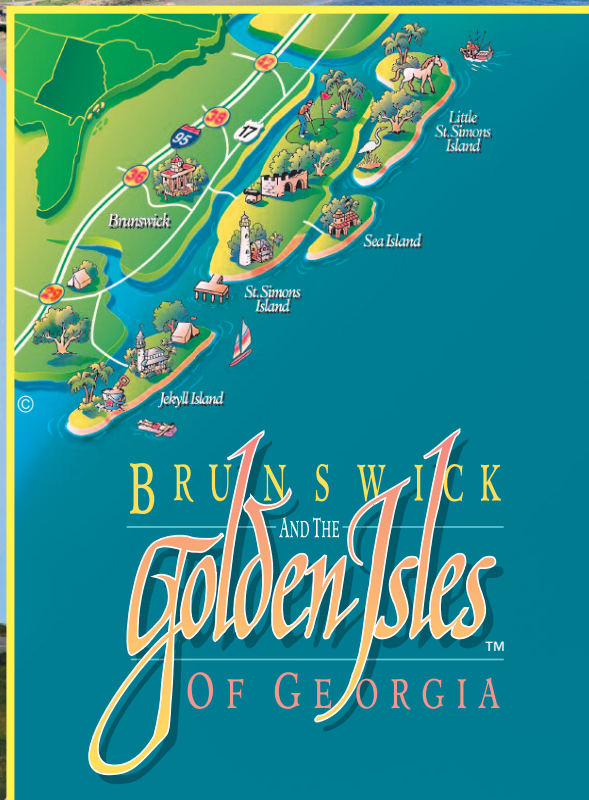
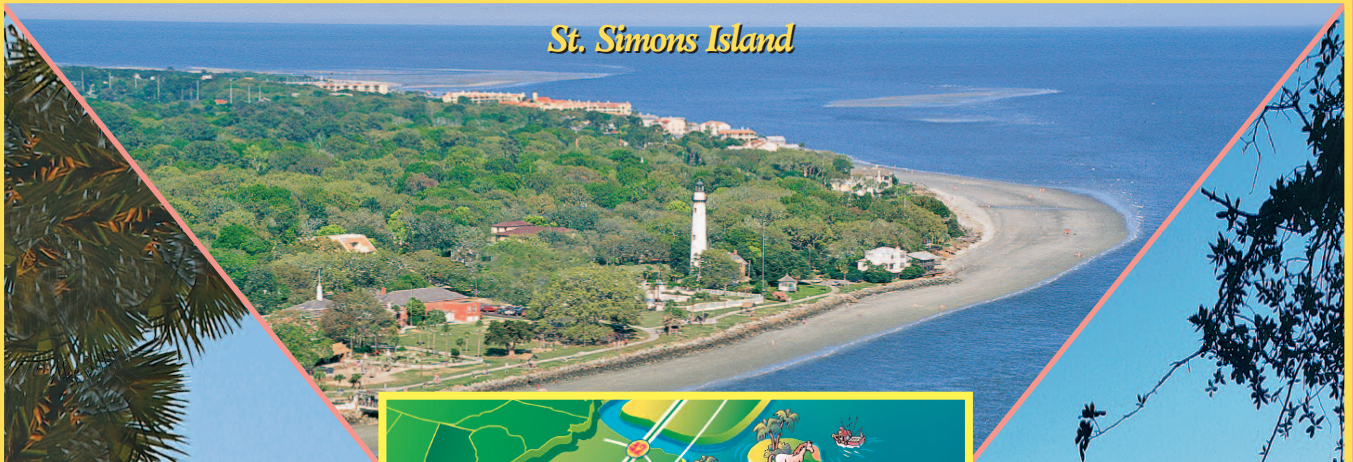


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St. Simons Island



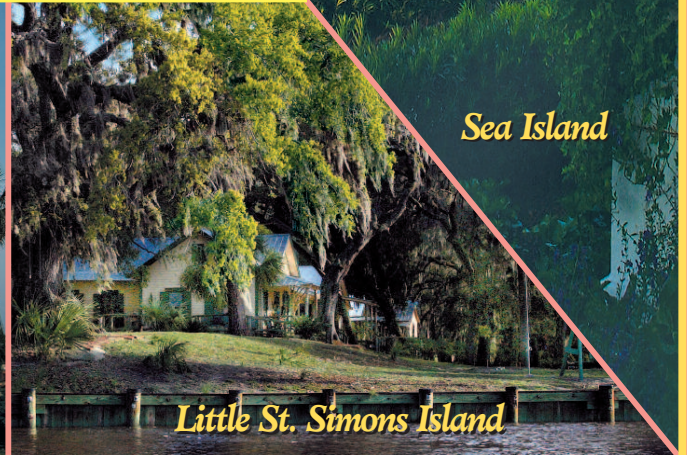
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Sea Island



Little St. Simons Island



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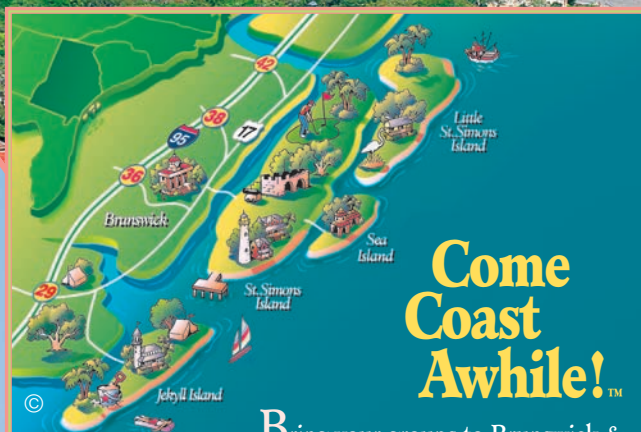
As you plan your next group outing, we hope you will find this guide helpful in providing the "lay of the land." It contains information about the area and its many attractions, climate and dress, shopping, sports and recreation, sample itineraries, maps, information about day trips to other area attractions and more. If you need further help in planning your itinerary or have additional questions, it would be our pleasure to assist you.

From mainland Brunswick to St. Simons Island, Sea Island, Little St. Simons Island and Jekyll Island, Brunswick & The Golden Isles are an ideal destination for hassle-free, relaxed group visits. Brunswick & The Golden Isles offers a treasure trove of amenities and activities for every taste and tempo. Fascinating museums and historical sights. Nature tours on land and sea, with discoveries around every bend. Specialty shops and galleries brimming with unique gifts and mementos. Relaxed afternoon and evening cruises aboard a casino cruise ship or vintage motor yacht. A multitude of great restaurants, from fine dining to laid-back casual. Accommodations of every description and plenty of shady motorcoach parking.

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St. Simons Island



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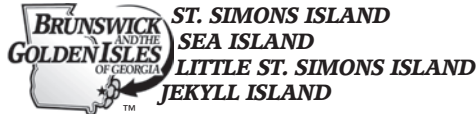
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Brunswick & The Golden Isles of Georgia. Unhurried. Unspoiled. Unmatched for countless diversions and pleasures. Here, vast marshlands, winding rivers and ribbon-smooth beaches frame a legendary corner of Georgia's coast in stunning beauty.

Mainland Brunswick greets with quaint charm. The historic homes of the Old Town district, a waterfront park that is home to fleets of shrimp boats, and quaint antique shops and galleries are among its points of interest. Nearby Hofwyl-Broadfield Plantation offers a glimpse of life on a 19th-century coastal rice plantation. Be sure to take an afternoon or evening cruise aboard the Emerald Princess casino/cruise ship.

Cross the fabled Marshes of Glynn to the Golden Isles: St. Simons Island, Sea Island, Little St. Simons Island and Jekyll Island. Your group will discover a treasure trove of activities. Explore rich historic sites such as St. Simons Lighthouse and Fort Frederica on St. Simons Island, and the Jekyll Island National Historic Landmark District. Enjoy the area's abundant natural beauty and wildlife during a boat tour of local rivers, or a nature walk among our beaches, marshes and maritime forest. Search for that special memento in the interesting specialty shops and galleries of the Village on St. Simons Island and Pier Road in the Jekyll Island Historic District.

A wealth of accommodations range from convenient Interstate hotels to island resorts, historic waterfront hotels and a private island retreat. Great restaurants abound, from fine dining to casual outdoor settings.

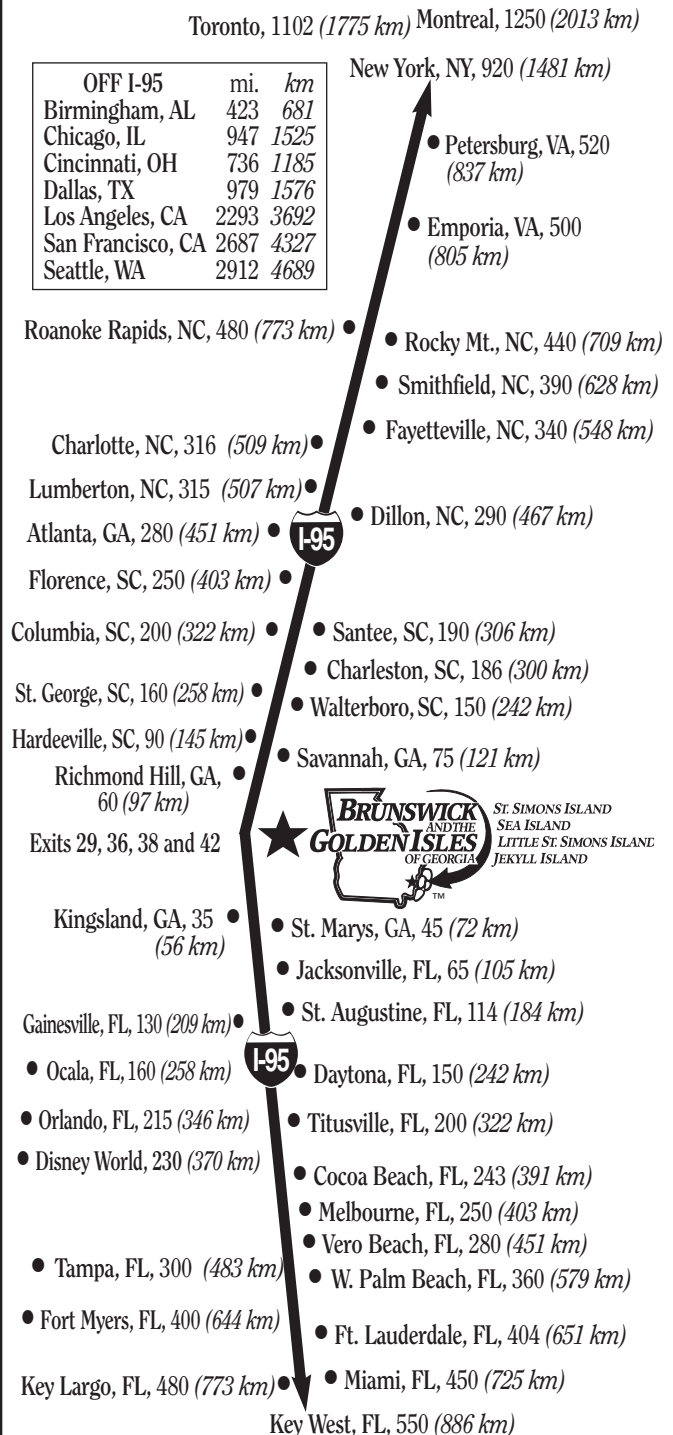
Come to Brunswick & The Golden Isles of Georgia. Your group will thank you with repeat business again and again. Where I-95 bends toward the sea at Exits 29, 36, 38 and 42, pull off and coast awhile. The hospitality, like the climate, welcomes year 'round. Brunswick & The Golden Isles. Enjoy them each. Explore them all.

WEATHER INFORMATION

Invitingly mild weather graces Brunswick & The Golden Isles year 'round thanks to ocean breezes that warm our winters and cool our summers. Here are our *daily mean* temperatures (F°) and the average temperature for each month.

MONTH	Avg.	High	Low
January	53°	62°	43°
February	55°	64°	45°
March	57°	64°	50°
April	67°	76°	58°
May	75°	83°	66°
June	80°	88°	72°
July	82°	89°	74°
August	82°	89°	74°
September	79°	85°	71°
October	64°	77°	51°
November	61°	70°	51°
December	53°	62°	43°

Driving Distances to Brunswick & The Golden Isles from Selected Cities



SERVICES FOR TOUR LEADERS

- Consumer brochures
- Color slides (also available on CD)
- Itineraries for entire travel region
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Brunswick & The Golden Isles of Georgia

On the Georgia coast, between the cities of Jacksonville, FL and Savannah, GA is the port city of Brunswick, Georgia. It is bordered to the west by Interstate 95 and to the east by Georgia's Golden Isles—St. Simons Island, Sea Island, Little St. Simons Island, Jekyll Island. No Madison Avenue advertising gimmick, the name “GOLDEN ISLES” dates back to the 1500s when adventurers came seeking gold and discovered a far different treasure: wide expanses of golden marshes, days of brilliant golden sun and a sunset glow they had not experienced anywhere else in their travels. The name remains equally descriptive almost 500 years later.

Brunswick

The City of Brunswick offers the visitor a true picture of a seaport town which has managed to enter the 21st century with a unique blend of modern industry, active commercial fishing and ecological sensitivity. Tourism provides a base for the area's economy, and travelers along Interstate 95 can find a range of accommodations that are suitable for either a one-night pass-through or a multi-day vacation.

Brunswick & The Golden Isles are served by four exits along I-95:



Exit 29 intersects with US Hwy 17. Here you'll find three hotels offering 160 rooms, plus more than a dozen restaurants and several large travel plazas offering fuel and service. Highway 17 North provides access to Brunswick via the Sidney Lanier Bridge, Georgia's tallest cable stayed suspension bridge.

Exits 36A (US Hwy 341 East toward Brunswick) and **36B** (US Hwy 341 West), offer 13 hotels with more than 1,300 rooms and nearly two dozen restaurants ranging from fast food outlets to full-service . . . all just five minutes from downtown and 15 minutes from the islands.

Just two miles to the north at GA Spur 25, **Exit 38** is within minutes of 12 hotels with 978 rooms, as well dozens of restaurants, a shopping malls, bowling alley and more. The Spur provides access to US Hwy 17 and the St. Simons Island (Torras) Causeway.

Exit 42 intersects with GA Route 99. To the east lies US Hwy 17 and Hofwyl-Broadfield Plantation. To the west, Route 99 intersects with US Hwy 341 and, further west, US Hwy 82.

US Hwy 17, the historic Coastal Highway, has hundreds of motel rooms along a 2-mile strip from GA Spur 25 to Gloucester Street, which leads to downtown Brunswick. There, watch the shrimpers unload at the docks along Bay Street and then sample the catch of the day at one of downtown's fine restaurants. Take a nature cruise aboard Lady Jane, a 60-foot working shrimp boat. Do a driving tour through Old Town Brunswick with its elegant Victorian homes and pleasant parks and take a dinner cruise aboard the casino/cruise ship.





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St. Simons Island

Roughly the size of Manhattan, St. Simons Island is the largest of Georgia's Golden Isles and just five miles from the mainland via a causeway across the vast Marshes of Glynn. Few spots on the eastern seaboard can match the quiet beauty or the historical significance of this island. Today, St. Simons Island is a unique blend of resort facilities, specialty boutiques and superb restaurants, residential communities, historic points of interest and large tracts of land left virtually untouched for centuries. The island boasts 99 holes of championship golf, beaches, miles of bike trails and vacation properties ranging from a family-style motor court to a luxury beachfront hotel.

