grilled to order with a side of apricot chutney

Macadamia Crusted Swordfish thick cut, pan fried with mashed potatoes, sauteed baby spinach & a key lime burre blanc sauce



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dinners

Traditional Pot Roast potatoes, onions, carrots, celery, gravy

Blackened Mahi topped with tropical salsa

Charlestown Street Chicken grilled breast, white mushrooms, onion, pasta, sherry cream sauce



SAMPLE MENUS



appetizers

Crab Cakes with remoulade sauce

B Garlic Jumbo Shrimp sautéed with garlic, herbs, butter & chardonnay

Escargot En Croute Sautéed snails, mushrooms, garlic and herb butter in puff pastry

Chilled Oysters on the Half Shell with cocktail sauce

Lump Crab Martini with house-made remoulade

SAMPLE MENUS



pickins

Fried Green Tomatoes

served with southwestern sauce

Pimento Cheese Fritters

pimento cheddar with a hint of blue

Southern Grilled Mozzarella

fresh mozzarella melted between

garlic and herbs and served with

homemade marinara

buttered bread seasoned with minced

cheese served with peach habanero jam



Hand-Cut Ribeye 100% Angus Beef grilled to taste topped with sautéed mushrooms

IVY ON THE SQUARE

Filet & Scampi

hand-cut 8 oz Angus filet mignon crowned with garlic shrimp scampi

Baked Krispy Chicken served with homemade mac and cheese, cornbread and fresh sides

Pecan Atlantic Salmon

pan-seared, pecan-encrusted salmon on a bed of tricolor guinoa topped with hazelnut butter sauce and served with sautéed baby spinach

Black Sesame Tuna

24 OZ B Porterhouse

steer aged, cooked to taste

16 OZ Veal Chop

Chicken Marsala

marsala wine sauce

lemon thyme beurre blanc

thick cut milk fed yeal

Asian dipping sauce

dinner

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Pan-Seared Atlantic Salmon white bean cassoulet, asparagus tips,



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Cedar Key A taste of "Old Florida"

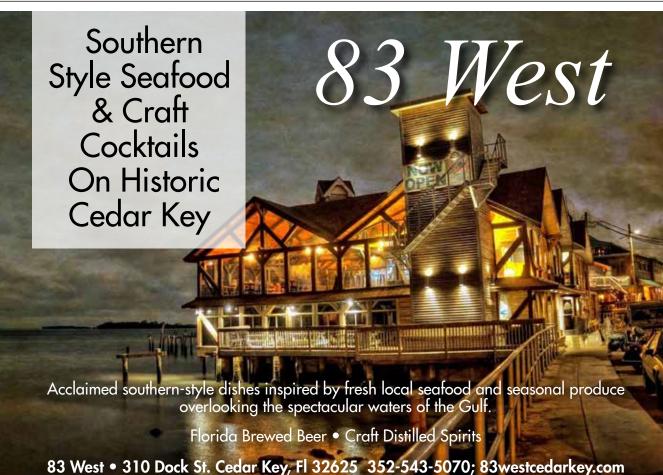
f you want to visit a piece of "Old Florida," tell Siri to take you to the tiny enclave of Cedar Key.

Rich in small town flavor, this quaint, old-fashioned vacation town, with its lovely beaches, great fishing

and lush natural preserves, is a haven for artists and writers who find inspiration from the unspoiled environment. Located about 60 miles southwest of Gainesville and three miles out into the Gulf of Mexico, it's an island whose out of the way location helps keep it authentic and where time seems to stand still.

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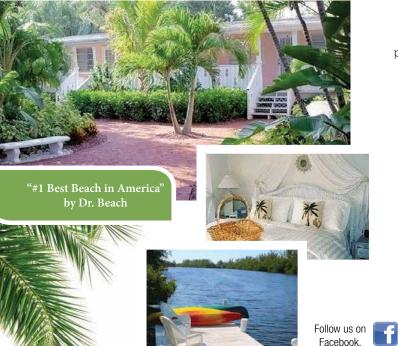
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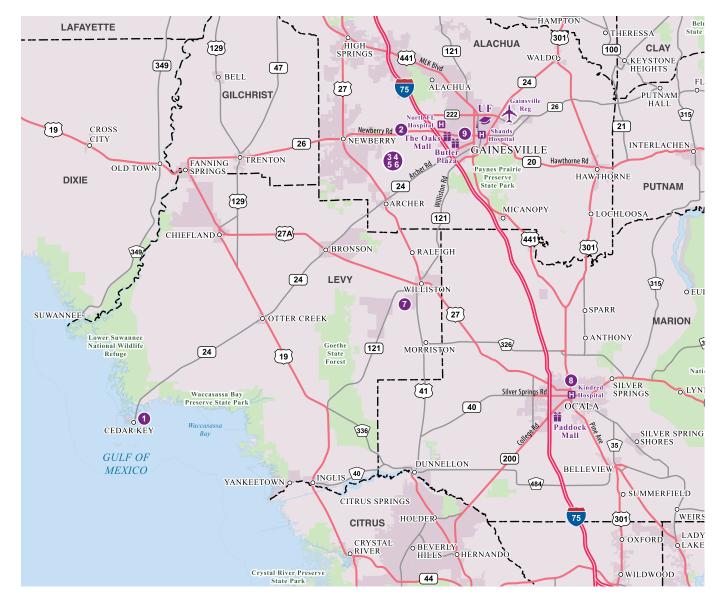


