

# Lodging!

BRUNSWICK  
& THE  
GOLDEN  
ISLES

A directory  
of accommodations sure to appeal  
to every mood, every taste  
and budget. From world-renowned resorts, to hotels, motels,  
historic bed & breakfast inns, rental properties  
and campgrounds. Come and stay!





## LODGING

The Southern heritage of gracious living is nowhere more abundant than here in Brunswick & The Golden Isles. Comfortable luxury has long been our hallmark. You can choose from some of the world's most renowned resort hotels or take things a bit simpler at a beachside condo, bungalow or even a woody campsite. Every lifestyle and budget range can be found. And no matter where you stay, you will become, at least for a while, a true native.

We encourage you to patronize members of the Brunswick Golden Isles Chamber of Commerce, indicated by ★.

### LODGING GUIDE

Services are keyed as follows:

A Pets allowed	HP Honeymoon
B On the beach	K Kitchenettes
BR Bike Rentals	P Pool
CC Closed caption TV	R Restaurant
G Golf	S Suites
H Facilities for handicapped	T Tennis

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## Brunswick I-95 Interchanges

### I-95, Exit 29 (at US 17)



#### 1. Comfort Suites ★

25 Ashton Drive, 31523. (912) 267-4440, FAX (912) 262-3495. [www.choicehotels.com/hotel/ga641](http://www.choicehotels.com/hotel/ga641). 72 rooms, \$89-\$169. 1 meeting room, capacity: theatre 30, conference 30. CC-G-H-HP-P-S. Brand new hotel. 100% non-smoking. Full hot breakfast,

fitness center, indoor pool and whirlpool.



#### 2. Econolodge ★

171 Palisade Drive, 31523. (912) 554-0455; FAX 554-8999. [www.choicehotels.com/hotel/ga610](http://www.choicehotels.com/hotel/ga610). 47 rooms, \$55-\$120. CC-H. All rooms have high-speed Internet access, fridge and microwave, in-room coffee maker, iron and board, and hair dryer. Complimentary

breakfast, guest laundry.



#### 3. Microtel Inn & Suites ★

325 Palisade Drive, 31523. (912) 261-0118; FAX (912) 261-0417. [www.microtelinn.com](http://www.microtelinn.com). Email: [jitpanchal68@yahoo.com](mailto:jitpanchal68@yahoo.com). 61 rooms, \$50-\$110. CC-H-P-S. Free continental breakfast. Free local and long distance calls within continental US. Free high-speed wireless

Internet. All rooms have micro/fridge. Truck/RV/Bus parking.



#### 4. Super 8 Motel

211 Palisade Drive, 31523. (912) 265-0008; (800) 800-8000; FAX (912) 265-7391. [www.super8.com](http://www.super8.com). Email: [modinil1@wynhg.com](mailto:modinil1@wynhg.com). 52 rooms, \$54-\$66. CC-H-HP-P-S. Complimentary Super Start breakfast. Free high-speed wireless Internet. All rooms feature

microwave, refrigerator and hair dryer. Guest laundry.

### I-95, Exit 36 A/B (at US 341)



#### 5. Best Western Brunswick Inn ★

Exit 36B; 5323 New Jesup Highway, 31523. (912) 264-0144; FAX (912) 262-0992. [www.bestwesternbrunswick.com](http://www.bestwesternbrunswick.com). Email: [11057@hotel.bestwestern.com](mailto:11057@hotel.bestwestern.com). 144 rooms, \$59-\$128. 1 meeting room, capacity: banquet 20, theatre 12, conference 12. A-H-P-R. Large rooms with in-room coffee, microwave and refrigerator, iron and board, hair dryer, wireless Internet. Jacuzzi located in pool area, outdoor spa, picnic area and tables with BBQ grill at pool. Complimentary breakfast, Matteo's Italian Restaurant on property.



#### 6. Clarion Inn

Exit 36B; 5252 New Jesup Highway, 31523. (912) 264-4033; FAX (912) 267-1314. [www.innplacebrunswick.com](http://www.innplacebrunswick.com). 126 rooms, \$59.99-\$129.99. 2 meeting rooms, capacity: banquet 285, theatre 380, classroom 150. A-CC-G-H-P. 60 channel satellite TV with Starz, ESPN, Weather. All rooms have coffeemakers, hair dryers, microfridges, safes, free high-speed Internet access. On-site exercise facility, guest laundry, seasonal pool, gazebo and fishing pond. Free Business Center. Cocktail lounge.



#### 7. Comfort Inn, I-95

Exit 36B; 5308 New Jesup Highway, 31523. (912) 264-6540; (800) 551-7591; FAX (912) 264-9296. [www.choicehotels.com/hotel/ga078](http://www.choicehotels.com/hotel/ga078). 119 rooms, \$79-\$119. 2 meeting rooms, capacity: banquet 175, theatre 260, classroom 190. CC-G-H-P-R-S. Convenient to I-95 and FLETC. Free high-speed wireless Internet access, free deluxe continental breakfast, free local calls, largest outdoor pool in area, banquet and conference facilities, in-room coffee maker, hair dryer, iron and board, microwave and refrigerator, safe, free HBO, handicapped accessible rooms. Tres Hombres mexican restaurant on site, within walking distance to many restaurants, minutes from beach. Totally non-smoking and no pets allowed.

# BRUNSWICK & Golden Isles LORE

## SHELLS, SAND, WATER THE ENDURING STORY OF TABBY

Lumber from trees, bricks from mud, roofs of sod. Through the ages, settlers have used what the earth provides for building materials.

Here in the coastal areas of Georgia and the southeast, nature provided early inhabitants with a unique and remarkably strong building material. Its ingredients, combined in equal measure, are simple: lime (the ash from burned oyster shells), sand, water, and crushed shells. Its name is tabby and it was quite literally the foundation of much that was built along the coast over the centuries.

Tabby was developed in the 13th and 14th centuries on the North African coast and brought to the New World by the Spanish in the 16th century.

The first tabby used by English-speaking people was in Charleston, South Carolina, around 1690. When Georgia became a colony in 1733, settlers from South Carolina brought the "recipe" for this handy building material with them—building forts, chapels, lighthouses, hospitals, sugar mills, barns, breweries, homes and slave quarters.

Native American shell "middens" (prehistoric heaps of discarded shells) were often the source for the quantity of shells needed to make tabby.

The look of this ancient, enduring building material remains quite popular today, but is typically a "false tabby" mix of oyster shells and cement—not the authentic, labor-intensive compound of yesterday.

Examples of historic tabby buildings and ruins can be found in locations throughout Brunswick & The Golden Isles.

**BRUNSWICK**  
1313 Newcastle Street (see plexiglass panel on south facade of building)

**ST. SIMONS ISLAND**  
Slave quarter at Gascoigne Bluff;  
Slave quarter ruins at Hampton Plantation;  
Fort Frederica National Monument.

**JEKYLL ISLAND**  
Horton House ruins on Riverview Drive;  
Hollybourne Cottage, National Historic  
Landmark District.



### 8. Days Inn Interstate ★

Exit 36A; 5033 New Jesup Highway, 31520. (912) 264-4330; FAX (912) 264-4016. 148 rooms, \$49-\$100. CC-H-P-R. AAA-AARP. Hair dryers, clock radios, high-speed Internet. Free local calls, premium cable TV, HBO. Snooze & Cruise packages. IHOP on property.