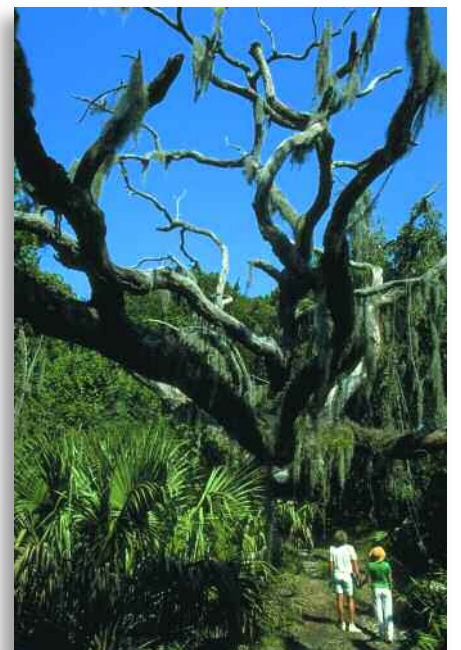
Sea Island

Sea Island was an undeveloped barrier island when it was purchased in 1928 by industrialist Howard E. Coffin. Mr. Coffin envisioned an exclusive resort area. Today his dream has been fulfilled in THE CLOISTER HOTEL, recognized as one of the greatest hotels in the world. Here guests enjoy tennis, water sports, horseback riding, skeet/clay target shooting, spa, club socializing and some of the country's best golf courses. Sharing the island with The Cloister is a cottage colony of more than 300 homes, many of which are available for vacation rentals. Charter one of the "vintage" yachts for an evening cruise when you stay here.



Little St. Simons Island

Little St. Simons Island is a 10,000-acre, privately owned, unspoiled barrier island with over seven miles of undeveloped Atlantic Ocean beach for shelling, strolling and swimming. It is accessible only by boat from St. Simons Island. Preserved for 100 years as a family retreat, The Lodge on Little St. Simons Island accepts a maximum of 30 overnight guests. The friendly, capable staff will make your personal stay or corporate retreat a success. The accommodations on Little St. Simons Island are elegantly rustic, spacious and very comfortable, in keeping with the island's character. Reservations may be made by the room, cottage or entire Island. This coastal wilderness setting is ideal for recreation, exploration and relaxation. Miles of forested paths encourage hiking, bicycling and birding, while winding waterways beckon guests to enjoy a boat or canoe outing. All meals, activities and recreational gear are included in the rates.





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Jekyll Island

In the late 1880s, a group of the country's wealthiest men, among them the Rockefellers, Vanderbilts, Goulds, Astors, Morgans and Goodyears, sent a team of experts to find a spot that would offer natural beauty, complete privacy and excellent weather, where they could escape harsh northern winters. They purchased JEKYLL ISLAND and under their direction it became the most exclusive resort in the nation. The Jekyll Island Club was formed in 1888. At its height of popularity, the club's membership was said to

have represented one-sixth of the world's wealth. The Jekyll Island Club ceased operations in 1942, and the island was purchased by the State of Georgia in 1947. Development on the island is limited to no more than 35 percent of available land. Seven hotels offer accommodations from family-oriented to luxury. Activities and attractions include 63 holes of golf, nine miles of beach, tennis, water park, soccer complex, bike trails, fishing piers and the Georgia Sea Turtle Center. The JEKYLL ISLAND NATIONAL HISTORIC LANDMARK DISTRICT, site of the former Jekyll Island Club and more than a dozen restored homes and support structures, is one of the largest historical preservation projects in the Southeast.



Climate & Dress

Climate

Brunswick and the Golden Isles of Georgia enjoy a semi-tropical climate. Summers are long and warm, with daytime temperatures in the 80s F and 90s F and nights in the 70s F. Coastal breezes normally preclude extreme heat. Winters are short and mild, generally from early December through early February with daytime highs in the 50s F. The average relative humidity ranges from 87-93% in early morning and 59-69% in the afternoon. Rainfall in the area is ample, with an annual average of 54.7". Snow is extremely rare.





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Golden Isles Weather Chart

	Average Temp Maximum		Average Temp Minimum		Average Water Temp	Average Rainfall
January	62 F	14 C	43 F	6 C	49	2.77"
February	64 F	15 C	45 F	7 C	52	3.13"
March	69 F	21 C	50 F	10 C	60	4.06"
April	76 F	25 C	58 F	13 C	66	2.99"
May	83 F	28 C	66 F	20 C	74	3.97"
June	88 F	31 C	72 F	23 C	77	5.82"
July	89 F	31 C	74 F	24 C	79	7.62"
August	89 F	31 C	74 F	24 C	82	7.18"
September	85 F	27 C	71 F	21 C	74	8.43"
October	77 F	26 C	61 F	14 C	68	3.97"
November	70 F	21 C	51 F	11 C	63	1.87"
December	62 F	14 C	43 F	6 C	50	1.87"

Dress

The moderate year-round climate results in very few hot or extremely cold days. Lighter-weight fabrics are in order from mid-March until November, and mid-weight clothes, jackets and sweaters from November through February. Even in summer, many women wear a shawl or light sweater for cool evenings and air-conditioned restaurants. Some dining establishments require jackets for the men.

Motorcoach Intercept Program

The Georgia Coast Motorcoach Intercept Program is available at three Visitor Information Centers on Interstate 95, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily except Easter and Christmas. With one phone call, 24 hours in advance, the Visitors Center staff will welcome your motorcoach group with a personalized welcome sign, punch and cookies, and area mementos for each of your passengers.

Georgia Visitors Center

Elizabeth Boles, Manager
Georgia-South Carolina Line (Southbound)
912/964-5094

Brunswick-Golden Isles Visitors Center

Jeanne Diffie, Manager
Between Exits 42 and 38 (Southbound)
912/264-0202

Georgia Visitors Center

Sheryl Johnson, Manager
Georgia-Florida Line (Northbound) at Exit 1
912/729-3253





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Getting to Brunswick & The Golden Isles



By Air:

Commercial airline service is available at Brunswick Golden Isles Airport (BQK). Atlanta Southeast Airlines (ASA), a Delta connector, offers daily round-trip regional jet service to and from Atlanta Hartsfield International Airport. Some commercial airlines offer group rates, available through their Group Sales departments.

Private pilots are served by these local airports:

Brunswick Golden Isles Airport (BQK)

Physical Location:	Brunswick, GA 31-16-23.000N/ 081-27-28.000W.
Communication Frequency:	CTAF/UNICOM 122.8
AWOS:	124.175 Mhz / 912-261-0531
Operating Hours:	7 am to 8 pm daily
Runway:	8001X150ft
Lighted Runway:	Yes
Tie Downs:	Yes
Transportation from Airport:	Rental cars, limousine, taxi
FBO:	Glynco-Manning Aviation, Inc. 912-264-9200
Services & Amenities:	MobilExxon fuel dealer providing maintenance, storage, terminal, and catering services for its clients. Motels/restaurants nearby. Minutes from St. Simons Island, Sea Island, Little St. Simons Island, Jekyll Island

McKinnon St. Simons Island Airport (SSI)

Physical Location:	St. Simons Island, GA 31-09-06.5250N/081-23-28.5100W
Communication Frequency:	CTAF/UNICOM 123.05
AWOS:	118.525 Mhz / 912-638-7042
Operating Hours:	7 am to 8 pm daily
Runway:	5800X100ft
Lighted Runway:	Yes
Tie Downs:	Yes
Transportation from Airport:	Rental cars, limousine, taxi
FBO:	Golden Isles Aviation 912-638-8617
Services & Amenities:	MobilExxon AVITAT dealer providing concierge service, discount lodging reservations, pilots lounge, flight planning room (WSI), conference room, showers, full kitchen, high-speed Internet access, courtesy cars

Brunswick is approximately one hour from international airports in Jacksonville, FL (I-95 South) and Savannah, GA (I-95 North). Some hotel/motel properties will provide transportation from these airports with advance notice at minimal or no cost.





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By Rail:

There is no passenger train service directly to Brunswick. AMTRAK provides service to Jesup, GA, located approximately 40 miles northwest of Brunswick via US Hwy 341. Jesup is on the main AMTRAK route between New York and Miami. Some local hotels will provide ground transportation with advance notice at minimal or no cost. AMTRAK also serves stations in Savannah, GA and Jacksonville, FL. AMTRAK offers group discounts through its Group Sales department.

Motorcoach Transportation/Charter Service:

Please contact the Brunswick-Golden Isles Visitors Bureau for assistance, 800-809-1790.

By Water:

Between the Golden Isles and the Marshes of Glynn are a series of rivers and sounds, chief among them the Frederica River and Jekyll River. The Mackay River is part of the Atlantic Seaboard's Intracoastal Waterway (ICW). Pleasure and commercial craft are served by five marinas in Brunswick and the Golden Isles. Available services available include overnight berthing, gas and oil, diesel fuel, public telephones, restaurants, shopping and bathing facilities.





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Travel Times to Brunswick & The Golden Isles from Georgia State Visitors Centers & Local Welcome Centers

From the north or south, Brunswick & The Golden Isles of Georgia are easily accessible via I-95 or US Hwy 17. From the west, Brunswick is reached via US 341, 25, 520 or 82. St. Simons Island is reached via the St. Simons Island (Torrar) Causeway. Sea Island is reached via a causeway from St. Simons Island. Little St. Simons Island is accessible only by boat from Hampton Point on St. Simons Island. Jekyll Island is reached by the Jekyll Island (Downing Musgrove) Causeway.

CITY	DISTANCE	TIME	DRIVING ROUTE
Albany	172	3:15	US 82 (GA 520)
Andersonville	230	4:10	GA 19 ▶ US 280 ▶ I-75 ▶ US 82 (GA 520)
Athens	256	5:00	US 441 ▶ US 341
Atlanta	274	5:30	I-75 ▶ I-16 or I-16 ▶ GA 19 ▶ US 341
Augusta	189	3:45	US 25 ▶ I-16 ▶ I-95
Baxley	80	1:45	US 341
Chatsworth	362	7:00	US 411 ▶ I-75 ▶ I-16 ▶ I-95
Claxton	86	2:00	US 301 ▶ US 341
Columbus	255	5:00	US 280 ▶ GA 55 ▶ US 82 (GA 520)
Dahlonega	318	6:30	GA 60 ▶ US 129 ▶ US 441 ▶ US 341
Darien	13	0:15	US 17 or I-95
Douglasville	288	5:45	I-20 ▶ I-75 ▶ I-16 ▶ I-95 or GA 92 ▶ GA 42 ▶ US 341
Eastman	132	2:30	US 341
Forsyth	210	4:30	I-75 ▶ I-16 ▶ I-95
Gainesville	298	6:00	US 129 ▶ US 441 ▶ US 341
Glennville	88	2:00	US 301 ▶ US 341
Helen	334	6:15	US 129 ▶ US 441 ▶ US 341
Jonesboro	264	4:30	I-75 ▶ I-26 ▶ I-95
Kingsland	45	0:45	I-95 or US 17
Lavonia	310	6:00	GA 17 ▶ US 1 ▶ US 341
Macon	189	3:45	I-16 ▶ I-95 or I-16 ▶ GA 19 ▶ US 341
Metter	138	2:30	I-16 ▶ I-95
Plains	203	4:00	GA 308 ▶ US 19 ▶ US 82 (GA 520)
Reidsville	102	2:00	GA 23 ▶ US 301 ▶ US 341
Ringgold	335	6:10	I-75 ▶ I-16 ▶ I-95
Rome	340	6:30	US 411 ▶ I-75 ▶ I-16 ▶ I-95
Savannah	70	1:15	I-95 or US 17
Soperton	115	2:10	I-16 ▶ I-95
Sylvania	150	2:45	US 301 ▶ US 341 or US 301 ▶ I-16 ▶ I-95
Tallapoosa	347	6:30	US 78 ▶ I-20 ▶ I-75 ▶ I-16 ▶ I-95
Thomasville	163	3:00	US 84 ▶ US 82 (GA 520)
Toccoa	304	6:00	GA 17 ▶ US 1 ▶ US 341 or GA 184 ▶ US 441 ▶ US 341
Valdosta	118	2:00	US 84 ▶ US 82 (GA 520)
Watkinsville	246	4:45	US 441 ▶ US 341
West Point	294	5:30	GA 18 ▶ I-85 ▶ US 280 ▶ US 82 (GA 520)





Travel Times to Brunswick & The Golden Isles from Major Cities

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Getting Around Brunswick & The Golden Isles

Taxi Service:

Licensed taxi and limousine service are available. Please consult the Brunswick-Golden Isles Visitors Guide for information or visit www.ComeCoastAwhile.com.

Rental Cars:

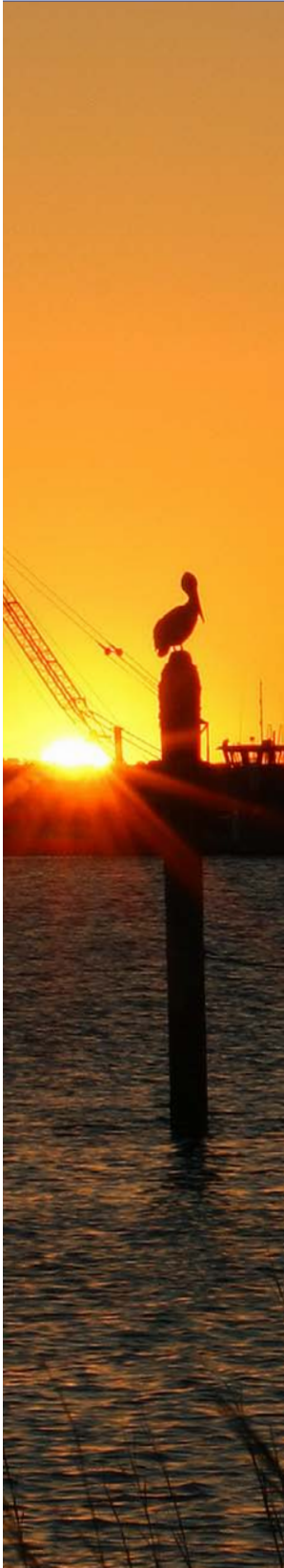
Automobiles can be hired by the day, week or longer. Five national car rental companies operate in Brunswick & The Golden Isles, including Alamo, Avis, Dollar, Enterprise and Hertz. Vehicles also can be rented from a local company, Auto Rentals of Brunswick.

Motorcoach Rental:

Coastal Georgia Charters and Tours offers ground transportation aboard a variety of vehicles including 25- and 30-passenger coaches, a 30-passenger trolley, and three 48-passenger motorcoaches. Call Coastal Georgia Charters and Tours or visit www.goldenislesfun.com. Coaches also may be hired through Golden Isles Touring Company or Coastal Tours (see detailed listings under "Receptive Tour Operators").

Motorcoach Repair & Service:

Glynn Diesel and RV Service, Inc., 7530 Blythe Island Hwy, Brunswick, GA 31523.
(912) 264-6466.



