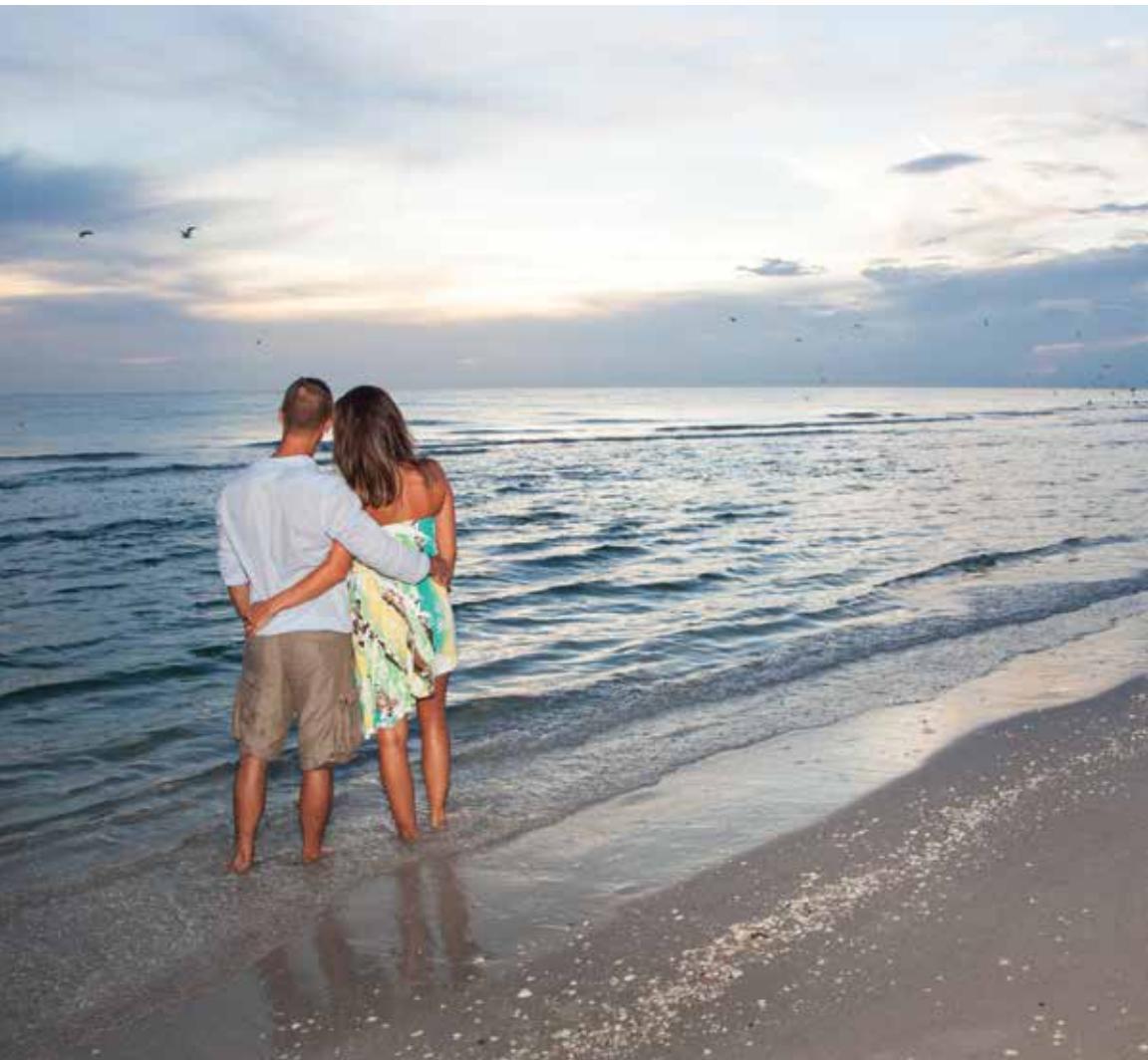


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Nature has blessed this lush barrier island with seven miles of powdery white beaches stretching the entire Gulf side and surrounded it with cerulean waters – the kind one usually finds only in the Caribbean. The adjacent estuaries fed by the Myakka and Peace Rivers converge to form one of the most pristine and productive coastal ecosystems in the world.

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# Welcome

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A favorite of photographers and movie producers, this is the secret island that presidents, dignitaries and celebrities sneak away to, because the island

denizens have a low-key attitude regarding celebrity and fame. So, leave that "off island" world behind and come rejuvenate and recharge your senses where Florida is unplugged – come lose yourself in days gone by, for an hour, day, week or a lifetime.

Whether you're looking for day trip ideas or planning an extended stay, our directory will provide you with the best Boca Grande has to offer. We're sure that you will return again and again, and each time you'll wonder why you ever left in the first place.

The Boca Grande Area Chamber of Commerce has proudly promoted and served our island and its member businesses for over 30 years. When you arrive on island, be sure to visit the Chamber office located in our historic downtown village.

*Come spend a little island time with us.*

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Managing Director





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Boca Grande Bike Parade & Women's Club Fair

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Gasparilla Inn Walking Tours:

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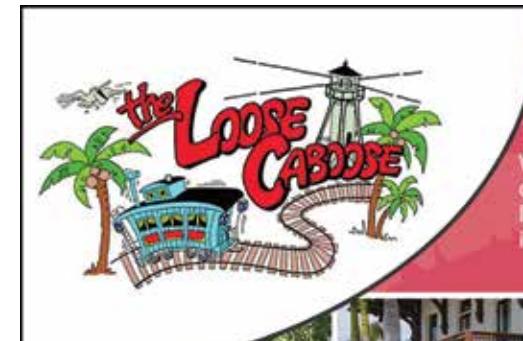
Learn the tales and treasures of The Gasparilla Inn & Club with Tina Malasics. Meet on the Front Porch of The Inn on Tuesdays and Fridays at 10:30 a.m.

