

With the temporary closure of Indian River County beaches due to Red Tide passing through our area, we've put together a list of Inland Adventures for visitors to enjoy!

Sebastian River Area Inland Adventures

STROLL MUSEUMS & GALLERIES

Mel Fisher's Treasure Museum

Visit the Mel Fisher Treasure Museum and dive into history! The experience is both educational and exciting - you can even lift an authentic Atocha gold bar! Join the millions who have witnessed this spectacular collection of cultural artifacts and treasure recovered from the ocean depths. The museum is filled with interesting and unusual displays. Among the expected exhibits are everyday items, religious pieces, and gold and silver artifacts salvaged from the Atocha, the local 1715 shipwrecks, and other various shipwrecks.

Mel Fisher's Treasure Museum | 1322 US Hwy 1, Sebastian | 772-589-9875 | www.melfisher.com/sebastian

Sebastian Area Historical Museum

The Sebastian Area Historical Museum is a must! Located in the 1927 Historic Sebastian Public School at 1235 Main Street, you will be taken back in time with their wonderful exhibits from the early settlements of the Ais Indians, to Pelican Island - our Nation's First Wildlife Refuge, and even agriculture, our rich fishing heritage, and more! It's open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and the 1st and 3rd Saturday's of each month from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and admission is FREE!

Sebastian Area Historical Museum | 1235 Main Street, Sebastian | 772-581-1380 | www.sebastianareahistoricalmuseum.com

Sebastian River Art Club

Art Club offers demonstrations, mentorship, classes & workshops, charity work, art shows and more. Open every Tuesday & Thursday from 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Sebastian River Art Club | 1245 Main Street, Sebastian | 772-571-6632 | www.sebastianriverartclub.com

Vero Beach Museum of Art

American & international visual art collections are displayed in this contemporary regional museum. The Museum is the largest cultural arts facility of its kind on Florida's Treasure Coast featuring five art galleries, two sculpture parks, Museum Art School, auditorium, great hall, art library, museum store and a museum café. The Museum offers free admission on the last Saturday of every month.

Vero Beach Museum of Art | 3001 Riverside Park Dr, Vero Beach | 772-231-0707 | www.verobeachmuseum.org

THEATRE

Riverside Theatre

Riverside Theatre is the only professional producing theatre on the Treasure Coast. The theatre's main goal is to provide exceptional entertainment to the community of Vero Beach. They fulfill this goal by having mainstage and second stage shows which feature contemporary plays. The theatre also provides alternative programming like comedy zone and celebrity series. The children's theatre reaches out to the children of the community to get them involved in this art to help build their character.

Riverside Theatre | 3250 Riverside Park Drive, Vero Beach | 772-231-6990 | www.riversidetheatre.com

Vero Beach Theatre Guild

This non-profit theatre guild offers some large scale musicals on their modest stage. The 2018-2019 Season of Dazzling Community Theatre has stage performances that run for two weeks and show times are 7:30 pm weeknights and 2:00 pm on Saturdays and Sundays

Vero Beach Theatre Guild | 2020 San Juan Ave., Vero Beach | 772-562-8300 | www.verobeachtheatreguild.com

OUTDOOR ADVENTURES

LaPorte Farms

LaPorte Farms is a uniquely beautiful farm located in Roseland. They have several critters to visit such as: Zebra, Monkey, Zebu, Llamas, Donkey, Ram, Billy Goats, White Doves, Quarter Horse, Chickens, Ducks, Geese and Swans, Macaw, Umbrella Cockatoos, Parrots, Sun Concur, Pheasants, Guineas, Quail, Miniature Horses & More! They are handicap accessible and offer the

perfect venue for various occasions and outings. LaPorte Farms is open daily from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. Admission is by donation.

LaPorte Farms | 7700 129th Street, Sebastian | 772-633-0813 | www.laportefarms.com

St. Sebastian River Preserve State Park

The St. Sebastian River Preserve State Park, part of the Great Florida Birding Trail, is considered one of the top birding locations in the U.S. This site preserves open grassy forests of longleaf pine that were once commonplace throughout Florida. The pine flatwoods form a backdrop for other biological communities, including cypress domes, scrubby Flatwoods, sand hills, and a beautiful strand swamp. These habitats are home to many native plants and animals, including over 50 protected species. Photographers, bird-watchers, and nature enthusiasts can explore miles of trails on foot, bicycle or horseback.