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Brunswick



Old Glynn County Courthouse

(Union Street at G Street) Erected in 1907, this impressive building, widely known for its exceptional architecture, is set in a four-acre park surrounded by moss-hung oak trees. The landscaping includes several trees of foreign origin and several small native trees known as swamp holly or dashoon.

Historic Downtown Brunswick

A National Trust Main Street City, Brunswick is pursuing revitalization and enhancement through a comprehensive community development master plan aimed

at preserving and expanding the city's unique historic, architectural and cultural elements. The city center is enjoying a renaissance with the ongoing renovation and restoration of historic commercial and government buildings and public squares. The downtown district features a growing mix of antique and specialty shops, art galleries, restaurants and other businesses. Historic downtown Brunswick is centered at the intersection of Newcastle and Gloucester Streets, the traditional commercial corridors of the city. Newcastle Street is anchored on the south end by Old City Hall (1888) with its distinctive clock tower. At the north end of Newcastle Street is the historic Ritz Theatre. Built in 1898 as the Grand Opera House, the Ritz is Brunswick & The Golden Isles' center for exhibits and performances by local, regional, national and international artists. An information center is located at the Ritz Theatre, 1530 Newcastle Street, and is open Tuesday-Friday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Saturday from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Call (912) 262-6934 or visit www.goldenislesarts.org.

Emerald Princess II Dinner Cruise & Casino

(Departs from Gisco Point Marina located at the southern base of the Sidney Lanier Bridge) Set sail aboard the Emerald Princess II Dinner Cruise and Casino and enjoy four levels of 200 feet of floating fun (capacity 600). The Emerald Princess II Dinner Cruise and Casino combines Vegas-style fun, music, a light meal and breathtaking views of the Atlantic Ocean in one unique atmosphere. The largest attraction, The Casino, offers 28 gaming tables including blackjack and six Texas Hold'em poker tables as well as 220 slot machines. Daily cruises. Monday–Thursday cruises depart at 7:00 pm and return to port at midnight. Friday and Saturday evening cruises depart at 7:00 pm and return to port at 1:00 am. Friday and Saturday morning cruises depart at 11:00 am and return at 4:00 pm. Sunday afternoon cruise departs at 1:00 pm and returns at 6:00 pm. Don't miss the boat! Call (800) 842-0115 or visit www.emeraldprincesscasino.com.





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Lanier Oak

(US Hwy 17 in the median between Gloucester Street and the St. Simons Island Causeway) Here Sidney Lanier, Georgia's greatest poet, was inspired to write one of his best-known works, "The Marshes of Glynn." The expansive marshes also may be viewed from nearby Overlook Park at the foot of Gloucester Street on US Hwy 17.



The 'Lady Jane' Shrimp Boat

(Located at the dock behind Spanky's Marshside Restaurant, US Hwy 17 south of Gloucester Street) Let's go shrimpin'! Enjoy a unique shrimp-trawling excursion on a 60-foot steel hulled shrimp boat in the waters between St. Simons Island and Jekyll Island. During the 90-minute cruise, watch as captain and crew drag a net and bring their "catch" aboard. Passengers young and old enjoy to the opportunity to see the catch up close and learn about many species of marine and marsh life. Enjoy fresh shrimp, prepared on board by the crew. Lady Jane is the only working shrimp boat in the country that is licensed by the U.S. Coast Guard to transport up to 49 passengers. The cabin is air-conditioned and restroom facilities are available on board. For reservations, rates and information call Capt. Larry Credle at (912) 265-5711 or visit www.credlesadventures.com.

Old Town Brunswick

(Bounded by H Street, Newcastle Street, First Avenue and Martin Luther King Blvd.) Based on Gen. James Oglethorpe's grid pattern, Old Town Brunswick's streets and squares are lined with homes noted for their turn-of-the-century architecture and eclectic mix of styles. Old Town Brunswick is the largest small town urban National Register Historic District in Georgia. Brunswick was named for Braunschweig, Germany, the ancestral home of King George II. Its streets and squares are named in honor of English royalty and geography. Hanover Square, just south of downtown on Newcastle Street, features a fountain, brick sidewalks and other recent improvements by Signature Squares, a local preservation group. The improvements represent the first stage of a planned renovation and restoration program for the city's 14 public squares. Architectural highlights include the Mahoney-McGarvey House, a fine example of "Carpenter Gothic" style at 1709 Reynolds Street, and the impressive campus of Glynn Academy on Mansfield Street. A driving tour brochure is available from the Downtown Development Authority office in Old City Hall on Newcastle Street. Call (912) 265-4032 or visit www.brunswickga.net



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Shrimp Docks / Brunswick Landing Marina

(Along Bay Street, US Hwy 341, between Gloucester Street and Prince Street) Glynn County is home to several seafood processing companies and claims the title as one of the "Shrimp Capitals of the World." Shrimp boats can be seen unloading their catch at the docks during late afternoons in season. Mary Ross Waterfront Park, at Gloucester and Bay Streets and adjacent to the city shrimp dock, features a farmers market, pavilion and amphitheater, musical playscape and the Liberty Ship Memorial. It, along with the growing marina to the south, is a great place to watch the sun set over the marsh.



Lover's Oak

(In the median at Albany and Prince Streets) This centuries old oak tree is the subject of a legend about Indian lovers who met beneath its branches before Brunswick was a town. Its trunk is 13 feet in diameter three above the ground where it branches into 10 limbs, each measuring 12" to 30" in diameter. For generations Lover's Oak has been a popular climbing tree for children and a challenging subject for artists.

Liberty Ship Park & Sidney Lanier Bridge

This planned park at the foot of the north side of Sidney Lanier Bridge on US Hwy 17 will honor the men and women who worked in Brunswick's shipyard in World War II, building the ships that supplied Allied troops around the world. The park will offer a playground and picnic area with grills, benches, boardwalk, fishing pier, vending concession area and restrooms. An observation area will be placed to allow park visitors to watch ships pass beneath the Sidney Lanier Bridge. The bridge, Georgia's tallest cable-stayed suspension bridge, is 7,780 feet long and 486 feet tall. It contains 95,283 cubic yards of concrete and 14,810,095 pound of reinforcing steel.





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Earth Day Nature Walk

(Located at the Georgia Dept. of Natural Resources Coastal Resources District Office) A self guided trail winds across salt marshes, tidal ponds and coastal hammock high ground. Features include wooden boardwalks across wading bird habitat, an osprey/eagle nesting platform, wildlife observation decks and observation tower. Open daily during daylight hours. For information visit <http://crd.dnr.state.ga.us/content/displaynavigation.asp?TopCategory=3>

Overlook Park

(Located on US Hwy 17 at the foot of Gloucester Street) A fine vantage point for viewing some of the vast and beautiful marshlands and river networks that flank Brunswick and much of coastal Georgia. The park includes picnic tables and information panels about local history, wildlife and the marsh ecosystem.



US 17 Welcome Center

(Located on US Hwy 17 at the foot of the St. Simons Island / Torras Causeway) This historic structure, originally the Chamber of Commerce, provides free literature and information about local points of interest, activities, attractions, restaurants, accommodations and visitor services. Wireless Internet and weather information available. Open daily 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Some local literature is available outside after hours. (912) 264-5337. Online, visit www.ComeCoastAwhile.com or text www.ComeCoastAwhile.mobi.



Hofwyl-Broadfield Plantation

(14.7 miles north of US 17 Welcome Center on US 17 North; 1 mile east of I-95 at Exit 42.) Many of Georgia's coastal rice plantations failed to survive the Civil War, but Hofwyl-Broadfield continued as a dairy farm until 1915. The house, a classic example of "low country" architecture, is more indicative of a plantation home than the white columned mansions popularly portrayed. There is an admission fee and group rates are available for 15 or more with advance reservations. Bus parking is available. Hours: Tuesday-Saturday, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Sunday 2:00 pm to 5:30 pm. Closed Monday (except legal holiday Mondays), Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years Day. Call (912) 264-7333 or visit www.gastateparks.org/info/hofwyl.

I-95 Visitors Center

(Located on I-95 southbound between Exit 42 and Exit 38) Free literature and information about local points of interest, activities, attractions, restaurants, accommodations and visitor services. Open daily 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Area literature available outside after hours. Touch-screen video provides 24-hour information about local attractions and accommodations. Wireless Internet, picnic facilities and dump station for motorcoaches and motorhomes. Call (912) 264-0202. Online, visit www.ComeCoastAwhile.com or text www.ComeCoastAwhile.mobi.



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St. Simons Island

Epworth by the Sea Methodist Conference Center

(Located along the Frederica River, accessible via Sea Island Road) Epworth by The Sea is located on the former site of Hamilton Plantation, one of the largest and most famous of St. Simons Island's antebellum plantations. Slave cabins still occupy the site and are open to the public. The campus includes the Arthur J. Moore Methodist Museum. Bordering Epworth to the south is Gascoigne Bluff, the scene of much commercial shipping and military troop movement during the 18th and 19th centuries. Live oak timbers cut at a Gascoigne Bluff lumber mill were used to build "Old Ironsides," the U S frigate Constitution, and during construction of the Brooklyn Bridge in New York.



Fort Frederica National Monument

(Located 5.5 miles from Epworth via Sea Island Road and Frederica Road north) When General James Oglethorpe laid claim to the Georgia territory for England, it was important to build settlements and establish defenses. He found the ideal site for both along the riverbanks on the western edge of St. Simons Island. He named it Frederica. In 1736, three years after the founding of Savannah, 44 men and 72 women and children arrived to build the fort and town, and by the 1740s, Frederica was a thriving village of about 500 citizens. When Spanish troops sought to capture St. Simons in 1742, Oglethorpe's men won a decisive victory in what is now called "The Battle of Bloody Marsh." For a time, Frederica prospered and grew. However, the

declining military threat to the Georgia coast saw the Fort's regiment disbanded in 1749. Today you can visit Fort Frederica National Monument and see the ruins of the fortifications, barracks and homes. A museum, film, dioramas, tours and demonstrations bring the settlement vividly back to life. Gates open daily from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. The museum is open daily from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Closed Christmas Day. Phone (912) 638-3639 for information or visit www.nps.gov/fofr/.



ATTRACTIONS



Christ Church Frederica

(.3 miles south of Fort Frederica on Frederica Road) The Christ Church congregation traces its origins to 1776 and the earliest days of St. Simons Island. The first religious services, however, were held on the site some 40 years earlier. Church services for the settlers and soldiers of Frederica were conducted by John and Charles Wesley, who came with Gen. Oglethorpe to establish the Church of England in the Georgia colony. These two brothers are considered the fathers of Methodism in America. The first church structure, built in 1820, was partially destroyed by occupying Union troops during the War Between the States. In 1884, Reverend Anson Phelps Dodge, whose life has been immortalized by author Eugenia Price in her novel, "Beloved Invader," built the present structure in memory of his wife, Ellen, who died during their around-the-world honeymoon. The church is constructed of wood in a cruciform design with a trussed Gothic roof and steeple. The graveyard is a fascinating spot to trace

island history through the graves of the founding families who are buried there. This beautiful church, with its magnificent stained glass windows and heavily wooded grounds, is one of St. Simons Island's most treasured landmarks. Open daily 2:00 to 5:00 pm except Christmas. For information call (912) 638-8683 or visit www.christchurchfrederica.org.

Bloody Marsh Battle Site

(Demere Road between Frederica Road and the East Beach Causeway). On July 7, 1742 an outnumbered force of British troops ambushed and defeated invading Spanish troops, halting a planned attack on Fort Frederica. The battle proved to be a turning point, ending Spanish incursions into Georgia and firmly establishing English language and customs in the Southeast. The battle site, operated by the National Park Service, is well marked and open to the public daily from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Observation panels and exhibits at the site explain the battle and events of the day.



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St. Simons Lighthouse & A.W. Jones Heritage Center

(On Beachview Drive in the Village area) The 104-foot tall lighthouse, with its 129 interior steps, sits on the site of Fort St. Simons, a British stronghold captured by the Spanish in 1742 prior to their defeat at the Battle of Bloody Marsh. In the early 1800s, John Couper acquired the land and named it Couper's Point. Couper sold the land for \$1 to the government in 1804 to build the St. Simons Lighthouse, which opened in 1810. During America's Civil War, Confederate troops constructed Fort Brown on the lighthouse property. The fort was abandoned and the lighthouse blown up by the Confederate forces in 1862 to prevent its use by Federal troops. One of five surviving light towers in Georgia, the current lighthouse was built in 1872. Its original 3rd Order Fresnel lens casts its beam 23 miles to sea and remains a navigational aid for traffic marine traffic entering St. Simons Sound. Unlike many other operational lighthouses, visitors are welcome to climb the 129 steps leading to the top of the St. Simons Lighthouse. The Museum, in the adjacent keeper's dwelling, contains exhibits on the history of the St. Simons Lighthouse and illustrates daily life for a turn-of-the century lighthouse keeper and his family. Visitors enter the museum and lighthouse through the A.W. Jones Heritage Center. The center features an exhibit that includes information about the 2004 Sea Island G8 Summit, highlighting Georgia's commercial, political and cultural ties to the world. Other exhibits will feature items from the society's permanent collection as well as traveling exhibits from other museums and historical societies. The Center also features a large multipurpose meeting room, state-of-the-art research library and a museum store. The Lighthouse Museum and A.W. Jones Heritage Center are open Monday-Saturday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm; Sunday 1:30 to 5:00 pm. Summer hours apply. Admission fee for Lighthouse Museum and A.W. Jones Heritage Center exhibits. Combination tickets, good for admission to the Lighthouse Museum and Maritime Museum at the Historic Coast Guard Station, are available. Call (912) 638-4666 or visit www.saintsimonslighthouse.org.



Maritime Museum at the Historic Coast Guard Station

(Located at the end of the East Beach Causeway at East Beach) Located in a former U.S. Coast Station, the Maritime Museum offers a fascinating look at coastal Georgia's natural assets while highlighting some of the area's maritime and military history. The historic Coast Guard Station at East Beach was one of 45 U.S. Coast Guard Stations built around the U.S. by the Works Progress Administration (WPA) during the 1930s. It is believed to be one of three surviving stations from that era. When it first opened in April 1937, the beachfront was just steps from the front door. Today the station is separated from the beach by a large parking lot. In 1995 the East Beach Station was decommissioned and all local Coast Guard operations were moved to mainland Brunswick. The museum offers seven galleries that feature an array of hands-on exhibits and activities. May-August, the outdoor nature center offers hands-on nature tours, workshops and programs for visitors of all ages. Open Monday-Saturday 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Closed Sunday. Summer hours apply. Admission fee. Combination tickets, good for admission to the Maritime Museum and the Lighthouse Museum and A.W. Jones Heritage Center, are available. Call (912) 638-4666 or visit www.saintsimonslighthouse.org.





ATTRACTIONS



St. Simons Village, Pier and Visitors Information Center

(Located at Ocean Boulevard and Mallery Street) The St. Simons Island Village offers an eclectic assortment of shops, galleries and restaurants, and is the starting point for several island tours. The hub of St. Simons Island vacation activities, the village has been a focal point of island life since the late 1800s when steam ships and launches brought visitors from the mainland. A variety of outdoor festivals and other activities take place year 'round in Village parks. The pier, at the end of Mallery Street, is a popular activity for fishing and sightseeing. Neptune Park – named for Neptune Small, a faithful servant of one of St. Simons Island's most prominent plantation families – is favorite gathering place for local residents and visitors who come to enjoy its playground, mini-golf course, picnic area and waterfront views. The St. Simons Island Casino (locally defined as “a room or building for public amusement”) is home to the St. Simons Island Visitors Center and a branch of the regional library. It also features a 100-seat theater, outdoor bandstand, public meeting and function spaces, and restroom facilities. The St. Simons Island Visitors Center is open daily from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. It offers brochures and information about local attractions, activities and accommodations as well as weather information and wireless Internet service. Area brochures are available outside after hours. Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Days.



