Welcome to the Forgotten Coast, a place where you can truly relax and reconnect with family and friends. We are commonly referred to as Old Florida where you will find miles of pristine secluded beaches, endless protected shallow bays and marshes, and a vast expanse of barrier islands and forest lands to explore. Discover our rich maritime culture and history and enjoy our incredible fresh locally caught seafood. Shop in a laid back atmosphere in our one of a kind locally owned and operated shops and galleries.

Getting Here
The Forgotten Coast is located on the Gulf of Mexico in North Florida's panhandle along the Big Bend Scenic Byway; 80 miles southwest of Tallahassee and 60 miles east of Panama City. The area features more than 700 hundred miles of relatively undeveloped coastal shoreline including the four barrier islands of St. George, Dog, Cape St. George and St. Vincent. The coastal communities of Apalachicola, St. George Island, Eastpoint, Carrabelle and Alligator Point are accessible via US Highway 98. By air, the Forgotten Coast can be reached through commercial airports in Tallahassee http://www.talgov.com/airport/airporthome.aspx and Panama City www.iflybeaches.com and by private airports in Apalachicola (850) 653-1366 and on St. George Island (850) 927-2312. By boat, on Gulf Intracoastal Waterway from Florida's West Coast enter at St. George Sound through East Pass, between Dog Island and St. George Island, or through Bob Sikes Cut. From the west, take the Intercoastal waterway through East Bay from Panama City on past White City and continue east through Lake Wimico to the Jackson River, which will lead to the Apalachicola River.
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Apalachicola’s rich history and maritime culture is complimented by the area’s bountiful natural resources.

Apalachicola, or “Apalach, “as it is known by locals, is far from a typical tourist town. Established in 1831, it was once the third-largest port on the Gulf of Mexico. Wide, tree-lined streets are proudly graced by picturesque homes that give visitors a glimpse of the wealth and craftsmanship that existed here in the 18th and 19th centuries.

Apalachicola’s vibrant history and rich maritime culture can also be seen on its working waterfront. Buildings that once served as 19th-century ship’s chandleries, net factories, and a sponge warehouse now house a mix of eclectic and trendy shops, restaurants, galleries, and meticulously restored hotels and B & B’s. These locally owned and operated businesses create a quaint and friendly atmosphere for visitors as well as local residents.

Apalachicola is also noted for having some of the finest oysters in the country. Oysters are currently harvested wild or by using a variety of aquaculture methods.

Apalachicola Bay oysters have a pure, mild, briny flavor that top chefs throughout the country have recognized. Larger fishing and Shrimp Boats line the waterfront and regularly catch fresh local shrimp and fish. Eat at one of our acclaimed restaurants that feature fresh, local seafood harvested daily.

The Apalachicola Bay Chamber of Commerce started around 1836, making it the oldest Chamber in Florida and one of the oldest Chamber of Commerce in the United States still in operation. It is home to one of the four conveniently located visitor centers in the county funded by the Franklin County TDC.
A History Rich with Steamboats, Timber and Seafood

The port of Apalachicola was established in 1831. Shipping cotton was Apalachicola’s big industry, and it soon became the third-largest port on the Gulf of Mexico. By the 1850s, the waterfront was lined with brick warehouses and broad streets to handle the loading and unloading of cotton. Steamboats laden with cotton came down the River and were unloaded. Then small shallow-draft schooners (lighters) shuttled the cargo to ships moored offshore.

As the railroads expanded throughout the United States, a new industry emerged in the City. Home to large cypress forests, Franklin County, developed several big lumber mills in the late 1800s. Lumber magnates built many of the magnificent historic homes that line our streets.

By the end of the 19th century, harvesting oysters and seafood became an important industry. Shrimp, blue crab, and finfish was also very important commercially, bringing over $14 million worth of seafood to Franklin County docks annually.

Today Apalachicola still has a thriving fishing industry and has also become a destination for travelers from around the world, but its laid-back fishing town vibe hasn’t changed. With many shopping and dining options, you can spend the day exploring all that Apalachicola has to offer and learning more about its rich history.

