

# 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 more than 75 years. A new chapter begins, one that has been inspired by the many past generations of guests, and thoughtfully recast for the future. South Seas has embarked on a phased reopening, an important milestone in efforts towards recovery and rebuilding from the devastation of Hurricane Ian, dedicated to delivering a resilient, world-class resort.

## **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 small 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 and the Gulf of Mexico ensconced by two-and-a-half miles of powder-white beaches lapped by turquoise tides.

#### **Accommodations**

More than 100 refurbished accommodations of varying types, each steps from the Gulf of Mexico including beach villas, marina villas, tennis villas and beach homes are now available for reservations.

## Culinary + Beverage

Starbucks is open and caffeinating Captiva daily from 7 am to 2:30 pm. 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 is home to the Captiva Island Farmers Market on Tuesdays starting in mid-December 9 am – 1 pm.

Throughout the resort and on Sunset Beach, South Seas offers food truck dining. The Shell City Burgers truck features gourmet burgers while Island Tacos truck offers tacos, nachos, ceviche, and more. Each offer an upscale take on grab-n-go specialties with a robust beverage offering while the new resort restaurants finalize completion. Shell City Burgers at Sunset Beach is open Friday, Saturay & Sunday from 11 am – 5 pm. Island Tacos at the Bayside Pool Complex is open Daily, 11 am – 5 pm.

The new Redfish Grille (previously The Pointe) will open in mid-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 pool experiences open and welcoming guests to a robust, familiar yet fresh experience.

## 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

Nestled between serene beach views and lush landscapes, the short course has been meticulously re-designed by Beau Welling to offer both novice players and seasoned golfers a one-of-a-kind experience. Named after a turtle's nest, also called The Clutch, the course is built to offer a fun family outing and presents undulating greens creating a challenge for the most experienced golfer with approach shots and pin placements. With 12 holes, each designed with its own distinctive challenge, the course is a testament to modern golf design. Every hole offers stunning vistas of Pine Island Sound, Red Fish Pass, North Captiva and the Gulf of Mexico and the course is built around three retention ponds that beautifully serve as a highly functioning water drainage system while enhancing the views. The coastal breeze adds an extra layer of challenge and authenticity to the experience.

Keeping in line with the resort's commitment to sustainability, The Clutch is landscaped with native plants, featuring palm trees rescued from construction, and nurtured at a tree nursery and replanted. A state-of-the-art irrigation system ensures minimal water usage while South Seas follows the Florida Best Management Practices ensuring the care and upkeep of the course is handled in an environmentally-sound manner.

## **Pools**

South Seas Bayview (North Village) opened as a landscaped complex of three family-friendly pools, complete with winding waterslides and reconfigured chaise lounges, and new poolside private cabanas. Soon, Tarpon Bar will open with tropical drinks and dive-in movie nights will begin. 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.

### South Seas Online Shop

Guests and admirers of South Seas have an opportunity to purchase apparel in a new South Seas online store. Customizable apparel and accessories for the whole family are available through an online extension of the South Seas golf shop. With brands such as Turtleson, Johnnie O, Straight Down, Donald Ross, Adidas, North Face and more, available year-round, guests may visit <a href="https://shop.southseas.com/">https://shop.southseas.com/</a> to peruse items.

## **Airport Access**

35 miles from Southwest Florida International Airport (RSW) 64 miles from Charlotte County Airport (PGD)

#### Location

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