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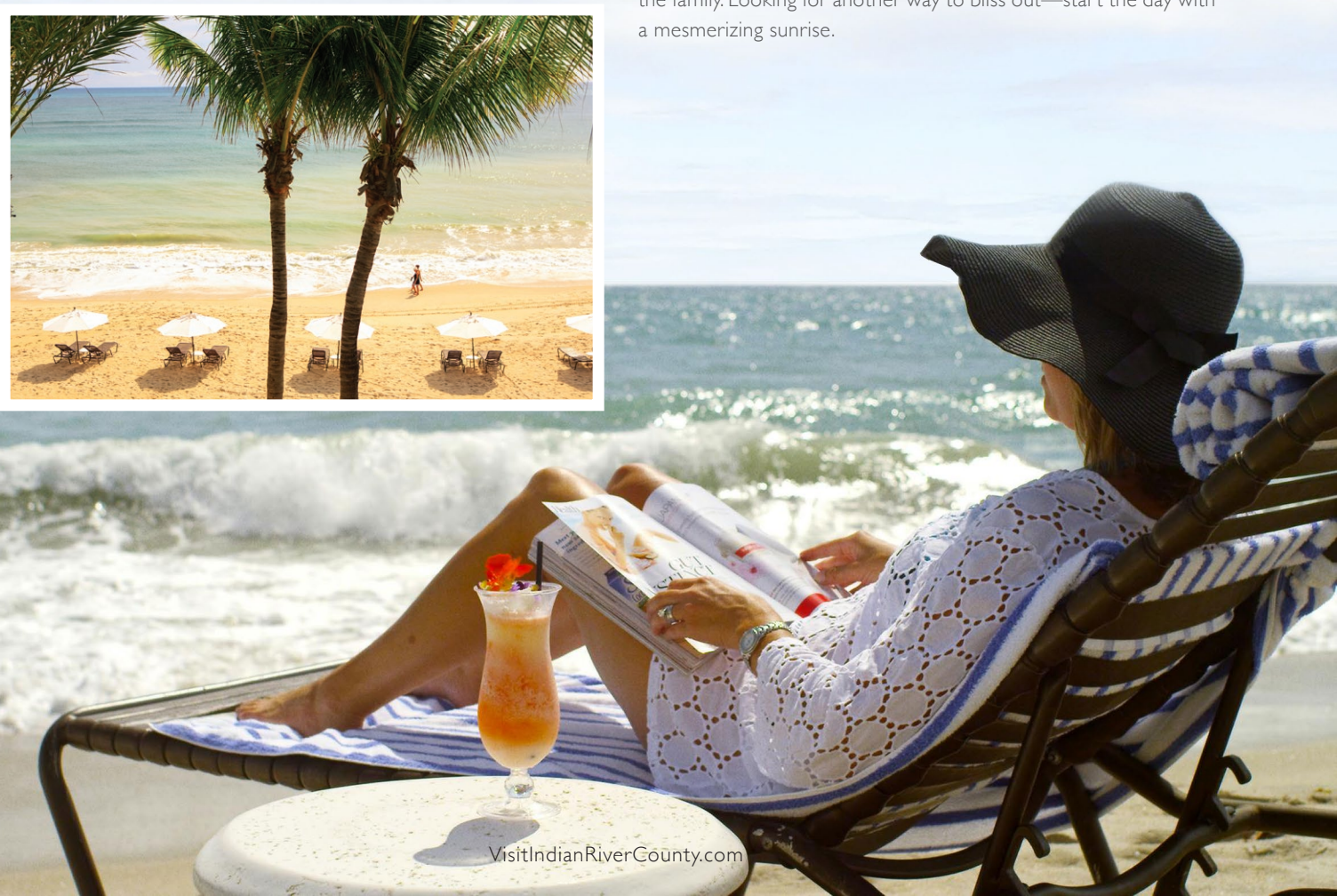
B L I S S

Vero Beach, Florida sits at the intersection of green and glamorous. From iconic hotels of high-style, 130 locally chef-owned dining experiences on Orchid Island and a multitude of unexpected eco-excursions surprise and delight guests as they explore the destination of Indian River County. Welcoming aquamarine seas and stretches of white sandy beaches encourage Zen-like adventures at an oceanfront that inspires sunrises—sans high rises.