Apalachicola is home to the Three Soldiers, Detail replica statue at Veterans Park adjacent to the botanical Gardens and Orman House State Park Museum. You can learn more about the History of Apalachicola at the Raney House Museum, which is home to the Apalachicola Area Historical Society.

Apalachicola has more than 900 historic homes, buildings and sites listed in its extensive National Register District, and the city was selected one of America’s Dozen Distinctive Destinations in 2008 by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. The National Trust for Historic Preservation chose Apalachicola as one of its 2008 Dozen Distinctive Destinations based on its unique character, exceptional charm and dedication to historic preservation. Awarded to only a handful of communities throughout the nation, this designation confirms Apalachicola’s commitment to preserving its working seafood industry, maritime culture and history.

HERITAGE SITES AND MUSEUMS

Apalachicola Historic District
www.cityofapalachicola.com

Chestnut Street Cemetery
apalachicolahistoricalsociety.org

Chapman House Museum
82 Sixth Street

Fort Gadsden Historic Site
Apalachicola National Forest

Holy Family Cultural Center
203 Dr. Frederick Humphries St.
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Eastpoint

Eastpoint is a traditional fishing community and centrally-located to St. George Island, Apalachicola and Carrabelle.

Eastpoint is the central point of Florida's Forgotten Coast and is considered the gateway to St. George Island, Apalachicola and the Apalachicola National Forest.

Eastpoint has also traditionally been considered the seafood central hub of Franklin County as it is one of North Florida’s most authentic fishing communities. Located across the bay from Apalachicola and St. George Island, Eastpoint features rustic seafood houses and weather-worn docks where oystermen haul their heavy burlap bags of freshly harvested Apalachicola Bay oysters to be washed, shucked, packed and transported across the country. The nutrient-rich shallow bay system just offshore of this scenic fishing hamlet supports the lion’s hare of the county’s commercial fishing industry and serves as vital habitat for much of the region’s marine life.

Eastpoint features a full service RV park, two boats ramps, a park and a popular fishing pier that parallels the bridge to St. George Island.

Several restaurants hug the shoreline or are dotted along Highway 98. Eastpoint now features its own brewery overlooking the bay and live music can be heard in several area eateries.

Accommodations in Eastpoint include an historic fishing lodge tucked along the shores of East Bay and several individual vacation rental units.
A growing number of businesses cater to visitors including bait and tackle shops that stock everything you need to begin a fishing adventure.

To the north of Eastpoint off Highway 65, the Tate’s Hell and the Apalachicola National Forest features thousands of acres of woodlands perfect for hiking, birding, hunting and fishing.

Eastpoint is also home also to the Apalachicola National Estuarine Research Reserve Center, a 5,000 square foot research and nature center near the foot of the bridge to St George Island.

Apalachicola Bay Oysters - A Study in Resilience

Apalachicola Bay is known as one of the most productive estuarine systems in the world featuring the perfect balance of environmental conditions necessary for feeding, breeding and nurturing an abundant variety of seafood, including the world-famous Apalachicola Bay oysters.

Traditionally, oystermen have harvested the tasty bivalve from more than 7,000 of public oyster “bars” and 600 acres of private leased bars in and around Apalachicola Bay.

It’s no secret however, that over the last decade, Apalachicola Bay’s oyster population has dwindled, due in large part to a drain on freshwater flowing into the bay from the Apalachicola River. And there have been other issues that have contributed to the dwindling oyster population numbers dating back as far back as 2012.

However, thanks to a major influx of State and Federal resources to reseed the bay and rebuild the oyster reefs, researchers say they are seeing encouraging regrowth of the precious bivalve in several areas of the bay.

While wild-caught oyster harvesting may have suffered, oysters continue to be farmed in and around Apalachicola Bay through innovative aquaculture farming methods. So far there are more than 100 lease holders that have staked their claim and futures on the one-to-10-acre leased water plots in and around Apalachicola Bay.

The technology is nothing like their forefathers used – today’s aquaculture farmers invest in floating bags, suspended lines and tumbling machines – although some also direct seed the bay bottom to grow oysters on privately-leased areas.