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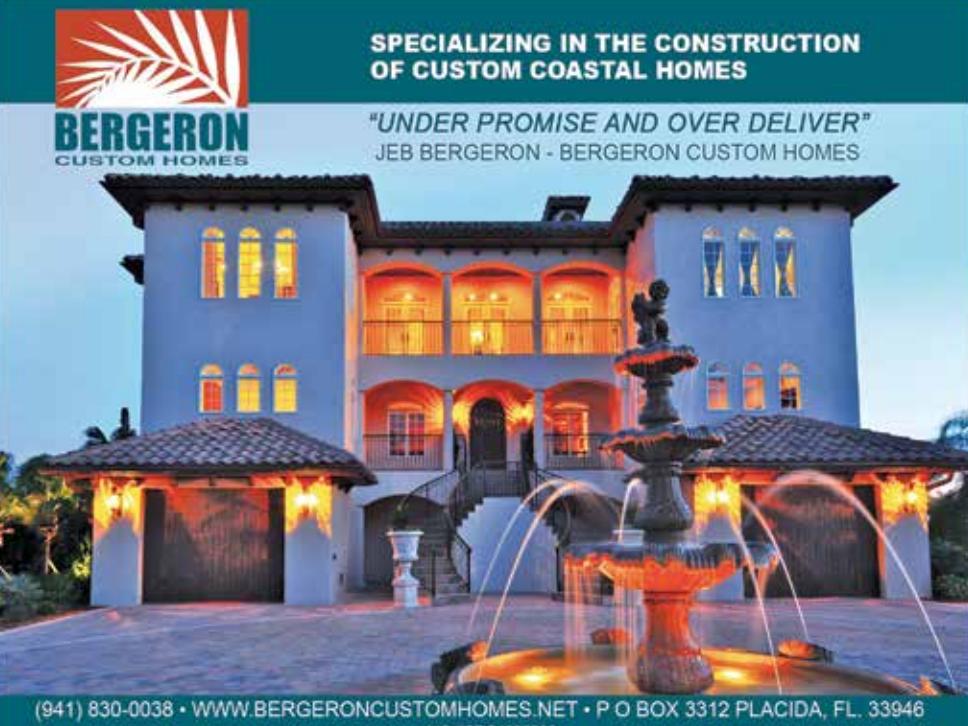
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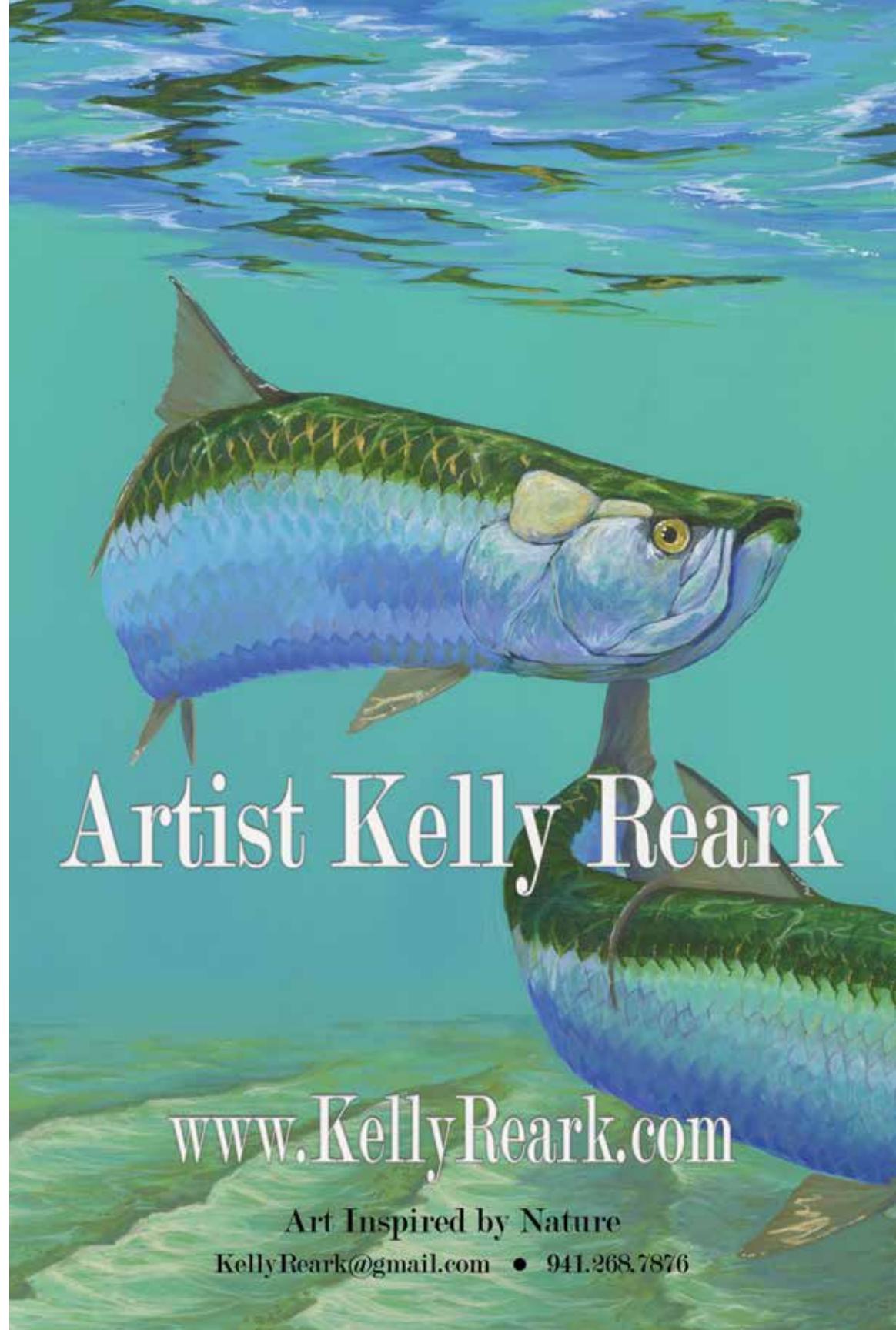


  
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### Charlotte Vocational Technical Center