Jekyll Island

Jekyll Island Welcome Center:

(Jekyll Island / Downing Musgrove Causeway) Open daily from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, the center provides information about Jekyll Island attractions, activities, accommodations and restaurants. For information about Jekyll Island contact the Brunswick-Golden Isles Convention and Visitors Bureau, (800) 809-1790 or (912) 265-0366. Or visit www.ComeCoastAwhile.com.

National Historic Landmark District:

In the late 1880s a group of wealthy industrialists chose Jekyll Island as a private winter resort - secluded and socially restricted to an elite membership. A clubhouse was built as the focal point of the island's social activity and could accommodate 100 guests. Members were encouraged to stay at this clubhouse, but a few built mansion- sized “cottages” near the club. Many of the more than 30 original buildings are open to the public. Begin your visit at the Island History Center on Stable Road, where you may view a presentation depicting Jekyll Island's history and purchase tickets for tours of the National Historic Landmark District. All tours depart from the Island History Center. Prearranged group tours are welcome and may choose step-on-guides or tram tours. Contact: (800) 809-1790 or (912) 265-0366.



Attractions



Sports and Recreation:

Jekyll Island is one of the largest public golf resorts in Georgia, offering 63 challenging holes. The Jekyll Island Tennis Center is one of the premier facilities on the East Coast. Two 18-hole mini-golf courses are located on Beachview Drive and are open daily from 9:00 am to 10:00 pm (until 5:00 pm fall and winter.) Special group rates are available. Nature tours such as beach and marsh exploration and bird watching are available.

Fishing in the surf and from

the Jekyll Island pier is always popular. Summer Waves water park is open Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day. Tidelands Nature Center and the Georgia Sea Turtle Center offer fascinating looks at Jekyll Island's animal residents. Two picnic areas are located near the ocean dunes, offering screened-in shelters for group picnics or "low country boils." Bicycles are available for half- or full-day rentals, providing a splendid way to see the island. For group rates call (800) 809-1790 or (912) 265-0366.





ACCOMMODATIONS

Hotels, Motels & Resorts

Tourism is the number one industry in Brunswick and the Golden Isles and there are more than 60 hotel/motel/resort properties on the mainland and the four islands - St. Simons Island, Sea Island, Little St. Simons Island and Jekyll Island. These offer nearly 6,000 rooms ranging from budget to luxury accommodations. Mainland motels are clustered near I-95 at Exits 38, 36 and 29, approximately 10-12 miles from the islands and beaches, and along US Hwy. 17, 7-11 miles from the island and beaches.

Camping facilities are located in Brunswick and on Jekyll Island.

Rental cottages are available on St. Simons Island, Sea Island and Jekyll Island.



Meeting & Convention Facilities

Mainland Brunswick has 19 facilities that offer space for meetings, conventions, receptions and other group functions. These range from individual hotels with on-site meeting space to dedicated conference facilities and historic inns and public buildings, accommodating groups from 12 to 2,000.

St. Simons Island properties offer unique meeting options from a seaside resort to a modern Methodist Retreat Center. Several properties have meeting rooms and function spaces that will accommodate more than 100 persons.

Sea Island can accommodate meetings for up to 300 persons in a grand manner.

Little St. Simons Island is a great location for small group retreats of 12 to 15 persons.

The Jekyll Island Convention Center can accommodate up to 2,000 attendees.





ACCOMMODATIONS



Brunswick

	SLEEPING ROOMS	FUNCTION SPACE SQ. FEET	BANQUET CAPACITY	ON-SITE RESTAURANT
Baymont Inn and Suites/I-95 Exit 38 (912) 265-1114 • Fax: (912) 265-1116	70			
Best Western Brunswick Inn/I-95-Exit 36B (912) 264-0144 • Fax: (912) 262-0992	144	336	20	•
Brunswick Manor/Old Town (912) 265-6889 Fax: (912) 265-7879	4	937	18	
Comfort Inn/I-95-Exit 36B (800) 551-7591 (912) 264-6540 Fax: (912) 264-9296	119	2000	175	•
Comfort Suites/I-95 Exit 29 (912) 267-4440 • Fax: 262-3495	72	369	15	
Country Inn & Suites/I-95-Exit 38 (800) 456-4000 (912) 264-2888 (912) 265-0666	65	310	–	
Country Hearth Inn & Suites/US Hwy 17 (877) 264-8612 (912) 264-8611 Fax: (912) 264-3766	97	3150	200	•
Courtyard by Marriott/I-95-Exit 38 (912) 265-2644 (912) 265-4029	93	580	25	
EconoLodge/I-95-Exit 38 (912) 264-8666 Fax: (912) 264-6808	69	3123	150	
Embassy Suites/I-95-Exit 38 (800) 432-3229 (912) 264-6100 Fax: (912) 267-1615	130	5000	125	
Fairfield Inn & Suites/I-95-Exit 38 (912) 264-2060 Fax: (912) 265-5679	81	900	–	
Guest Cottages & Suites/I-95-Exit 38 (912) 264-6767 Fax: (912) 264-6808	102	3123	150	
Hampton Inn and Suites (800) HAMPTON (912) 261-0939 Fax: (912) 261-0966	97	2491	125	
Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites/I-95-Exit 38 (800) HOLIDAY (912) 264-3300 Fax: (912) 264-3223	103	1450	100	•
InnPlace/I-95-Exit 36B (800) 424-6423 (912) 264-4033 (912) 267-1314	126	3392	300	
Old City Hall/Downtown (912) 265-4032	–	2935	150	
Quality Inn/I-95-Exit 38 (888) 394-8495 (912) 265-4600 Fax: (912) 265-8268	83	3123	150	



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Brunswick continued

	SLEEPING ROOMS	FUNCTION SPACE SQ. FEET	BANQUET CAPACITY	ON-SITE RESTAURANT
Southeast Georgia Conference Center/In Town (800) 603-1278 (912) 264-7260	–	7176	45	
Thompson Convention Center/US Hwy 17 (912) 265-7770	–	9398	400	
Travelodge/I-95–Exit 36A (800) 578-7878 (912) 264-3621 Fax: (912) 280-9154	145	1220	110	•

St. Simons Island

Best Western Island Inn (800) 673-6323 (912) 638-7805 Fax: (912) 634-4720	61	1967	120	
Epworth by the Sea Methodist Conf. Ctr. (912) 638-8688 Fax: (912) 634-0642	235	36000	400	•
Hampton Inn (800) HAMPTON (912) 634-2204 Fax: (912) 634-3898	79	850	25	
Holiday Inn Express (800) 787-4666 (912) 634-2175 Fax: (912) 634-2174	60	1967	120	
King & Prince Beach & Golf Resort (800) 342-0212 (912) 638-3631 Fax: (912) 638-7699	198	11835	270	•
The Lodge at Sea Island Golf Club (800) SEA ISLAND (912) 638-3611	40	3209	80	•
Sea Palms Golf & Tennis Resort (800) 841-6268 (912) 638-3351 Fax: (912) 634-8029	144	7500	280	•
Sea Palms Inn (800) 870-3736 (912) 634-0660 Fax: (912) 638-7115	100	2490	80	
Village Inn and Pub (888) 635-6111 (912) 634-6056	28	120	–	

Sea Island

The Cloister (800) SEA-ISLAND (912) 638-3611	179	14329	550	•
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Little St. Simons Island

The Lodge on Little St. Simons Island (888) 733-5774 (912) 638-7472 Fax: (912) 634-1811	15	880	30	•
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Jekyll Island

(912) 635-3636 (For complete information about the Jekyll Island Convention Center and hotels)



GOLF & RECREATION

A wide variety of leisure time activities are available throughout Brunswick & The Golden Isles including bicycle and moped rentals, miniature golf, racquetball, guided beach and marsh walks, nature tours aboard a working shrimp boat or dolphin cruise, dinner/casino cruise ship, roller skating, bowling, live theater presentations and movie theaters, three libraries, museums, tours of historical sites and museums and more. Do a self-guided tour with our free Driving Tour map or take a guided tour with one of our local guides. Youth activity programs and picnic areas also are available as well as public beaches and more.

Golf

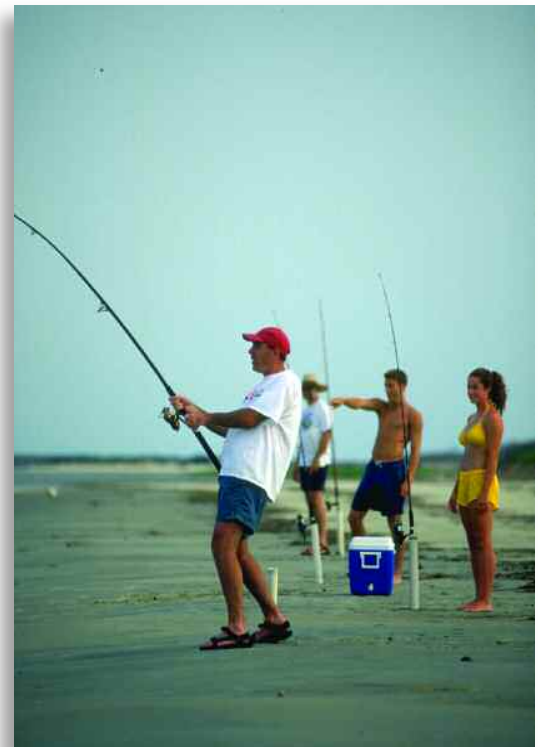
Brunswick & The Golden Isles offer 198 holes of golf on 13 courses providing a variety of experiences in both degree of challenge and scenic beauty. Mainland Brunswick offers two challenging courses: Coastal Pines Golf Club, and Oak Grove Island Golf Course. St. Simons Island courses feature seaside, marsh view and island view holes. Jekyll Island courses include Great Dunes, a nine-hole links course originally built for the millionaires who stayed at the Jekyll Island Club.

Tennis

Tennis courts are available at county parks and resort properties throughout the area. Court surfaces include laykold, tru-core, grasstex and concrete. Many courts are lighted and professional instruction is available at some properties.

Fishing & Boating

Area marinas offer full and partial services to boaters. There are miles of rivers and streams and the waters of the Atlantic Ocean, offering opportunities for freshwater or saltwater fishing. Congregating at the local fishing piers is also a favorite pastime. A Georgia fishing license is required and can be purchased at hardware stores and marinas. A variety of boat rentals and excursions are available including cruises aboard Lady Jane, a working shrimp boat; Emerald Princess II, a casino/cruise ship, and dolphin tours aboard St. Simons Transit Company's pontoon boats.





GOLF & RECREATION



Swimming & Water Sports

Beaches on St. Simons Island and Jekyll Island are open to the public. Public pools are located at Selden Park and Coffin Park in Brunswick, and in the Village on St. Simons Island. On Jekyll Island, Summer Waves is an 11-acre water park.

Scuba Diving

ISLAND DIVE CENTER & COASTAL WATERSPORTS
101 Marina Drive, Golden Isles Marina
St. Simons Island, GA 31522
(800) 940-3483; (912) 638-6590.
Contact: Judy Wright
Enjoy Georgia's underwater world by diving the wrecks and reefs with Island Dive Center, a PADI Five-Star Dive Center offering instruction, sales, service, repair, air fills, local and vacation dive trips. Personal watercraft rentals available. Charters are available for groups of 4 to 12 persons.



Horseback Riding

Enjoy a horseback ride on Jekyll Island with Victoria's Carriages & Trail Rides. Rides leave from the Clam Creek picnic area (across from the campground) on the north end of Jekyll Island.





GOLF & RECREATION



Shopping in Brunswick & The Golden Isles

Brunswick

Colonial Mall at Glynn Place is located at the Golden Isles Parkway and Scranton Road, just a short distance from I-95 at Exit 38. A wide variety of retail shops and services are located in the mall as well as several major department stores. Dining options include sit-down restaurants and a food court. Across from Colonial Mall is Golden Isles Plaza, offering a variety of shopping and eating establishments.

Glynn Isles shopping center, at the corner of Altama Avenue and the Golden Isles Parkway (Spur 25), features a large number of stores offering clothing, office supply, electronics, hobby, home furnishings and more, as well as an array of dining establishments.

Cypress Mill Square is located on Cypress Mill Road, 1/2 mile off the Golden Isles Parkway (Spur 25). This shopping center includes a grocery store as well as clothing, general merchandise and various services.

Downtown Brunswick features a growing number of restaurants, specialty shops, art galleries, antiques shops and retail stores, many in restored historic buildings. Mary Ross Park Waterfront Park includes a gazebo and covered pavilion which is home to a weekly farmers market.

St. Simons Island

St. Simons Island has a village retail area and numerous cluster shopping centers containing specialty shops, clothing boutiques and antique shops. Particularly attractive to St. Simons Island visitors is the large variety of specialty shops and galleries offering one-of-a-kind items reflecting the charm of Georgia's coast.

Jekyll Island

Shops are located in the Jekyll Island Shopping Center, at the intersection of Beachview Drive and Fortson Parkway, and on Pier Road in the National Historic Landmark District. Specialty and gift shops also can be found in several island hotels.



GROUP DINING

Dining Options in Brunswick & The Golden Isles

Brunswick & the Golden Isles of Georgia are pleased to have quite a wonderful selection of dining options.

As one might expect from a seaport city and coastal islands, the catch-of-the-day is a standard item on most restaurant menus. Shrimp, crab, and oysters abound in recipes too numerous to catalogue. From "down-home cooking" to "haute cuisine," the visitor to the Golden Isles can satisfy his palate and his pocketbook in more than 150 local restaurants. You can find a complete listing of available restaurants located in the Visitors Guide and the Dining & Lodging Brochure.

This section is designed to be a helpful tool in planning a group meal during your visit. It is always best to call the given contacts before finalizing plans, as all information is subject to change due to availability and seasonal restrictions.

Thank you!

Please note: There are many other fine restaurants in our area that do not have the space for a large group. They are, however, wonderful options for a dine-around event. Please see our Visitors Guide for a more complete listing of area restaurants.





GROUP DINING

Brunswick

CARGO Portside Grill

1423 Newcastle Street, Downtown Brunswick
(912) 267-7330

Email: cargoportsidegri@bellsouth.net

Hours of Operation: Tuesday - Saturday

Meals served: Lunch, Dinner

Fresh coastal and cross-cultural fare from many ports. Upstairs loft is available for private functions up to 50 people. Cooking demonstrations available upon request. Menus designed for all budgets. Please provide seven days notice.

Fourth of May Cafe – Historic Downtown Brunswick

1618 Newcastle Street, Downtown Brunswick
(912) 2262-5443

Hours of Operation:

Monday-Wednesday, 11:00 am to 3:00 pm,

Thursday-Saturday, 11:00 am to 8:00 pm

Sunday Brunch, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Homemade breads and desserts, full deli,

Southern-style home-cooked vegetables.

