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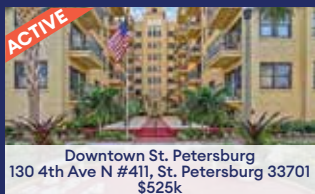
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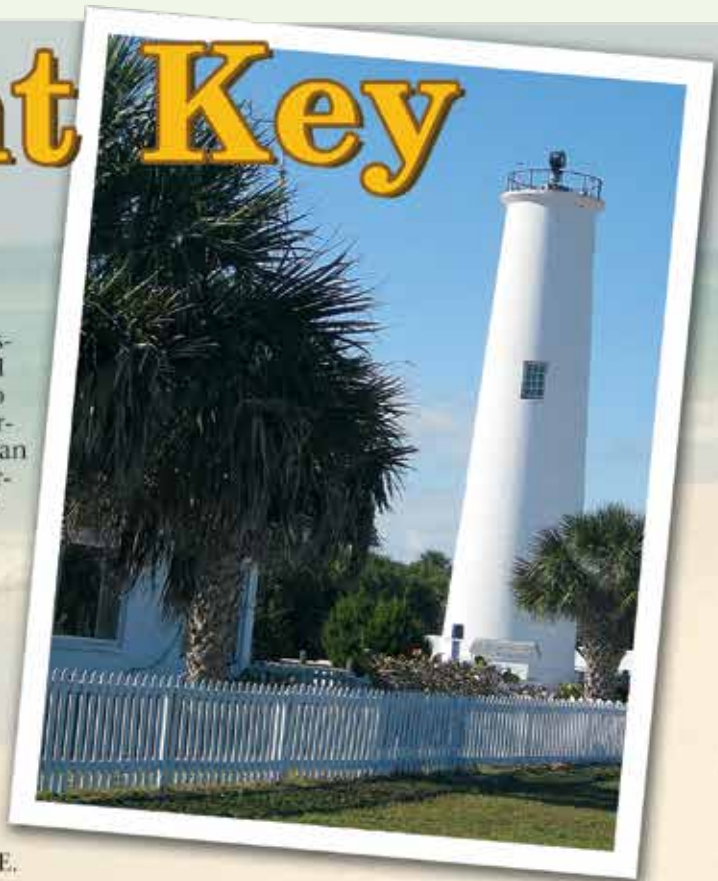


# Egmont Key

**L**ocated in the mouth of Tampa Bay, Egmont Key has had a long military presence, beginning with the Spanish several centuries ago. In April of 1757, Francisco Maria Celi, a pilot of the Royal Spanish Fleet, surveyed all of Tampa Bay, beginning with Isla de San Blas y Barreda (Egmont Key). In 1763, British surveyor George Gauld renamed the island Egmont Key. Both British and Spanish explorers visited Tampa Bay throughout the 18th Century, encountering the Key. Even Cuban fishermen settled in the area, catching fish in and around the bay and selling the catch in Cuba.

The United States took over Florida in the 19th Century and saw the area in a different light. Once the military obtained a foothold in Tampa Bay, Egmont Key's importance grew. A lighthouse, constructed on the island in 1848, was severely damaged by a devastating hurricane shortly afterward. Congress appropriated funds for reconstruction. Brevet Colonel Robert E. Lee visited the island in March of 1849 with a group of U.S. Army Engineers. They surveyed the island and Mullet Key, suggesting the continued use of Egmont for military purposes. Egmont Key served as a prison camp for Seminole Indians being transferred west to "Indian Territory" and before the last prisoners were sent west in 1858, nearly 300 had been detained on the island.

The U.S.S. James L. Davis was stationed on the island in January, 1864. The ship participated in Union assaults on Tampa and the surrounding countryside. Members of the Second Florida Cavalry (Union) and the Second United States Colored Infantry, along with 54 sailors, sacked the town, killing or wounding several Confederates, capturing artillery pieces, mail and money. The invasion party was not aware that the Egmont lighthouse lens was hidden in downtown Tampa.



The Egmont Key Lighthouse was not back in operation until June 2, 1866.

In 1917 while local families bought victory bonds, men joined the military to fight in Europe. Tampa's shipbuilding industry boomed. Egmont Key became a training center for National Guard Coast Artillery units.

After the first World War, the military considered Fort Dade and Fort DeSoto on Mullet Key, obsolete. On August 31, 1921, the fort was deactivated. Eventually, all of the personnel were transferred to Key West, except an 18 person caretaking unit. On May 25, 1923, the crew was removed and a sole caretaker remained to care for the lighthouse.

On July 10, 1974, Egmont Key was designated a National Wildlife Refuge, with most of the island – except the Coast Guard's holdings and the pilots association land – transferred to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. In 1978, it was listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

On September 30, 1989, the lighthouse became fully automated, and the State of Florida took over management of the Key, making it a state park.

Egmont Key National Wildlife Refuge (located in Hillsborough County) is accessible only by boat, about a 15 minute boat ride from Fort DeSoto Park (south of St. Petersburg). See map on page 30-31 for location.

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- ▶ Whale sharks can weigh around 20.6 tons.
- ▶ Mantas give birth every other year to a single ray, called a pup.
- ▶ The life expectancy of giant mantas is unknown, but scientists estimate around 40 years.