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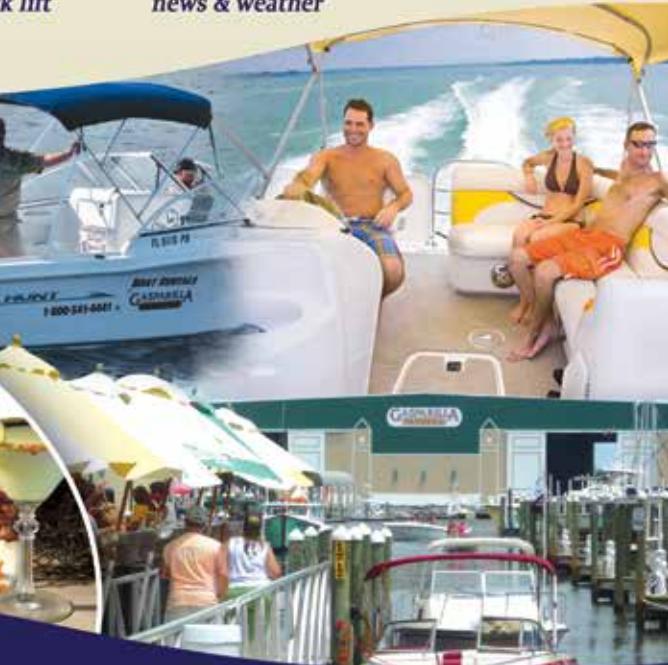
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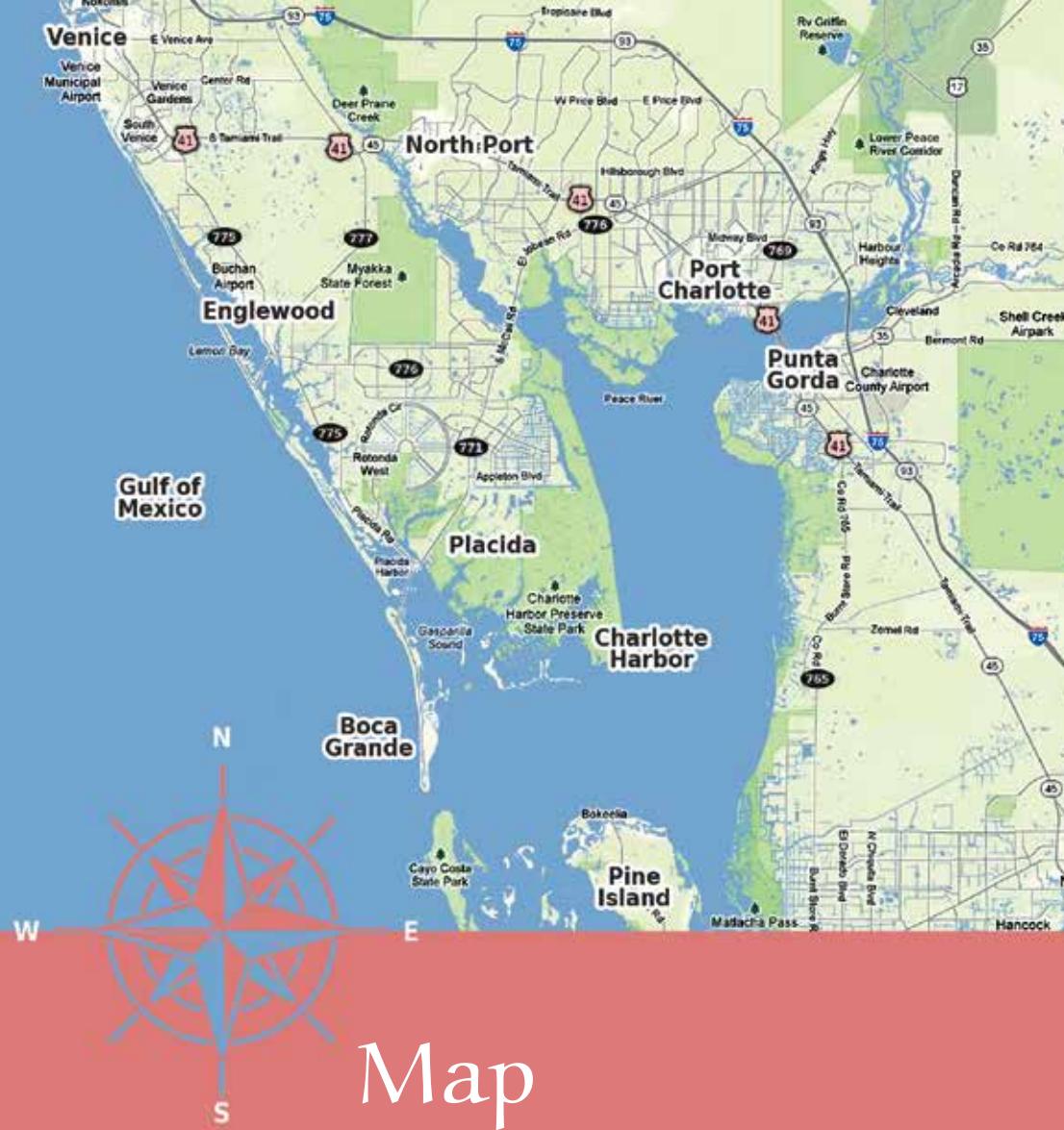
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## Map

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Exit 191 River Road to C.R. 775 (Pine Street)

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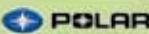
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5. Railroad Depot
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7. Boca Grande Community Center
8. Coast Guard Range Light
9. Lighthouse
10. Lighthouse Jetties
11. The Gasparilla Inn & Club  
– Weekly History Tours
12. Whidden's Marina Maritime Museum
13. Boca Grande Historical Society Museum



## Bike/Golf Cart Route

Everything on Gasparilla Island is relaxed and moves at an island pace including the preferred method of travel about the island – golf carts or bicycles. The bike/golf cart path and an accompanying jogging/walking path are part of Florida's Rails-to-Trails project, utilizing the old railroad right of way that carried phosphate to the southern tip of Gasparilla Island a century ago. These days it provides passage for bikers, joggers, and golf carts.

Many visitors come to the island just to spend the day cruising along the bike trail that meanders from one end of the island to the other, with breathtaking vistas at nearly every bend.

Golf carts are allowed on the bike path, but must give right of way to bikes and pedestrians. Golf carts are only allowed on the public roads between 1st Street and 18th Streets, and must give right of way to motorists and pedestrians. To gain access to points on the island not between 1st and 18th Streets, golf cart users must utilize the bike path. Persons under 14 are prohibited by law from operating golf carts.



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It's the romance of the island that encourages your mind to wander. Suddenly you envision yourself walking down the aisle as your veil gently blows in the breeze. The backdrop for your wedding is some of the most amazing clouds and blue skies you've ever seen! As friends and family look on as you say your vows you want time to stand still. It's everything you've ever wanted.

This is what awaits you as you plan your wedding on Boca Grande. Boca Grande is an historic village on the Island of Gasparilla. If you are looking for charm and romance this is the place.

The photo opportunities that await you are endless. Not only do you have the gorgeous beach you also have the beautiful 80 year old banyan trees, quaint streets and even a portion of a railroad track right in town!

The key to any successful wedding is in the planning. There are several unique aspects to a destination wedding that you need to know and plan for. Here is a short guide for you to follow to maximize your efforts. We are going to assume at this point you have chosen your date, budget etc.