Banquet room seats up to 100 people. Please give at least seven days notice for groups.

Contact: Tommy Packard.

Golden Corral

114 Golden Isles Plaza

(912) 262-1945

Email: archergc@bellsouth.net

Hours of operation: Monday-Friday 10:00 am to 10:00 pm, Saturday-Sunday 7:30 am to 10:00 pm

Meals served: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Private dining area available. Can accommodate groups from 25 to 150. Off-premises catering available. Please give 24 hours notice. Please contact John Archer.

Mudcat Charlie's

250 Ricefield Way (Located at Two-Way Fish Camp, north of Brunswick on US Hwy 17)
(912) 261-0055

Hours of operation: Daily 11:00 am to 10:00 pm

Meals served: Lunch, Dinner

Can accommodate groups of 25 to 40 inside, up to 150 in outdoor pavilion. Please give 3 to 5 days advance notice. Contact Rick Smith or Chris Jones.

Oak Grove Golf & Country Club

126 Clipper Bay Road (Located off US Hwy 341 west of Brunswick in Oak Grove subdivision)

(912) 265-1523

Email: oakgrovebistro@aol.com

Hours of operation: Daily 7:00 am to 6:00 pm

Meals served: Breakfast, Lunch. Dinner by reservation only.

Can accommodate groups of 30 to 100.

Private facilities available for evening functions only. Please provide one week advance notice. Contact Jackie Grantham.

Ole Time Country Buffet

665 Scranton Road

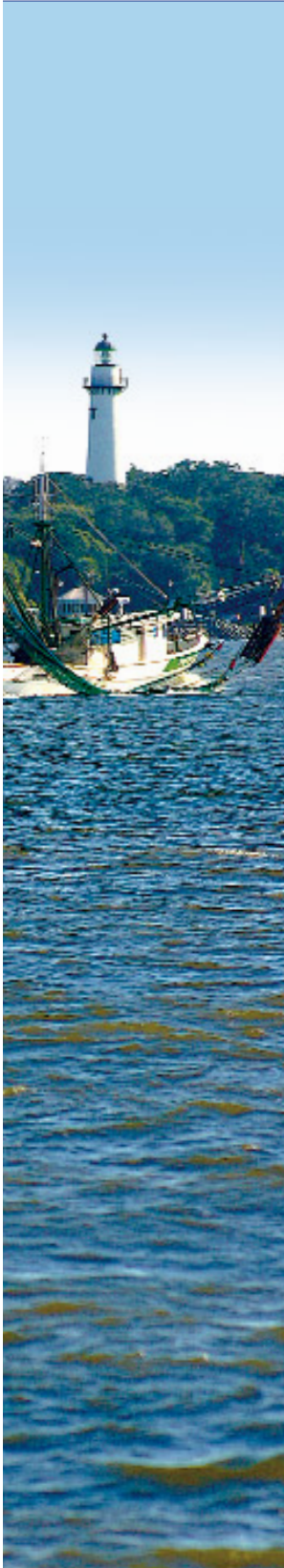
(912) 264-1693

Hours of operation: Sunday-Thursday

10:30 am to 9:00 pm, Friday-Saturday 10:30 am to 9:30 pm

Meals served: Lunch, Dinner

Can accommodate groups up to 150. Private dining area available. Off-premises catering available. Bus drivers eat free. Contact Dan Broyles.





GROUP DINING

Brunswick continued

Pizza Inn

3461 Cypress Mill Road
(912) 265-2899

Email: angelharris2009@hotmail.com

Hours of operation: Monday-Saturday 11:00 am to 10:00 pm, Sunday 4:30 to 9:30 pm
Lunchtime Buffet Monday-Saturday 11:00 am to 2:00 pm, Evening Buffet Tuesday-Thursday 5:30 to 8:30 pm

Meals served: Lunch, Dinner

Can accommodate groups of 20 to 50. Private function space available. Please give one week notice for large groups. Contact Angel Harris.

Sonny's Real Pit Bar-B-Q

5328 New Jesup Hwy. (US Hwy. 341)
(912) 264-9184

Email: loomisbbq@tds.net

Hours of operation: Sunday-Thursday 11:00 am to 9:00 pm, Friday-Saturday 11:00 am to 9:30 pm

Meals served: Lunch, dinner

Private banquet room can accommodate groups of 20 to 50. Please give at least 3 days notice for groups. Contact Joe Loomis.

St. Simons Island

Bennie's Red Barn

5514 Frederica Road
(912) 638-2844 (after 3:00 pm)

Email: denesegentile@bellsouth.net

Hours of operation: Daily from 6:00 pm. Reservations after 3:00 pm.

Meals served: Dinner

Can accommodate groups to 150 persons. Private loft available for groups up to 40. Special luncheons can be served with prior reservations only. Smaller portions available for senior groups. Advance notice requested. Contact Chris Paolini.

Bonefish Grill

202 Retreat Village
(912) 634-0246

Email: bg7101@bonefishgrill.com

Hours of operation: Monday-Thursday 4:00 to 10:30 pm, Friday-Saturday 4:00 to 11:30 pm, Sunday 4:00 to 10:00 pm.

Meals served: Dinner

Can accommodate groups of 15 to 70 in private dining room. Luncheons available with set menu for groups of 15 or more. Please make reservations as soon as possible. Contact Sharon Fulmer.

Blackwater Grill

260 Redfern Village
(912) 634-6333

Hours of operation: Sunday-Thursday 5:30 to 9:00 pm, Friday-Saturday 5:30 to 10:00 pm.

Meals served: Dinner

Can accommodate groups of 10 to 40. Off-site catering (Low Country Boil only). Please give 2 weeks advance notice. Contact John Howton.

Coastal Kitchen

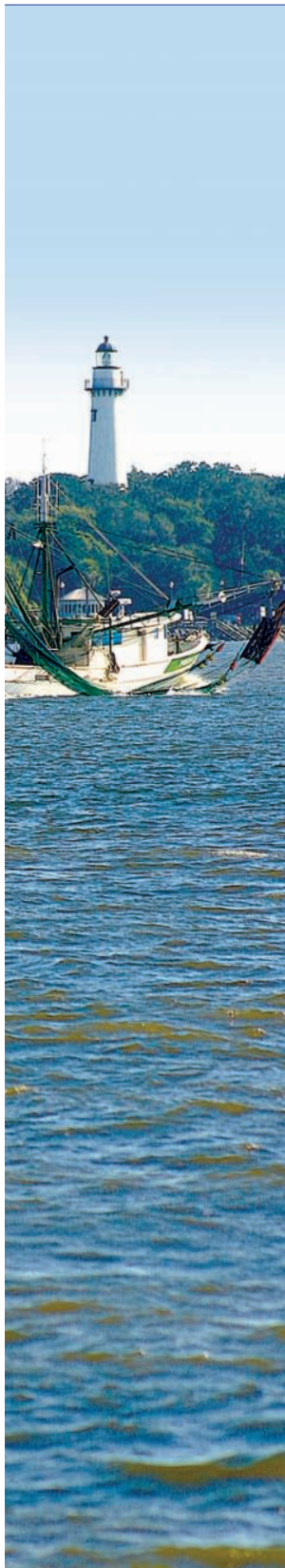
102 Marina Drive, Golden Isles Marina
(912) 638-7790

Email: mstillman101@bellsouth.net

Hours of operation: Daily 11:30 am to 10:00 pm

Meals served: Lunch, Dinner

Can accommodate groups up to 150; private dining available for groups of 60 or fewer (charge). Contact Mark Stillman.





GROUP DINING

St. Simons Island continued

Crab Trap

1209 Ocean Blvd.

(912) 638-3552

Email: crabtrapssi@gmail.com

Hours of operation: Daily 5:00 to 10:30 pm

Meals served: Dinner

Can accommodate groups to 100. Private dining area available. Please give 24 hours advance notice. Contact Ramsey Merrill.

Fourth of May Café

321 Mallery Street, St. Simons Island Village

(912) 638-5444

Email: the_may@bellsouth.net

Hours of operation: Daily 7:00 am to 9:00 pm

Meals served: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Can accommodate groups up to 40. Private dining for 40 or fewer. Please provide one week advance notice. Contact Tom Packard.

Gnats Landing

310 Redfern Village

(912) 996-7378

Email: bozbostock@hotmail.com

Hours of operation: Daily 11:30 am to 10:00 pm

Meals served: Lunch, Dinner

Can accommodate groups up to 100 persons. Private dining available; rate depends on date, day of week. Please provide at least two days advance notice. Contact Boz Bostock.

Halyards

55 Cinema Lane (Across from Island Cinema)

(912) 638-9100

Email: info@halyardsrestaurant.com

Hours of operation:

Monday-Wednesday 5:00 to 9:00 pm

Thursday-Saturday 5:00 to 10:00 pm

Meals served: Dinner

Can accommodate groups up to 90. Special luncheons available with \$450 minimum. Please give one week advance notice. Contact Dave Snyder.

King & Prince Beach and Golf Resort

201 Arnold Road

(912) 638-3631

Email: ahutchins@mmail.com

Hours of operation: Varies according to function

Full service catering available for groups up to 350. Private dining and party rooms available (Fee). Please provide as much advance notice as possible. Contact Catering Department.

Sea Palms Resort & Conference Center

515 Windward Drive

(912) 638-3351

PUTTERS CLUB - Light fare with salads and sandwiches, daily lunch and dinner specials. Open 7:00 am to 9:00 pm. Can accommodate groups up to 60 people. Menus to fit all budgets. Please give at least seven days notice for groups. Contact: Robin Giebe.

Southern Soul BBQ

2020 Demere Road

(912) 634-7516

Meals served: Lunch, Dinner

Hours of operation: Monday-Saturday 11:00 am to 10:00 pm

Can provide catering service for groups up to 200. Private dining area available. Please give 24 hours advance notice. Contact Griffin Bufkin.

Tramici

75 Cinema Lane (Across from Island Cinema)

(912) 634-2202

Email: info@tramicirestaurant.com

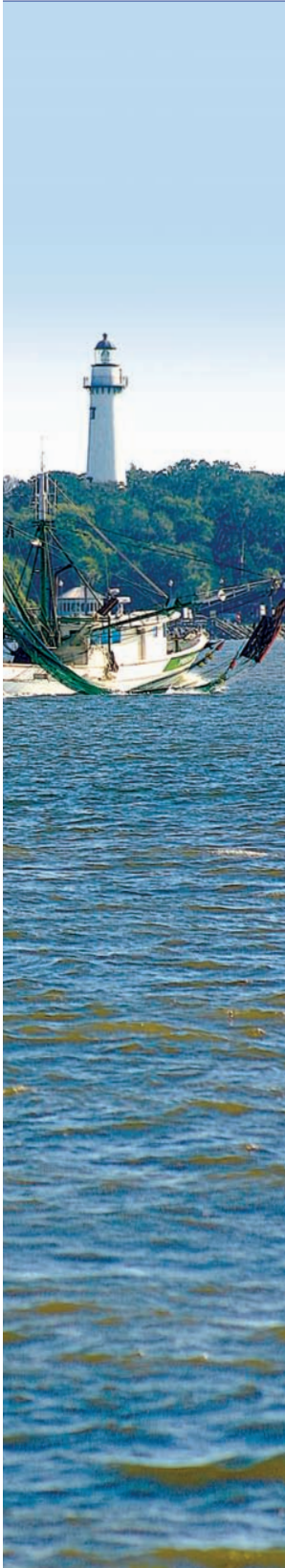
Hours of operation:

Sunday-Wednesday 5:00 to 9:00 pm

Thursday-Saturday 5:00 to 10:00 pm

Meals served: Dinner

Can accommodate groups up to 80. Special luncheons available with \$300 minimum. Please give one week advance notice. Contact Dave Snyder.





GROUP DINING

St. Simons Island continued

The Yum Yum Shop

3600 Frederica Road #16

(912) 634-1108

Email: nickjulesyumyum@bellsouth.net

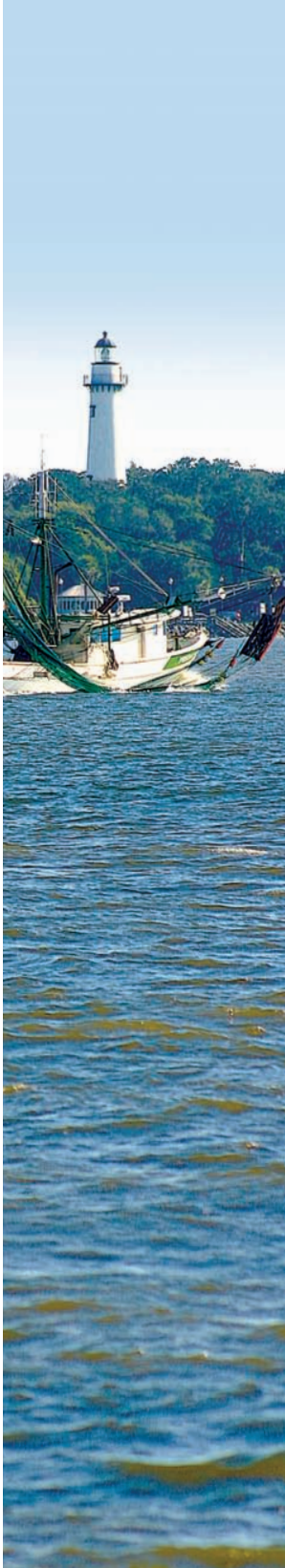
Meals served: Lunch, Dinner

Hours of operation: Monday-Saturday 10:00 am to 5:30 pm

Can provide catering for groups of 10 to 300;

Take-out catering, dinners or cocktail parties.

Private dining space available for groups of 35-40. Please provide as much advance notice as possible. Contact Chef Nick Bell.





RECEPTIVE TOUR OPERATORS

These Receptive Tour Operators offer a variety of excursions covering mainland Brunswick and the four barrier islands—St. Simons Island, Little St. Simons Island, Sea Island and Jekyll Island. Day trips, which include points of interest all along the Georgia coast, also are available. Contact the tour operators listed for additional information and rates.



Coastal Tours

P.O. Box 13184, Jekyll Island, GA 31527,
(912) 635-2697; (800) 260-0470; Fax (912) 635-2699
www.coastaltoursinc.com
E-mail: coastalt@bellsouth.net.
Contact: Ginny Howell

Destination Management Company servicing St. Simons Island, Jekyll Island, Savannah, Charleston, Myrtle Beach, Hilton Head Island and other southeast areas. Services include tour planning, hotel, restaurant, show and tour booking, step-on guides and escorts, transportation, meeting and event coordination and golf packages. One-call customized tour planning. Our tours are unique and never, ever dull. Operating hours are 8:30 am until the last inquiry is answered. National and state membership affiliations include NTA, NCMA, PBA, Bank Travel.

Golden Isles Touring Company:

P.O. Box 20425, St. Simons Island, GA 31522
(912) 638-8092; (800) 441-6066; Fax (912) 638-8063
www.goldenislestouring.com
Email: anna@goldenislestouring.com
Contact: Anna Henry

Receptive operator for your personalized creatively designed tour packages . . . lodging, meals, attractions, entertainment and step-on guides for the coast from Charleston through St. Augustine . . . plus the rest of Georgia, too. As Islanders, we specialize in your Golden Isles destination. Southern hospitality and attention to detail insures "Not just a tour, but an experience!" For your motorcoach needs we're charter agents for six companies. One call does it all! 24 years experience – volume buying. Member ABA, NTA, Georgia Coast Travel Association, Georgia Hospitality & Travel and CLIA.