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Coming to Florida there are a few things you must try: jet skis, parasailing and now a Segway. I joined Remi at a parking lot in Fort De Soto Park which is at the far south end of Pinellas County. Remi can pick you up at your hotel, or you can meet him at his Tiki Hut operation in Dolphin Village on St. Pete Beach. After just a few minutes of instructions from the Lithuanian born owner, we were off and running, or should I say rolling. At first, I was very tentative feeling out the controls like a new car. But within minutes, you feel like a pro. Remi told me a 72 year old woman from Ohio said she wanted to go only 3 miles per hour. After 10 minutes, she was revving it up to 13! The Segway tour lasts 90 minutes as you wind through the lush nature trail of Fort De Soto. Along the way, we spotted a baby raccoon, turkey vultures, turtles and dolphins. The vegetation is so thick, Remi calls it a jungle. From there, we headed over to the fort which was built in the late 1800's for the Spanish American war. This is a great historical and nature tour for ages 8-85, and truly a **"Must Do" on your vacation!**



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The demand for ray meat and gills in some countries has risen. In these same areas, manta ray sightings have decreased up to 95 percent. Giant manta ray populations have a low chance of recovery because they reproduce slowly. Mature females produce only one baby every two years!

Manta rays are protected in Florida waters and have been recently listed as a federally protected species. Recycling and keeping plastics out of our oceans can help. New protections worldwide are being put in place, too.

Sources: [fisheries.noaa.gov](http://fisheries.noaa.gov) [tampabaywatch.org](http://tampabaywatch.org)

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When waterfront scuttlebutt turns to: UFOs, ghosts, shipwrecks, and missing persons... and someone mentions the words, Tampa Triangle, all the fishermen nod their heads in agreement. The Tampa Triangle sums up the on-going series of extraordinary events in Tampa Bay.

### THE DEAD ZONE

On Tampa Bay's 48 mile long shipping channel, another group

of men and women earn their living in the fellowship of the merchant marine. They fearlessly sail the world aboard tugs and ships, providing transportation for international commerce. But there is one small stretch of the 48 mile shipping channel that strikes fear into the most seasoned professional. This is an area where some of the worst maritime shipping disasters in history have occurred. Mariners call the area of water between the Sunshine Skyway Bridge and the Sea Buoy in the Gulf of Mexico, the Dead Zone.

Dependable engines that have propelled vessels across vast oceans abruptly stop. Electric motors suddenly fail, hydraulic systems go bad, radar screens cloud up with false echoes and freak, ferocious rain squalls develop. Skilled professional mariners make bad decisions. Bad things happen in the Dead Zone.

The greatest incidence of paranormal activity in the Dead Zone occurs between the Skyway Bridge and the Egmont Key Lighthouse. In one thirteen year period, 58 people have died in three major

shipwrecks. Countless innocent people have disappeared.

Compare the record of the Dead Zone with New York Harbor, one of the busiest ports in the world. Every hour of the day, New York harbor is jammed with ship traffic. You'd expect New York to have tons of shipwrecks. Not so; most of the harbor's shipping collisions are confined to bumps and dents. These are mere fender benders compared to the tragic shipwrecks of the Tampa Triangle Dead Zone.

### ARE YOU NEXT?

Do you believe that bad things only happen to other people? Or, will you be the next victim of paranormal activity in the Tampa Triangle Dead Zone? You need to know!

Taken from *Tampa Triangle Dead Zone* by Capt. Bill Miller with Mary Fallon Miller. Available at Haslam's Bookstore, 2025 Central Ave., St. Petersburg.



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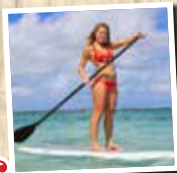
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A bridge was built across the pass in 1875 & soon small shops catering to the local commercial fishermen were built nearby. The barrier islands, by the turn of the century, were nearly devoid of wildlife and ready for development. The bridge built in 1927 was replaced by a new bridge in 1971, moving the structure about a block west & re-routing the road. Wilson Hubbard helped convince the city to permit building of a public waterfront boardwalk along John's Pass in 1980. The shops adjusted with the development of John's Pass Village. In 2011, a twin span of new drawbridges was completed at a higher elevation to the delight of motorists!



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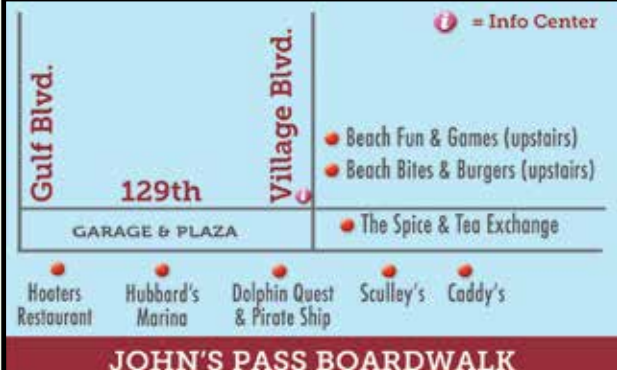
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## Ocean Life Fun Facts

- Octopuses have three hearts!
- Sea otters will hold hands so they do not drift away from one another while sleeping.
- Seahorses mate for life. The male and female meet every morning and dance together to reinforce their bond.
- A blue whale's heart weighs around 400 pounds! That's around 640 times as much as a human heart!

