

Captiva Island's South Seas

Presenting classic island charm, the 330-acre South Seas is nestled among mangroves with more than half of the resort a dedicated wildlife preserve and estuary. World-renowned fishing, boating and yachting, and discovering storied barrier islands are among the unforgettable experiences of a South Seas guest. The resort has been a cherished destination for vacations, weddings, and retreats for more than 75 years.

Destination

Half-a-mile from South Seas on Andy Rosse Lane, guests can enjoy shops and restaurants, including Mucky Duck, RC Otters, and others soon to open. Captiva and its sister island, Sanibel, are known to boast 230 species of birds, more than 20 miles of bike paths. The resort is a short drive from area attractions including J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge, and the spring training facilities of the Boston Red Sox and Minnesota Twins.

Only 45 minutes, yet a world away, Captiva Island is connected to Florida's mainland via Sanibel Causeway and a "blink-and-you'll-miss-it" bridge over Blind Pass joining it to Sanibel Island. Tucked away at the northern end of the five-mile long, one-half-mile wide Captiva Island, South Seas is between Pine Island Sound on one side and the Gulf of Mexico on the other side while situated on two-and-a-half miles of powder-white beaches lapped by turquoise tides.

Accommodations

More than a dozen refurbished accommodations of varying types, each steps from the Gulf of Mexico including beach villas and beach homes are now available for reservations. By late summer the resort will have more than 50 accommodations available with the addition of marina villas, beach villas, and tennis villas.

Culinary + Beverage

Starbucks is open and caffeinating Captiva while nearby Provisions (formerly Captiva Provision Company) will open this fall with a redesigned market offering to-go grab wraps and sandwiches at the deli with fresh beverages, snacks, and gift items for all needs. South Seas has also introduced two food trucks - Shell City Burgers truck, featuring gourmet burgers and Island Tacos truck. Each offers an upscale take on grab-n-go specialties with a robust beverage offering while the new resort restaurants finalize completion.

The new Redfish Grille (previously The Pointe) will open in early 2024 with an abundance of outdoor seating and menu items that celebrate the essence of the Florida Gulf Coast. Patrons will enjoy cuisine such as grilled mahi tacos, seared grouper sandwich, steamed mussels, and more. By the start of 2024, South Seas is slated to have all restaurant and pool experiences open and welcoming guests to a robust, familiar yet fresh experience.

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In late fall, South Seas looks forward to hosting the South Seas Farmers Market again.

Beach

Guests of South Seas have access to Sunset Beach, a private, pristine stretch of natural sand, with outstanding shelling, more than 250 types of seashells, and mesmerizing sunsets. Guests spot shell-seekers doing the "Sanibel Stoop" or "Captiva Crouch" as they search for the perfect shell.

The Yacht Club Marina

The Yacht Club Marina is now open offering short- and long-term dockage across 2,400 linear feet with all boating essentials including fuel, electricity, bait, ice and snacks. From the Marina, renowned fishing and boating charters are available as well as eco-cruises and nature tours.

Fishing

The Bayview Fishing Pier (the T-Dock) is being rebuilt and reopening soon, welcoming guests back to what is arguably the best view of Pine Island Sound, a place where countless Instagrams and wedding photos have been captured and the spot where many children over the last 75 years have caught their first fish.

Golf

By mid-November, the resort will officially open the new, 12-hole, Beau Welling re-designed golf course aptly named The Clutch. The Clutch is a unique, family-friendly short course conceptualized by one of the top designers. The course will create something for everyone from beginners to avid golfers with challenging approach shots and pin placements.

Pools

The later phases of reopening will herald the introduction of new amenities and experiences for guests to enjoy. By late fall, South Seas Bayview (North Village) will open as a landscaped complex of three family-friendly pools, complete with winding waterslides and reconfigured chaise lounges, new poolside private cabanas, tropical drinks at Tarpon Bar, and dive-in movie nights. South Seas Bayview will offer many experiences with breathtaking views of the bay.

The resort has a firepit at Harborside patio for s'mores while family games and activities will be on the Marina lawn.

Nature

The resort village is a protected wildlife sanctuary existing in natural Florida beauty. Wildlife residing on the island and in the waters range from bottle-nosed dolphins and West Indian manatees to great egrets, white ibis and Cuban anole lizards.

Resilient Restoration

This new era for the beloved island getaway is inspired by past generations of vacationers and redevelopment plans reflect a commitment to protect and enhance Captiva Island. The restoration of South Seas is currently underway with the goal to build resilient accommodations and amenities designed to withstand severe weather conditions and safeguard the entire community from prolonged periods of loss and recovery.

Currently, South Seas is working with Lee County, local homeowners and community groups to address redevelopment plans. South Seas remains committed to environmental sustainability and conservation that will be reflected in its upcoming upgrades to include a more resilient golf course design, the replacement of invasive species with native plants, as well as larger community initiatives such as the restoration of the Red Fish Pass revetment and the reconstruction of the South Seas fishing pier.

Airport Access

35 miles from Southwest Florida International Airport (RSW)

64 miles from Charlotte County Airport (PGD)

Location

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