### 9. Hampton Inn ★

Exit 36A; 230 Warren Mason Boulevard, 31520. (912) 261-0002; (800) HAMPTON; FAX (912) 265-5599. [www.hamptoninnbrunswick.com](http://www.hamptoninnbrunswick.com). Email: [lynda.washington@hilton.com](mailto:lynda.washington@hilton.com). 129 rooms, \$99-\$129. A-CC-H-P. Easy access from I-95. Across the street from Cracker Barrel and nearby restaurants. Interior and exterior rooms. Complimentary hot breakfast, free local calls, business center. Free HBO, high-speed Internet access, cookies at 5:30pm. Earn Hilton HHonors points and miles. Renovated Spring 2009.



### 10. Tropical Inn

Exit 36A; 450 Warren Mason Boulevard, 31520. (912) 267-6500; (912) 267-6525. Email: [tropicalbp@gmail.com](mailto:tropicalbp@gmail.com). 103 rooms, \$37.<sup>99</sup>-\$50. A-CC-H-P. All rooms on first floor; non-smoking rooms. Guest laundry, HBO/Disney, free coffee and donuts, free local calls, individual parking outside each room. Weekly contracts available. AARP/AAA member discounts.



### 11. La Quinta Inn & Suites ★

Exit 36A; 165 Warren Mason Boulevard, 31520. (912) 265-7725; (800) 753-3757; FAX (912) 264-6151. [www.LQ.com](http://www.LQ.com). Email: [lq1040gm@laquinta.com](mailto:lq1040gm@laquinta.com). 99 rooms, \$49-\$99. A-CC-H-P-S. Free high-speed wireless Internet access. All rooms are interior entrance. Free deluxe continental breakfast. Coffee maker, hair dryer, iron and board in each room. Free local calls. Outdoor swimming pool, guest laundry facility. Adjacent to Cracker Barrel.



### 12. Motel 6

Exit 36B, 403 Butler Drive, 31525. (912) 264-8582; (800) 466-8356; FAX (912) 264-0628. [www.Motel6.com](http://www.Motel6.com). 88 rooms, \$35-\$49. A-H-P. Kids 17 and under stay free. Free morning coffee, free local calls. AARP discounts, non-smoking rooms, guest laundry. 54 channel TV with free HBO/ESPN. All ground floor rooms. Close to mall shopping, Near FLETC, Brunswick Golden Isles Airport, St. Simons Island, Sea Island and Jekyll Island.



### 13. Ramada Inn

Exit 36B; 15 Wammock Court, 31523. (912) 264-2099; FAX: (912) 264-4399. [www.ramada.com](http://www.ramada.com). Email: [ramada.brunswick@gmail.com](mailto:ramada.brunswick@gmail.com). 52 rooms, \$55.99-\$199.99. CC-H-K-P. Interior corridor with elevator, free hot deluxe breakfast, 32" LCD TV, free wireless Internet, guest laundry. All rooms have microwave, refrigerator, coffee maker, hair dryer, iron and board. Non-smoking facility.



### 14. Red Roof Inn & Suites ★

Exit 36A; 25 Tourist Drive, 31520. (912) 264-4720; FAX (912) 264-5928. [www.redroof-brunswick.com](http://www.redroof-brunswick.com). Email: [brunswickredroofinn@gmail.com](mailto:brunswickredroofinn@gmail.com). 90 rooms, \$49.99-\$102.99. A-CC-H-P-R-S. Free continental breakfast, fresh baked cookies and coffee each evening, free high-speed wireless Internet, microwave/refrigerators. Business center. Adjacent to Cracker Barrel. Close to Emerald Princess, Snooze & Cruise packages available.



### 15. Rodeway Inn

Exit 36B; 5272 New Jesup Highway, 31525. (912) 261-0670; FAX (912) 264-0441. Email: [gm.ga248@choicehotels.com](mailto:gm.ga248@choicehotels.com). 90 rooms, \$49.99-\$89.99. A-CC-H-P. Complimentary continental breakfast; free local calls. Chocolate chip cookie reception each evening. Full cable with free HBO. Snooze & Cruise packages available.



**16. Super 8 Motel**

Exit 36B; 5280 New Jesup Highway, 31523. (912) 264-8800; (800) 800-8000; FAX (912) 264-6037. 59 rooms, \$45-\$125. A(fee)-CC-H. 24-hour coffee. Restaurants nearby, HBO, Business Center on premises, fax/copy service, free local calls, guest laundry.

Interior corridors. Rooms include high-speed Internet, in-room safes, iron and board, coffee maker, refrigerator, microwave, hair dryer. Free bus parking.

**17. The Georgian Resort ★**

Exit 36A; 3040 Scarlett Street, 31520. (912) 264-3621; FAX (912) 280-9154. Email: [Georgian.resort.brunswick@gmail.com](mailto:Georgian.resort.brunswick@gmail.com). 127 rooms, \$49.99-\$99.99. 2 meeting rooms, capacity: banquet 100, theatre 125, conference 90. A(fee)-CC-H-P. Newly renovated hotel. Free Wi-fi hot

spot for Internet access. Remote control color TV, data port, iron and board, hair dryer. Free continental breakfast.

**I-95 Exit 38/Mall (at Golden Isles Parkway)****18. Baymont Inn**

126 Venture Drive, 31525. (912) 265-1114; (877) 229-6668; FAX (912) 265-1116. [www.baymontinns.com](http://www.baymontinns.com). 72 rooms, \$59.99-\$119.99. 1 meeting room. CC-G-H-P-S. Smoke Free Hotel. Suites, Honeymoon and golf packages available. Handicapped accessible. Fitness center,

business center, complimentary hot breakfast, guest laundry.

**19. Comfort Suites Brunswick**

220 Gateway Center Blvd., 31525. (912) 580-4400; (800) 4CHOICE; FAX (912) 580-4411. [www.ComfortSuites.com](http://www.ComfortSuites.com). 60 rooms, \$69.99-\$179.99. CC-H-P-S. Free full breakfast, free wireless high-speed Internet access, free weekday newspaper, free local calls. Indoor heated

pool, fitness center.

**20. Concorde Suites ★**

110 Center Drive, 31520. (912) 267-6442; FAX: (912) 267-9096. 84 rooms, \$39-\$45 nightly; \$169-\$194 weekly. A(fee)-H-K-S.

An extended stay hotel that offers a kitchenette including refrigerator, microwave, stovetop, coffee maker, dishes and utensils. All rooms

have basic cable TV with remote; free local calls and direct room calls with voicemail.

On-site guest laundry. Convenient to malls, restaurants, I-95 and FLETC.

**21. Country Inn and Suites by Carlson ★**

211 Gateway Center Boulevard, 31525. (912) 264-2888; FAX: (912) 265-0666. [www.countryinns.com/brunswickga](http://www.countryinns.com/brunswickga).

Email: [cx\\_brga@countryinns.com](mailto:cx_brga@countryinns.com). 65 rooms, \$99-\$169. H-P-S.

1 meeting space, capacity: 15. Country Inn and Suites features an

exercise room, indoor heated pool, business center, guest laundry, complimentary weekday newspaper, and wireless Internet access in all rooms. Minutes from Brunswick Golden Isles Airport, Glynn Place Mall and restaurants.

**22. Courtyard by Marriott ★**

580 Millennium Boulevard, 31525. (912) 265-2644.

FAX: (912) 265-4029. [www.marriott.com/BQKCY](http://www.marriott.com/BQKCY).