Source: [tampabaywatch.org](http://tampabaywatch.org)



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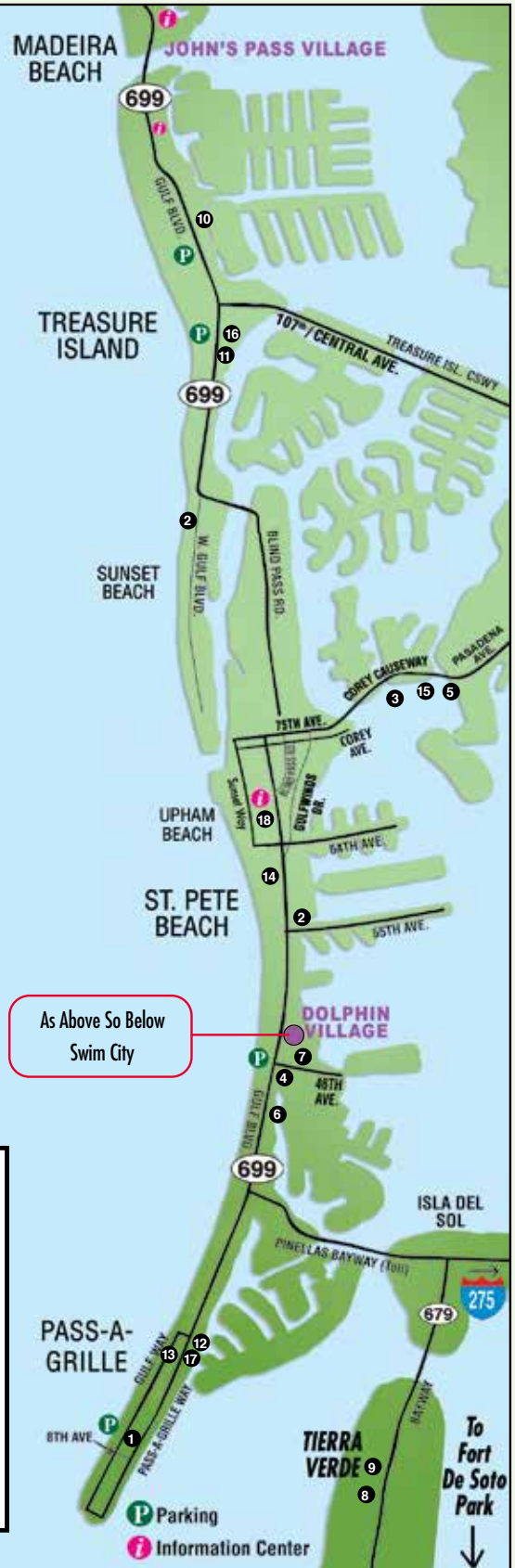
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## ATTRACTIONS / SHOPPING

### Attractions / Places

- |   |                                    |
|---|------------------------------------|
| <b>A</b> Amalie Arena                     | <b>K</b> Hard Rock Casino          |
| <b>B</b> Big Cat Rescue                   | <b>L</b> Heritage Village          |
| <b>C</b> Busch Gardens/Adventure Island   | <b>M</b> MOSI (Science Museum)     |
| <b>D</b> Caladesi Island State Park       | <b>N</b> Raymond James Stadium     |
| <b>E</b> Central Park Performing Arts Ctr | <b>O</b> Ruth Eckerd Hall          |
| <b>F</b> Clearwater Marine Aquarium       | <b>P</b> Seaside Seabird Sanctuary |
| <b>G</b> Dunedin Stadium                  | <b>Q</b> Spectrum Field            |
| <b>H</b> Florida Aquarium                 | <b>R</b> Tampa Bay History Center  |
| <b>I</b> Florida Botanical Gardens        | <b>S</b> Tropicana Field           |
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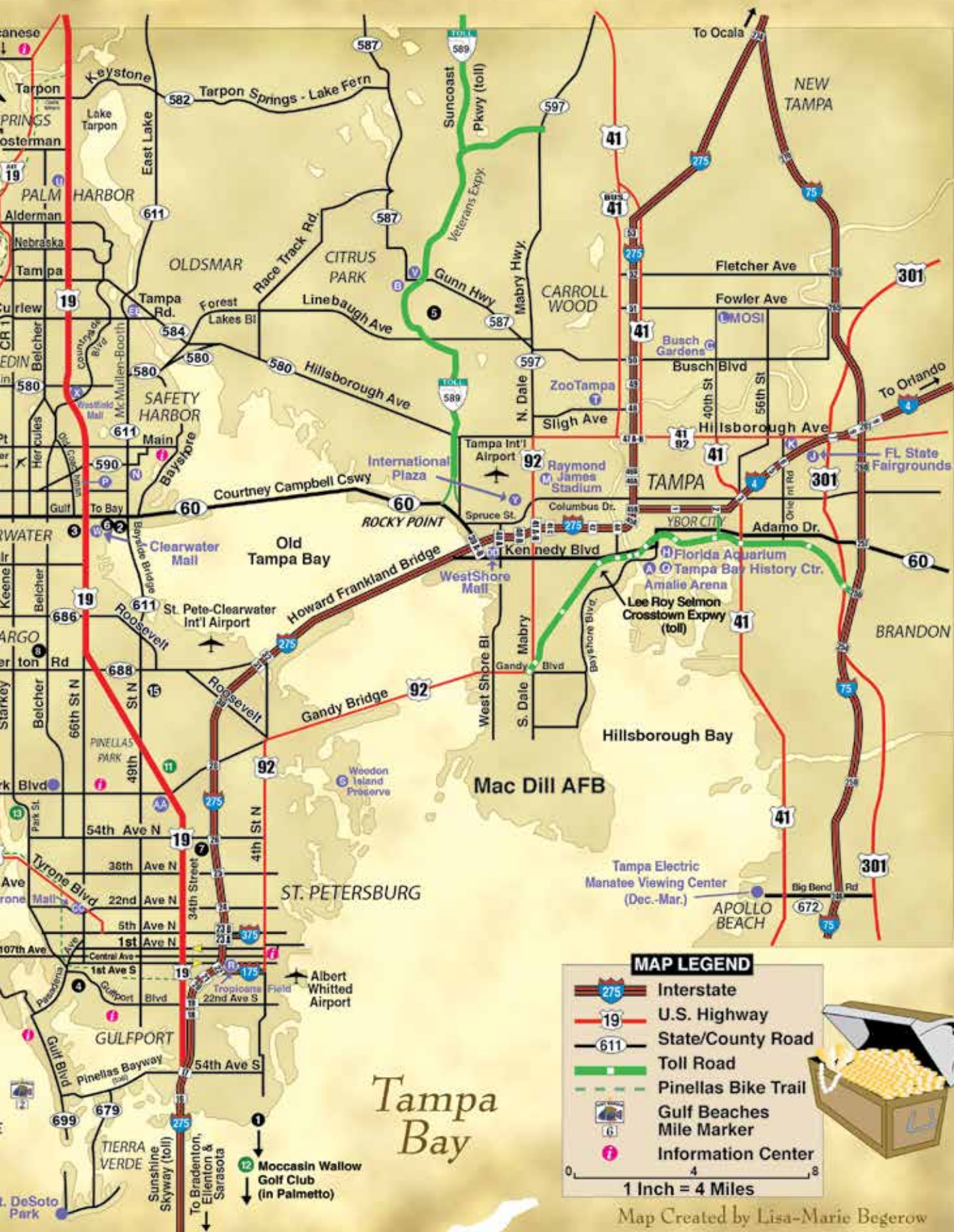
### Shopping / Movie Cinemas