Beachgoers can expect 26 miles of well-preserved beaches. A place where sea turtles call home, couples propose, and others find their bliss. Spacious beach fronts, provide a perfect day in the sun for families, singles and solo travelers alike.

Vero Beach is not your typical Sunshine state beach scene that numerous visitors associate with a Florida vacation. The difference starts with the area's promise: Sunrises not High Rises. These words aren't a marketing gimmick; it's our commitment to preserve the area's inherent beauty. You won't see towering hotels or rambling resort fronts, this is a place where sea turtles have dominion and the sun shines all day.

Travelers are welcomed to explore a variety of different beachscapes, meandering seagrass-covered paths, uncrowded beaches and endless water adventures—just another delightful day in paradise. The beaches are untouched by progress, inspiring uninterrupted moments with a significant other; time to read that bestseller or a fun day of seashell hunts and sandcastle making with the family. Looking for another way to bliss out—start the day with a mesmerizing sunrise.



TOP 10 BEACHES

Many if not all, of the oceanfront parks, have lifeguards on duty, free parking, easy beachside access, water fountains, showers and restroom facilities. Picnic pavilions, children's play areas, kayak, canoe and boat launches. Shore fishing, hiking, and walking trails are also available to all who visit our shores.

The coolest surfers at the beach will be the sea turtles which can be spotted laying eggs from March thru October. Be respectful of these endangered turtles as they emerge from the surf to lay their eggs. After the 80 and 90-day incubation period thousands of hatchlings start their laborious journey back to the sea. Don't touch, don't pick them up and don't even think of photographing them with a flash. Understand that flash photography will temporarily "blind" a sea turtle, complicating its nesting activity and its return to the sea. Not the time for a selfie!

AMBERSANDS BEACH *12566 North A1A, Vero Beach*

The beach access resides in the 284-acre, Archie Carr National Wildlife Refuge, spanning 20.5 miles and one of the most significant habitats for sea turtles nesting in the Western Hemisphere, and equally important for the critically endangered green sea turtle in North America. This beach is a spiritual experience.





HUMISTON PARK BEACH

Ocean Drive, North of Sexton Plaza, Vero Beach

Humiston Park is a top pick for families and couples alike. On Saturdays from 8am–noon beachgoers can pop on over to the farmer’s market for some fresh treats and organic goodies. Rated as a top ten beach by Family Vacation Critic.

JAYCEE BEACH

Ocean Drive and Mango Road, Vero Beach

This park is a family-favorite and is home to Seaside Grill restaurant, serving traditional American fare. The perfect park for a beach stroll. Jaycee Beach has the longest boardwalk in Vero Beach and plenty of parking.

ROUND ISLAND BEACH

2201 A1A South, Vero Beach

With access to both the Atlantic Ocean and the Indian River Lagoon, this park is the perfect place to enjoy manatees and dolphins at play, a place to spot egrets and pelicans, hike a trail, or climb the lookout to enjoy 360° views or kayak and canoe the lagoon. Equipment rentals are available for delivery.

SEAGRAPE TRIAL

Highway A1A North, Vero Beach

This beach is for the curious at heart. Travelers can search for treasure and explore the treasure salvaging boats that are located just 20 feet off the beach. Beachgoers may spot baby sea turtle hatchlings (there are numerous nests) while soaking up the sunshine and stretches of beautiful coastline.



SEBASTIAN INLET STATE PARK

9700 South Highway A1A, Sebastian

Sebastian Inlet State Park is the number one park for surfers on the East Coast and is known as a place where sea turtles swim and big-name surfers shred. Surfers hit First Peak, Spanish House, and pro’s like Kelly Slater, a World Champion, started his career on the waves of Sebastian Inlet.