St. Sebastian River Preserve State Park | 1000 Buffer Preserve Dr., Fellsmere | 321-953-5005 | <https://www.floridastateparks.org/parks-and-trails/st-sebastian-river-preserve-state-park>

North Sebastian Conservation Area

The North Sebastian Conservation Area (NSCA) contains 407 acres of many different habitats. The conservation area is located west of US Highway 1, north of Main Street (in Sebastian) and south of Roseland Road. The conservation area is bounded on the western perimeter by Sebastian Airport and the Sebastian Golf Course. The area is primarily xeric oak scrub, a globally and locally endangered habitat (FNAI). Other habitats include: Sand and Pine Scrub, Sand Pine Forest, Scrubby Flatwoods, Mesic Pine Flatwoods, Wet Flatwoods (osprey nesting area), Freshwater Marsh, Upland Hardwood Forest, Wetland Forested Mix, Shrub, Brushland, freshwater Ponds and Lakes.

North Sebastian Conservation Area | 1273 Main Street, Sebastian | https://www.sebastianchamber.com/images/PDF/North_Seb_Consevation.pdf

Kayak the St. Sebastian River

A kayaking trip through the St. Sebastian River takes you back in time as you paddle through "Old Florida" and under large canopy oaks. You'll not only discover birds, alligators, manatees, turtles but also a sense of peace. The St. Sebastian River is a three-prong system. The North Prong and South Prong share a common mouth into the Indian River lagoon with a man-made flood control canal. The South Prong meanders north behind the coastal ridge that separates it from the Indian River. Sluggish stream flow and a wide channel on the lower river provide an easy day of paddling

after winding through the narrower upper section. Kayaking the Sebastian River Area is a great escape for those seeking relaxation while learning to appreciate Florida's natural wonderlands.

About Kayaks River Rentals | 25 Airport Drive W., Sebastian | 772-589-3469 | www.aboutkayaks.net

Capt Christy Lenz Casual Cruisin' | 772-633-0987 | www.captchristylenz.com

Sebastian Stormwater Park

This property, 175 acres, is a community multi-use amenity. Florida scrub jays and gopher tortoise can be observed in the eastern portion of the property. A variety of wading birds are typically visible in the created and natural wetlands. Recreational activities include hiking, bicycling and wildlife viewing.

Sebastian Stormwater Park | 297 Englar Dr, Sebastian | <https://parks.cityofsebastian.org/stormwater-park.html>

Trans-Florida Central Railroad Trail

The NEW Trans Florida Central Railroad Trail is open and it's awesome!! The overpass runs parallel to the original railway incorporated in 1924 that traveled between Fellsmere and Sebastian. This 2-mile path, perfect for pedestrians and bicyclists, runs from the North Indian River County Regional Park to Fellsmere Trailhead Preserve. We encourage you to enjoy this wonderful new amenity!

Access Points:

Fellsmere Trailhead Preserve | 11090 Co Rd 512, Fellsmere

North County Regional Park | 9450 Fellsmere Rd, Sebastian

Skydiving

Adventure seekers, will get a thrill out of our world class skydiving! Sebastian boasts one of the most spectacular skydiving views in the world! Both tandem and experienced jumpers travel from all over the world to plunge from an altitude of 13,500 feet and experience the breathtaking view!

Skydive Sebastian | 400 Airport Drive W., Sebastian | (772) 388-5672 | www.skydiveseb.com

North County Aquatic Center

The North County Aquatic Center is a family oriented heated public pool which is open year round, featuring an activity pool, a competition pool, with a diving well and changing facilities. The activity pool is zero depth for easy entry for all ages and has slides, water cannons, bubblers, a water tree and a huge water play structure. The competition pool has almost 1 million gallons of water and 24 lanes for lap swimming at 25 yards. Our diving well has one meter and three meter diving boards.