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| <b>U</b> AMC Cinemas Palm Harbor            |
| <b>V</b> Citrus Park Mall & Cinemas         |
| <b>W</b> Clearwater Mall                    |
| <b>X</b> Countryside Westfield Mall/Cinemas |
| <b>Y</b> International Plaza                |
| <b>Z</b> Largo Mall & Cinemas               |
| <b>AA</b> Park Place Shops & Cinemas        |
| <b>BB</b> Seminole City Center & Cinemas    |
| <b>CC</b> Tyrone Mall & Cinemas             |
| <b>DD</b> WestShore Mall & Cinemas          |
| <b>EE</b> Woodlands Square Cinemas          |

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**MAP LEGEND**

-  Interstate
-  U.S. Highway
-  State/County Road
-  Toll Road
-  Pinellas Bike Trail
-  Gulf Beaches Mile Marker
-  Information Center

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1 Inch = 4 Miles



Map Created by Lisa-Marie Begerow



# DOWNTOWN TAMPA / YBOR CITY MAP

## Downtown Tampa

**MAP LEGEND**

- Interstate
- State/County Road
- Toll Road
- Parking
- Information Center
- One Way Street

## Historic Ybor City

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# FLORIDA STATE MAP

← Florida Panhandle  
Destin & Pensacola

**MAP LEGEND**

-  Interstate
-  U.S. Highway
-  State/County Road
-  Toll Roads
-  Florida Welcome Center

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**FLORIDA MILEAGE CHART**  
Approximate Distance From Gulf Beaches To:

Daytona Beach	150 miles
Ft. Lauderdale	235 miles
Ft. Myers	135 miles
Kennedy Space Ctr.	160 miles
Key West	440 miles
Miami	284 miles
Naples	175 miles
Ocala	120 miles
Orlando	106 miles
St. Augustine	210 miles
Sarasota	43 miles
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**ATTRACTIONS MILEAGE**  
Approximate Distance From Gulf Beaches To:

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*By Wayne Ayers, Author - Tampa Bay Gulf Beaches*

The magnificent wide sandy beach at Clearwater began attracting tourists in the late 1800's, making Clearwater Beach one of the earliest settlements along the barrier islands. Vacationers would arrive by boat before the building of a rickety wooden bridge to the island in 1916. By 1927, the rickety bridge was replaced by the four-lane "Million Dollar Causeway".

One of the earliest landmarks on the beach was the Clearwater Beach Hotel, constructed in 1917. The hostelry quickly became a popular tourist attraction. Reconstructed in 1988, the hotel maintained its classic style and appearance through its later years, but has now given way to a new luxury resort called the SandPearl.

The opening of the Clearwater Beach Pavilion in 1917 brought crowds of

tourists over the bridge in their Model T Fords. Most of the early roads on the barrier island were little more than primitive sand traps, but they made the beaches accessible to the masses.

Beachwear evolved in the 1920's from formal Victorian attire to one-piece outfits better suited to "surf bathing" and frolicking in the water. Beach pavilions, where bathers could change from formal street attire to their beach outfits, were popular attractions all along the shore. The Palm Pavilion served many beach-goers during its heyday as a bathhouse in the 1930's and '40s. Today, the original Palm Pavilion is a popular bar/restaurant.

