



ST. AUGUSTINE PONTE VEDRA & THE BEACHES, FLORIDA

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SHOPPING AND DINING

Visitors to St. Augustine Ponte Vedra and The Beaches enjoy many unique shopping venues and locally manufactured products such as Datil Pepper Sauce, chocolates from Whetstone's or Claude's, Old St. Augustine Seville Marmalade, Ponte Vedra - the fragrance, and Bulls Chips (handmade kettle chips). All are available at the many retail outlets throughout the area.

There are more than 20 art galleries and 25 antique stores in St. Augustine, as well as trendy resort boutiques in Ponte Vedra Beach. St. Augustine shopping ranges from one-of-a-kind art and antique stores to two of the most popular outlet malls in the Southeast.

In the very heart of St. Augustine, visitors can browse among the specialty stores for unique gift items and eclectic apparel or explore art shops, stores and galleries for a glance at the works of artists from around the world, as well as the creations of more than 250 artists who call St. Augustine home. And many of St. Augustine's attractions offer an array of unique specialty souvenir gifts.

The St. Augustine Premium Outlets and the Prime Outlets St. Augustine, located at I-95 Exit 318 (S.R. 16), shoppers can explore more than 150 factory outlet stores featuring top name brands like Gucci, Juicy Couture, Michael Kors, Kenneth Cole and more. Just one exit north of the Outlet Malls on I-95, the World Golf Village offers quality clothing, toys, art and sporting apparel stores encircling a lake setting, which includes the World Golf Hall of Fame/IMAX Theater and the largest PGA TOUR Stop.

Ponte Vedra's two acclaimed resorts, Sawgrass Marriott Resort and Spa and the Ponte Vedra Inn & Club, have excellent clothing, gift and specialty stores offering merchandise tailored to appeal to guests who frequent the resorts. Two-dozen quality boutiques and other fine specialty shops can be found in nearby Sawgrass Village.

Dining

With a broad choice of restaurants ranging from down-home country cooking and barbecue to the finest award-winning American and international cuisine, St. Augustine, Ponte Vedra & The Beaches is home to restaurant choices that offer an tantalizing array of atmospheres and flavor.

The coastal location insures savory seafood is in abundance - freshly caught fish, shrimp, oysters, and clams are local favorites. The seafood dining experiences become even more enjoyable when experienced at one of the many waterfront restaurants in the area.

From traditional Spanish cuisine to exotic specialties, including local Minorcan dishes flavored with native grown herbs and spices, the area restaurants are sure to please even the most discerning palate.

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