RECEPTIVE TOUR OPERATORS



Travelog Tours, Inc.:

3610 Darien Highway, Brunswick, GA 31520

(912) 265-1173; Fax (912) 265-1173

Contact: Sylvia Sweat

Nature, History, Fine Dining, Entertainment and Accommodations - we package it all! Explore Coastal Georgia with the area's finest receptive. Excellent step-on guide service for St. Simons/Sea Island, Old Town Brunswick, Jekyll Island, Fort King George, Hofwyl-Broadfield Plantation . . . and day trips to Okefenokee Swamp, Savannah, Sapelo Island and Buford & Charleston, SC. Let us customize your itinerary for special theme tours, budget and schedule, group rates, volume discounts, lots of personal attention. Take advantage of us!

Wood Stork Tours:

3405 Frederica Road, St. Simons Island, GA 31522

(912) 638-5454; Evenings (912) 638-6082; Fax (912) 638-5493

www.stsimonsoutfitters.com

Email: tbssouth@bellsouth.net

Contact: Ellen Kennedy

Affiliated with The Bedford Sportsman South, Inc. Wood Stork offers a variety of services including step-on guides for historical and naturalist tours of the Golden Isles and Okefenokee Swamp. They also provide lectures for groups available on birds and fauna and history of the area, as well as fishing, fly-casting, fly-tying and saltwater fly-fishing. Naturalists boats rides and fly-fishing charters for small groups. Office hours Monday-Friday, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm





TOURS & CHARTERS



Brunswick

Historic Tours Downtown

209 Gloucester Street
Brunswick, GA 31520
(912) 280-0023

Contact: Lynda Gallagher

Discover the 'heart' of old Brunswick in air-conditioned comfort during a 90-minute tour of the city's beautifully landscaped squares, streets and architectural treasures. Tours at 11:00 am and 2:00 pm Monday-Saturday.

St. Simons Island

Island Dive Center & Coastal Water Sports

101 Marina Drive, Golden Isles Marina
St. Simons Island, GA 31522
(800) 940-3483; (912) 638-7245

Contact: Judy Wright

Enjoy Georgia's underwater world by diving the wrecks and reefs with Island Dive Center. Charters are available for groups of 4 to 12. Tour the waterways on a personal watercraft that seats up to 3 people.

St. Simons Island Trolley

649 Dellwood Ave.
St. Simons Island, GA 31522
(912) 638-8954; Fax (912) 638-0762
Email: stsimonstrolley@mindspring.com
Contact: Bunny Marshal.

Tours depart from the "Trolley Stop" at the Village Pier on Mallery Street, St. Simons Island. 1-1/2-hour tours. includes 400 years of island history and folklore, as you ride along in a nostalgic, antique trolley. A truly unique and memorable way to see the island, The St. Simon's Island Trolley will also provide memorable step-on guide services. Summer hours: March 16 – Sept. 30, 11:00 am & 1:00 pm daily. Winter hours: Oct. 1 - March 15, 11:00 am daily. Two trolleys, with a total capacity 66 passengers, are available for weddings, parties and private tours. In operation since 1992. Tours do not require tickets or reservations, but please come early.





TOURS & CHARTERS



Ghostwalk of St. Simons

(912) 638-2756

Email: tourgal@bellsouth.net

www.ghostwalkofstsimons.com

Contact: Jenny Strauss

Take a 90-minute lamplight walking tour through the moonlit streets and narrow passageways of Olde St. Simons Island, filled with strange tales of local folklore, murder, mystery, and fright.

Tours begin in the St. Simons Village at the pier at 9:00 pm. March 15 - May: Thursday -

Saturday. June - August: Tuesday - Saturday. September and October: Saturday nights only.

African-American Heritage Tour

(912) 638-2756

Email: tourgal@bellsouth.net

Contact: Jenny Strauss

Explore the rich history of the thousands of Africans who labored among the many rice and cotton plantations along the Georgia coast. You will see slave cabins, the ruins of their hospital, the Abbott Memorial, the First African Baptist Church (1859) and Neptune Park. You'll learn about the Gullah connection between the Gold Coast of Africa and the Golden Isles and so much more!

St. Simons Island Transit

105 Marina Drive, Golden Isles Marina

St. Simons Island, GA 31522

(912) 638-5678; Fax (912) 638-5655

saintsimonstransit.com

Customized narrated tours of Brunswick & The Golden Isles on air-conditioned 47- and 55-passenger buses. Charters are available year 'round.



ITINERARIES

Planning Your Visit

Brunswick & The Golden Isles are filled with dozens of opportunities for exploration, recreation or simple relaxation. Whether you're here for a day or two or a week, you'll find plenty to capture your interest...cruising local waterways aboard a working shrimp boat, climbing to the top of a working lighthouse, challenging of an oceanside golf course, or exploring a tidal creek in a kayak. Whether you choose history, nature observation, fishing, golf, shopping or the arts, you'll find plenty to pique your interest in Brunswick & The Golden Isles of Georgia.

To help you get the most out of your Brunswick-Golden Isles visit, we've developed the following suggestions. They are organized based on the amount of time you have, as well as your special interests. Feel free to change things to suit your needs. Above all, relax and enjoy Brunswick & The Golden Isles!

If You're Here for One Day...

Pick up a Brunswick-Golden Isles Driving Tour brochure at any of our local Visitors Centers. Consider exploring Brunswick and St. Simons Island in the morning, followed by lunch. Use the afternoon to explore Jekyll Island and end the day with dinner at any of our local restaurants. Driving Tour information also is available in the Brunswick-Golden Isles Visitors Guide, and online at www.ComeCoastAwhile.com.

If You're Here for Two Days...

Use your first day to take the Driving Tour, then decide what to see and do at a more leisurely pace during your second day. For detailed information about local activities and attractions, see the "Enjoying" in the Brunswick-Golden Isles Visitors Guide. Or, check out our comprehensive web site, www.ComeCoastAwhile.com. Here is a brief list of available activities for your group:



Beach Access



Bicycle Rentals



Bowling



Casino Cruises



Golf



Miniature Golf



Horseback Riding



Museums & Historic Attractions



Nature Trails and Tours on Land



Water Park



Sightseeing Tours & Excursions



Spas & Day Spas



Tennis



Live Theatre



Movie Theatres



Kayak Tours & Rentals



Fishing Charters

If You're Here for More Than Three Days...

Follow the two-day plan above, adding additional activities for additional days. Consider a day trip tour of Little St. Simons Island. Or, you might consider a day trip to one or more of the interesting attractions along the Georgia Coast. Whatever you do while you're here, we thank you for choosing to visit Brunswick & The Golden Isles of Georgia. We hope to see you again soon...and often!



ITINERARIES

Day Trip - Little St. Simons Island

Route: F J Torras Causeway to St. Simons Island. East on Demere Road; Left at first traffic light at Sea Island Causeway; left at next light, Frederica Road. Follow signs to Hampton Point. Boat leaves from Hampton River Club Marina

Driving Time: 30 minutes from Brunswick

Tour Time: 6 hours, 10:30 am - 4:30 pm. Includes boat trip, guided tour, lunch and an afternoon at the beach. Limited availability. Reservations are required.

Contact: The Lodge on Little St. Simons Island
PO Box 21078, St. Simons Island, GA 31522
(888) 733-5774; (912) 638-7472; FAX (912) 634-1811
Email: joel@littlestsimonsisland.com
www.littlestsimonsisland.com

Little St. Simons Island is a privately owned, 10,000-acre barrier island. Accessible only by boat, Little St. Simons Island is undeveloped and preserved in its natural state.

Day trips begin at 10:30 am at Hampton River Club Marina where the guests are met by the island's ferryboat. A ten-minute boat ride in the Hampton River ends at the Little St. Simons Island dock. There guests are met by a resident naturalist and given an orientation and tour of the Lodge. The morning is spent on a truck tour of the North End of the island, learning about the Island's history and ecology and viewing resident wildlife.

Lunch is provided at the Lodge. After lunch, daytrip guests spend the afternoon on the island's pristine, seven-mile beach, on a beach walk with the naturalist or on their own. The ferry departs at 4:00 pm for the return trip to St. Simons Island. Little St. Simons Island also offers special trips to small groups. Special family or company outings can be arranged for groups up to 30.





ITINERARIES

Day Trip - Cumberland Island National Seashore

Route: US Hwy. 17 south to I-95. Take I-95 south to Georgia Rte. 40. Take Rte. 40 east to St. Marys. Ferry service departs from downtown St. Marys.
Driving Time: 45 minutes from Brunswick
Tour Time: Half-Day Tour: 6 hours; Full-Day Tour: 8-1/2 hours (including boat trip).
Contact: National Park Service / Cumberland National Seashore
P O Box 806, St. Marys, GA 31558
Reservations: (877) 860-6787; (912) 882-4335; FAX (912) 673-7747
(10:00 am to 4:00 pm Monday-Friday. Closed Dec. 25)
www.nps.gov www.stmaryswelcome.com/cumbercvb.html

Cumberland Island is located seven miles east of St. Marys, Georgia, and is only accessible by water. A concession operated passenger ferry departs from St. Marys. Visitors can make arrangements to visit the island by contacting the ferry reservation office Monday - Friday from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Reservations are strongly encouraged and can be made up to six months in advance. However, in the event that ferry reservations are unavailable, visitors are welcome to arrive at the mainland Visitor Center, check in and be put on a standby list. Private charters are also available through the reservation office.

Ferry Schedule

MARCH 1-SEPTEMBER 30

St. Marys Departures:

Daily 9:00 am, 11:45 am

Cumberland Island Departures:

Daily 10:15 am, 4:45 pm

Wed.-Sat. 10:15 am, 2:45 pm, 4:45 pm

OCTOBER 1-FEBRUARY 28

St. Marys Departures:

Daily 9:00 am, 11:45 am

Cumberland Island Departures:

Daily 10:15 am, 4:45 pm

The ferry does not transport pets, bicycles, kayaks, or cars. Charter services are available through NPS concessionaire.



Your visit will begin with a brief orientation talk before you board the tour boat for the 45-minute ride to the island. A National Park Service ranger will be available for questions during this time. The ruins of Dungeness Mansion and the Carnegie estate are a short walk (3/4 mile) from the dock. The self-guided Dungeness Trail focuses on the island's fascinating history and provides an opportunity to view a variety of natural areas and wildlife. Beach access is available. Restrooms and water are the only facilities available on the island. If you plan to spend the day on the island, you should bring a picnic lunch and plenty to drink, wear clothing and shoes appropriate to walking in whatever weather is in season, plan for the possibility of rain and bring insect repellent.



ITINERARIES

Day Trip - Darien, Georgia

Route: From Brunswick take US Hwy. 17 North to Darien. As you enter Darien, turn right at the foot of the bridge to the Welcome Center.

Driving Time: 20 minutes from Brunswick

Tour Time: 2 to 4 hours

Contact: Darien Welcome Center
PO Box 1497, Darien, GA 31305
(912) 437-6684
Email: chamber@darientel.net
www.mcintoshcounty.com/tours.htm

Darien, Georgia's second oldest planned city, was settled in 1736 by Scottish highlanders. The town, located on a high bluff overlooking the Darien River, was a major seaport during the 19th-century timber boom. Scenic shrimp boats line Darien's waterfront, docked in front of the town's oldest building and new waterfront restaurants, shops and condominiums built to complement the docks' 1800s appearance. Indoors or out, dining here is a special treat.

A bike path / walking trail connects the historic downtown's original squares and waterfront park to FORT KING GEORGE HISTORIC SITE.

Georgia's first English fort, Fort King George was built in 1721 to counteract French and Spanish expansion. Demonstrations and reenactments enliven a visit to the fort's three-story blockhouse, officers quarters, barracks, museum and palisaded earthen works.



Fort King George is open Tuesday-Saturday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, Sunday 2:00 to 5:30 pm. Closed Monday except holidays, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day. Closed Tuesday when open on Monday. Special tours are available for groups of 15 or more people. Reservations are required at least one week in advance. Group tours include a one-hour living history presentation on a soldier's life and a weapons demonstration. Picnic area and bus parking available.

Contact: Fort King George Historic Site
1600 Wayne Street
Darien, GA 31305
(912) 437-4770
Email: www.gastateparks.org/net/go/contactparks.aspx?et=0
www.gastateparks.org/info/ftkinggeorge





ITINERARIES

Day Trip - Sapelo Island

- Route:** Take US Hwy. 17 North to Darien. At the Courthouse turn right on GA Rte. 99 for 8 miles. Turn right onto Landing Road and follow the Signs to Sapelo Island National Estuarine Research Reserve
- Driving Time:** 35 minutes from Brunswick
- Tour Time:** Half-day (four-hour) tours available year 'round on Wednesday and Saturday, and on Fridays June 1 – Labor Day. Full-day tours available March – October on the last Tuesday.
- Contact:** Sapelo Island Visitors Center (closed Monday)
Route 1, P O Box 1500, Darien, GA 31305
Public Tours: (912) 437-3224
Group Tours: (912) 485-2251
Camping Reservations: (912) 485-2299
www.cr.nps.gov | www.sapeloislandreserve.org

Tickets for tours must be purchased from the Sapelo Island Visitors Center. Advance reservations are required and must be made by telephone.

Sapelo Island is like many of Georgia's barrier islands, yet its historical significance spans over 4,000 years and gives it a richly unique character. Once the province of the Guale Indian nation, Sapelo Island was the subject of territorial struggles between the Spanish, French and British. In the 19th Century, it was home to a successful plantation and the scene of many agricultural experiments. During the Civil War Sapelo Island suffered the devastation that prevailed throughout much of the South.

In 1912 Howard Coffin, Hudson Motor Car Company executive, bought Sapelo Island and began its rejuvenation. In 1934, tobacco magnate R. J. Reynolds Jr. purchased Sapelo Island. Reynolds created the Sapelo Island Research Foundation and assisted the University of Georgia in setting up laboratory facilities, continuing the agricultural research that had been conducted by the island's previous owners.

Today the island is home to the Sapelo Island National Estuarine Research Reserve, operated by the Georgia Dept. of Natural Resources. Visitors experience a typical barrier island natural community, from the diversified wildlife of the forested uplands to the vast expanses of Spartina salt marsh and the complex beach and dunes system. Exhibits and displays at the Sapelo Island Visitor Center interpret the island's natural and cultural history, while public tours enable visitors to experience the African-American community of Hog Hammock, the University of Georgia Marine Institute and the Coffin-Reynolds mansion.

Facilities on the island include restrooms and drinking fountains. Visitors are advised to wear comfortable clothing and shoes appropriate for the season. Insect repellent is also a good item to bring along. There is no lunch break except during the all-day tour. Visitors may bring a snack. Visitors also may purchase snacks at The Tabby Cottage or The Pig Pen in Hog Hammock. No pets are permitted.

Tour Schedule:

- Tuesday:** (March – October, Last Tuesday) 8:30 am to 3:00 pm
- Wednesday:** 8:30 am to 12:30 pm (includes Reynolds Mansion)
- Friday:** (June 1 – Labor Day) 8:30 am to 12:30 pm (Lighthouse Tour)
- Saturday:** 9:00 am to 1:00 pm (Lighthouse Tour)





ITINERARIES

Day Trip - Okefenokee Swamp Park

Route: US Hwy. 17 south to US Hwy. 82, west to Waycross. The park entrance is 8 miles south of Waycross on US Hwy. 1 and is accessible from US Hwy 82 via Georgia Route 177.