Clearwater City Pier was originally constructed in 1922 and became a center of beach activity, offering opportunities for fishing and sightseeing. The pier was extended in the 1960's with the development of the Pier 60 attraction.



The rickety bridge before the "Million Dollar Causeway"

*Tampa Bay's Gulf Beaches*, by R. Wayne Ayers contains over 200 vintage photographic images along with text presenting life along the barrier island beaches before the condos. Available at Haslam's Bookstore in St. Petersburg, chain bookstores and select gift shops.

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The recorded history of the island known as Mullet Key began in February, 1849 when a group of U.S. Army Engineers, aboard the schooner Phoenix, anchored offshore to survey the coastline for possible use as a coastal defense area. The Civil War broke out in 1861, with no fortification on either Mullet or Egmont Keys. The two islands played a minor role during the Civil War. Union troops set up a blockade using the two islands. Any confederates attempting to run the blockade could be seen by troops perched atop the Egmont Key lighthouse.

The first signs of construction on the Mullet Key military post began in November, 1898. On April 4, 1900, the military reservation was named Fort De Soto after the Spanish explorer Hernando De Soto. Fort De Soto was officially named a sub-post of Fort Dade on Egmont Key at that time.

Post buildings were constructed between early 1900 and 1906. There were 29 buildings including a 100 foot long barracks, a hospital, a stable, a guardhouse, a shop for blacksmiths and carpenters, an administration office, a mess hall and kitchen, a bake house and a storehouse. If you go there, you will see some of the concrete pillars that still exist. Take the walking tour along the cobblestone walkway and see photos of the actual buildings. Through its long history as a protector of Tampa Bay waters, never once had a shell been fired at an enemy.

During WWII, Fort De Soto was used for bombing practice. Around 1989, a county worker using a backhoe came across an undetonated bomb. A few days later, the bomb was detonated and the explosion could be heard 10 miles away.

Fort De Soto Park is located at the southern tip of Pinellas County (see map pages 26/27). It has lush vegetation, two fishing piers, beaches, a camp site and bicycle trails. It is considered one of Florida's true natural and historical treasures!



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Manatees are agile in the water swimming upside down, rolling, doing somersaults or moving vertically in the water.



**AMERICAN ALLIGATOR** (*alligator mississippiensis*) *Florida's State Reptile*

Alligators have a broad, rounded snout with no lower teeth visible when their jaw is closed. Its powerful tail, helps propel it through the water.

They regulate their body temperature by basking in the sun or moving to areas with warmer or cooler air or water temperatures. Alligators prefer fresh water lakes and slow-moving rivers (including in Florida), but are also found in brackish water habitats.



**GOPHER TORTOISE** (*gopherus polyphemus*)  
*Florida's State Tortoise*

A moderate-sized, terrestrial turtle averaging 9-11 inches in length, the gopher has a stumpy, elephantine hind feet and flattened, shovel-like forelimbs covered in thick scales. The adult's shell, is generally tan, brown or gray.

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## BOOM TIMES ALONG THE BEACHES

By Wayne Ayers, Author, *Tampa Bay's Gulf Beaches: The Fabulous 1950s and 1960s*

The era following World War II was a time of awakening along our Gulf beach strip. During the 1950s and 1960s, the shoreline was transformed from a collection of sleepy hamlets into a booming tourist destination loaded with attractions, snazzy art-deco accommodations, and homesites created from land, dredged from the sea.

The Aquarium, located at St. Pete Beach from 1964 to 1977, was billed as the world's largest marine attraction. The 18-acre site featured dolphin and sea lion acts held under a futuristic geo-desic dome and a main exhibit tank over 3 stories high that held 1.24 million gallons of water.

Famous celebrities of the day, such as Marilyn Monroe, Joe DeMaggio, Tyrone Power and Ronald Reagan took refuge at the Tides Hotel and Bath Club on Redington Beach.

The beaches also touted nationally famed Tiki Gardens, a South Seas paradise located in Indian Rocks Beach South Shore, across from a beach access today, on Indian Shores. The gardens'



The Aquarium, St. Pete Beach



The Tides Hotel and Bath Club, Red. Bch



Tiki Gardens, Ind. Rocks Bch. S. Shore



Big Indian Rocks Fishing Pier, Ind. Rocks Bch.

trademark was the giant tiki's which towered over grounds that featured jungle trails, lagoons, torch lighting ceremonies and ten themed gift shops.

Florida's longest fishing pier was built in 1959, in Indian Rocks Beach. The structure attracted thousands of anglers and sightseers until it was destroyed by Hurricane Elena in 1985.

Millions of acres of land were literally created from the sea in dredging operations which took place all along the bay side of the barrier islands during the postwar years. The land became the site of new sub-divisions that accommodated scores of new residents who arrived to call our beaches home.

*Tampa Bay's Gulf Beaches: The Fabulous 1950s and 1960s*, by R. Wayne Ayers contains over 200 vintage photographic images picturing the sites and attractions that transformed the barrier islands into a major tourist destination.



# DOWNTOWN ST. PETERSBURG

## TROPICANA FIELD - 'The Trop'



### DOWNTOWN ST. PETERSBURG

Today, Tropicana Field is home to the Tampa Bay Rays Major League Baseball Team. However, Tropicana Field opened in 1990 *before* The Rays were even a team, in an effort to attract a Major League Baseball (MLB) team. In the 1980's and 1990's, local leaders tried to acquire an existing team. The Minnesota Twins, San Francisco Giants, Chicago White Sox, Texas Rangers, and Seattle Mariners all considered moving to the Tampa Bay area before deciding to stay where they were.