No matter what the method of harvest, the hope is that both wild harvesters and aquaculture farmers will be able to coexist in the future on a bay that is healthy enough to sustain everyone for generations to come.
The Apalachicola National Estuarine Research Reserve (The Reserve) encompasses 234,715 acres making it the second largest of 29 the National Estuarine Research Reserves in the US. The Reserve is also a UNESCO World Biosphere Reserve.

The Reserve boundaries include a large section of the Apalachicola River and adjoining floodplains, all or portions of three barrier islands, Apalachicola Bay and associated sounds. Apalachicola Bay, the primary water body, is one of the most productive bays in the country. The bay supports major fisheries for oysters, shrimp, crabs and finfish. Much of the local economy is connected to the bay.

The Reserve is also one of the most important bird habitats in the southeastern U.S. with more than 315 species. There are more than 360 species of marine mollusks found in the Reserve and in its near-shore waters, many of which are endangered. Fifty-seven species of mammals are found in the drainage basin including the Florida black bear, the West Indian manatee, the Indiana bat and the gray bat. Contact the Reserve office at (850) 670-7700 for a schedule of workshops, lectures and special events, or go to apalachicolareserve.com

Reserve Nature Center

Explore the flora and fauna of the Forgotten Coast area up close at the Reserve’s Nature Center. The 5,400 square foot center has three large aquariums and a intricate mural that allow visitors to see first-hand what lives in the Apalachicola River, Apalachicola Bay and the Gulf of Mexico. In the Bay Discovery Room, you can examine skeletons, fossils and preserved marine life, as well as an extensive shell collection where you can ID what you have seen on the beach and bay. Historical artifacts, oral histories and fossils help tell the maritime history of the bay area. Visitors can also explore over 1,600 feet of raised boardwalks that traverse the Nature Center’s 28 acres winding through a coastal hammock shaded by live oaks, pines and magnolia trees ending with an overlook on to Apalachicola Bay. The Nature Center is open Tuesday-Saturday, 9am-4pm. 850-670-7700 or go to apalachicolareserve.com
St. George Island

This 22-mile barrier island proudly boasts some of the most beautiful and serene beaches in Florida.

If you are a beach lover who doesn’t care for the crowds but loves beautiful shorelines, St. George Island provides the perfect utopia. This 22-mile barrier island proudly boasts some of Florida’s most beautiful and serene beaches. No high rises, low-density beach environment, and a laid-back attitude equals miles of uncrowded beaches - great for sunning and shelling clear Gulf waters for swimming and excellent fishing, and pristine marshes for wildlife viewing. Rent your own private beach home on our unspoiled pristine shoreline through one of our local realty companies, or stay at one of the Island hotels. The Island is also very pet friendly. Well-behaved dogs are welcome on the beaches on a leash and cats and dogs are allowed in many of the rental homes.

St. George Island State Park occupies the Island’s far eastern end, where you will find nine miles of undeveloped shoreline, sandy coves, and salt marshes. The park has a series of hiking trails, boardwalks, and observation platforms. Bird watching is a popular activity here. You might encounter one of the many migratory birds that use the island as a stop-over on their way south or north. Dr. Beach voted St. George Island State Park #1 Beach in America in 2023 and the beach park has been ranked consistently in the top 10 Beach in America for several years.

St. George Island is also home to sea turtles that annually migrate to the beaches of St. George Island and surrounding islands to lay their eggs.
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Cape St. George Lighthouse

Climb the 92 wooden stairs of the Cape St. George Lighthouse and see spectacular views of Apalachicola Bay and the Gulf of Mexico.

The Cape St. George Light, located at the center of St. George Island, is the fourth construction of the historic lighthouse. The first was built in 1833, with reconstructions in 1848, 1852, and 2008.

A succession of Lighthouse Keepers tended the light for more than 100 years, carrying heavy buckets of fuel up the spiral staircase each day, trimming the wicks, and polishing the lenses. During the Civil War the light was extinguished so as not to offer guidance to Federal war ships, and the lens was removed from the tower for safe keeping.

The lighthouse was originally built on the western tip of St. George Island, but was rebuilt in 1848 on Cape St. George. The third lighthouse was built after the hurricane of 1851, and withstood storms, wars, and beach erosion for 153 years. It collapsed into the Gulf of Mexico on October 21, 2005.