For more information contact the Boca Grande Chamber 941-964-0568

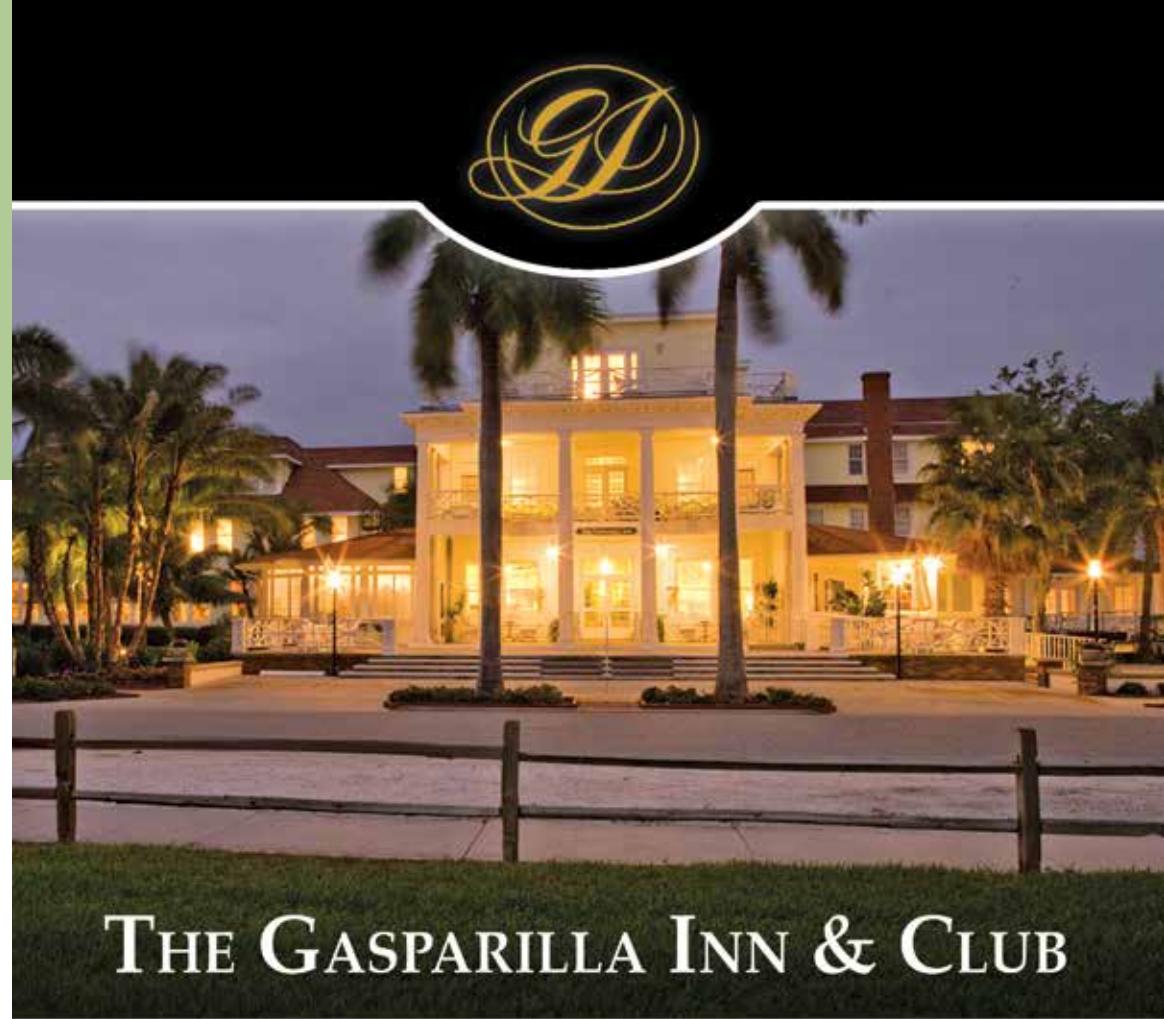
**Tip #1** Take a trip to Boca Grande and get the feel for the area to see that it's the perfect destination location. As you experience the relaxed atmosphere visit the local venues and decide where you will hold your wedding reception/ceremony. Be sure to book early. If you are planning a destination wedding here chances are so are a lot of other couples.

**Tip #2** Have a backup plan. Planning a beach wedding is unique in that if the weather takes a turn for the worst you need a backup plan. At a minutes notice you may have to switch gears and change the location of your ceremony. Knowing this in advance will help to eliminate that last minute stress. Be sure your wedding venue makes that option available for you.

**Tips #3** Consider choosing local vendors such as wedding planners, (should you decide to utilize one) florists, photographers, videographers.... Meet with these vendors in person and be sure to ask plenty of questions. When it comes to photographers and videographers they know the lay of the land better than anyone and can guide you to the best photo opportunities the island has to offer. Remember you want to capture and preserve these memories for years to come. Your local florist will be able to guide you in the best direction when it comes to choice of flowers especially for the time of year your wedding will take place.

**Tip #4** Decide on the style of your wedding especially when it comes to a beach themed wedding. You need to decide if it will be fun and casual. Perhaps you want to wear a pretty white dress and have the guys wear khaki pants and white shirts. Then again you may decide just because it's a beach wedding you still want to wear the wedding dress of your dreams. You may choose to have the guys dressed in suites or tuxes. There are no set rules for your Boca Grande wedding. We have seen it done both ways. Ultimately the decision is yours.

**Tip #5** Time of day. This pertains to a beach ceremony. I cannot emphasize enough that you do not want a wedding on the beach at 12:00 noon unless you want squinting eyes in your photographs. The sun at this time of day is too high and hot. Your best time of day is approximately an hour and fifteen minutes before sunset (unless you plan on having a lengthy ceremony). This enables you to have your beach ceremony, photos with friends and family. This also enables you the opportunity to have those private moments with the two of you as the sunsets creating the perfect backdrop for your photographs. These will be images you will want to have in your wedding album.



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U.S. Coast Guard	(239) 463-5754

## Animals and Wildlife

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Gasparilla Island Sea Turtle Patrol	(941) 964-5642
Mote Marine Aquarium and Lab	(941) 388-4441
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## Health Services

