



EVENT: 4th Annual Beaches to Woodlands Tour

DATE: Each weekend in October 2007

LOCATION: Venues located throughout Santa Rosa County

COST: Most venues are free; some have admission fees or options at additional costs

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Connect With Nature Santa Rosa's 2007 Beaches To Woodlands Tour
Enjoy Special Fall Rates at Navarre Beach And Other Lodging

SANTA ROSA COUNTY, Fla.-- Discover the natural treasures of Santa Rosa County each weekend this October by embarking on the 4th Annual Beaches to Woodlands Tour, a self-guided journey of arts & culture hot spots located in breathtaking natural settings where recreational opportunities abound.

Tour participants can step back in time through two nationally-recognized historic riverfront districts and connect to nature in Florida's Canoe Capital in Santa Rosa County which features more than 500 miles of water trails home to one of the world's purest white-sand bottom rivers.

Outdoor enthusiasts can also experience Blackwater River State Forest, one of Florida's largest state forests with over 200,000 acres of woodlands, where Red-cockaded woodpeckers nest along the Panhandle Section of The Great Florida Birding Trail and portions of the 1,400 mile Florida National Scenic Trail.

Other nature-based venues and special events sponsored along the route include guided hikes with the Western Gate Chapter of the Florida Trail Association, a Gopher Tortoise Conference hosted at Adventures Unlimited and many other recreational opportunities.

October is also a great time to take a Fall vacation. Resorts along the sugar-white beaches and emerald waters of Navarre Beach and throughout the county offer discounts as much as 30 to 40 percent off summer's peak rates. Many resorts also drop their minimum night stay requirement giving travelers more flexibility.

Links to area lodging and other tour details can be found online at www.BeachestoWoodlands.com. A tour brochure and a detailed eco—tourism guide featuring local trails is also available online or by calling 800-480-SAND.

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