

LOOK OUT BELOW!

HELP KEEP SEAGRASS BEDS HEALTHY FOR FISH, WILDLIFE, AND YOU!

SARASOTA BAY MAP | RESPONSIBLE BOATING MAKES A DIFFERENCE

A Waterway Guide to Sarasota & Manatee Counties

| # | MARINAS | MARINAS WITH RESTAURANTS |
|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 | Bradenton Beach Marina | |
| 2 | The Seafood Shack Marina, Bar & Grill | |
| 3 | Tide Tables Restaurant & Marina | FSM |
| 4 | Cortez Cove Boatyard & Marina | |
| 5 | Cannons Marina | |
| 6 | MarineMax Sarasota | |
| 7 | Marina Jack | FSM |

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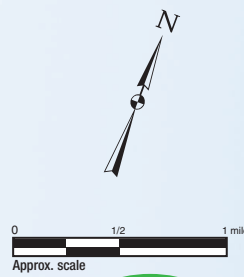
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|----|---|------------|
| 1 | The Waterfront Restaurant | #64 |
| 2 | Waterline Marina Resort & Beach Club | #58 |
| 3 | The Bridge Tender Inn & Dockside Bar | #49A |
| 4 | Star Fish Company | #49 |
| 5 | Swordfish Grill | #48 |
| 6 | Cortez Kitchen | #48 |
| 7 | Mar Vista Dockside Restaurant | #40 |
| 8 | Bearded Clam Waterfront Restaurant & Tiki Bar | #16 |
| 9 | Dry Dock Waterfront Grill | #13 |
| 10 | New Pass Grill & Bait Shop | #13 |
| 11 | The Old Salty Dog | #13 |
| 12 | Oleary's Tiki Bar & Grill | #10 |

| # | NATURAL & HISTORIC POINTS OF INTEREST | Access / ICW Marker No. |
|----|---|--|
| 1. | EMERSON POINT PRESERVE Coastal preserve with trails, boardwalk, beach, home to SW Florida's largest Native American Temple Mound. Restrooms, picnic areas, fishing, wildlife viewing. | Dock/Marker #67 |
| 2. | LEFFIS KEY Restored island preserve, with beach, boardwalk, & 360 degree views. Fishing, wildlife viewing & trails. | Anchor/Marker #47 |
| 3. | PINE KEY/BEER CAN ISLAND White sand beach known for its driftwood and uprooted pine trees. Wildlife viewing. | Anchor/Marker #43 |
| 4. | SISTER KEYS Four restored islands with tidal lagoon, native plants, fishing, & wildlife viewing. | See from water/ Caution: shallow! Marker #34 |
| 5. | CHARLES RINGLING MANSION 1920s winter home of 1 of the 7 Ringling brothers - part of New College of Florida campus | See from water/ Caution: shallow! Marker #15 |
| 6. | CA' D'ZAN 1920s Venetian style winter home of circus family John & Mable Ringling | See from water/ Marker #15 |
| 7. | KEN THOMPSON PARK Boardwalk trails, restrooms, restaurants, picnic areas, playground, fishing, wildlife viewing & wetland restoration area. | Anchor/Marker #12 |



THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE (SEAGRASS) HOMES...

Why Protect SEAGRASSES

70% of the Florida fish you eat or catch, like snook, snapper, stone crab, and grouper, rely on seagrasses to survive.

- Seagrasses...
- provide over \$276 million in economic benefits to our coastal community every year.
 - remove pollution from water. They can also kill bacteria and other human pathogens.
 - stabilize the seafloor and protect us during storms.

A seagrass bed the size of a 3-car garage (600 sq ft) produces all the oxygen one person needs to breathe every day. There are enough seagrasses in Sarasota Bay to do this for the entire population of Manatee and Sarasota counties.

When seagrasses are ripped out, it can take years for them to grow back. Sometimes they never do.

Damaging seagrasses in aquatic preserves, like Terra Ceia or Lemon Bay, can result in up to \$1,000 fine. Running aground can cost \$350/hr for towing + damage costs.