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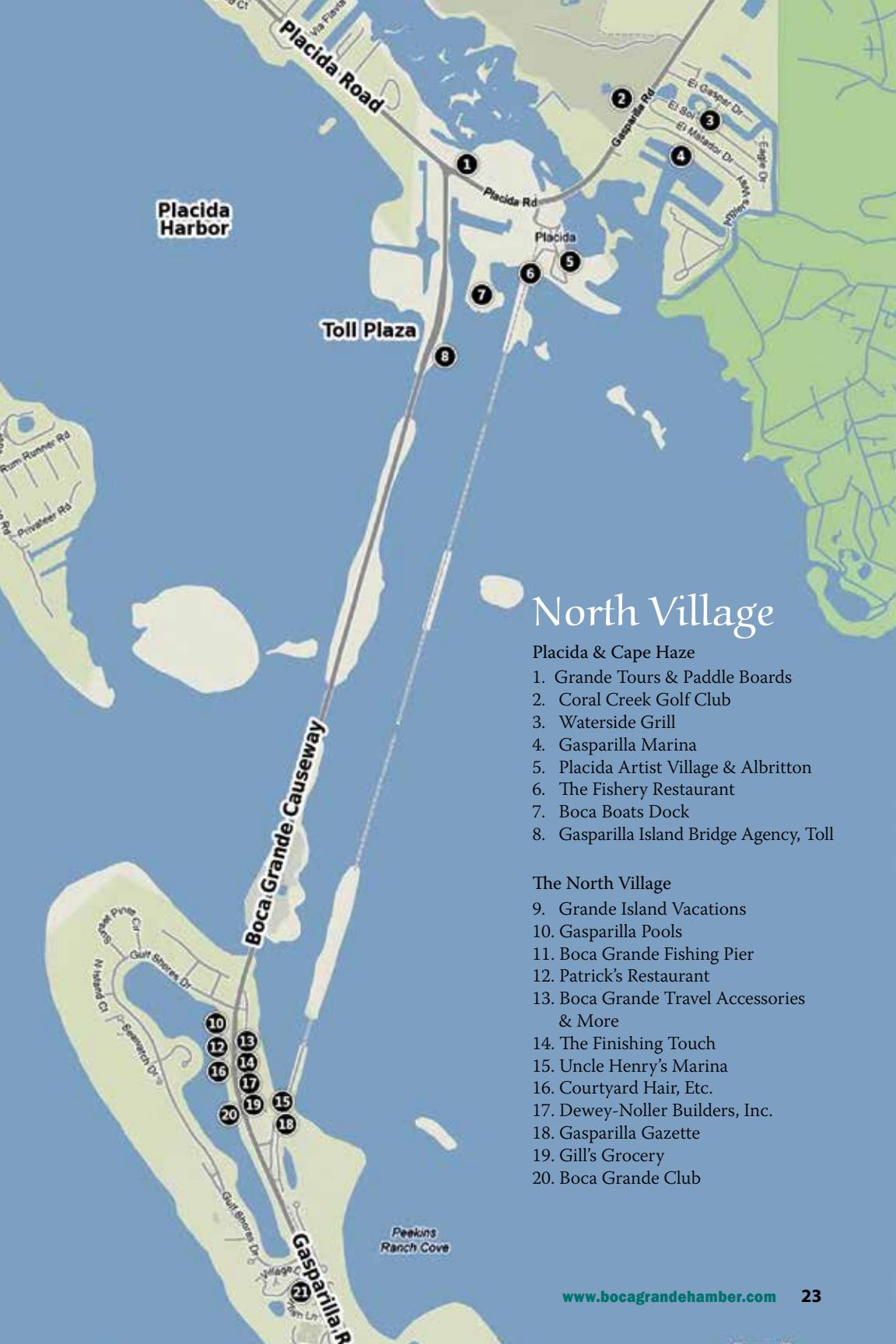
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# Downtown Village

## Downtown Village

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5. The Gasparilla Inn Golf Club
6. The Gasparilla Inn & Club
7. The Gasparilla Inn Beach Club
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9. Hudson's Grocery
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15. Fresh Produce
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20. Holly's Island Shop
21. Boca Grande Village Inn
22. Island Bike 'n Beach (downstairs)
23. Royal Palm Players (upstairs)
24. Park Avenue Massage & Body Works (upstairs)
25. PJ's Seagrille
26. Serendipity Gallery
27. Grapevine Gourmet
28. Boca Grande Homewatch (upstairs)
29. Lighthouse United Methodist Church
30. Giacinti Contracting
31. Englewood Bank
32. Barbara Ann's Jewelry
33. Sea Squirts
34. Buyers Resource Real Estate (upstairs)
35. Loose Caboose
36. Boca Grande Real Estate
37. Boca Grande Post Office
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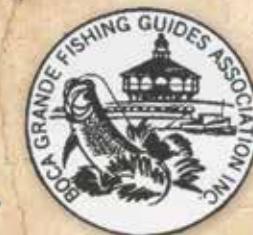


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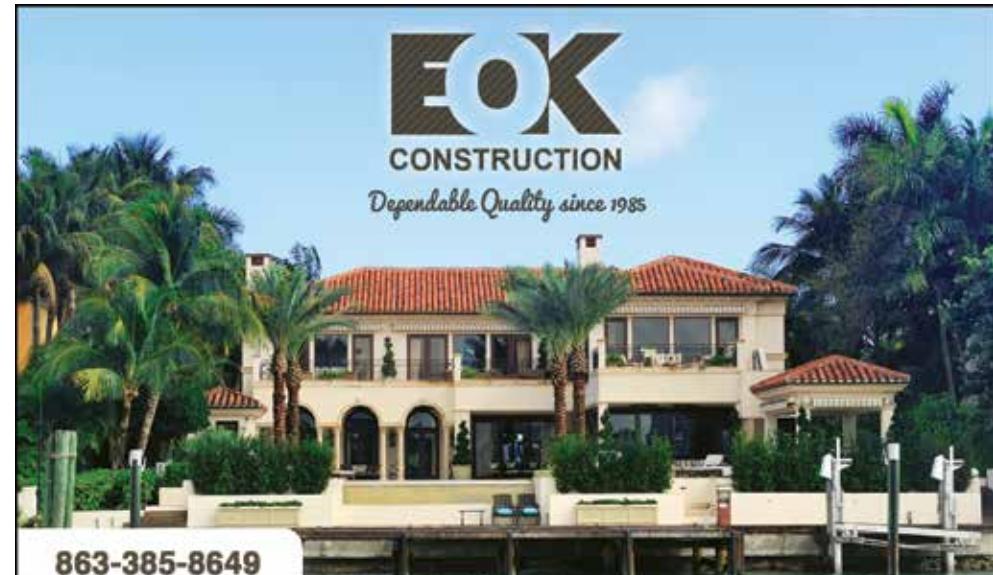
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In addition to being a great place to enjoy the sun and surf, our beaches are important nesting areas for Sea Turtles and our dunes are home to many unique plants and animals. Florida's beaches host the largest gathering of nesting sea turtles in the United States. Female sea turtles emerge from the surf to deposit eggs in sand nests and later, tiny hatchlings struggle from their nests and scramble to the sea. Nearly all of this activity takes place under cover of darkness and relies upon a natural light environment too often disrupted by the addition of artificial lighting. You can help by eliminating lights that shine on the beach from May through October, including flashlights, lanterns, campfires, auto headlights, exterior and interior house lights.

Sea Turtle season is from May through October, so please remember a few simple things to help protect these magnificent creatures and their habitat.

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- When crossing a dune, please use designated crossover's and walkways.
- Do not climb over the dunes or disturb the dune vegetation.



## West Indian Manatee

The West Indian Manatee is a large gray-brown aquatic mammal. Its seal-like body tapers to a flat, paddle-shaped tail. The upper part of its body has two small forelimbs with three to four nails on each flipper. The head and face are wrinkled and the snout has stiff whiskers. Adults have been known to reach lengths of over 13 feet and weights of over 3,000 pounds. Calves are three to four feet long and 60 to 70 pounds at birth. Manatees are highly endangered gentle sea creatures; often referred to as sea cows, inhabit the inland waterways and warm bay waters. You can reduce your chances of harming a manatee by following

these guidelines:

If you are boating, use extreme caution in "no wake" zones. Pole, paddle, or use a trolling motor when you are near sea grass beds.

## Iguanas

Don't be shocked to see Iguanas on Gasparilla Island. To the delight, and sometimes consternation of locals and visitors, they are part of everyday life here. Iguanas are usually harmless and can be spotted at times, especially along the bike path south of town. Please don't chase, harass or try to catch them. It is illegal to remove Iguanas from Gasparilla Island.