In a dramatic team effort involving private contractors and local volunteers, the pieces of the Light were salvaged and reconstruction began in the fall of 2007. The reconstructed lighthouse was completed in December of 2008.

The Lighthouse, the Keeper’s House Museum and Gift Shop, and the St. George Island Visitor Center are located in St. George Lighthouse Park at the center of the island. Visit stgeorgelight.org for information.
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Carrabelle

With a natural deep-water harbor, easy access to three rivers, and renowned golf resort Carrabelle is a perfect outdoor getaway.

Carrabelle is considered the Gateway to the Gulf because of its easy access to offshore fishing and boating. The town is a walkable community with conveniences, shopping and restaurants just steps from the riverfront. Just west of the City, the Camp Gordon Johnston Museum that tells the story of how our troops trained on the salty beach of Franklin County for the D-Day Invasion of Normandy in World War II. The nearby Crooked River Lighthouse reminds you of the town’s maritime importance.

Visitors enjoy Carrabelle's inshore and offshore fishing opportunities as well as access to the area’s vast State and federally-owned wilderness areas with camping, hiking trails. If you're a golfer, you'll appreciate the nearby nationally-recognized St. James Bay Golf Resort.

Carrabelle is known nationally for its World's Smallest Police Station.

HERITAGE SITES AND MUSEUMS
Camp Gordon Johnston WWII Museum
campgordonjohnston.com
Crooked River Lighthouse
Park and Keeper's House Museum
crookedriverlighthouse.org
Carrabelle History Museum
carrabellehistorymuseum.org
For nearly 100 years the Crooked River Lighthouse stood as a guiding light for ships, and fishermen navigating the treacherous pass between Dog and St. George Islands. Today the lighthouse and keeper's house museum stand on the mainland where the light was originally built in 1895, replacing the three short-lived beacons destroyed by hurricanes on Dog Island.

The 103 foot iron and steel structure was decommissioned by the Coast Guard in 1995 and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The Carrabelle Lighthouse Association and the City of Carrabelle obtained ownership of the landmark just weeks before being auctioned and created a public park surrounding it. Nestled in a north Florida forest habitat the lighthouse beams nightly, with its acrylic replica of its original 4th order Fresnel lens.

The park picnic area features a replica of the Crooked River Lighthouse Keeper's House which was patterned after the original 1895 plans. The Keeper's House serves as a museum, gift shop and headquarters for the CLA. The lighthouse hosts monthly full moon climbs and bi-weekly country markets are hosted in the park.
Surrounding Areas

There are many interesting areas to explore near Apalachicola

TO THE EAST

ALLIGATOR POINT Located at the eastern end of Franklin County, can be accessed from US Highway 98 and Route 370. The 14,366-acre Alligator Harbor Aquatic Preserve acts as a nursery for the Gulf Coast, serving as a breeding ground for grouper, shrimp, blue crabs, flounder, trout, mullet, snapper, cobia, tarpon, redfish, and many more species. Wildlife watching and sight fishing in these waters can be rewarding and challenging. Some of the most picturesque scenic areas along north Florida's Gulf Coast are found within the Bald Point State Park, which supports 4,065 upland acres. Located on Alligator Point, where Ochlockonee Bay meets Apalachee Bay, Bald Point offers a multitude of land and water activities. Coastal marshes, pine flatwoods, and oak thickets foster diverse biological communities, making the park a popular destination for birding and wildlife viewing. It is located 45 minutes east of Apalachicola.

CARRABELLE An authentic fishing village, its people have been harvesting from the sea for over 100 years. Carrabelle features an airstrip and deepwater access to the Gulf. Located twenty minutes east of Apalachicola, the town of Carrabelle is a paradise for boaters and fishermen, with plenty of deep water boat slips and several marinas that offer fuel, provisions, bait, and tackle. Also, a haven for bird watchers, kayakers, and

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outdoor enthusiasts, with Tate’s Hell State Forest, the Carrabelle River, Lanark Reef, St. George Sound, and Dog Island all right here. Carrabelle is also the last stop on the Intra-coastal Waterway before “The Crossing.” It, therefore, is a staging area for Loopers and recreational boaters making America’s Great Loop along the Atlantic and Gulf Intracoastal Waterways, Great Lakes, and the inland rivers. Drop in the Carrabelle Chamber Visitors Center for more information on all Carrabelle has to offer (850) 697-2585.

