



Guidebook for Fire Island Pines, Cherry Grove and Fire Island

Food Scene



Pines Bistro

36 Fire Island Blvd

Good food and service, with a nice ambience. Moderate prices. Open nightly in season. After Labor Day, Thursdays through Sundays in up to mid September, then only Fridays through Sundays.



The Blue Whale

Harbor Walk

In season, dinner served 8:00 P.M. - 12:00 P.M. on Fridays and weekends. Also the site of "Low Tea" from 4:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M. most days. Also has a great piano bar on weekends. After Labor Day, Low Tea only. Dates vary; check the calendar.



Canteen

Harbor Walk

Good, reasonably priced food without much fuss.



Pines Pizza

36 Fire Island Blvd

NOT just pizza! Great paninis, wraps, sandwiches, deli items, cold and hot beverages, AND catering.

Reasonably priced. You'll see why many local workers and contractors have lunch here.



Sand Castle

106 Lewis Walk

Oceanfront dining.



Top of the Bay

159 Dock Walk

6 locals recommend

Reasonably good food, but a bit pricey. Great views of The Great South Bay! Reservations bracketing the time of sunset, specifying rear deck seating are highly recommended.



Island Breeze

178 Bayview Walk

Good food at a reasonable price. Nice view of The Great South Bay. Inside bar and outside deck Tiki Bar.



Floyd's

156 Bayview Walk

Great for breakfast until noon most days. Bret and Stass do catering too.



Cherry Grove Pizza

179 Ocean Walk

Good, reasonably priced food!



Le Dock

<https://ledockrestaurant.com/>

The new owner, Michael Miller (with previous 20+ years experience), and his partners, Lance Natsch and Russell LeScala, now own the entire building, so past complaints I won't elaborate on are resolved per A Fire Island News review from 7/05/2019: <http://fireisland-news.com/review-le-dock/>. Associated businesses in the same location are Michael's Pizzeria and a liquor store.

The reviews have been mostly 5-stars for this iteration of Le Dock. It's in Fair Harbor, which means a \$21/person Fire Island Water Taxi trip each way. But the sunset views and food are recommended by reviewers.

Drinks & Nightlife



Sip-n-Twirl

36 Fire Island Boulevard

"High Tea" and dancing.



Pavilion

36 Fire Island Boulevard

Late night dancing and meet and greet.



The Blue Whale

Harbor Walk

"Low Tea" every day 4:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.



Cherry Grove

7 locals recommend

Cherry's, The Island Breeze and its Tiki Bar, The Ice Palace, and Sand Castle on the Ocean are active night spots.

Essentials

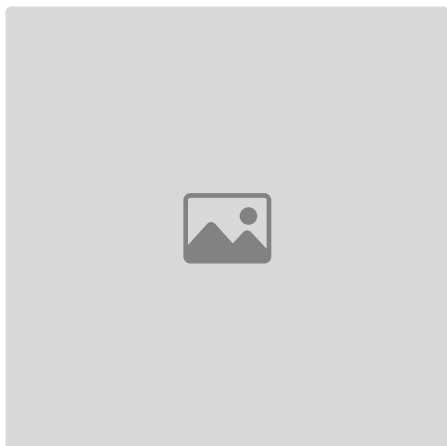


Pines Pantry

Harbor Walk

Pines Pantry

<http://pinespantry.com/>. Phone: 631-597-6200. Great deli, bakery, produce sections, and a very impressive overall stock. A bit more expensive than mainland supermarkets, but everything comes in by boat. They will deliver your purchases to the house. Tell them when you will be there, and make sure you are so they don't leave it outside the gate.



Peapod by Stop & Shop Supermarket

700-60 E Patchogue Yaphank Rd

Stop & Shop's "PeaPod" grocery delivery service

<https://www.peapod.com/>

+1 (800) 573-2763

This is definitely worthwhile if you expect to cook and eat at home a lot, and have a larger group to feed. The choices and variety are more than local shopping, and it avoids making trips to the local market. But you have to plan carefully in advance and figure out accurately what you are going to need. Otherwise, you'll either have to buy things locally anyway, or leave unused food and supplies behind when you leave. The prices are lower at Stop & Shop than Pines Pantry, but the delivery charges probably make the costs equivalent.

A PeaPod delivery must be ordered 4 - 5 days in advance, as the available slots fill up. They will deliver any weekday, but not weekends. Since checkin is on Thursdays, an order should be initiated on the prior weekend; it can then be edited until the day before, or Wednesday. When you make the reservation, the exact cutoff date and time will be listed.

The PeaPod address for the order delivery is to Sayville Ferry Service/Coastline Freight, 68 River Road, Sayville, NY 11782. For this to work, you must set up an account with Coastline Freight before the delivery date. It costs more to have them deliver to the house rather than the freight dock in the harbor, but it's worth it to avoid lugging the often heavy pods back to the house, and then returning them to the dock (they only pick up the empty pods, free of charge, when they delivered them to the house). They will deliver to outside the front gate unless you call in advance to ask them to bring the cases to the front deck and leave the gate open. Please lock all house doors if you leave the gate open and you're not going to be home. It's a very safe community, but possible theft of groceries or household property left unattended cannot be completely excluded.

IMPORTANT: You **MUST** empty the pods as soon as possible and call Coastline Freight to have them retrieve the empty plastic pod cases. Otherwise they

will remain there forever. The pods stack nicely inside each other with the open lid halves overlying each other.

Parks & Nature



Sunken Forest

13 locals recommend

Hiking trails.



Otis Pike Fire Island High Dune Wilderness

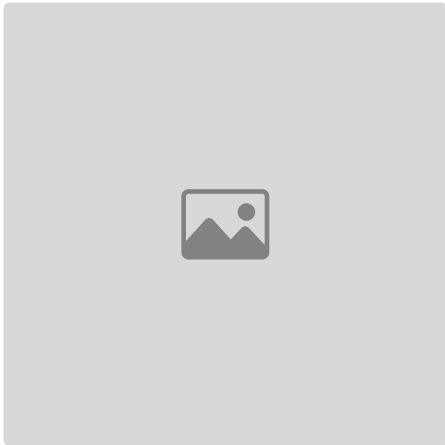
Sightseeing



Fire Island Lighthouse

6 locals recommend

Getting Around



Fire Island Water Taxi

99 Maple Ave

Call the phone number, (631) 665-8885, but they basically run on schedule like a bus, unless you pay for a private boat. Boats leave The Pines westbound on the half hour, e.g., 9:30, 10:30, 11:30.

For service to Water Island, Barrett Beach, Davis Park, Watch Hill, Seaview, Saltaire, Point O' Woods, Sailors Haven, Dunewood, call 631-665-8885



Sayville Ferry Service

41 River Road

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