In 1990, it was called the Florida Suncoast Dome. Many sports and events had been held here including Arena Football from 1991 to 1996. In 1993, the name was changed to the Thunderdome and was home to the Tampa Bay Lightning Hockey team. In 1996, when the hockey team left for their new stadium in Downtown Tampa, the name was changed to Tropicana Field.

In 1998, a new American League baseball team, The Tampa Bay 'Devil' Rays, called 'The Trop' their home. In 2007, the baseball team changed their name from the 'Devil' Rays to just 'Rays', changing the meaning of the term 'Ray' to mean a burst of sunshine rather than a manta ray.



### STADIUM FUN FACTS:

- The stadium is air-conditioned, with a non-retractable dome roof. A dome was deemed necessary for a prospective major league team to be viable in the area, due to hot, humid summers and thunderstorms.
- The fixed dome roof was designed with a slant toward the northeast. This slant would: better protect the Teflon-coated roof during a hurricane; and save on air conditioning costs, having less space to cool in the lower end.
- The main rotunda, on the east end of the stadium, resembles former Brooklyn Dodgers' Ebbets Field on the interior.
- A 10,000 gallon 'touch tank' in right-center field is filled with live cownose stingrays maintained by The Florida Aquarium and free to fans attending home games.
- The Ted Williams Museum and Hitters Hall of Fame are located inside The Trop and free during home games.
- In 2014, a walkway was built in centerfield at the top of the lower bowl seats providing views of the playing field and creating a 360 degree pathway around the entire field. In centerfield, 'The Porch' serves food and drink in an open-air gathering spot. These two changes allowed fans new places to gather to stand and watch the game!

Tropicana Field, 1 Tropicana Drive, Downtown St. Petersburg  
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## The SAND DOLLAR or Holy Ghost SHELL



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Sand Dollars are animals found along a beach, generally at low tide. Most found on a beach are already dead. In actuality, Sand Dollars are marine invertebrates called Echinoids, meaning "spiny skinned creature".

Sand Dollars look like round white coins, thus their name. Some adults have superstitions about them. Some think finding a whole one is rare and lucky while others believe they're gifts from God, or a sign from Heaven. One legend says the five marks on a Sand Dollar are actually five white doves and when broken open releases them to spread peace & happiness. The legend of the Sand Dollar has become a Christmas & Easter staple!

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1. \_\_\_\_\_  
Blunt nose & small mouth



2. \_\_\_\_\_  
Acrobatic fighters



3. \_\_\_\_\_  
Bronze stripe on sides



4. \_\_\_\_\_  
Prefers warm waters



5. \_\_\_\_\_  
Feeds mainly on small fish



6. \_\_\_\_\_  
Large eyes & short snout



7. \_\_\_\_\_  
Front of dorsal fin is black



8. \_\_\_\_\_  
Streamlined body, tapered head



9. \_\_\_\_\_  
Wavy, dark blue bars on sides



10. \_\_\_\_\_  
Found in fresh or saltwater



11. \_\_\_\_\_  
Popular Florida sport fish



12. \_\_\_\_\_  
Dark, worm-like side markings



13. \_\_\_\_\_  
Long slim fish



14. \_\_\_\_\_  
Can live to be 57



15. \_\_\_\_\_  
Bottom dwelling inshore fish



16. \_\_\_\_\_  
Black blotches on lower sides



17. \_\_\_\_\_  
Vertical black bars on sides



18. \_\_\_\_\_  
Several black spots on back



19. \_\_\_\_\_  
Wedge-shaped tail



20. \_\_\_\_\_  
Red-orange spots on sides



21. \_\_\_\_\_  
Short pectoral fins



22. \_\_\_\_\_  
Tail may have 3 lobes



23. \_\_\_\_\_  
Caudal fin has a narrow fork



24. \_\_\_\_\_  
Yellowish coloration on belly

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1. Striped Mullet 2. Tarpon 3. Blackfin Tuna 4. Dolphin 5. Crevalle Jack 6. Silver Trout 7. Spanish Mackerel 8. King Mackerel 9. Wahoo 10. Snook 11. Red Drum 12. Gag Grouper 13. Cobia 14. Red Snapper 15. Black Drum 16. Barracuda 17. Sheepshead 18. Spotted Seatrout 19. Flounder 20. Mangrove Snapper 21. Bonito 22. Black Sea Bass 23. Permit 24. Florida Pompano

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- The term birdie comes from an American named Ab Smith. While playing at the Atlantic City Golf Club in 1899, he played what he described as a "bird of a shot", which became "birdie" over time.
- 125,000 Golf balls a year are hit into the water at the famous 17th hole of the Stadium Course at Sawgrass in Ponte Vedra, Florida.
- In a golf tournament, a golfer has 5 minutes to find a lost ball. If not found, the Pros place a new ball at the spot where the original ball was last played.
- A regulation golf ball has 336 dimples.
- The first golf balls were made of thin leather stuffed with feathers. Tightly packed feathers made balls that flew the farthest. Feather balls were used until 1848.
- The chances of making two holes-in-one in a round of golf are one in 67 million.
- Balls travel much further on hot days. A golfer swinging a club at about 100 mph will carry the driver up to eight yards longer for each increase in air temperature of 25° F.