Email: [cy.bqkcy.gm@marriott.com](mailto:cy.bqkcy.gm@marriott.com). 93 rooms, \$119-\$159.

1 meeting room, capacity: banquet 25, theatre 40, conference 25.

CC-G-H-HP-P-S. Smoke-free hotel. All rooms offer microwaves, refrigerators and in-room safes. Fitness center, indoor whirlpool, heated outdoor pool, business center with online computers, free Internet, interior corridors, convenient to FLETC and all area attractions.

**23. Econolodge**

2300 Perry Lane Road, 31525. (912) 264-8666; FAX (912) 264-6808. [www.brunswickmeetings.com](http://www.brunswickmeetings.com). Email: [lisafox@bellsouth.net](mailto:lisafox@bellsouth.net). 69 rooms,

\$49.95-\$79.95. 3 meeting rooms: banquet 150, theatre 200,

conference 125. CC-G-H-P. Free continental breakfast,

in-room coffee, iron and board in each room, high-speed Internet, satellite with HBO.

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**MARSH RABBITS**

The expansive marshlands that separate the mainland from the barrier islands are home to a variety of animals. One of the most interesting is the marsh rabbit, or *sybilagus palustris*.

The marsh rabbit lives in fresh and saltwater marshes in Georgia and throughout the coastal plain from southern Alabama northeastward to southeastern Virginia. Ranging in size from 13 to 17 inches long, it has a brown tail and white or light brown underside. Their color helps them to blend into the shadows, but when their keen eyes and ears detect danger, their large hind feet and strong hindquarters enable them to run up to 30 m.p.h. in a zigzag escape into the dense undergrowth or water.

Rather than digging burrows like their land-bound cousins the hares, marsh rabbits make hollows or depressions in the grass for shelter. In cold weather, they may borrow a burrow made by another animal such as the gopher tortoise.

Each year, a female can produce six to seven litters of up to four young each, ensuring their survival from such predators as owls, bobcats, foxes and alligators.

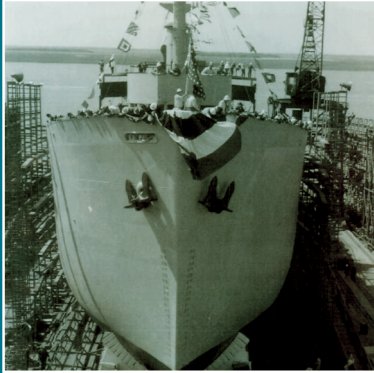
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## SHIPS FOR VICTORY

During World War II, the J.A. Jones Shipyard in Brunswick bustling with activities critical to

America's war efforts.

Between 1943 and 1945, the shipyard built 99 vessels, destined for duty in the Atlantic and Pacific loaded with equipment and supplies.

The dedication of the men and women of Brunswick's shipyard was best exemplified during December, 1944.

Receiving word that six ships would be required during that month, the shipyard workers, instead, guaranteed seven and requested that they not be paid for the extra work required—including work done on Christmas Day!

Today, a 23-foot scale replica of a Liberty Ship—*City of Brunswick*—is displayed on the grounds of the Mary L. Ross Waterfront Park in downtown Brunswick. The replica is the result of a community-wide, four-year fund-raising effort led by the local Navy League.

*Mary Ross Waterfront Park is Stop 2 on The Brunswick/Golden Isles Driving Tour.*



### 24. Embassy Suites Hotel ★

500 Mall Boulevard, 31525. (912) 264-6100; (800) 432-3229; FAX: (912) 267-1615. [www.brunswick.embassysuites.com](http://www.brunswick.embassysuites.com).

Email: [bswes.ds@hilton.com](mailto:bswes.ds@hilton.com). 130 suites, \$125-\$239. 6 meeting rooms, capacity: banquet 125, theatre 200, conference 120. CC-H-P-S.

Complimentary full breakfast and evening reception. Two-room suites include coffee maker, microwave and mini-fridge. High-speed Internet available for daily fee in suites and meeting facilities.



### 25. Fairfield Inn and Suites by Marriott ★

107 Gateway Center Circle, 31525. (912) 264-2060; FAX (912) 265-5679. [www.marriott.com/bqkfi](http://www.marriott.com/bqkfi). Email: [ffi.bqkfi.gm@marriott.com](mailto:ffi.bqkfi.gm@marriott.com).

81 rooms, \$89-\$119. H-P-S. Free wireless access, HBO, free local calls. Laundry facilities, exercise room, free deluxe continental breakfast.

Restaurants and shopping nearby. Marriott Rewards participant.



### 26. Guest Cottages and Suites

150 Venture Drive, 31525. (912) 264-6767; FAX (912) 262-0434.

[www.brunswickmeetings.com](http://www.brunswickmeetings.com). Email: [lisafox@bellsouth.net](mailto:lisafox@bellsouth.net). 102 rooms, \$69.95-\$129. 3 meeting rooms: banquet 150, theatre 200, conference 125. CC-G-H-P. Ideal for longer stays. Guest laundry, full-size refrigerator and microwave in every cottage, satellite with HBO, free local calls and voicemail.



### 27. Hampton Inn

128 Venture Drive, 31525. (912) 261-0939; (800) HAMPTON (912);

FAX (912) 261-0966. [www.brunswicksuiteshamptoninn.com](http://www.brunswicksuiteshamptoninn.com). 97 rooms, \$89-\$119. 3 meeting rooms, capacity: banquet 128, theatre 175, conference 130. CC-H-P-S. Free hot breakfast, indoor pool. On-site

guest laundry, iron and board, coffee maker, 24-hour fitness center, 24-hour business center, wireless Internet, same day dry cleaning, gift shop.



### 28. Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites ★

138 Glynco Parkway, 31525. (912) 264-3300; (800) HOLIDAY;

FAX (912) 264-3223. [www.holidayinn.com/brunswick-ga](http://www.holidayinn.com/brunswick-ga). 103 rooms, \$99-\$149. 3 meeting rooms, capacity: banquet 100, theatre 128, conference 50. CC-H-K-P-R-S. Indoor pool, free high-speed Internet

access, business center, sundries shop, fitness room, guest laundry facility, laundry/valet. Every room has microwave and refrigerator, hair dryer, coffee maker, iron and board, thermostat-controlled HVAC.



### 29. Jameson Inn ★

661 Scranton Road, 31520. (912) 267-0800; (800) 526-3766;

FAX (912) 265-1922. [www.jamesoninns.com](http://www.jamesoninns.com).

Email: [brunswickga@jamesoninns.com](mailto:brunswickga@jamesoninns.com). 62 rooms, \$96-\$109.

A-CC-H-P. Deluxe continental breakfast, indoor fitness center, wireless Internet, business center, close to mall, restaurants and movies.



### 30. Microtel Inn & Suites

146 Gateway Center Blvd., 31525. (912) 554-1430; (888) 771-7171;

FAX (912) 554-1432. [www.brunswicklodging.com](http://www.brunswicklodging.com). Email:

[info@brunswicklodging.com](mailto:info@brunswicklodging.com). 62 rooms, \$54-\$139. CC-G-HP-P-S. Free local and long distance calls (within US), free high-speed wireless Internet,

complimentary continental breakfast, in-room refrigerators and microwaves in select rooms. 100% non-smoking.