LANARK VILLAGE AND ST. JAMES BAY
Located Five miles east of Carrabelle, the village of Lanark was once home to a fashionable resort in the late 1800s as it was the terminus of the Georgia, Florida, and Alabama Railroad. During WWII, the area was known as Camp Gordon Johnston, a military installation that trained over a quarter million men for amphibious assaults from 1942 until 1946. St. James Bay Golf Club, the area’s only Audubon Signature Sanctuary and Championship 18-hole Golf Course can be found just 2 miles east of Lanark Village.

TO THE WEST
INDIAN PASS West of Apalachicola, take US Highway 98 for about seven miles to a fork in the road where 98 meets C-30: the next ten miles offer a scenic route with incredible bay views. Ten miles further down the road, you’ll stumble upon the Indian Pass Raw Bar, an iconic oyster bar where you get your beer or coke from the fridge and belly up to the bar for a dozen of Apalachicola’s finest oysters. As you leave the raw bar, explore Indian Pass. Serving as the gateway to St. Vincent Wildlife Refuge, this small peninsula divides Indian Lagoon from the Gulf of Mexico.

CAPE SAN BLAS Cape San Blas peninsula reaches out in an arch to form St Joseph Bay, a shallow clear saltwater bay full of sea life. It is located 30 minutes west of Apalachicola.

PORT ST. JOE, founded in 1835, was a cotton shipping port, later known as Port St. Joe. In 1844, the town was hit by a hurricane and tidal wave. Two years later, in 1846, the city virtually disappeared when a yellow fever epidemic killed over 6,000 residents. Nestled on the shores of St. Joseph Bay, Port St. Joe thrives on its natural scenic beauty, deep history, and genuine southern hospitality. It is located 20 miles west of Apalachicola.
Things To Do

Miles of pristine beaches, endless shallow bays and marshes, fresh water rivers provide great outdoor opportunities for fishing, boating, kayaking, birding or hiking.

You could stay outside all day every day in Franklin County. Spend the day fishing, boating, kayaking, birding or hiking. Take a guided tour on the Apalachicola River, see the historic waterfront and learn about the role the river has played in our history and economy, then head up Apalachicola River to view the many wild and isolated marshes or take a trip across Apalachicola Bay to one of the barrier islands - St. Vincent Island National Wildlife Refuge, Cape St. George State Preserve and Dog Island. Or rent a boat or kayak and explore the remote bays and inlets where you'll likely catch a glimpse of a bald eagle overhead or a dolphin swimming in the surf. Land based adventures include trips into the expansive Apalachicola National Forest or Tate's Hell State Forest. Here visitors can enjoy hiking, birding, hunting and fishing on thousands of acres of primitive forests. Whether you are staying on the beach or touring the historic district in Apalachicola, bicycling is a great way to get around. Bike rentals are available on the beach and in the historic district. Browse the many shops and galleries that feature locally made, one-of-a-kind works.

Apalachicola Center for History, Culture and the Art  Located in the Historic Harrison-Raney Cotton Warehouse, HCA is dedicated to bringing art, culture and history to residents and visitors year-round. HCA exhibits regional and national fine art exhibits and artist workshops, hosts educational cultural events and houses historical artifacts from the surrounding area of Apalachicola. HCA is open Tuesday -Saturday, 12-5pm. 86 Water Street (850) 653-9319.

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Apalachicola Historic District
Over 900 homes, buildings and sites are listed in the National Register District some dating from the 1830s. A scenic walking tour of the town acquaints visitors with sites such as cotton warehouses, which housed the City’s once prosperous cotton export during the 1800s, a sponge exchange and Victorian homes nestled amid magnolias. Maps are available at the Apalachicola Bay Chamber offices and Visitors Centers located at 122 Commerce Street in Apalachicola or 2A East Gulf Beach Drive on St. George Island or can be downloaded at www.apalachicolabay.org

Apalachicola Paddling Trail System - one of the country’s top twelve paddling destinations according to Paddler magazine and the American Canoe Association.