TIPS



- Know your tides - use apps like Navionics, Tides Near Me, or Fishing Points
- Wear polarized sunglasses to see under the water's surface
- Stay in the channel & use your navigation charts
- Tilt your engine up in 2.5 ft of water or less
- Look for water color:
 - greener = shallower
 - bluer = deeper
 - brown = bad, you're stirring up the bottom

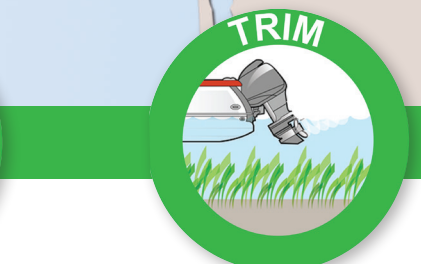
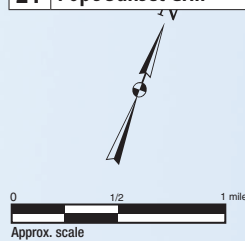
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| 8. OTTER KEY Natural area for wildlife and bird viewing, kayaking, and fishing. | Anchor/Marker #6 |
| 9. Ted Spering Park/South Lido Beach Natural beach & picnic area overlooking Big Pass. Restrooms, food, fishing and wildlife viewing. Strong current. | Anchor/Marker #6 |
| 10. Edwards Islands Bird rookery and designated wildlife area. | See from water/Marker #81 |
| 11. Neville Preserve Mangrove islands with a small beach, coastal birds, plants, fishing, wildlife viewing, and trails. | Anchor/Caution: shallow! Marker #41 |
| 12. Midnight Pass Beach Undeveloped beach along the Gulf of Mexico. Wildlife viewing. | Anchor/Caution: shallow! Marker #41 |
| 13. Osprey Fishing Pier Boat launch, fishing, & wildlife viewing area. | Anchor/Marker #39 |
| 14. North Jetty Beach Park Beach picnic spot on Venice inlet where the Intracoastal Waterway meets the Gulf of Mexico. Restrooms and food. | Anchor/Gulf-side/Marker #4 |
| 15. Snake & Bird Islands Small islands in the mouth of Venice inlet. Fishing and wildlife viewing. Restoration on Snake Island. | Anchor/Marker #4A |
| 16. Higel Marine Park Boat launch and picnic spot overlooking Intracoastal Waterway. Restrooms, fishing and wildlife viewing. | Dock/Marker #3 |

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| 7 | Marina Jack | FSM |
| 8 | Siesta Key Marina | FSM |
| 9 | Hidden Harbor Marina | FSM |
| 10 | Turtle Beach Marina | |
| 11 | Casey Key Marina | FSM |
| 12 | Dockside Store/Gulf Harbor Marina | |
| 13 | Crow's Nest Rest & Marina | FSM |
| 14 | Tarpon Marina | |
| 15 | Fisherman's Wharf Marina & Dockside Grill | FSM |

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| 12 | Oleary's Tiki Bar & Grill | #10 |
| 13 | Phillippi Creek Oyster Bar | #73 |
| 14 | The Boatyard Waterfront Bar & Grill | #61 |
| 15 | Waterfront Restaurant | #51 |
| 16 | Turtles Restaurant | #49 |
| 17 | Ophelia's on the Bay | #37 |
| 18 | Evie's at Spanish Point | #37 |
| 19 | Casey Key Fish House | #33 |
| 20 | Pelican Alley | #10 |
| 21 | Pop's Sunset Grill | #10 |



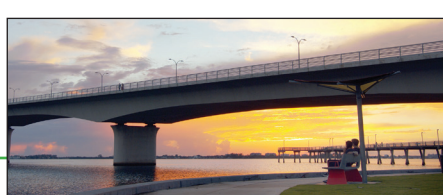
SEAGRASS SAFE BOATING

Watch how to avoid seagrasses and learn what to do if you get stuck. Go to sarasotabay.org and click on "Videos".

Whenever possible, avoid seagrass beds and utilize navigation channels or deeper water.

If over seagrass beds in shallow water, be sure to trim your motor up.

- If aground:
1. Stop your engine and tilt it up.
 2. Use a pole to go back the way you came.
 3. Get off & push your boat (Wear sturdy shoes, there may be oysters!)
 4. Call for help.



Sarasota Bay Estuary Program is dedicated to restoring and protecting the region's most important natural assets: our bays.

Habitat to improve water quality, increase fish habitat, and enhance natural resources of the area for the use and enjoyment of the public.



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CALLING FOR HELP:

- Always contact your boat rental company first!
- Sea Tow Sarasota: 941.756.3422
- Tow Boat U.S. Sarasota: 941.374.5745
- VHF Marine Radio: Channel 16