### 31. Quality Inn

125 Venture Drive, 31525. (912) 265-4600; (888) 394-8495; FAX (912)

265-8268. Email: [lisa.fox@bellsouth.net](mailto:lisa.fox@bellsouth.net). 83 rooms, \$69.95-\$100.

3 meeting rooms, capacity: banquet 150, theatre 200, conference 100. CC-G-H-P. Free deluxe continental breakfast, in-room coffee,

microwave and refrigerator in all rooms, Direct TV. Non-smoking rooms, king rooms with love seat or sleeper sofa, outside entrances (first floor), inside entrances (second floor). Pool, fax service, guest laundry. Close to FLETC.



**32. Sleep Inn & Suites**

200 Stellar Drive, 31525. (912) 262-2792; (800) SLEEPINN; FAX (912) 262-2793. Email: [gm.ga551@choicehotels.com](mailto:gm.ga551@choicehotels.com). 72 rooms, \$89.99-\$129.99. 1 meeting room, capacity: classroom 45. CC-G-H-HP-P-S. Exercise room, free weekday newspaper,

free wireless high-speed internet access.

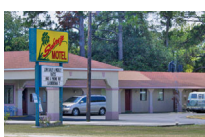
**33. St. James Suites ★**

244 Gateway Center Blvd, 31525. (912) 280-0953; (866) 646-4751; FAX (912) 554-1857. [www.saintjamesuites.com](http://www.saintjamesuites.com). Email: [doug.henrick@stjamesuites.com](mailto:doug.henrick@stjamesuites.com). 44 newly renovated, oversized suites, \$96-\$109. 1 meeting room, capacity: 30. A(limited)-H-K-P-S.

Full kitchens, 2 TVs, executive work area, free Wi-Fi and voicemail in every room, guest laundry, pool. Ideal for extended stays, business travel or family vacations. Exit 38 at I-95, near airport, shopping and dining. Only 3 miles from FLETC.

**Brunswick-In Town****34. Palms Motel**

2715 Glynn Avenue (Hwy. 17), 31520. (912) 265-8825. 32 rooms, \$45-\$50. CC-P. Microwave and refrigerator in all rooms.

**35. Seabreeze Motel**

2697 Glynn Avenue (Hwy. 17), 31520. (912) 265-2282. 28 rooms, \$40 and up. CC. Microwave and refrigerator in all rooms. HBO. Daily and weekly rates available.

**Bed & Breakfast Inns (All in Old Town Brunswick)****B1. Brunswick Manor**

825 Egmont Street, 31520. (912) 265-6889; FAX (912) 265-7879. [www.brunswickmanor.com](http://www.brunswickmanor.com). Email: [info@brunswickmanor.com](mailto:info@brunswickmanor.com). 4 rooms, \$99-\$139. 2 meeting rooms, capacity: banquet 400, classroom 20. CC-HP-K-S. Brunswick Manor was built in the classic Victorian style

and is entirely furnished with antiques and impeccably chosen period reproductions. Extensive common areas are suitable for private parties and weddings. Can accommodate up to 400 for banquets and receptions.

**B2. McKinnon House**

1001 Egmont Street, 31520. (912) 261-9100; (866) 261-9100. [www.mckinnonhousebandb.com](http://www.mckinnonhousebandb.com). 3 rooms, \$100-\$150. CC-HP. Treat yourself to a taste of Victorian splendor in a restored Queen Anne-style home featuring elaborate woodwork and fine furnishings from

Charleston and New Orleans. Visitors can indulge in the graciousness of a bygone era and the charm of Southern hospitality. Gourmet breakfast and afternoon refreshments served. Small weddings and receptions. Reservations only. Non-smoking. Situated in the heart of historic Old Town Brunswick, and since 1993 has been the home of the innkeeper, Jo Miller.

**B3. Watershill Bed and Breakfast ★**

728 Union Street, 31520. (912) 264-4262; FAX (912) 265-6326. [www.watershill.com](http://www.watershill.com). 5 rooms, \$85-\$125. HP. Lovingly furnished to reflect the history of the old South, with personally selected objects d'art. Enjoy a leisurely continental breakfast on the veranda. Stroll or

bicycle through charming Old Town, or spend the day sunning or shelling on nearby beaches.

**St. Simons Island****36. 760 Ocean Boulevard ★**

760 Ocean Boulevard, 31522. (912) 634-3681; (800) 434-1592. [www.hodnettcooper.com](http://www.hodnettcooper.com). 7 condos, 2 BR \$199-\$267. K-P-S. This is one of St. Simons Island's newest luxury addresses, complete with beautiful interiors, a gated entrance, covered parking, and a swimming pool

with hot tub and an elevator. Located just a short walk from The Village and directly across the street from public beach access. The lighthouse, pier, shopping and dining are all located nearby.

# BRUNSWICK & Golden Isles LORE

**BLIMPS  
OVER BRUNSWICK**

Longtime residents of Brunswick & The Golden Isles clearly remember when huge helium airships, or blimps, were a common sight in the skies above the coast. These graceful, lighter-than-air crafts first arrived in 1943, after Brunswick was selected by the U.S. Navy as the site for one of a network of air stations it established to patrol for German U-boats in coastal shipping lanes. Construction of the air station began in September, 1942 and it was opened in January, 1943. The most formidable part of the project was the building of what were at the time the largest wooden structures in the world: two gargantuan hangars, each 1,000 feet long, 300 feet wide and over 200 feet tall—able to hold six football fields—that would house the blimp fleet. Throughout the war, the fleet of airships based here at Naval Air Station Glynco logged thousands of hours of air time in coastal patrols and convoy escorting. In fact, airships from the Brunswick operation can boast that they escorted some 98,000 ships during the war without a single vessel or airship loss. Today, the use of jet aircraft and sophisticated electronics have replaced the blimp in anti-submarine warfare. However, these ungainly looking craft performed a vital mission during World War II. The Navy disestablished the Air Base in 1958 and the blimp hangars were demolished in 1971.

*Historical displays at the Brunswick Golden Isles Airport and Federal Law Enforcement Training Center explain Glynco's past. See page 21.*

# BRUNSWICK & Golden Isles LORE



## SEA TURTLES

For thousands of years, sea turtles have been born on and returned to nest on Georgia's barrier islands.

Of the five species of sea turtles found off the Georgia coast, the loggerhead (*Caretta caretta*) is the only one that consistently nests on the Golden Isles. Hatchlings that emerge from nests on St. Simons Island, Sea Island, Little St. Simons Island and Jekyll Island are the same

turtles that will return to nest as adults. From May through August, nesting sea turtles swim ashore under cover of darkness to make their way across the sand, dig their nests and lay their eggs. After the turtle lays her eggs, she returns to the sea. During the 57-day incubation period, the eggs may become victim to ghost crabs, raccoons, dogs, hogs, humans and other predators. Hatchlings generally emerge from the nest in one group. Using visual cues such as light, the sound of the surf and instinct, they make their way to the surf.

The odds of their survival are slim; only 60-90 percent of the eggs hatch; just one of every 1,000 hatchlings will live to adulthood. Several organizations throughout the Golden Isles are devoted to protection and preservation of threatened sea turtles and their nests.

*You can learn more about these fascinating creatures at the Georgia Sea Turtle Center on Jekyll Island. For information, please see the listing on page 22.*



### 37. Beach Club Condominiums ★

1440 Ocean Boulevard, 31522. (912) 634-3681; (800) 434-1592. [www.beachclubstsimons.com](http://www.beachclubstsimons.com). 113 condos, 1 BR \$145-\$260; 2 BR \$170-\$375; 3 BR \$260-\$445. Daily, weekly and monthly rates available.