Apalachicola Municipal Library
Books, audio books, local history and genealogy section, wireless internet access. 80 12th St (850) 653-8436

Apalachicola National Estuarine Research Reserve
Encompassing over 246,000 acres in Apalachicola Bay, it is the 2nd largest Estuarine Research Reserve system in the nation. Exhibits on the flora and fauna of the area and giant live fish tanks, video and a ½ scale model oyster boat. Open Tuesday-Saturday 9:00 am-4:30 pm 108 Island Drive Eastpoint (850) 670-7700

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Apalachicola Riverkeeper
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Big Bend Scenic Byway - Whether you visit the Forest Trail, rich with pine forests, hardwood hammocks, grasslands, streams, and rivers, or the Coastal Trail of salt marshes, bays, sand dunes, and beaches, it’s the natural place to be. Approximately 220 miles in length, the Big Bend Scenic Byway can be accessed from Apalachicola in the west, Tallahassee Regional Airport in the north, or Newport in the east.

Camp Gordon Johnston WWII Museum
As the second largest U.S. Army training facility in Florida from 1942-1946, it is estimated that over 250,000 men and women passed through the camp during its operation. The Museum honors and preserves the heritage of these brave soldiers through extensive histories, displays, weapons, videos, and photographs of the area and life, at it existed at the camp. At its new facility, 1873 Highway 98 West, located directly across from Carrabelle Public Beach. (850) 697-8575, www.campgordonjohnston.com, museum@campgordonjohnston.com.

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Cape St. George Lighthouse  After collapsing on Cape St. George in 2005, this historic lighthouse has since been painstakingly reconstructed in the center of St. George Island. Original materials were salvaged and used in the reconstruction. Now you can climb the 92 wooden stairs and an eight-rung ladder to the lantern room which offers spectacular views. Also visit the Keepers House Museum next door to see exhibits on the history of the lighthouse and artifacts. March-October open Monday-Saturday 10:00 am-5:00 pm, Sunday 12:00-5:00 pm. Closed Thursday. November through February noon-5:00 p.m. 2 East Gulf Beach Drive (850) 927-7745 www.stgeorgelight.org

Cape St. George State Reserve (Little St. George Island)  This 9 mile long reserve is one of three barrier islands that separate Apalachicola Bay from the Gulf of Mexico. The Reserve’s remoteness and wilderness qualities provide an opportunity to explore and enjoy a remnant of Florida’s original natural landscape. Shell collecting is very good; accessible only by boat.

Carrabelle History Museum  Housed in the Old Carrabelle City Hall which was built in 1933 as a project of the Works Progress Administration (WPA) by local mason Marvin Justiss. The Museum shares the history and culture of Carrabelle from the viewpoint of its long-term residents. Exhibit items include Native American pottery shards and artifacts, marine fossils, the original “World’s Smallest Police Station”, artifacts and stories from the shipwreck of the SS Tarpon, personal memorabilia of famous local citizens, newspapers, and photographs, plus city arrest records…and an endless supply of fascinating stories. Located at 106 Avenue B SE, Carrabelle. 850-697-2141, carrabellehistorymuseum@gmail.com, www.carrabellehistorymuseum.org.

Crooked River Lighthouse and Keeper’s House  listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the lighthouse was constructed in 1895 and is still standing in its original location. Built to guide ships through the East Pass between Dog Island and St. George Island this maritime beacon operates as a friendly aid to navigation. Climb the 103 foot iron and steel structure, the tallest on the Forgotten Coast. The Keeper’s House Museum features history and science exhibits and a gift shop. Picnic and playground area, open dawn to dusk. Located on Hwy 98, two miles west of the Carrabelle Bridge near Carrabelle Beach. (850) 697-2732, www.crookedriverlighthouse.org, carrabellelighthouse@gmail.com.

Chestnut Street Cemetery  One of the most significant cemeteries on the Florida Gulf Coast. Established in 1831, the headstones tell the history of Apalachicola. Funerary art reflects the ethnic diversity of the community. Located on US Highway 98 between 6th and 8th Streets.