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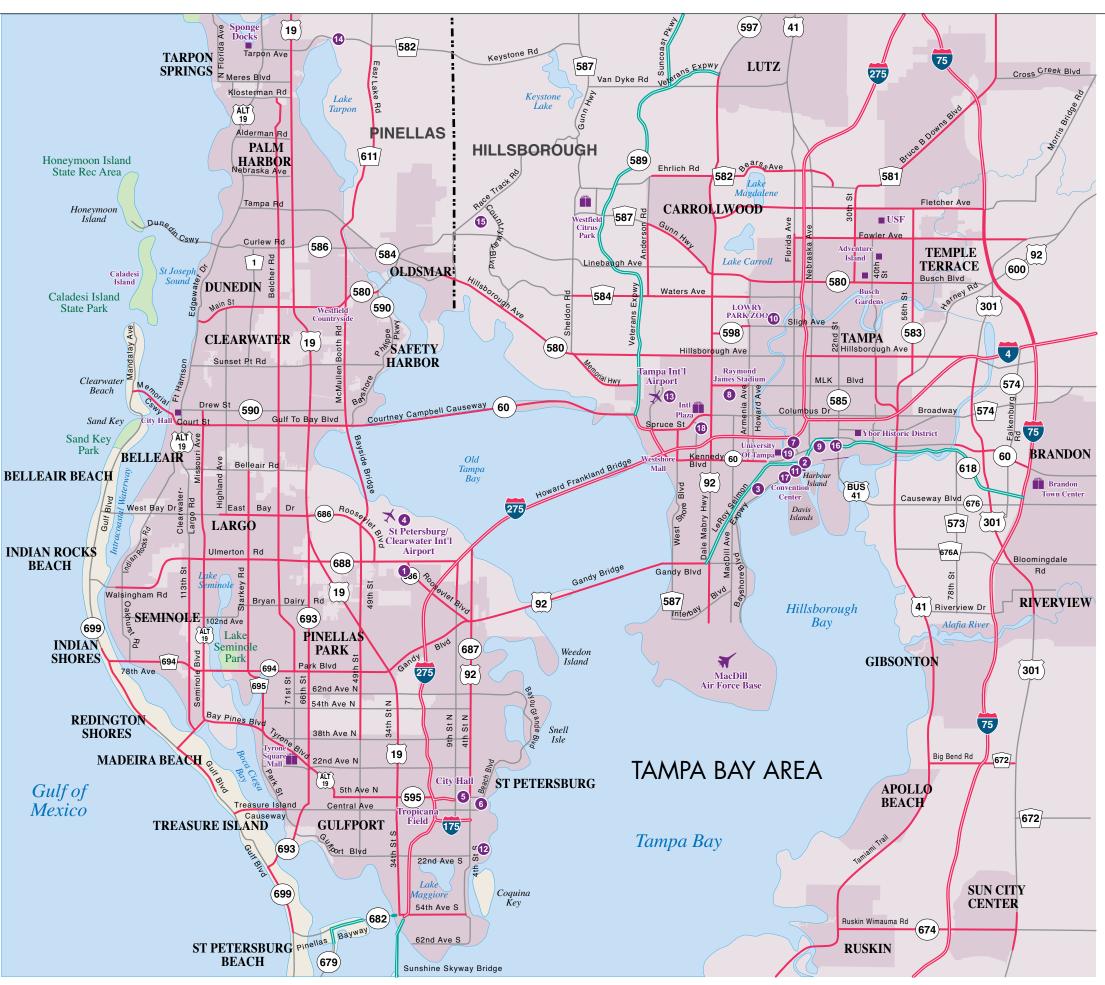
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