## Bottlenose Dolphins

Bottlenose Dolphins thrive in the warm Gulf of Mexico waters. Just look out towards the water during your visit and you're bound to catch these playful sea mammals frolicking in the waters. If you're boating they often will play in the wake or around the bow of a moving boat. Please don't feed them, keep in mind that they are highly intelligent, but are wild animals – not trained performers.

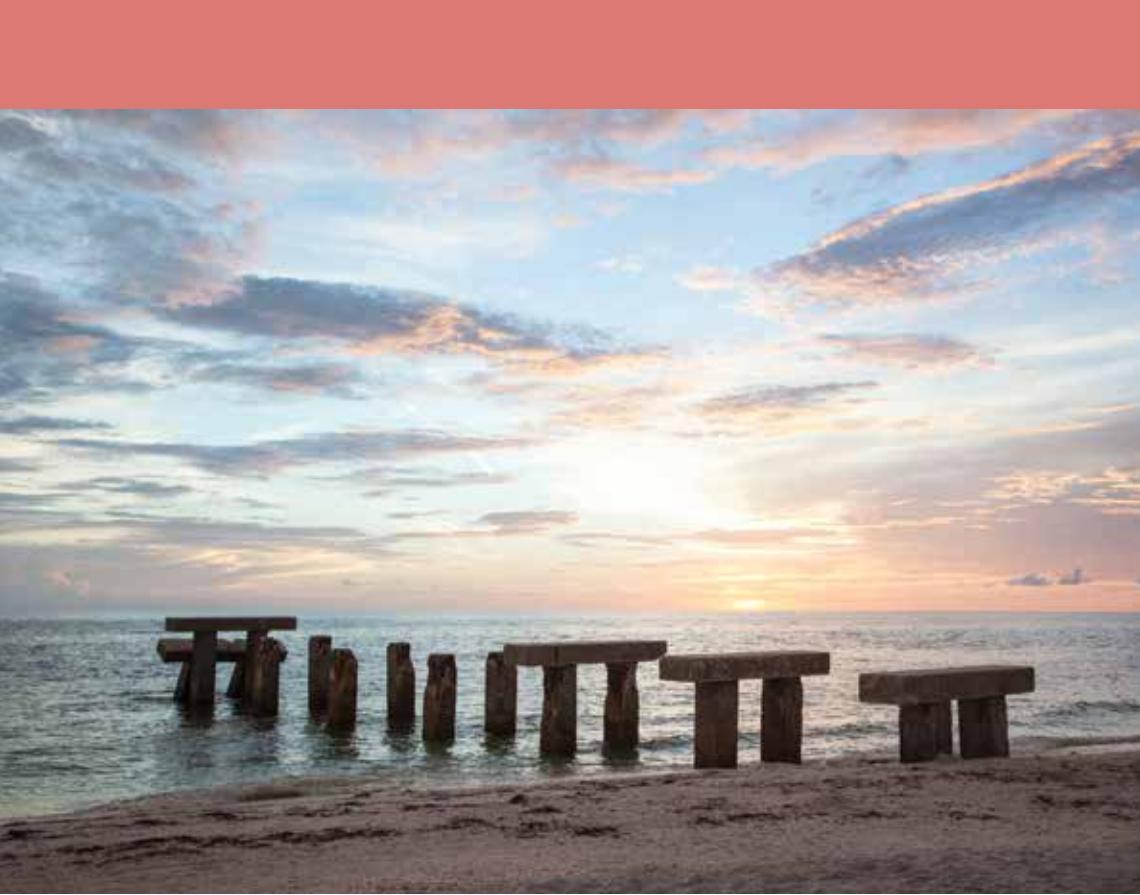
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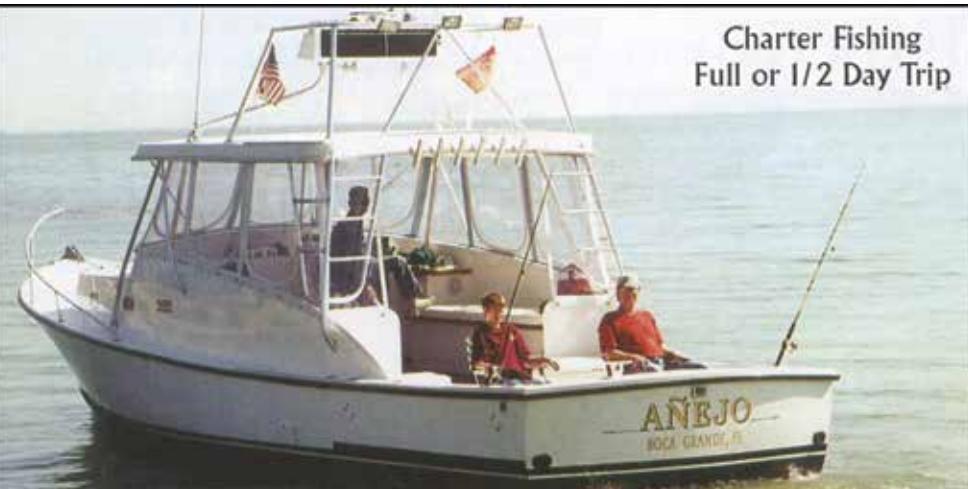
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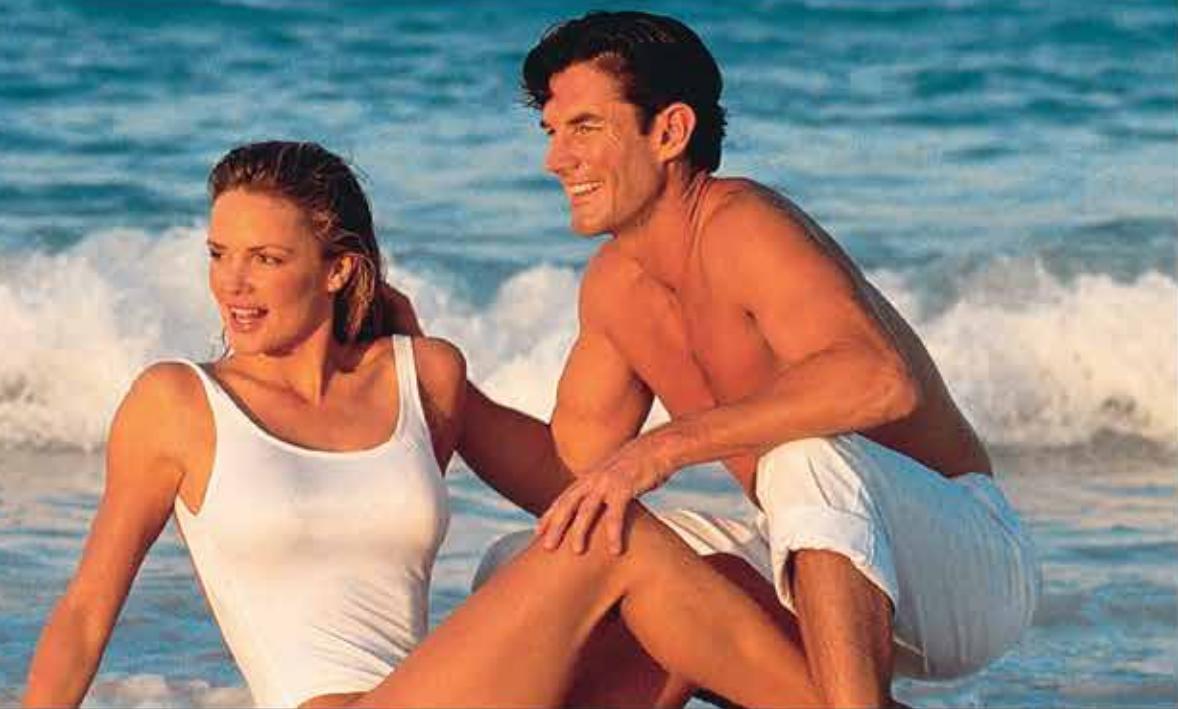
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## A Piece of History