Driving Time: 1 hour from Brunswick

Tour Time: 2-1/2 to 4-1/2 hours

Contact: Okefenokee Swamp Park
5700 Okefenokee Swamp Park Road, Waycross, GA 31501
(912) 283-0583
www.okeswamp.com

Native Americans called it "Okefenokee," the "Land of the Trembling Earth." Today the swamp is as prehistoric and primitive as the name implies, virtually unchanged for centuries.

Okefenokee Swamp Park is a rare experience that will appeal to each member of your group. Interpretive exhibits, reptile presentations, wilderness walkways, railroad tours and boat tours through original Native American waterways combine to give day visitors a taste of American pioneer life unmatched elsewhere in the United States.

General Admission includes access to the "Eye on Nature" presentation, boardwalks, Living Swamp Center, Swamp Creation Center, Nature Center & Animal Habitats, Okefenokee Bear Revue and a journey into the swamp aboard the "new" Okefenokee Railroad.





ITINERARIES

Day Trip - Obediah's Okefenok

Route: US Hwy. 17 south to US Hwy. 82, west to Waycross. Go 1 mile past US Hwy. 1 intersection. Turn left (south) onto Gilmore Street. Follow signs 8-1/2 miles to park on Swamp Road.

Driving Time: 1 hour 15 minutes from Brunswick

Tour Time: 1-1/2 to 3 hours

Contact: Obediah's Okefenok
500 Obediah Trail, Waycross, GA 31503
(912) 287-0090
www.okefenokeeswamp.com

Experience an educational venture through exhibits of more than 70 species of wildlife, native and exotic animals and over 20 structures including two museums and homestead outbuildings. A photographer's paradise anytime of the year. Nature lovers and history buffs spend hours touring the park.

Listed on The National Register of Historic Places, Obediah's Okefenok represents the frontier agricultural lifestyle maintained by an early settler at a time when industry and commercial growth was a concern. The log home is the oldest swamp settler's home to remain in and around the swamp, constructed by the hands of a renowned farmer, hunter and explorer.

Henry Obediah Barber (1825-1909) lived here on the northwestern rim of the Okefenokee Swamp, and was a larger-than-life character at 6' 6" tall. Serving as guide for surveying parties, he explored and mapped many areas of the swamp in 1857, 1875 and 1890. By 1890, Obediah was a living legend. He was father to 20 children and married three times. In 1880, Obediah owned 1,520 acres, three horses and four working oxen. Four acres of his farm were dedicated to rice growing, producing 3,875 pounds. Corn, oats, sugar cane, sweet potatoes and other fruits and vegetables were also grown by the Barber family. Along with bees producing 100 pounds of honey and 12 pounds of wax, he estimated the sale of produce to be around \$300 in 1879.

Special events are planned for every month. Please call for information and event schedule.





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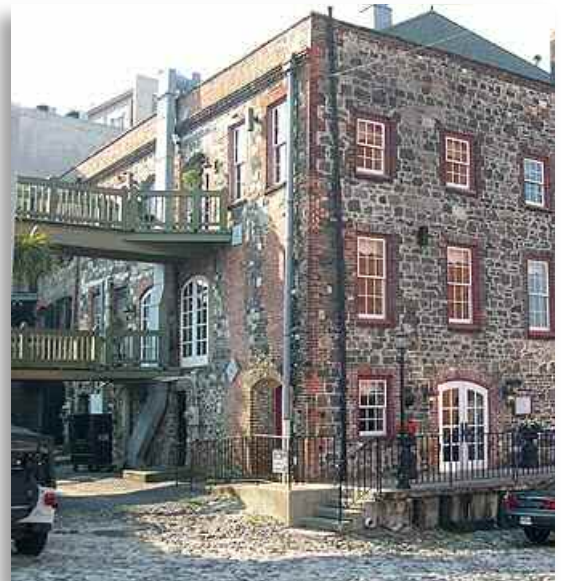
Day trip - Savannah, Georgia

Route: From Brunswick, I-95 north to I-16 east. Montgomery Street to Liberty Street. Savannah Visitors Center will be to the left.

Driving Time: 1-1/2 hours from Brunswick

Tour Time: Full Day

Contact: Savannah Convention & Visitors Bureau
101 East Bay Street,
Savannah, GA 31401
(877) 728-2662;
(912) 944-0456
www.savannah-visit.com



Experience the "Old World" European ambiance of this gracious lady of the South or take advantage of her modern cosmopolitan pace, for this city has a split personality. Your first stop should be the Savannah Visitors Center, located in a converted Central of Georgia Railroad depot at 301 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. The Visitors Center is open daily, except Christmas Day. Hours are Monday-Friday 8:30 am to 5:00 pm; Saturday, Sunday and holidays 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. The Visitors Center offers an area video presentation as well as maps, brochures and information on walking, driving, bus or horse carriage tours. All are excellent means of obtaining an overview of this multifaceted city.

River Street, where Savannah's past happily coexists with the present, was the city's cradle, nurturing its economy with cotton warehouses and its vital waterfront. These converted warehouses house fine restaurants, boutiques and specialty shops, galleries and museums. On the first Saturday of each month, River Street throws an all-day party with music, sidewalk booths, specialty restaurants, performing artists and more.

Walk the tree-shaded streets that border this city's famous squares, her "pocket parks" that were laid out by her founder, General James Oglethorpe. The buildings that front the squares are a feast to the eyes for architecture and history buffs. Greek Revival, Gothic Revival, Regency, Georgian and Federal styles abound. The Historic Savannah Foundation had led the fight to revitalize more than 1,000 buildings in a 2.2 square mile historic district. Additional restorations have also opened up the Victorian District for touring. Many homes are open to the public and serve as museums, proudly preserving the city's illustrious history.

Savannah's location on the water has given her a position of strategic and economic importance since Colonial times. Those interested in military history will find Fort Jackson, Fort Pulaski and Fort Screven all within a 15-minute drive of downtown. The Ships of the Sea Maritime Museum likewise stands as a monument to maritime history, for shipping was the very lifeblood of Savannah. The Ralph Mark Gilbert Civil Rights Museum documents the struggles of Savannah and coastal Georgia's African American community. After a full day of sightseeing, nothing refreshes like a visit to Tybee Island, with its beach, nature center, shops and restaurants.





ITINERARIES

Day Trip - I-95 Attractions

Mighty Earth Air Force Heritage Museum

Location: North of Savannah at I-95 Exit 102 in Pooler, GA
Contact: PO Box 1992, Savannah, GA 31402
(912) 748-8888; FAX: (912) 748-0209
Email: events@mightyearth.org
www.mightyearth.org

Interpretive displays, planes, hands-on displays, paintings and more tell the dramatic story of the role of the Eighth Air Force in World War II.

Fort McAllister State Historic Park

Location: South of Savannah at I-95 Exit 90; 10 miles east of I-95 on Ga. Spur 144
Contact: 3894 Fort McAllister Road, Richmond Hill, GA 31324
Reservations: (800) 864-7275; (912) 727-2339
www.gastateparks.org/net/go/parks.aspx?LocationID=24&s=0.0.1.5

Fort McAllister State Historic Park is the site of the best-preserved earthwork fortifications of the Confederacy. Site includes a museum, camping and picnicking.

Seabrook Village

Location: South of Savannah at I-95 Exit 76 at Midway, GA
Contact: 660 Trade Hill Road, Midway, GA 31320
(912) 884-7008 (Tuesday – Saturday 10:00 am to 4:00 pm)
www.seabrookvillage.org

Started in 1990 as a non-profit foundation to preserve the last black one-room schoolhouse in coastal Georgia, Historic Seabrook Village has grown to include over a dozen period buildings making it the finest collection of African-American vernacular architecture in the rural South. 3-hour group tours with costumed interpretive guides are available.

Geechee Kunda

Location: Off I-95 at Exit 67; on US Hwy. 17 between mile marker 3 and 4 in Riceboro, GA
Contact: 622 Ways Temple Road, Riceboro, GA
(912) 884-4440
www.geecheekunda.net

A living museum housing local and African art, textiles, tools, utensils, implements, craftworks and essentials used by Gullah Geechees from the 1700s to the present day.





SPECIAL EVENTS & FESTIVALS

Across Brunswick & The Golden Isles, every season shines with activities and new experiences: art and antique shows, annual festivals, food and wine events, historic celebrations, performing arts, clinics, tours and races. You can choose from the abundance of events listed below to complement your group visit. For complete listings and specific information, call the Brunswick-Golden Isles Convention and Visitors Bureau at (912) 265-0620 or visit ComeCoastAwhile.com and click on the "Event Calendar" button.

JANUARY

Brunswick

- Island Players Production

Jekyll Island

- Annual Bluegrass Festival

FEBRUARY

Brunswick

- African American History Programs
- Annual President's Day Bridge Run

St. Simons Island

- Fort Frederica Living History Festival

Jekyll Island

- US Kids Jekyll Island Cup Golf Tournament

MARCH

Brunswick

- Peaches to the Beaches Yard Sale
- Island Players Production

St. Simons Island

- Annual Tour of Homes and Gardens
- Annual Invitational Spring Art & Craft Show

APRIL

St. Simons Island

- Antique Show and Sale
- Annual Spring Fine Arts and Fine Craft Festival

MAY

Brunswick

- May Fair
- Blessing of the Shrimp Fleet (Mother's Day Weekend)
- Old Town Tour of Homes

St. Simons Island

- Annual Garden Walk
- Jazz in the Park, A Little Light Music
- Memorial Day "Taps at Twilight"
- Antique Show and Sale

JUNE

St. Simons Island

- Jazz in the Park, A Little Light Music
- Antique Show and Sale

Please note that events and activities are subject to change or cancellation. For up-to-date information about events in Brunswick & The Golden Isles, please visit ComeCoastAwhile.com and click on "Events Calendar."



SPECIAL EVENTS & FESTIVALS



JULY

Brunswick

- "Old Fashioned Fourth of July"

St. Simons Island

- Sunshine Festival, Fourth of July Fireworks
- Jazz in the Park, A Little Light Music

Jekyll Island

- 4th of July Fireworks Extravaganza

AUGUST

St. Simons Island

- Jazz in the Park, A Little Light Music
- Golden Isles Kingfish Classic
- Sea Island Black Heritage Festival
- Antique Show and Sale

Jekyll Island

- Jekyll Island Beach Music Festival

SEPTEMBER

Brunswick

- Golden Isles Arts and Humanities (GIAHA) Performing Arts Series

St. Simons Island

- Jazz in the Park, A Little Light Music
- Antique Show and Sale

OCTOBER

Brunswick

- Dept. of Natural Resources Coastfest
- Brunswick Rockin' Stewbilee

St. Simons Island

- Annual Golden Isles Arts Festival
- Antique Show and Sale

Jekyll Island

- Colonial Coast Birding and Nature Festival

NOVEMBER

Brunswick

- Brunswick Street Fair
- Brunswick Tree Lighting Festival

St. Simons Island

- Antique Show and Sale

Jekyll Island

- Community Christmas Tree Lighting Festival

DECEMBER

Brunswick

- Annual Christmas Parade
- Plantation Candlelight Tour at Hofwyl-Broadfield Plantation
- "A Christmas Carol"

St. Simons Island

- Annual Holiday Tour of Homes
- "The Messiah" / Community Chorus

Jekyll Island

- Holiday Island Programs

Please note that events and activities are subject to change or cancellation. For up-to-date information about events in Brunswick & The Golden Isles, please visit ComeCoastAwhile.com and click on "Events Calendar."



AREA MAPS

Area Major Roads Map

for Brunswick & The Golden Isles of Georgia

St. Simons Island
Sea Island
Little St. Simons Island
Jekyll Island



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Interstate Lodging

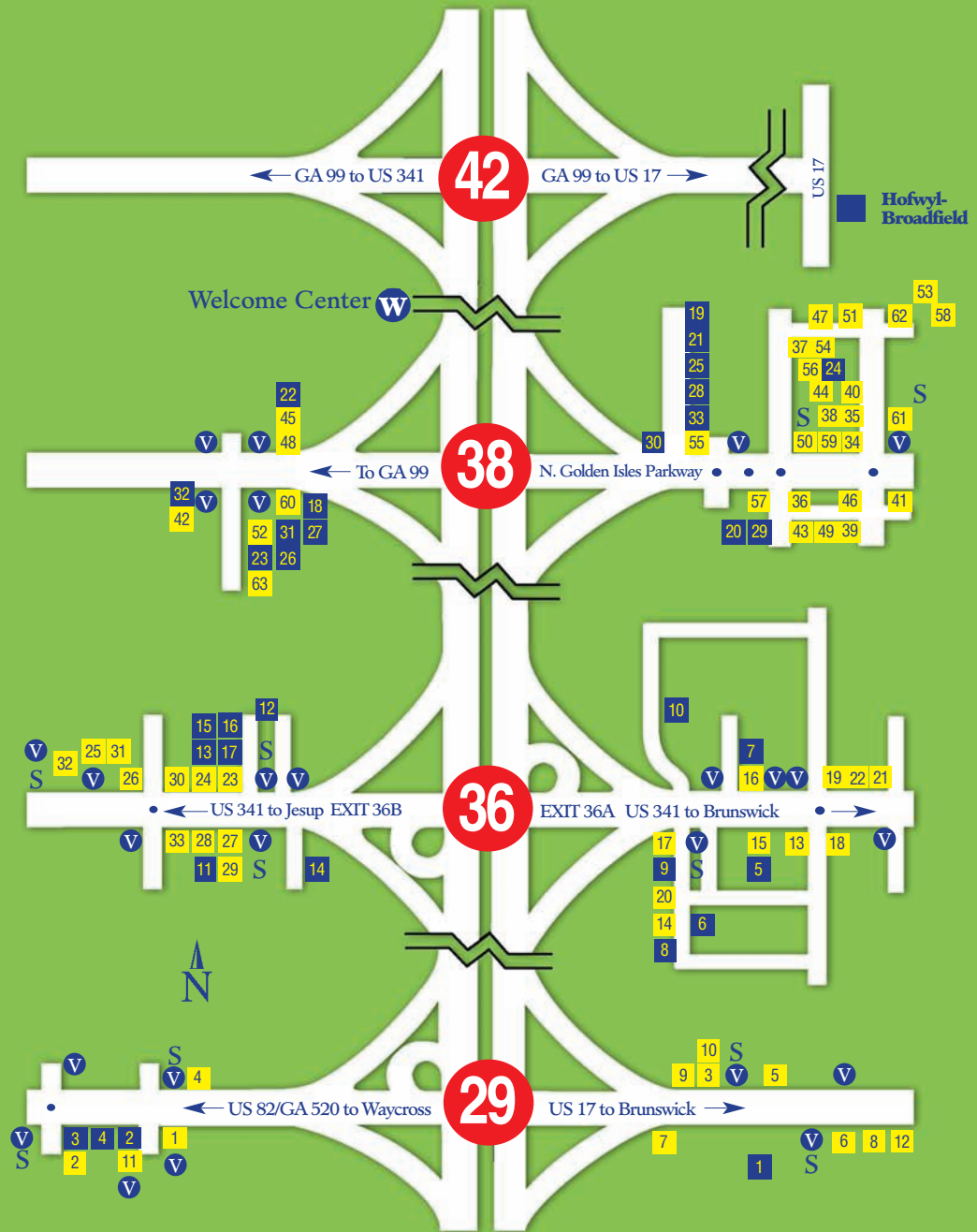
- 29/1 Comfort Suites
- 29/2 Econolodge
- 29/3 Microtel Inn & Suites
- 29/4 Super 8 Motel
- 36A/5 Days Inn
- 36A/6 Hampton Inn
- 36A/7 Knights Inn
- 36A/8 La Quinta Inn & Suites
- 36A/9 Red Roof Inn & Suites
- 36A/10 Travelodge
- 36B/11 Best Western
- 36B/12 InnPlace
- 36B/13 Comfort Inn
- 36B/14 Motel 6
- 36B/15 Ramada Inn
- 36B/16 Rodeway Inn
- 36B/17 Super 8 Motel
- 38/18 Baymont Inn
- 38/19 Comfort Suites
- 38/20 Concorde Suites
- 38/21 Country Inn & Suites
- 38/22 Courtyard by Marriott
- 38/23 Econolodge
- 38/24 Embassy Suites
- 38/25 Fairfield Inn & Suites
- 38/26 Guest Cottages & Suites
- 38/27 Hampton Inn
- 38/28 Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites
- 38/29 Jameson Inn
- 38/30 Microtel Inn & Suites
- 38/31 Quality Inn
- 38/32 Sleep Inn & Suites
- 38/33 St. James Suites