1 meeting room, capacity: 40. B-BR-G-H-K-P-S-T. St. Simons Island's largest oceanfront condominium community. Fully furnished 1-3 BR oceanfront condos including washer/dryer, TV, linens and kitchens. Amenities include: oceanfront pool, hot tubs, tennis courts, private beach boardwalk, fitness, business and recreation center, community barbecue grills and security gate.



### 38. Best Western Island Inn ★

301 Main Street, Plantation Village, 31522. (912) 638-7805; (800) 673-6323; FAX (912) 634-4720. [www.bestwestern.com/islandinn](http://www.bestwestern.com/islandinn). Email: [aellis@ssiresorts.com](mailto:aellis@ssiresorts.com). 61 rooms, \$89-\$149. 2 meeting rooms, capacity: banquet 120, theatre 225, conference 120, reception 200.

BR-CC-H-P-S. Quiet, secluded island setting where meetings, wedding and reunions are our specialty. Beautiful pool and sundeck, southern style gazebo and fresh baked cookies at check-in. High-speed Internet access, complimentary breakfast.



### 39. Epworth by the Sea ★

100 Arthur Moore Drive, PO Box 20407, 31522. (912) 638-8688. FAX (912) 634-0642. [www.epworthbythesea.org](http://www.epworthbythesea.org). 235 rooms, \$64-\$131. 36 meeting rooms, capacity: banquet 400, theatre 300, conference 900. BR-H-K-P-R-S-T. Located on the banks of the Frederica River.

Owned and operated by the United Methodist Church. Athletic field; lighted tennis courts (Courts available to guests of Epworth by the Sea). Lovely Lane Chapel available for weddings.



### 40. Hampton Inn ★

2204 Demere Road, 31522. (912) 634-2204; (800) HAMPTON; FAX (912) 634-3898. [www.hampton-inn.com/hi/stsimons](http://www.hampton-inn.com/hi/stsimons). 79 rooms, \$109-\$159. 1 meeting room, capacity: banquet 25, theatre 40, conference 25. CC-H-P. Outdoor pool and spa, cabana. Complimentary

breakfast. Voicemail and high-speed Internet access. Iron and board, hair dryer, and coffee maker, free HBO and DISNEY. Guest laundry. Hampton Inn Hotel of Excellence Award winner.



### 41. Harbour Oaks ★

800 Mallery Street, 31522. (912) 634-3681; (800) 434-1592. [www.hodnettcooper.com](http://www.hodnettcooper.com). 10 condos, 2 BR \$130-\$160; 3 BR \$140-\$170. K-P-T-S. Fully furnished 2 and 3 BR condos including kitchen,

washer/dryer, and TV, linens, pool and tennis courts. This lovely community is conveniently located near the Village, shopping, dining and the pier.



### 42. Holiday Inn Express ★

299 Main Street, Plantation Village, 31522. (912) 634-2175; (800) 787-4666; FAX (912) 634-2174. [www.hiexpress.com/stsimonsga](http://www.hiexpress.com/stsimonsga).

Email: [aellis@ssiresorts.com](mailto:aellis@ssiresorts.com). 60 rooms, \$99-\$149. 1 meeting room, capacity: theatre 24, conference 24. BR-CC-H-P. Complimentary

"Smart Start" Breakfast buffet, Simply Smart bedding collection, on-site bike rental, executive rooms for business travelers, fresh-baked cookies at check-in, interior corridors, free local calls, voicemail. 100% smoke-free hotel. High-speed Internet access. Elevator.



### 43. King and Prince Beach & Golf Resort ★

201 Arnold Road, 31522. (912) 638-3631; (800) 342-0212; FAX (912) 638-7699. [www.kingandprince.com](http://www.kingandprince.com).

Email: [sales@kingandprince.com](mailto:sales@kingandprince.com). 197 rooms, \$139-\$919. 8 meeting rooms, capacity: banquet 270, theatre 300, conference 220.

B-BR-CC-G-H-HP-K-P-R-S-T. This historic oceanfront resort features 197 guest rooms and suites in a variety of buildings, room décor and views, 40 two- and three-bedroom villas and 8 private homes. Resort amenities include an indoor pool and hot tub, four outdoor oceanfront pools, a challenging 18-hole golf course, massage therapies, complimentary fitness and business center, complimentary Wi-Fi in all guest rooms, oceanfront dining, two clay tennis courts and the beautiful St. Simons Island beachfront. Member of Historic Hotels of America.





#### 44. The Lodge at Sea Island Golf Club ★

100 Retreat Avenue, 31522. (912) 638-3611; (800) SEAISLAND. [www.seaisland.com](http://www.seaisland.com). 38 rooms and 2 suites, from \$395. 3 meeting rooms, capacity: banquet 80, theatre 800, conference 24. Private dinners for up to 18 guests may be booked in the wine cellar. A-BR-CC-G-H-HP-

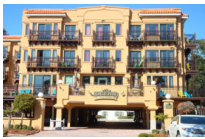
R(2)-S-T. Uncomplicated luxury is the hallmark of the AAA Five-Diamond, Forbes Five-Star Lodge at Sea Island Golf Club. A property of carefully preserved natural beauty, it evokes the feel of an English country manor complete with 24-hour butler service, two championship golf courses, a spa and fitness center, and spectacular restaurants. In addition to golf on site, guests can take pleasure in a stroll past the sea grass and water's edge or take leisurely bike rides beneath hundred-year-old oaks to the nearby pier. The Lodge veranda is the perfect place to enjoy a drink and watch the sunset as a lone bagpiper closes the day with his soul-stirring music. Guests also enjoy the amenities of the nearby Cloister at Sea Island.



#### 45. North Breakers Condominiums ★

1470 Wood Avenue, 31522. (912) 634-3681; (800) 434-1592. [www.NorthBreakersStSimons.com](http://www.NorthBreakersStSimons.com). 26 condos, 2 BR \$170-\$340; 3 BR \$305-\$505. Daily, weekly and monthly rates available. B-BR-G-H-K-P-S. Fully furnished 2 and 3 BR oceanfront condos including

washer/dryer, TV, linens and kitchen. Daily, weekly and monthly rates available. Located within walking distance of the Maritime Museum at the historic Coast Guard Station. Amenities include a pool, hot tub, private beach, boardwalk, barbeque grills, security gate and direct beach access.



#### 46. Ocean Inn & Suites ★

599 Beachview Drive, 31522. (912) 634-2122; (877) OCEANINN; FAX (912) 638-6567. [www.oceaninnsuites.com](http://www.oceaninnsuites.com). Email: [gm@oceaninnsuites.com](mailto:gm@oceaninnsuites.com). 37 rooms, 10 floorplans; standard and oceanview rooms from \$99-\$399. H-K-P-S-HP. Luxury boutique hotel

200 yards from the ocean and across the street from the historic lighthouse in the heart of the village. Walk to village restaurants, shops, pubs and the pier. Smoke and pet free. Complimentary continental breakfast. Free Wi-Fi, rosewood floors and marble bathrooms. See our website for full list of amenities.