Gasparilla Island's first inhabitants were the Calusa Indians. They were living on nearby Useppa Island by 5,000 B.C. and on Gasparilla Island by 800 or 900 A.D. Charlotte Harbor was the center of the Calusa Empire, which numbered thousands of people and hundreds of fishing villages. The Calusa were a hunting and fishing people who perfected the art of maritime living in harmony with the environment. They were a politically powerful people, dominating Southwest Florida during

their "golden age." Since the Calusa had no written language, the only record we have of their lifestyle and ceremonies comes from the oral history of the (much later) Seminoles, from written accounts of Spanish explorers, and from the archaeological record. The first contact the Calusas had with the white man came during Spanish explorations at the beginning of the 16th century. By the mid 1700s the Calusas had all but disappeared, the victims of European diseases, slavery and warfare.

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### Early Settlers Were Fishermen

Just like the Indians, the earliest settlers came to Gasparilla Island to fish. By the late 1870s several fish ranches were operating in the Charlotte Harbor area. One of them would later be at the north end of Gasparilla Island in the small village called Gasparilla. The fishermen, many of them Spanish or Cuban, caught huge catches of mullet and other fish and salted them down for shipment to Havana and other markets. In the 1940s the Gasparilla Fishery was moved to Placida across the bay, where it still stands today, and the fishing village died out. Today, many of Boca Grande's early fishing families are still represented in third, fourth and even fifth generation descendants who pursue many different vocations, including fishing.

Phosphate and Tarpon put Boca Grande on the map. In 1885 phosphate rock was discovered on the banks of the Peace River just above Punta Gorda, east of Gasparilla Island across Charlotte

Harbor. It was this discovery that would turn the south end of Gasparilla Island into a major deep water port (Boca Grande Pass is one of the deepest natural inlets in Florida) and become responsible for the development of the town of Boca Grande. Wealthy American and British sportsmen began discovering the Charlotte Harbor area for its fantastic fishing (notably for the world class game fish tarpon) and hunting. It was these two discoveries – phosphate rock and fishing – that would put Boca Grande "on the map."

Probably the only buildings on the island at this time were the lighthouse and the assistant keeper's house at the extreme southern tip of the island. The railroad terminus with its 1,000-foot long pier would be built nearby. The Charlotte Harbor and Northern Railroad was completed in 1907. For the next 50 years phosphate would be

shipped out of the state-of-the-art port virtually without disruption. Phosphate laden trains were off loaded directly onto ocean going freighters, and the ships took the valuable commodity to ports all over the world. In 1969 Port Boca Grande ranked as the fourth busiest port in Florida.

The Charlotte Harbor and Northern Railroad not only brought phosphate and supplies to Gasparilla Island; it also brought wealthy people from the north. By 1910 Boca Grande Pass was already famous for its unequaled tarpon fishing among fishermen, who stayed on nearby Useppa Island. The town was landscaped, including the now famous section of Second Street called Banyan Street. The railroad company built several cottages downtown and a few wealthy families from "up north" purchased land and built winter residences. The train stopped at Gasparilla, the fishing village at the north end of the island, at the

railroad depot in downtown Boca Grande, and at the south end phosphate terminal.

The railroad continued to bring the grand visitors from all along the eastern seaboard until the Boca Grande Causeway opened in 1958. The depot was restored in the 1970s and a number of shops, offices and a restaurant now occupy the old building. The railroad continued to run work trains to the south end until the phosphate port closed in 1979. The Gasparilla Island Conservation and Improvement Association transformed the old bed of the railroad into a new use, Boca Grande's popular Bike Path. Boca Grande has become a unique community, with a large number of wealthy winter residents rubbing elbows with the fishermen and railroad and port workers who formed the permanent, year-round working class of the island.



# Dining

The Village of Boca Grande offers many different restaurants to choose from for breakfast, lunch, dinner and anything in between. Many restaurants, grills, and lounges offer happy hours, appetizers, meals and spirits with friends. Boca Grande has a recipe to please every palette.

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The 18-hole "Pinemoor" course at the Pinemoor West Golf Club facility in Rotonda West, Florida features 5,237 yards of golf from the longest tees for a par of 65. The course rating is 65.0 and it has a slope rating of 113 on Bermuda grass. Designed by Pete Dye, ASGCA, the Pinemoor golf course opened in 2004.

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Long Marsh's gently rolling fairways meander through 450 acres of natural Florida scrub. Its fairways and greens invitingly framed by native pines, oaks and palms is a Ted McAnlis-designed course



opened in February of 1999, and its latest 9 Hole addition in 2007 is enjoyable for golfers of all levels. At Long Marsh Golf Club in Rotonda West, each hole has its own distinctive character, set amid natural bunkers, lakes and marshes that are haven for wildlife. Four sets of tee boxes provide course distances ranging from 5257 yards to 7120 yards.

### **Lemon Bay Golf Club** (Semi-Private) 9600 Eagle Preserve Drive, Cape Haze, FL 33946 (941) 697-4190

Six miles north of the Gasparilla Island bridge lies the Lemon Bay Golf Course facing the Gulf of Mexico. The course is graced by nature with mature native pines, small lakes and ponds, which serve as home to their original ancient Florida residents, flocks of exotic tropical birds and the nesting aristocrats of Lemon Bay, the white capped American eagles. They're all here protected by this Audubon sanctioned golf club. The challenge and quiet beauty of this nature course provides for a satisfying golf and social experience. The course is open to limited reciprocal play from May through August.

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### **Coral Creek Club** (Private) 13111 Gasparilla Road, Placida, FL (941) 697-0820

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## Organizations

### Boca Grande Art Alliance

This non-profit is comprised of artists, sculptors and craftsmen who work in many different mediums. The group's annual calendar includes demonstrations, classes, lectures and exhibits at the Art Alliance's home, the Dishong-Bowen House at 236 Banyan Street. Call (941) 964-1700 for more information.