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Apalachicola Dog Park Corner of Avenue L and 17th Street in Apalachicola. Fenced play areas for small and large dogs.

Florida State University Coastal & Marine Laboratory This biologically rich area is considered one of six biodiversity hotspots in the US. Relatively untouched the area includes habitats ranging from oyster reefs to seagrass meadows, from freshwater bogs to salt marshes. FSUCML conducts research focused on the coastal and marine ecosystems of the northeastern Gulf of Mexico. Tours of the lab most Fridays call (850) 697-4120 first. 3618 Highway 98, St. Teresa. www.marinelab.fsu.edu

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Fort Gadsden Historic Site This site played an important role in early US history. Earthen embankments and interpretive kiosk remain today. Located on the east bank of the Apalachicola River, approximately 45 minutes north of Eastpoint, accessed by Highway 65. The site interprets the role of Native and African Americans during the early 1800s (850) 643-2282

Franklin County Public Library Best-sellers and popular, classic, and current materials, books on tape, children’s library, extensive LP record collection, family learning resource center, computers Carrabelle branch 311 St. James Ave (850) 697-2366. Eastpoint branch 160 Hickory Dip Road (850) 670-8151

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Historic Port Theatre Art and Culture Center is located in Port St. Joe, Florida. On June 5, 2003, it was added to the U.S. National Register of Historic Places. 314 Reid Ave Port St. Joe 850-227-4355 www.historicporttheatre.com

Indian Creek Park 97 North Bayshore Drive Eastpoint

John Gorrie Museum Contains a replica of the first ice machine (predecessor to A/C) created by Dr. John Gorrie in an attempt to cool his yellow fever patients. His invention later became the basis for the ice industry and air conditioning. Open Thursday-Monday 9:00 am-5:00 pm 6th Street and Avenue D (850) 653-9347

Lafayette Park Fishing Pier, interpretive signage, a gazebo, picnic tables and playground Avenue B between 13th and 15th 653-9319

Lombardi’s Waterfront Park & Olan B. Ward Maritime Heritage Museum incorporates an interactive museum along with a boat ramp, fishing pier, and picnic area. The museum includes informative kiosks, audio/video stations, and other printed media to educate the public of the many stages of the seafood industry. 628 US Hwy 98 Apalachicola

Marion Millender Park South end of Millender’s St. Eastpoint

Orman House Built in 1838 by Thomas Orman, the wood for this two-story home was cut to measure near Syracuse, New York and shipped to Apalachicola by sailing vessel around the Florida Keys, then assembled on the bluff overlooking the

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broad estuary and bay of the Apalachicola River. Today the house still resonates with a genteel aura and warmth of the past. Open Thursday–Monday 9:00 am–5:00 pm North Market Street (850) 653-1209

Panhandle Players A non-profit community theater organization that provides live theater productions throughout the year. 155 Ave E Apalachicola (850)629-8680 www.panhandleplayers.com

Ralph G. Kendrick Dwarf Cypress Boardwalk - This one-of-a-kind oddity is a bowl-shaped depression in the forest covering dozens of acres, from Eastpoint head east on U.S. Highway 98. Turn left on John Allen Road and left on Dry Bridge Road. The area features dwarf cypress that never grew more than about 15’ tall. These trees are documented to be over 150 years old but only reached a stunted mature height, hence the name “dwarf cypress”. They are also referred to as “miniature” or “hat-rack” cypress. The Ralph G. Kendrick Boardwalk offers an observation tower overlooking one of the most prolific areas, with interpretive panels and picnic tables.

Raney House Museum Built in 1836 for cotton commission merchant David Greenway Raney. Historic house museum located on Market Street at the corner of Avenue F, the Museum is open to the public Sunday–Friday 1:00–4:00 pm, Saturday 10:00 am–4:00 pm. (850) 653-1700

Regatta Park 901 West Bayshore Dr. St. George Island

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antiques, and furniture constructed over 70 years ago by the owner's father, Conrad Meyer. The upstairs loft area is 1600 square feet with two bedrooms and two baths and sleeps two to 8, depending upon your needs. 59 Commerce Street, Apalachicola www.vrbo.com/1417462.