# GOLF COURSE GUIDE

**Municipal, Public & Semi-Private Courses** ★ Indicates an InfoGuide Recommended Course

## CLEARWATER

- Chi Chi Rodriguez Golf Club** 727-726-4673  
18 Holes, par 69 chichi.org  
3030 McMullen-Booth Road, Clearwater
- Clearwater Country Club** 727-446-9501  
18 Holes, par 72, driving range clearwatercountryclub.com  
525 N. Betty Lane, Clearwater
- Cove Cay Golf Club** 727-535-1406  
18 Holes, par 70, driving range covecaygolf.com  
2612 Cove Cay Drive, Clearwater
- The Landings Golf Club** 727-447-5272  
18 Holes, par 63, driving range thelandingsgc.com  
1875 Airport Drive, Clearwater

## DUNEDIN

- Dunedin Golf Club** 727-733-2134  
18 Holes, par 72, driving range dunedingolfclub.com  
1050 Palm Boulevard, Dunedin
- Dunedin Stirling Links Golf Club** 727-733-6728  
18 Holes, par 54, driving range dunedingolf.com  
620 Palm Boulevard, Dunedin

## LARGO

- ★ **East Bay Golf Club** 727-581-3333  
18 Holes, par 71, driving range eastbaygolfclub.com  
702 Country Club Drive, Largo
- Largo Golf Course** 727-518-3024  
Municipal Course: 18 Holes, par 62 largogolf.com  
12500 131st Street North (Vonn Road), Largo
- Pinecrest Golf Club** 727-584-6497  
18 Holes, par 55 pinecrestgclargo.com  
1200 8th Avenue Southwest, Largo

## ODESSA

- The Eagles Golf Club** 813-920-6681  
18 holes, par 72, aqua driving range eaglesgolf.com  
16101 Nine Eagles Drive, Odessa

## PALM HARBOR

- Lansbrook Golf Club** 727-784-7333  
18 Holes, par 72, driving range lansbrook-golf.com  
4605 Village Center Drive, Palm Harbor
- Tarpon Woods Golf Club** 727-784-7606  
18 Holes, par 72, driving range tarponwoodsgc.com  
1100 Tarpon Woods Boulevard, Palm Harbor

## PALMETTO

- ★ **Moccasin Wallow Golf Club** 941-723-0500  
18 holes, par 72, aqua driving range golfthemoc.com  
9680 Buffalo Road, Palmetto 34221

## PINELLAS PARK

- ★ **Mainlands Golf Club** 727-577-4847  
18 Holes, par 67 mainlandsgolf.com  
9445 Mainlands Boulevard West, Pinellas Park

## ST. PETERSBURG

- Cypress Links** 727-551-3333  
9 Holes, par 27 golfstpete.com/cypresslinks  
875 62nd Avenue Northeast, St. Petersburg
- Mangrove Bay Golf Course** 727-893-7800  
18 Holes, par 72, driving range golfstpete.com/mangrovebay  
875 62nd Avenue Northeast, St. Petersburg
- Twin Brooks Golf Course** 727-893-7445  
9 Holes, par 27, driving range golfstpete.com/twinbrooks  
3800 22nd Avenue South, St. Petersburg

## SEMINOLE

- Bardmoor Golf & Tennis Club** 727-392-1234  
18 Holes, par 72 bardmoorgolf.com  
8001 Cumberland Road, Seminole
- ★ **Seminole Lake Country Club** 727-391-6255  
18 Holes, par 72, driving range seminolelake.net  
6100 Augusta Boulevard, Seminole

## TAMPA

- Northdale Golf & Tennis Club** 813-962-0428  
18 holes, par 72 northdalegolf.com  
4417 Northdale Boulevard, Tampa
- Pebble Creek Golf Club** 813-973-3870  
18 holes, par 71 pebblecreekclub.com  
10550 Regents Park Drive, Tampa
- Rocky Point Golf Course** 813-673-4316  
18 Holes, par 71, driving range rockypointgolf.net  
4151 Dana Shores Drive, Tampa
- Westchase Golf Club** 813-854-2331  
18 holes, par 72, aqua driving range westchasegc.com  
11602 Westchase Golf Drive, Tampa

## TARPON SPRINGS

- Crescent Oaks Golf Club** 727-937-4653  
18 holes, par 72, driving range crescentoaksgolf.com  
3300 Crescent Oaks Blvd., Tarpon Springs
- Tarpon Springs Golf Course** 727-934-5191  
18 Holes, par 72, driving range tarponspringsgc.com  
1310 South Pinellas Avenue (Alt. 19), Tarpon Springs
- Wentworth Golf Club** 727-942-4760  
18 holes, par 71, driving range wentworthgolfclub.org  
2990 Wentworth Way, Tarpon Springs

## TREASURE ISLAND

- Treasure Bay Golf & Tennis** 727-360-6062  
9 Holes, par 3 treasurebaygolfandtennis.com  
10315 Paradise Boulevard, Treasure Island