### Barrier Island Parks Society

At the southern most tip of the island lies the oldest structure on Gasparilla Island, the Port Boca Grande Lighthouse and Museum. The Lighthouse is one of six open lighthouse museums in the State of Florida and home of Barrier Island Parks Society (BIPS). BIPS mission is to provide support to our local island state parks including Gasparilla, Cayo Costa, Don Pedro and Stump Pass, their lighthouses, exhibits, personnel and natural assets. Their commitment is to conserve and preserve the environment and our local history through outreach and education. BIPS meets monthly November – April and welcomes volunteers and new members. For more information call (941) 964-0060.

### Boca Grande Area Chamber of Commerce

The chamber promotes and represents area businesses and merchants and is active in many charitable and social annual island events. The

mailing address is PO Box 704, Boca Grande, FL 33921; the phone number is (941) 964-0568. The mission of the Boca Grande Area Chamber of Commerce is to foster the development and prosperity of chamber member businesses and the economic growth of the Boca Grande area, positively affecting the quality of life for all residents and visitors.

### Boca Grande Fishing Guides Association

The 60-plus charter captains who make up the non-profit BGFGA are dedicated to encouraging and improving the conditions and facilities available to anglers and guides in regard to sport fishing in the waters surrounding Gasparilla Island. One of the foremost goals of the BGFGA is to preserve our fishery and see that it is protected and productive for future generations. The BGFGA actively supports such programs as the Marine Fisheries Commission Advisory Board, the Florida Marine Research Institute, several tagging programs and various other endeavors. They respond to state and federal governmental agencies, and publish a pamphlet listing guidelines for safe boating practices both in Boca Grande Pass and the shallow flats and backcountry of Charlotte Harbor. Visit their web site at [www.bocagrandefishing.com](http://www.bocagrandefishing.com).

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### **Boca Grande Historical Society**

The Boca Grande Historical Society is committed to enhancing understanding of the history of Gasparilla Island and its surrounding area. The goal of the BGHS is to provide personally rewarding opportunities to learn about the remarkable people and events that shaped our past.

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### **Gasparilla Island Conservation and Improvement Association, Inc. (GICIA)**

Established in 1971, the GICIA speaks out on behalf of Gasparilla Island residents who rely upon the Association to preserve and protect their right to the quiet enjoyment of their community. A crowning achievement of the GICIA was securing the Gasparilla Island Conservation District Act that was enacted by the Florida State Legislature in 1980.

Under the direction of Misty Nabers Nichols, Executive Director, and an 11 member board of directors, the GICIA is dedicated to promoting the general welfare of the Boca Grande community by preserving island atmosphere, enhancing quality of life, conserving natural resources, protecting the integrity of the Gasparilla Island Conservation District Act and supporting other public and private initiatives that will shape the future of our community.

### **Johann Fust Community Library**

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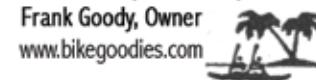
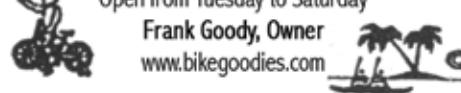
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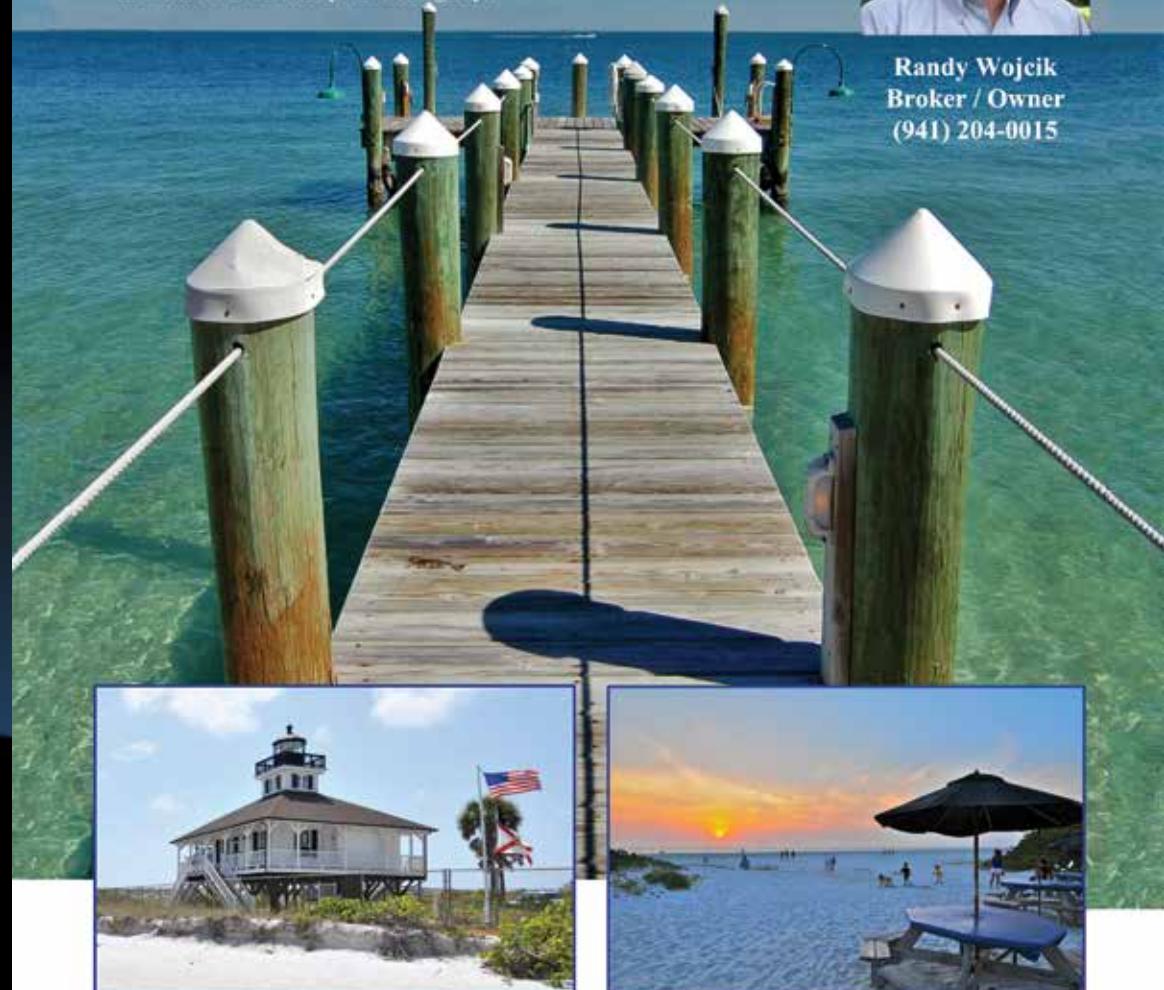
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