North County Aquatic Center | 9450 CR-512, Sebastian | (772) 581-7665 | www.ircrec.com/NCAC

Indian River County Shooting Range

The facility consists of a 5-stand (shotgun) range, a pistol range consisting of 35 firing stations, a rifle range with 29 stations including two 200-yard target firing stations, an air gun range, a 65-yard archery range, as well as work-through sporting clays and a walk-through archery course. The facility is fully manned to insure maximum shooting safety. In addition to the recreational aspects of the range, it is also a hunter's education training facility with courses taught by the Florida Wildlife Conservation Commission and the Shooting Range staff.

Indian River County Shooting Range | 10455 102nd Terrace, Sebastian | 772-581-4944 | www.goshootingirc.com

Airboat Rides

Looking for something a bit more fast-paced and adventurous? Give an airboat ride a try! Keep an eye out to spot alligators, turtles, plants and exotic birds.

Airboat Wilderness Rides | 772-589-3278 | www.airboatwildernessrides.com

Capt. Bob's Airboat Adventure Tours | 772-633-7849 | www.airboatadventuretours.com

Marsh Beast Airboat Tours | 772-584-0089 | www.marshbeastairboattours.com

Birding Tours

Birding with David Simpson

Offers customized tours throughout Florida for individuals or small groups. Over 25 years of experience leading tours, familiar with all aspects of Florida wildlife, and extensive knowledge of native plants, snakes, frogs, and many other critters you encounter in Florida.

Birding with David Simpson | 321-720-5516 | www.birdingwithdavidsimpson.com

Golfing

Sebastian Municipal Golf Course

The Sebastian Municipal Golf Course is complete with a golf shop and restaurant, and the 18-hole course is open to the public.

Sebastian Municipal Golf Course | 100 Brush Foot Drive, Sebastian | 772-589-6801 | www.sebastiangolfcourse.org.

Sandridge Golf Course

Sandridge Golf Club offers two 18 hole championship layouts, the Dunes course and the Lakes course.

Sandridge Golf Club | 5300 73rd Street, Vero Beach | (772) 770-5000 | www.sandridgegc.com

Safari Golf & Games

Fun times for the whole family and the only putt-putt in Indian River County. Step up the challenge of our 36 holes of miniature golf, four batting cages, and a 2,000 square foot game room that has pool, ping pong, air hockey, basketball, foosball, darts and more.

Safari Golf & Games | 455 9th St SW, Vero Beach | (772) 562-6492 | www.safariminigolfandgames.com

TRAVEL THE INDIAN RIVER LAGOON NATIONAL SCENIC BYWAY

The Indian River Lagoon National Scenic Byway is 233 miles long spanning from South Volusia County to Indian River County. The southern corridor of the byway encompasses the entire Sebastian River Area including Sebastian, Roseland, Fellsmere & Wabasso. The Byway was designated a Scenic Highway because of the great historical, natural and recreational resources for explorers of all ages. As you travel the byway, you'll be taken back by the unique and diverse habitat, special places and breathtaking scenery that await you. www.indianriverlagoonbyway.com

EXPLORE TREASURE COAST BREWERIES

Treasure Coast Wine & Ale Trail

The Treasure Coast area gives visitors and locals a unique craft beer experience with nine breweries and one winery and growing. From small nano-breweries to larger breweries, the Treasure Coast Wine & Ale Trail will introduce you to a vibrant, diverse group of entrepreneurs who are helping redefine the character of our Coast, one perfect pint at a time.

For more information, visit www.tcwineandaletrail.com

SHOPPING

The Sebastian River Area has quaint shops and stores offering clothing, jewelry, accessories, art, furniture and home decor, gifts and more! Please click on the link below to view listings of local shops, thrift stores, and consignment shops. We love Shopping Local!

A list of local shops:

<http://sebastianchamberfl.chambermaster.com/list/ql/tourism-32?c=2609&o=&st=1>

DINING

When it's time for lunch, dinner or that special 5 o'clock somewhere libation, you'll find Sebastian and Fellsmere have many unique local restaurants and watering holes that serve seafood, gator tail, craft brews and everything in between. Discover our local flavors:

<https://www.sebastianchamber.com/main-recreation/main-dining/restaurant-menus>

For a more comprehensive list of things to do in the Sebastian River Area, visit

<https://www.sebastianchamber.com/main-recreation>