#### 47. Ocean Lodge ★

935 Beachview Drive, 31522. (912) 291-4300; (866) 634-1647; FAX (912) 291-4302. [www.oceanlodgessi.com](http://www.oceanlodgessi.com). Email: [reserve@oceanlodgessi.com](mailto:reserve@oceanlodgessi.com). 15 suites, 6 individual rooms, \$195-\$700. Meeting rooms, capacity 30. BR-CC-G-H-HP-K-P-S. Luxury boutique

hotel located 150 yards from the beach with exercise facilities and endless pool. Features a rooftop lounge and restaurant with a tapas menu that honors European flavors and Low Country traditions. Complimentary tabletop breakfast, bikes, beach chairs and umbrellas. The Ocean Lodge, designed with Old World charm, warmth and character, is finely and luxuriously decorated.



#### 48. Ocean Walk ★

850 Mallery Street, 31522. (912) 634-3681; (800) 434-1592. [www.hodnettcooper.com](http://www.hodnettcooper.com). 30 condos, 1 BR \$110-\$140; 2 BR \$130-\$160; 3 BR \$140-\$170. A-K-P-T-S. This lovely condominium community is just a bike ride to The Village, pier or beach. Enjoy the picturesque

grounds with stately oaks, beautiful fountain and duck pond. Every member of the family will find an activity to enjoy, with two community pools, two tennis courts, a playground and a fitness center. Ocean Walk residences offer a choice of single or multi-level floor plans, with one to three bedrooms and baths, a living and dining area and a fully equipped kitchen.



#### 49. St. Simons Grand ★

1400 Ocean Boulevard, 31522. (912) 634-3681; (800) 434-1592. [www.grandstsimons.com](http://www.grandstsimons.com). 34 condos, 3 BR \$335-\$550; 4 BR \$430-\$715. B-BR-G-H-K-P-S. Elegant, spacious, fully furnished oceanfront villas. Full kitchen, private balcony and beach views. Amenities include a

pool, hot tub, barbeque grills, covered parking, security gate. Daily, weekly and monthly rentals available.

# BRUNSWICK & Golden Isles LORE

## BOOKS ABOUT BRUNSWICK & THE GOLDEN ISLES

There are an abundance of books on Brunswick & The Golden Isles. This list, compiled by the Brunswick-Glynn County Regional Library, offers some of the best known non-fiction titles, most of which are available here in the area.

*A Guide to The Georgia Coast*  
by the Georgia Conservancy, 1984.

*Coastal Georgia*  
by Beth Reiter and  
Van Jones Martin, 1985.

*Flags of Five Nations: A Collection of Historical Sketches and Stories of The Golden Isles of Georgia*  
by Burnett Vanstory, 1971.

*Frederica, Colonial Fort and Town*  
by Trevor Reese, 1969.

*Georgia's Land of The Golden Isles*  
by Burnett Vanstory, 1981.

*Ghost Stories and Superstitions of Old St. Simons*  
by Burnett Vanstory, 1971.

*Guale: The Sacred Landscape*  
by James Valentine, 1988.

*Historic Glimpses of St. Simons Island, 1736-1924*  
by the Coastal Georgia  
Historical Society, 1973.

*Jekyll Island Club: Southern Haven for America's Millionaires*  
by William B. and June H. McCash, 1989.

*Live Oaking: Southern Timber for Tall Ships*  
by Virginia Steele Wood, 1981.

*Our Todays and Yesterdays: A Story of Brunswick and The Golden Isles*  
by Margaret Davis Cate, 1931.

*Patriarchal Plantations of St. Simons Island (a series)*  
by Mildred Huie, 1974.

*St. Simons: Enchanted Island*  
by Barbara Hull, 1980.

*This Happy Isle: The Story of Sea Island and The Cloister*  
by Harold H. Martin, 1978.

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## LIVE OAK TREES

Visitors are invariably captivated by the beautiful and natural canopy provided by the countless live oaks that grow for so long and so large in this area. So named because their deep green leaves retain their color throughout the year, live oaks are known for their enormous size and vast networks of twisting, winding limbs. In the early days, St. Simons Island was home to a thriving lumber industry, famed throughout the world. In fact, rock-hard oak timbers, cut from Cannon's Point on the Island's north end, were used in 1794 to build the frigate U.S.S. Constitution—cause, in part, for its nickname as “Old Ironsides.” In 1874, timbers from the Island were also cut for use in the construction of the Brooklyn Bridge. While many trees in this area are much older, legend holds that the average life span of an oak is 300 years—100 years of growth, 100 years of mature existence, and 100 years of decline.

*Gascoigne Bluff is Stop 23 on The Brunswick/Golden Isles Driving Tour.*



### 50. Saint Simons Inn by the Lighthouse ★

609 Beachview Drive, 31522. (912) 638-1101; FAX (912) 638-0943. [www.stsimonsinn.com](http://www.stsimonsinn.com). 34 rooms, \$149-\$189. H-P-S. One block from beach, within walking distance of the village, pier, restaurants. Cable TV, microwave and refrigerator in all rooms. High-speed Internet access in lobby. Complimentary continental breakfast. Covered, lighted parking. AARP, AAA, government discounts. Ask about our deluxe penthouse! Come and experience the hospitality of this charming, Southern island retreat.



### 51. Salt Air Villas ★

150 Salt Air Drive, 31522. (800) 434-1592; (912) 634-3681. [www.bodnettcooper.com](http://www.bodnettcooper.com). 30 villas, \$105-\$215. K-P-S. Well appointed 1 and 2 bedroom villas with granite countertops, large walk-in showers, whirlpool tubs and private balconies. Courtyard with pool.



### 52. Sea Gate Inn

1015 Beachview Drive, 31522. (912) 634-3681; (800) 434-1592. [www.seagateinnstsimons.com](http://www.seagateinnstsimons.com). 24 oceanfront rooms, \$129-\$269. K-P-HP-S. Located in a premium island location, central to shops, restaurants, the beach and other St. Simons Island amenities, the new Sea Gate Inn offers luxurious condominium hotel suites.



### 53. Sea Palms Golf and Tennis Resort ★

5445 Frederica Road, 31522. (912) 638-3351; (800) 841-6268; FAX (912) 634-8029. [www.seapalms.com](http://www.seapalms.com). Email: [sales@seapalms.com](mailto:sales@seapalms.com). 175 rooms including one-, two-, three-, and four-bedroom suites. Price ranges from \$159-\$499. BR-G-H-K-P-R(2)-S-T. Conference center offers 11 private meeting rooms. Capacity: theatre 400, banquet 320, and several options for breakout space. Full service restaurant serving breakfast, lunch and dinner. Exterior enclosed courtyard with seating for up to 400 people. 6,500 square-foot climate controlled pavilion, capacity: theatre, 1000; banquet, 600. Beautiful, quiet with great views of lagoons, golf course and salt marsh. Sea Palms offers 27 holes of on-property golf, private beach club, 3 swimming pools, restaurant, volleyball, fitness center and more. Fantastic package rates year 'round.



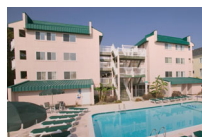
### 54. Sea Palms Inn ★

411 Longview Plaza, Frederica Road, 31522. (912) 634-0660; (800) 870-3736; FAX (912) 638-7115. [www.seapalms.com](http://www.seapalms.com). 100 rooms, \$89-\$159. 1 meeting room, capacity: banquet 80, theatre 120, conference 80. A-BR-G-H-P-S-T. Located in the heart of St. Simons Island, the Sea Palms Inn is the perfect spot to stay for your visit to St. Simons Island. Amenities include an indoor heated pool with Jacuzzi. Continental daily breakfast buffet included.