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Smithsonian Museum Day This national celebration honors museums that follow the example of the Smithsonian with free admission. In salute to this day, Carrabelle History Museum, Camp Gordon Johnston WWII Museum, and Crooked River Lighthouse Museum will also have extended hours from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm 4th Weekend in September

OCTOBER
St. George Island Art & Wine Splash Buy a glass and get to taste 16 wines at various locations around the business district of the island. As you are sipping your vino, you can stroll around to the many art vendors that will be set up along the way. First weekend of October
Pink Out! First Friday of October, this local breast cancer awareness event has grown to be a popular annual fall event on St. George Island. The annual Pink Out! festivities begin at 6 pm at Paddy’s Raw Bar and will feature a silent auction, live music, food and fun! www.franklinneeds.com
Ghost Walk Last Saturday in October, 7:00-9:00 pm Hauntings abound at the Chestnut Street Cemetery when local history enthusiasts take on the persona of the cemetery’s notable inhabitants.

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Lantern Fest Third Saturday in October at the Crooked River Lighthouse. Shipwreck tales & local lore, glowing lanterns, music, dance and night time tower climbs bring magic & history together! (850) 697-2732

NOVEMBER
Florida Seafood Festival First Weekend in November, Florida’s Oldest Maritime Event, this two-day celebration of delicious seafood, arts and crafts exhibits, musical entertainment, oyster eating and oyster shucking contest, blue crab races, a parade, 5K run and the Blessing of the Fleet www.floridas-seafoodfestival.com

Apalachicola Downtown Christmas Celebration Friday after Thanksgiving. The day after Thanksgiving, the streets of Apalachicola will be lined with luminaries and filled with holiday spirit. Merchants will be open late, and the sounds of carolers will echo through the streets. Santa arrives on a shrimp boat at 4 pm at the City Dock on Water Street.

Shop Small Saturday Saturday After Thanksgiving 11-6 pm Shop independently owned small businesses. From art to jewelry, food or antiques, you’ll find the perfect gift for everyone on your list.

DECEMBER
St. George Island Lighting of the Palms Join St. George Island Civic Club and SGI Business Association for the Lighting of the Palms the first Friday of December. Starting at 4:30 for the Jingle Jog. Then at Dark Thirty Santa arrives at Lighthouse Park and will be at The Visitor Center to hear all the Children’s Wishes. Come for refreshments and free Hotdogs for the Kids. The Civic Club will be Lighting the Palms for the start of the Christmas Season on St. George Island.

Holiday Fresh Market First Saturday of December. Why fight the crowds and traffic at the malls? Come for the day or the weekend and find one-of-a-kind unusual presents. Shop in a relaxed, hassle-free environment. Buy hand-crafted Apalachicola specialties such as fresh seasonal wreaths, baked goods, artwork, wood carving, pottery, hand knitted goods. Your gift shopping has never been easier! (850) 653-9419

Eastpoint Christmas Parade & Celebration Second Friday of December 4:00 pm Bring your golf cart, convertible, pick-up truck or boat. We’ll end at the Pavilion on Patton Drive where Santa will arrive by oyster boat. There will be caroling, and Santa will listen to the children’s wishes.

Carrabelle Holiday on the Harbor Find your favorite viewing spot for the Boat Parade along 2 miles of the Carrabelle River Parade starts at 6:15 pm. The Boat Parade can be enjoyed from anywhere along Marine Street & Highway 98, Sing Along & Awards ceremony at C-Quarters Marina after the Fireworks. Second Saturday In December.

For up-to-date calendar information, go to www.apalachicolabay.org/events

Looking to Relocate?
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City of Apalachicola (850) 653-9419 www.cityofapalachicola.com
City of Carrabelle (850) 697-3618 www.mycarrabelle.com
Consolidated Communications www.consolidated.com
Duke Energy www.duke-energy.com
Eastpoint Water & Sewer (850) 670-4879
Franklin County Planning & Zoning (850) 653-9783 www.franklincounty-florida.com/county-government/planning-building/
Mediacom www.mediacomcable.com
St. George Island Water Management (850) 927-2648 www.wmsistgeorge.com
St. Joe Gas (850) 229-8216 www.stjoe-naturalgas.com
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