Interstate Restaurants

- 29/1 Burger King
- 29/2 China One
- 29/3 Church's Chicken
- 29/4 Country Market/ Magic Dragon/Pepperoni's
- 29/5 The Georgia Pig
- 29/6 Huddle House
- 29/7 Krystal
- 29/8 McDonalds
- 29/9 Steak 'n Shake
- 29/10 Subway
- 29/11 Waffle House
- 29/12 WhataBurger
- 36A/13 Burger King
- 36A/14 Cracker Barrel
- 36A/15 IHOP
- 36A/16 KFC
- 36A/17 Krystal
- 36A/18 McDonalds
- 36A/19 Pizza Hut
- 36A/20 Shoney's
- 36A/21 Taco Bell
- 36A/22 Wendy's
- 36B/23 Beef O'Brady's
- 36B/24 Captain Joe's
- 36B/25 China Lee
- 36B/26 Huddle House
- 36B/27 Larry's Giant Subs
- 36B/28 Matteo's Italian Restaurant
- 36B/29 Minh Sun
- 36B/30 Sonny's Barbeque
- 36B/31 Subway
- 36B/32 Tiptim Thai
- 36B/33 Waffle House
- 38/34 Applebee's
- 38/35 Arby's
- 38/36 Barberito's
- 38/37 Broomeli Boys Pizza
- 38/38 Bruster's Real Ice Cream
- 38/39 Burger King
- 38/40 Capt. D's
- 38/41 Chick-fil-A
- 38/42 China Town
- 38/43 Cilantro's
- 38/44 City Buffet
- 38/45 Denny's
- 38/46 Golden Corral
- 38/47 HoneyBaked Ham
- 38/48 Huddle House
- 38/49 Joe Muggs Coffee
- 38/50 Joe's Japanese Steakhouse
- 38/51 KFC/Long John Silvers
- 38/52 La Fuente de Pablo
- 38/53 Larry's Giant Subs
- 38/54 Michael's Deli
- 38/55 Millhouse Steakhouse
- 38/56 Ruby Tuesday
- 38/57 Ole Times Country Buffet
- 38/58 Shane's Rib Shack
- 38/59 Spanky's Mallside
- 38/60 Waffle House
- 38/61 Wendy's
- 38/62 Zaxby's
- 38/63 Zeig's Cafe



Interchanges

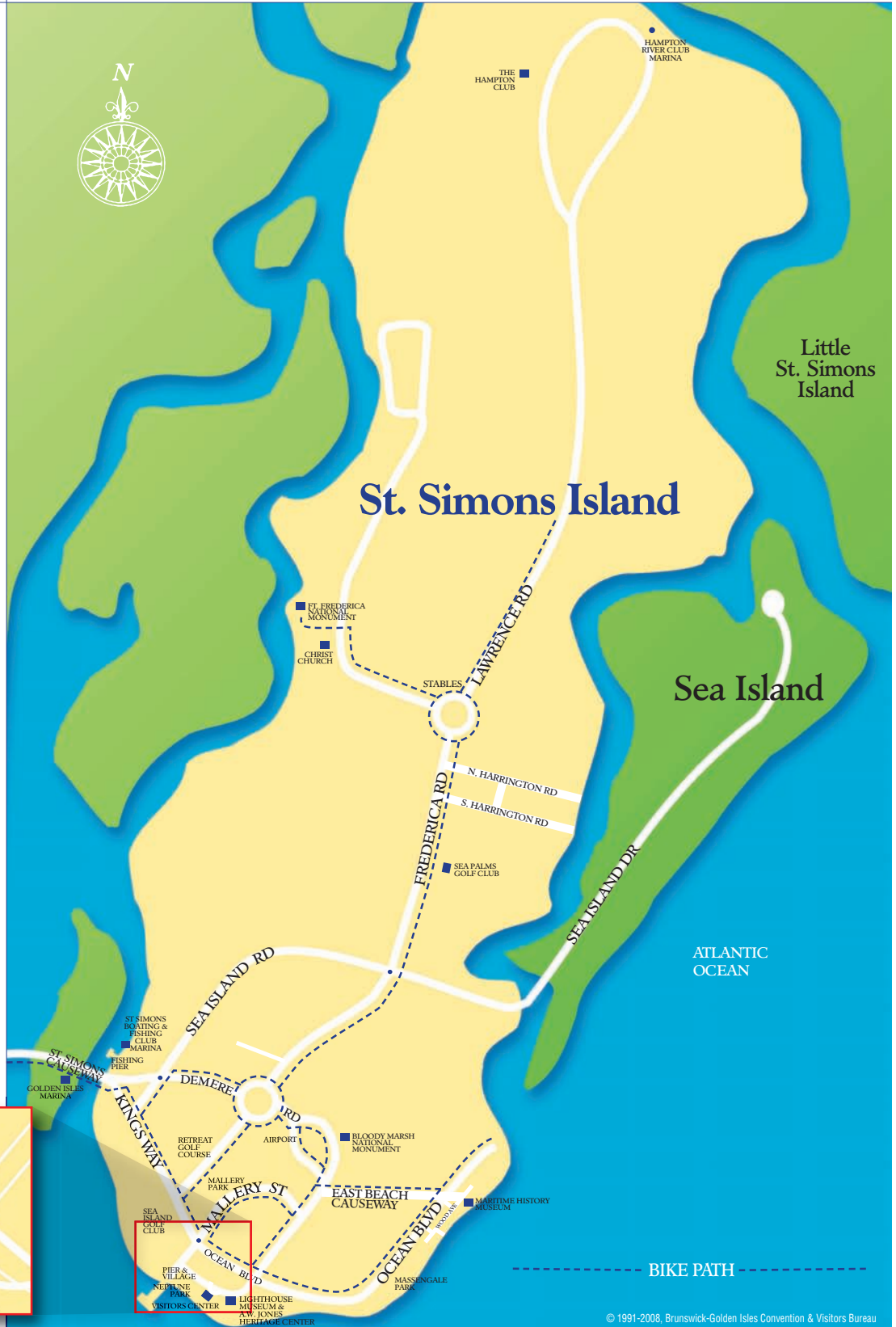


LISTING NUMBERS = EXIT / MAP LOCATOR



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St. Simons Island Major Roads Map





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St. Simons Island Village & Pier

- 1 Mallery's
- 2 SandCastle
- 3 Zuzu's
- 4 Bait & Tackle / Ghost Walk / Island Tours
- 5 Island Breeze Clothing Co.
- 6 Tonya's
- 7 Roberta's
- 8 Island Republic
- 9 Go Fish
- 10 Just for Funn Toys
- 11 Waterfront Cards & Gifts
- 12 Frederica Station
- 13 Beachview 2nd Hand Books
- 14 NatureGifts
- 15 J.C. Strother Co. Hardware
- 16 Dressner's Village Cafe
- 17 Condo Hut
- 18 Beach Bum Gifts
- 19 Treasures by the Sea
- 20 Coming soon
- 21 Iguana's Seafood
- 22 Meo's Suite
- 23 Southeast Adventure Outfitters
- 24 Subway / Rafter's (upstairs)
- 25 Glynn Art Association
- 26 4th of May Cafe
- 27 St. Simons Beachwear
- 28 CJ's Pizza
- 29 J. Mac's
- 30 Coming soon
- 31 Murphy's Bar
- 32 Dairy Queen
- 33 Village Inn & Pub
- 34 Island Cleaners
- 35 Golden Isles Jewelers
- 36 Mallery Street Cafe
- 37 Parker's Convenience Store
- 38 Village Package Store
- 39 Golden Isles Realty
- 40 Palm Coast Coffee / Courtyard Café and Pub
- 41 Simon's Gifts
- 42 Coming soon
- 43 Pier Village Market
- 44 Nicole's Cut Hut
- 45 Village Cuts
- 46 Golden Isles Bracelet Co.
- 47 Beach 'In
- 48 High Tide Carts
- 49 Barbara Jean's
- 50 Ocean Motion
- 51 Orly & Company
- 52 Moondance Vintage Clothing
- 53 Brogen's
- 54 Village Mews Antiques / Serenity House Tea
- 55 Visitors Center & Public Library
- 56 Public Pool
- 57 Lighthouse & Museum
- 58 A.W. Jones Heritage Center
- 59 Coming soon
- 60 Ronne's
- 61 Georgia Sea Grill
- 62 Mullet Bay
- 63 Hodnett Cooper Real Estate
- 64 Wheel Fun Rentals
- 65 Beachcomber Properties
- 66 Hog Dog Alley
- 67 Coming soon
- 68 Barberito's
- 69 A New Horizon Salon & Day Spa
- 70 Georgia Realty / Coldwell Banker

Group Tour Visitors Unloading/Loading Areas & Nearby Parking Options

St. Simons Island Village is a pedestrian area. There is a designated unloading / loading area and three designated motorcoach parking sites. We appreciate your business and cooperation in keeping this area enjoyable for everyone. Thank you!



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Things You Should Know

To ensure a safe and pleasant experience for your clients and passengers, please be aware of and understand these regulations for motorcoach operators, as set forth by the Glynn County Commission:

With the opening of the new A.W. Jones Heritage Center and because of the popularity of the St. Simons Island Village, the Glynn County Commission has designated an unloading/loading area for motorcoaches, and has approved three sites where motorcoaches may park while their clients enjoy the Village.

Drivers may unload and load their passengers along Beachview Drive between Mallery and 12th Streets.

Designated motorcoach parking is located at:

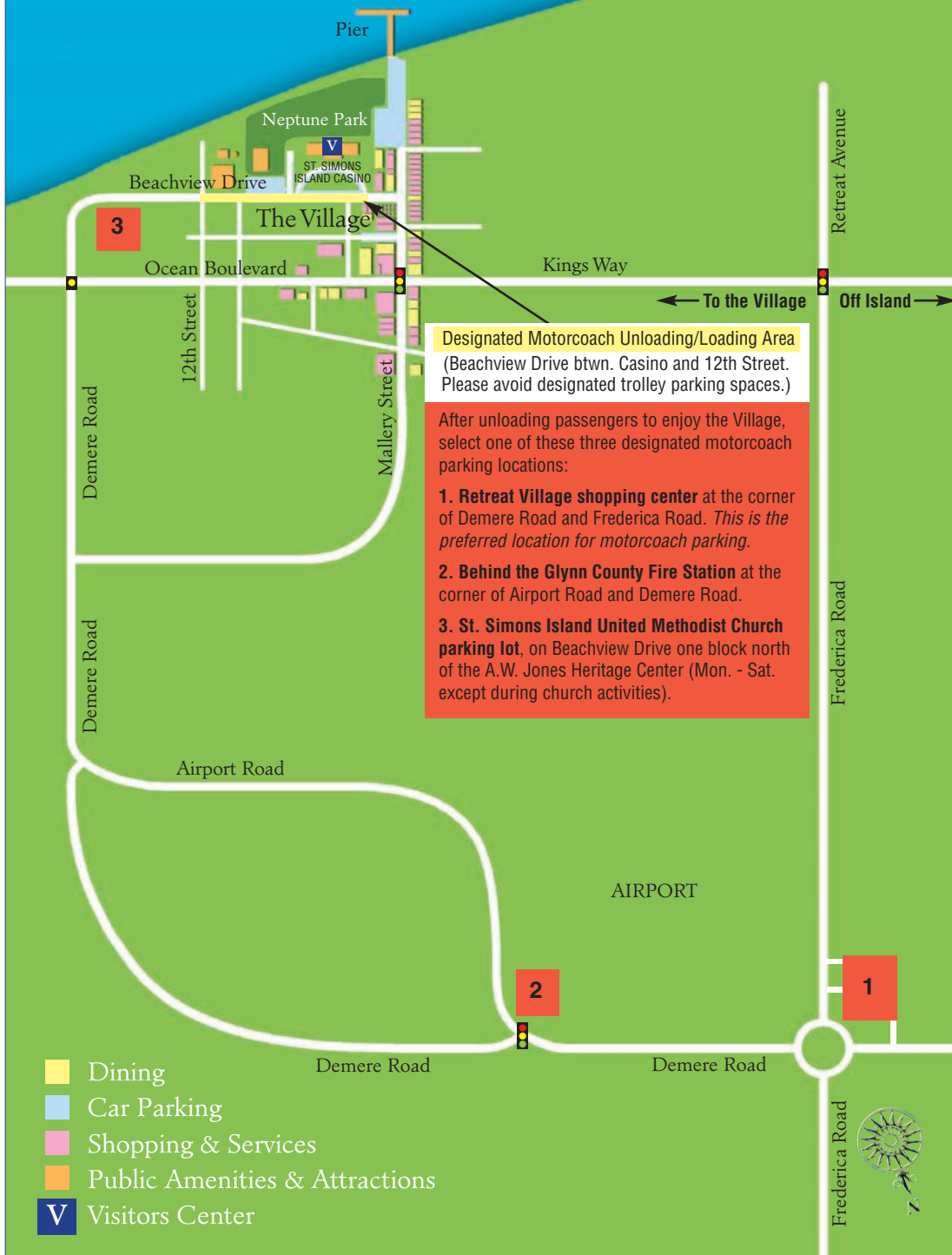
1 Retreat Village shopping center at the corner of Frederica and Demere Roads. This is the *preferred* spot for motorcoach parking, and offers the most services for drivers while they wait for to pick up their passengers.

2 Behind the Glynn County fire station at the corner of Demere and Airport Roads.

3 St. Simons Island United Methodist Church parking lot, on Beachview Drive one block north of the A.W. Jones Heritage Center (Mon. - Sat. except during church activities).

Outside the Village on St. Simons Island, you are welcome to park your coach in available spaces while your clients enjoy Brunswick & The Golden Isles of Georgia.

Designated Motorcoach Parking for St. Simons Island Village Visits





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