### 55. Sea Point Lodge ★

800 Ocean Boulevard, 31522. (912) 634-3681; (800) 434-1592. [www.bodnettcooper.com](http://www.bodnettcooper.com). 2 condos, 2BR \$215-\$400. Luxurious, well appointed condos located on Ocean Boulevard, just across from the elementary school. Sea Point Lodge is convenient to The Village, shops, restaurants, the Lighthouse and the Pier.



### 56. Shipwatch Condominiums ★

1524 Wood Avenue, 31522. (912) 634-3681; (800) 434-1592. [www.shipwatchstsimons.com](http://www.shipwatchstsimons.com). 27 condos, 2 BR \$125-\$285. B-BR-H-K-P-S. Fully furnished oceanfront condos including kitchen, outdoor deck, washer/dryer, TV and linens offer direct beach access, swimming pool, volleyball court and grilling area. Daily, weekly and monthly rentals available.

#### KEY TO LODGING SERVICES:

A Pets allowed  
B On the beach  
BR Bike Rentals  
CC Closed caption TV

G Golf  
H Facilities for Handicapped  
HP Honeymoon  
K Kitchenettes

P Pool  
R Restaurant  
S Suites  
T Tennis

All lodging information is subject to change without notice. Please contact individual property to confirm rates, availabilities, services and other information prior to arrival. Information updates and corrections are posted on our web site at [www.ComeCoastAwhile.com](http://www.ComeCoastAwhile.com) until the next edition of the Visitors Guide is published.



## Bed & Breakfast Inns



### B4. Beach Bed and Breakfast ★

907 Beachview Drive, 31522. (912) 634-2800; (877) 634-2800; FAX (912) 634-6857. [www.beachbedandbreakfast.com](http://www.beachbedandbreakfast.com).

Email: [reserve@beachbedandbreakfast.com](mailto:reserve@beachbedandbreakfast.com). Beautiful oceanfront Spanish Mediterranean-style villa with 3 suites, \$320-\$550.

Meeting and banquet space for 10. A-B-BR-CC-G-H-HP-K-P-S. Complimentary use of bicycles, golf or golf packages arranged at a discount, pool. Tennis close by. Hot breakfast served daily and complimentary beer, wine, drinks, water and snacks replenished in room daily.



### B5. Village Inn and Pub ★

500 Mallery Street, 31522. (912) 634-6056; (888) 635-6111; FAX (912) 634-1464. [www.villageinnandpub.com](http://www.villageinnandpub.com).

Email: [kristy@villageinnandpub.com](mailto:kristy@villageinnandpub.com). 28 rooms, \$99-\$220.

A-CC-H-P. A charming bed and breakfast inn with an equally

charming pub. Great location for small gatherings, small meetings, luncheons, showers and honeymoons. In the heart of the village on St. Simons Island. Deluxe continental breakfast and wedding packages available.

## Sea Island



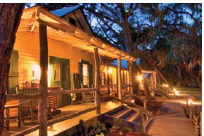
### 57. The Cloister ★

100 Cloister Drive, 31561. (912) 638-3611; (800) 732-4752.

[www.seaisland.com](http://www.seaisland.com). Email: [info@seaisland.com](mailto:info@seaisland.com). 175 rooms and suites, from \$395. 10 meeting rooms, capacity: banquet 550, theatre 510, conference 445, board room 18. The Forbes Five-Star Cloister has a

variety of meeting spaces that include rooms for intimate private board meetings to large assemblies. A-B-BR-CC-G-H-HP-P(3)-R(7)-S-T. Celebrating over 82 years of gracious hospitality, The Cloister offers outstanding service and signature activities including golf, tennis, five miles of private beach, full-service spa and fitness, boating, Shooting School, waterway excursions, Camp Cloister for children, and 24-hour room service.

## Little St. Simons Island



### 58. The Lodge on Little St. Simons Island ★

PO Box 21078, 31522. (912) 638-7472; (888) 733-5774; (912) 634-1811. [www.LittleSSI.com](http://www.LittleSSI.com). Email: [Lodge@LittleStSimonsIsland.com](mailto:Lodge@LittleStSimonsIsland.com).

16 rooms, \$450-\$675. 1 meeting room, capacity: 32. B-BR-HP-P-R-S.

Recognized for its abundant natural beauty, gracious hospitality and secluded world's away appeal (accessible only by boat), Little St. Simons Island and its riches await your discovery. Nature takes center stage, where 10,000 perfectly preserved acres are shared with no more than 32 overnight guests. Seven miles of shell-strewn beaches and an enticing array of outdoor activities beckon guests to explore and discover our natural wonders. Guided day tours are available year 'round by reservation only. Voted Best Mainland U.S. Resort in 2008 *Conde Nast Traveler Magazine* Gold List.

## Jekyll Island

Via Jekyll Island (Downing Musgrove) Causeway—\$5.00 parking fee. Complete information about Jekyll Island hotels is available at 877-4JEKYLL or [www.jekyllisland.com](http://www.jekyllisland.com).

**59. The Beachview Club ★**, 721 North Beachview Drive, 38 rooms

**60. Days Inn & Suites ★**, 60 South Beachview Drive, 124 rooms/suites

**61. Hampton Inn and Suites ★**, 200 South Beachview Drive, 138 rooms/suites

**62. Jekyll Island Club Hotel ★**, 371 Riverview Drive, 157 rooms

**63. Jekyll Oceanfront Clarion Resort ★**, 975 North Beachview Drive, 260 rooms

**64. Oceanside Inn & Suites ★**, 711 North Beachview Drive, 178 rooms

**65. Quality Inn & Suites ★**, 700 North Beachview Drive, 51 rooms

**66. Villas by the Sea Hotel & Conference Center ★**, 1175 North Beachview Drive, 160 villas

# BRUNSWICK & Golden Isles LORE



## SAND DUNES

The lovely sand dunes that lie along the ocean shore are a beautiful sight, but not many people know that these dunes actually have their origin on the opposite (marshland) side of the islands. Dead marsh grass from these areas between the barrier islands and the mainland are loosened and carried out toward the sea by the force of receding tides. The grasses then wash up on the beaches where they provide shelter for very hearty species of grasses to grow. These plants hold the sand and make it less susceptible to movement by wind and surf. Eventually, small ridges of sand form and as the process continues, new generations of plants hold more and more layers of sand. As a result, dunes slowly grow larger and larger. The sea oats you find in mature dunes are vital to dune and seashore stabilization. That's why picking sea oats is prohibited by law—despite their beauty.



# Campgrounds

## Brunswick



### C1. Altamaha Regional Park

1605 Altamaha Park Road, 31525. (912) 264-2342. DIRECTIONS: I-95 Exit 36B. Between Brunswick and Jesup on US 341; at Everett City, 3 miles east on Altamaha Park Road. 43 campsites and full hookup sites. 30 amp and 50 amp service. Full hookup: \$18/day,

\$108/week. Tent sites: \$14/day, \$84/week. 2 tents per family maximum. 30 day maximum stay may be renewed. Swimming area, picnic facilities, playground, rustic surroundings, pets allowed on leash. Coin laundry. Boat ramp, no launch fees, tackle, food, soft drinks, ice, gas and oil, marine supplies, live and dead bait. Floating docks.