# COMMON SUNCOAST BIRDS



**Eastern Brown Pelican**  
Scoop fish in expandable throat pouches



**Black Crown Night Heron**  
Nests colonially, often a dozen nests in a single tree



**Roseate Spoonbill**  
Long, flat spoon-shaped bill



**Least Terns**  
Plunges in water from flight; nests on sandy beaches



**Sandhill Crane**  
Tall bird with a long neck; can live to the age of 20



**Ibis**  
Probes for large insects on lawns



**Sandpiper**  
Smallest Sandpiper known as "peeps"



**Double-Crested Cormorant**  
Experts at diving to catch fish



**Great White Egret**  
Strikes prey with a jab of their bill



**Herring Gull**  
Special glands allow them to excrete salt



**Cattle Egret**  
Head erect, walks behind cattle & tractors for food



**Great Blue Heron**  
Curls their neck to S shape to catch prey



**Laughing Gull**  
At beaches & parking lots waiting for food



**Osprey**  
Nests on Poles, dead trees & channel markers



**Black Skimmers**  
Drags lower bill through water for fish

**Seaside Seabird Sanctuary**  
18328 Gulf Blvd.  
Indian Shores  
**727-391-6211**  
seasidebirdsantuary.org  
Admission & parking are FREE  
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# The Beaches before the Condos

Lore and Legends, by Wayne Ayers, Author, *Tampa Bay's Gulf Beaches*



• Pass-a-Grille, at the southern end of the barrier islands, was first settled by Capt. Zephaniah Phillips from Ohio, a union veteran of the Civil War. The name is believed to be of French origin, 'La Passe-aux-Grillards' or Pass of the

Grillers, derived from the fact that the area was frequented by pirates, fishermen, smugglers and other adventurers who often came ashore to cook (or grill) their meats.

- The legend of Chief Chic-a-Si explains how Indian Rocks got its name. The chief was purportedly cured of a mysterious ailment after drinking at one of the springs in the area, famed for their medicinal qualities. Members of Chic-a-Si's tribe returned to the spot every year to drink the spring waters and fish, camping on the rocks. White settlers witnessed this event, referring to the area as 'Indian Rocks.'
- Pioneer homesteader and turtle fisherman John Levach was returning home to St. Petersburg after selling a load of turtles in New Orleans when he spotted a broad inlet from the Gulf to Boca



Ciega Bay where none had existed before. Levach's partner Joe Silva called the newly formed inlet 'John's Pass' because Levach had discovered it. And, the name stuck.

• A mystery shipwreck off our shores? Based upon artifacts uncovered beneath the sand following storms, local treasure hunter Jim Leatherwood believes the remains of a long lost vessel lie just off the coast. Leatherwood's collection is displayed at the Indian Rocks Historical Museum.

- Cigar making was an early industry on the beaches. Cuban immigrants from Ybor City arrived in the Indian Shores area during the early 1900's and set up a small cigar rolling operation on Gulf Blvd. The cigars were marketed under the Island Queen label.
- *Tampa Bay's Gulf Beaches*, by R. Wayne Ayers contains over 200 vintage photographic images along with text presenting life along the barrier island beaches before the condos. The Clearwater Marine Aquarium, located at 249 Windward Passage just off Clearwater Beach, is dedicated to the continued protection and conservation of sea turtles, their nests, and their habitat.

## Ocean Life Fun Facts

- Octopuses have three hearts!
- Sea otters will hold hands so they do not drift away from one another while sleeping.
- Seahorses mate for life. The male and female meet every morning and dance together to reinforce their bond.
- A blue whale's heart weighs around 400 pounds! That's around 640 times as much as a human heart!

Source: tampabaywatch.org

## DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT

This gangly prehistoric-looking, brown-black fishing bird has yellow-orange facial skin. These waterbirds have small heads on long, kinked necks, and thin, strongly hooked bills. Their large, heavy bodies sit low in the water.

Cormorants stand on docks, rocky islands, and channel markers around fresh and salt water, their wings spread out to dry. They are experts at diving to catch small fish!

Source: allaboutbirds.org

## HORSESHOE CRAB

(*Limulus Polyphemus*)

- Adults shed their shell annually & is often found washed up on the beaches.
- They have been around for over 450 million years & their body form has changed very little.
- These crabs do NOT bite or sting!

## BLACK SKIMMER

(*Rynchops niger*)

These birds skim their long, uneven bills across the water to catch fish and small crustaceans living in the shallow waters. They feed by touch; as soon as they feel a small fish in their beak, they quickly snap it shut.

Their eyes have vertical pupils that reduce the glare from the water and white sand. They stay in colonies and live along coastal beaches, nesting in June and July.

tampabaywatch.org



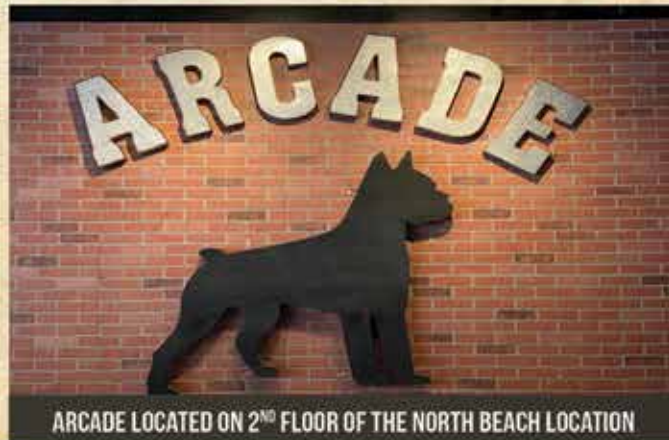




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