Beyond the waves, the park is a favorite fishing hole as fisherman can enjoy the Atlantic Ocean and the Indian River as fishing jetties extend from both sides of the inlet into the sea. Other popular activities include swimming, camping, bird watching, boating, and diving. Locals and visitors alike can effortlessly observe ospreys, and a multitude of shorebirds who call these environmentally friendly beaches home.

A rare summer experience at Sebastian Inlet State Park are nighttime tours to observe nesting sea turtles! Reservations are required. The McLarty Treasure Museum and Sebastian Fishing Museum are also located within the park and are star-worthy on TripAdvisor.

SOUTH BEACH PARK

1706 Ocean Drive, Vero Beach

Welcome beach lovers to a slice of nirvana. Be on the lookout for a family of parrots that thrive in tropical sea grape plants, dollar vines, and nickerbean. Vast stretches of beaches host two beach volleyball courts making this oceanfront getaway a fun place to watch an afternoon tournament. Smile, as the shorebirds accompany surfboarders on their wave-riding journeys.

TRACKING STATION PARK

800 46th Place North A1A, Vero Beach

Solitude, peace, and quiet with a TripAdvisor five-star rating, this beach is within walking distance of one of Vero's most photographed spots—the Vero Beach Pier. Don't miss this beach for the perfect vacation photo! Tip: Sunrise Selfies!

TREASURE SHORES

11300 North A1A, Vero Beach

This secluded beach is flush with tropical foliage such as sea grapes, sea grasses, and the occasional endangered southeastern beach mouse. Children will enjoy the pirate ship playground located on site. Treasure Shores Park is an unguarded beach and offers walking trails, too.

WABASSO BEACH PARK

North Highway A1A, Wabasso, at the end of County Rd. 510 next door to Disney's Vero Beach Resort, Vero Beach

Stop for a slice of pizza, a sub or duck into the grocery store for a few beach snacks. You will probably run into a surfer or two as the beach is a favorite surf spot with breaks to the right and left of the jetty. Bring your snorkel and dive gear as this beach has hidden treasures beneath its aquamarine seas. A reef leads water adventurers to Queens Jewels, a Spanish shipwreck, with untold riches. In 2015, 350 gold coins valued at \$4.5 million were found six feet off the beach shores. Treasure hunt, anyone?



Beyond the Beaches: Lakes and Lagoons



Over 100,000 acres of pristine, Florida wilderness surrounds the shores, lagoons, intracoastal waterways and lakes of Vero Beach, Fellsmere, and Sebastian. It's a place where mangrove swamps, maritime hammocks, and pine flatwoods offer a historical glimpse into primitive Florida. Below are a few notable natural water attractions not to miss when you're here:

Blue Cypress Lake is part of the Blue Cypress Conservation Area in Fellsmere. This magnificent lake is approximately seven miles long and three miles wide with 21 miles of shoreline wrapped in 29,000 acres of marshes, swamps and cypress forests. It's a place of complete surrender to Mother Nature as blue skies give way to blue-hued water which some say occur because of the reflection of the Blue Cypress trees on the lake as the morning sun rises into the sky. The lake is also one of the top osprey nesting sites on the East Coast, reporting over 200 nests along the shoreline — a kayak trip on Blue Cypress Lake delivers magical moments.

For a unique experience tour the area via a seaplane and land at Blue Cypress Lake, it will take your breath away.

Indian River Lagoon stretches across 40 percent of Florida's east coast starting in New Smyrna Beach and ending in St. Lucia Inlet, Florida — here Indian River Lagoon inhabits both Sebastian and Vero Beach.

The lagoon is an aquatic wonderland, and a nature lover's paradise, with more than 3,000 species of plants and animals forming part of the Atlantic Intracoastal Waterway. Manatees, dolphins, turtle-nesting spots, small stingrays, hundreds of fish species, and 300 bird species are also found in and around the lagoon.

For additional information on water and eco-adventures to discover in Vero Beach, Fellsmere and Sebastian please review the area's Eco-Wanderlust Magazine.



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