### C2. Blythe Island Regional Park

6616 Blythe Island Highway, SR 303, 31523. (912) 279-2812; (800) 343-7855; FAX (912) 261-3847. [www.glynncounty.org](http://www.glynncounty.org). Email: [blytheisland@glynncounty-ga.gov](mailto:blytheisland@glynncounty-ga.gov). DIRECTIONS: I-95 Exit 29, 17 South, GA 303 North, 3 miles on right; or I-95 Exit 36A, US 341

East, GA 303 South, 4 miles on left. Campsites, tenting and RV camping. 40 full hookups, pull thru's available. Full hookup and partial hookup at 30 and 50 amp service; call for prices. 3 months maximum stay. Some tent sites available. All RV sites include cable TV. Facilities for handicapped, fresh water lake with swim area, laundromat, bathhouse, picnic tables, pavilion, saltwater and freshwater fishing, marina, electric hoist, live and dead bait, ice, oil, nature trail, bike trail, boat ramp and marina, public boat ramp. Pets allowed on leash.



### C3. Coastal Georgia RV Resort

287 Southport Parkway, 31523. (912) 264-3869; FAX: (912) 264-9775. [www.coastalgarvresort.com](http://www.coastalgarvresort.com). Email: [coastalgarv@att.net](mailto:coastalgarv@att.net). 105 sites, all 35 feet wide with lengths from 60 to 70 feet. Most sites are pull-throughs with full hookups including

30 and 50 amp service, tables, fire rings and grills. Conference room, two bath houses, two laundromats and a store with RV supplies and LP gas. Game room, paddle boats, lake for fishing, pool, playground, horseshoe pits and shuffleboard courts.



### C4. Golden Isles Vacation Park

7445 Blythe Island Highway, 31523. (912) 261-1025; FAX: (912) 265-5861. [www.goldenislesrvpark.com](http://www.goldenislesrvpark.com). Email: [goldenislesrv@bellsouth.net](mailto:goldenislesrv@bellsouth.net). DIRECTIONS: I-95 Exit 29,

west ½ mile to Highway 303, right on 303, .2 mile north. 130 full hookups and 20 campsites. Full hookup: \$30/night (30 amp), \$32/night (50 amp), \$160/week, \$375-\$425/monthly. No maximum stay. Tent sites: \$10/night, \$50/week primitive; \$20/night, \$100/week W-E-C. Restaurant, laundry, bath houses, modems/phones, playground, pool, pets allowed. Free high-speed Internet access and computer access on premises. Seafood buffet Friday nights 5:30-9pm.

## Jekyll Island

Via Jekyll Island (Downing Musgrove) Causeway—\$3.00 parking fee. Complete information about the Jekyll Island Campground is available at 877-4JEKYLL or [www.jekyllisland.com](http://www.jekyllisland.com).

### C4. Jekyll Island Campground

1197 Riverview Drive. 163 full-hookup sites; 43 primitive campsites.





## Vacation Rentals Cottages • Condos • Homes

### St. Simons Island

#### American Dream ★

850 Mallory Street, (912) 223-6109; (888) 638-6092. [www.americandreamssi.com](http://www.americandreamssi.com)

#### Beachcomber Properties ★

539 Ocean Blvd., (912) 638-0697; (877) 382-9927. [www.realestatessi.com](http://www.realestatessi.com)

#### Beachview House ★

537 Beachview Drive, (603) 524-2000. [www.beachviewhouse.com](http://www.beachviewhouse.com)

#### Belinda Thomas Realty, Inc. ★

254 Redfern Village, (912) 638-1965; (866) 638-1965. [www.spiritofstsimons.com](http://www.spiritofstsimons.com)

#### By the Sea Vacations ★

2467 Demere Road, (912) 638-6610; (866) 639-6610. [www.bytheseavacations.com](http://www.bytheseavacations.com)

#### Cantrell Properties ★

2467 Demere Road, (866) 693-1010. [www.cantrellpropertiesinc.com](http://www.cantrellpropertiesinc.com)

#### Century 21 Island Development ★

2481 Demere Road, Suite 101. (912) 638-1021; (800) 900-1021. [www.c21idc.com](http://www.c21idc.com)

#### Georgia Coast Realty ★

105 Main Street, Plantation Village. (912) 638-1144; (800) 639-1144. [www.gacoastrealty.com](http://www.gacoastrealty.com)

#### Golden Isles Realty Company, Inc. ★

330 Mallory Street, (912) 638-8623; (800) 337-3106. [www.golden-isles-realty.com](http://www.golden-isles-realty.com)

#### Hodnett Cooper Vacation Rentals ★

520 Ocean Blvd. (912) 638-4750; (888) 638-4750. [www.hodnettcooper.com](http://www.hodnettcooper.com)

#### Parker Kaufman Realtors / St. Simons Island ★

1699 Fredrica Road, Longview Shopping Center. (912) 638-3368; (888) 227-8573.  
[www.parker-kaufman.com/ssi](http://www.parker-kaufman.com/ssi)

#### Real Escapes Properties ★

406 Ocean Blvd. (912) 634-1667; (800) 634-1667. [www.realescapesproperties.com](http://www.realescapesproperties.com)

#### Strachan Carriage House

Butler Drive, (404) 261-1352. [www.stsimonscarriagehouse.com](http://www.stsimonscarriagehouse.com)

#### St. Simons Beach Rentals ★

(912) 996-3516. [www.stsimonsbeachrentals.com](http://www.stsimonsbeachrentals.com)

## Sea Island

#### Sea Island Cottage Rentals ★

600 Sea Island Road, Suite 27. (912) 638-5855 x5112; (800) 732-4752. [www.seaislandcottages.com](http://www.seaislandcottages.com)

## Jekyll Island

Via Jekyll Island (Downing Musgrove) Causeway—\$3.00 parking fee. Complete information about Jekyll Island vacation rentals is available at 877-4JEKYLL or [www.jekyllisland.com](http://www.jekyllisland.com).

#### Jekyll Realty Company, Inc. ★

12 Beachview Drive

#### Parker-Kaufman Realtors ★

22 Beachview Drive

*All lodging information is subject to change without notice. Please contact individual property to confirm rates, availabilities, services and other information prior to arrival. Information updates and corrections are posted on our web site at [www.ComeCoastAwhile.com](http://www.ComeCoastAwhile.com) until the next edition of the Visitors Guide is published.*

# BRUNSWICK & Golden Isles LORE

## Knobbed Whelks

The Knobbed Whelk, *Busycon carica*, is recognized as Georgia's official state seashell. The shell houses a snail-like sea creature called a whelk. The outside of the shell has a distinct row of spike-like knobs, known as tubercles, along the outer edge of its shoulder. Though they can grow to a length of 12 inches, most knobbed whelk shells found on our beaches are from 3 to 5 inches long.

When you stroll our beautiful Golden Isles beaches and see something that resembles a spiral shaped string of tiny Japanese paper lanterns, you've found whelk egg cases. Young whelks emerge from their egg cases in tiny, one-whorled shells to feed on the rich bounty of our coastal waters.

Find a whelk shell on our beaches and chances are good that it houses a living creature other than the whelk. Collectors who pick up these shells are often surprised to find hermit crabs. The hermit crab's soft shell makes it vulnerable to predators, so it seeks shelter in sturdier whelk shells. As the hermit crab grows, it moves to larger whelk shells.

To avoid being surprised that you've taken a live creature home, we suggest that whelk shells found on the beach be placed gently back into the surf. Specialty shops in our area offer carefully inspected, uninhabited shells for you to take home and treasure.

