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Refresh, Renew, and Celebrate Spring on Florida's Historic Coast

St. Augustine, Ponte Vedra and The Beaches offer an array of events to suit every visitor!

St. Augustine, Fla. (March 19) – Spring on Florida's Historic Coast means a veritable smorgasbord of events. Whether it's a day of artful relaxation or thrilling speed, St. Augustine, Ponte Vedra and The Beaches have something fun lined up!

Spring into action with sporting events – golf, running, and sailing, we've got it all! If golf is your game, Florida's Historic Coast is the place to be this spring. <u>The Players Championship</u> recently set records at TPC Sawgrass in Ponte Vedra when 2023 defending champion Scottie Scheffler won his second consecutive PLAYERS Championship – the first ever to do so in the tournament's 50 year history. Golfers can plan their Spring visit to <u>play where the Players play</u> or on one of the dozens of other championship courses. And, one of the most fun golf tournaments around, the <u>23rd Annual Murray</u> <u>Brothers Caddyshack Charity Golf Tournament</u> takes place April 25-26 and includes a weekend of parties, golf, and concerts.

The <u>2024 Redfish Bash Tournament presented by Ancient City Game Fish Association</u> kicks off on April 19 to see who can catch the largest redfish. Sailors can mark their calendars for <u>St. Augustine Race Week</u>. If two feet on land is more your speed, there are a host of road and trail runs! Check out the <u>Dash to the</u> <u>Dogs 5k and Pup-A-Pawlooza</u>, <u>Vilano Bridge Run 5K and 10K</u>, <u>Spud Run 5K and Cabbage Crawl</u>, and <u>Race</u> <u>to the Taste 5K</u>. For a two-wheeled adventure, the <u>12th Annual Spoonbills and Sprockets Cycling Tour</u> on April 20 starts at Marineland and winds its way through St. Augustine, the Hammock, and Flagler Beach.

Spoonbills are just the tip of the iceberg when it comes to the <u>2024 Florida's Birding & Photo Festival</u> on April 24-28. This jam-packed festival has over 100 events focused on birding and outdoor photography. For those interested in more terrestrial pursuits, the <u>Earth Day Celebration at Washington Oaks Gardens</u> <u>State Park</u> celebrates the symbiotic relationship between us and the Earth.

Music is always flowing on Florida's Historic Coast, and spring is no exception! <u>The St. Augustine</u> <u>Amphitheatre</u> welcomes big names March through May, including <u>Widespread Panic</u>, <u>Brothers Osborne</u>, <u>REO Speedwagon</u>, and more. <u>The Ponte Vedra Concert Hall</u> has a jam-packed schedule that features acts like <u>Owl City</u>, <u>Maoli</u>, and <u>The Wallflowers</u>, to name a few. For an intimate music experience, hit up <u>The</u> <u>Waterworks</u> for <u>Live from the Waterworks</u>: <u>Peter Rowan and Remedy Tree Duo</u> on May 18.

Folk music aficionados will already have their tickets for the return of the iconic <u>Gamble Rogers Folk</u> <u>Festival</u> from April 12-14. The <u>4th Annual Lullaby of the Rivers Music Festival</u> takes place April 19-21, and <u>Roscolusa Songwriters Festival</u> which features songwriters from Nashville performing and sharing the stories behind their music on April 27 at Nocatee Center. The <u>Plein Air Paint Out</u> on Apr 24-28 is a favorite of artists, encouraging painters to venture outdoors and be inspired by the beauty of Florida's Historic Coast. Artists from Northeast Florida can display and sell their works at the <u>Old Town Art Show</u> on March 23-24. Makers, artisans, and crafters offer their finest products April 13 & 14 at the <u>Arts & Crafts Show at St. Augustine Beach</u>.

Be inspired by music, art, food, and pageantry at cultural and community festivals. <u>Unidos en la Musica:</u> <u>A Latin America Festival</u> on Saturday, May 4, is a day filled with Latin Music, dance, workshops, art, games, food, libations, and more.

<u>Founders Day: The Founding of Gracia Real de Santa Teresa de Mose</u> celebrates an incredible moment in St. Augustine's History. March 23 marks the 284th anniversary of <u>Fort Mose</u>, the first legally-sanctioned free Black community in North America.

Explore the best food and wine experiences! The <u>St. Augustine Lions Seafood Festival</u>, April 6-7, offers boatloads of the freshest catches in a city that knows its seafood. Celebrate Hastings' most important crops at the <u>Cabbage</u>, <u>Potato and Bacon Festival</u> on April 27-28. Demonstrations by chefs, a cooking competition, Lawn Mower Racing and the Miss Potato Queen Beauty Pageant are just a few highlights. The best chefs in town go toe-to-toe on April 28 at the <u>Taste of St. Augustine</u>, featuring scrumptious bites from the best restaurants around.

St. Augustine has accommodations for every taste and budget. Stay at the <u>Hampton Inn St. Augustine</u> <u>Historic District</u> within walking distance to most of the city's attractions and site, or choose the <u>Embassy</u> <u>Suites by Hilton St. Augustine Beach Oceanfront Resort</u> for a seaside retreat. While the luxurious AAA Five-Diamond awarded <u>Ponte Vedra Inn and Club</u> is the ideal escape for beaches, golf, tennis and more.

Spring is a time for renewal, so refresh and reset your life with an unforgettable stay on Florida's Historic Coast. Your perfect trip begins <u>here</u>.

Located midway between Daytona Beach and Jacksonville, Florida's Historic Coast includes historic St. Augustine, the outstanding golf and seaside elegance of Ponte Vedra, the rural beauty of Hastings, Elkton, St. Johns, and 42 miles of pristine Atlantic beaches. Visitor Information Centers are located at 10 Castillo Drive, St. Augustine; 200 Solana Rd. Suite B, Ponte Vedra Beach: and at the St. Johns County Beach Pier Park, 350 A1A Beach Blvd., St. Augustine Beach. For advance travel information, call 1.800.653.2489 or go to the Visitors and Convention Bureau website at www.FloridasHistoricCoast.com. Check us out on social media Instagram @FloridasHistoricCoast; @ViajaStAugustine, Facebook.com/OfficialStAugustine, and Facebook.com/ViajaStAugustine and Twitter @FlHistoricCoast