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Golf, Dining, Activities and Nightlife in Coastal Alabama

G ulf Shores and Orange Beach are Alabama coastal towns known for their pristine white sandy beaches, turquoise waters, and abundant sunshine. The area, just east of the Florida state line, has become a popular destination for golfers, foodies, adventure seekers, and those looking for a lively nightlife scene. In this article, we'll explore the best things to do in Gulf Shores-Orange Beach, including golfing, dining, and outdoor activities.

Coastal Alabama has a reputation for having some of the best golf courses in the country. Golfers can expect perfectly manicured greens, breathtaking views, and challenging courses. Whether you're a seasoned pro or a beginner, there's a course that suits your skill level and preferences.

Kiva Dunes Golf & Beach Resort (pictured above), located on the Fort Morgan Peninsula, features one of the most popular courses in the area. The challenging 18-hole layout, designed by former U.S. Open champion Jerry Pate, is located between the Gulf of Mexico and Mobile Bay. The course has been consistently ranked as one of the top courses in Alabama.

Another great golf resort is Craft Farms, featuring two 18-hole

courses designed by the legendary Arnold Palmer. The courses are known for their beautiful landscaping, challenging holes, and immaculate maintenance.

Gulf Shores is a foodie paradise with a wide range of restaurants serving up delicious seafood, southern cuisine, and more. The Hangout is a popular beachfront eatery offering classic Gulf Coast fare such as shrimp po' boys, gumbo, and fried seafood platters. Live music is a staple here with bands playing on the outdoor stage throughout the week.

If you're looking for a more upscale dining experience, Fisher's at Orange Beach Marina is a must-visit. This award-winning restaurant features a fusion of Gulf Coast and Southern cuisine, with dishes like shrimp and grits, grilled octopus, and pan-seared scallops. The restaurant also has a rooftop bar offering breathtaking views of the marina and the Gulf of Mexico.

For those of you looking for outdoor adventures, deep-sea fishing is a popular activity with the Gulf of Mexico offering some of the best catches in the country. Charter a boat and head out to catch red snapper, amberjack, and other popular fish species. Or just take a sunset sailing cruise to enjoy the water views. **TSG**