Gulf State Park Recreation & Activities

- 28 miles of hiking and biking trails
- 800 acres of freshwater fishing lakes

Learning Campus: located in the woods adjacent to Park Headquarters, this sustainably designed and operated venue includes indoor and outdoor classrooms, a laboratory, meeting space, overnight bunkhouse accommodations, and dining at Woodside. Guests are immersed in the discovery of our local environment and engage their sense of adventure through unique programs and multi-day camps. For program information, visit learningcampusgsp.com or call 251-923-3101.

Interpretive Center: the Interpretive Center is the gateway to Gulf State Park where guests are enticed and encouraged to explore the Park’s 6,150 acres and nine distinct ecosystems. Pursuing the world’s most rigorous building certifications, including Living Building Challenge, learn how this special facility generates its own energy and its own water. alapark.com/parks/gulf-state-park/interpretive-center

Nature Center: a living museum of plants and animals that are native to the Gulf Coast region. Our weekly programs include guided nature walks, beach walks, pier walks, and nature time. Through these educational programs, we offer a multitude of learning opportunities for children and adults about Alabama’s Gulf Coast. alapark.com/parks/gulf-state-park/nature-center

Gulf State Park Fishing & Education Pier: the largest pier on the Gulf of Mexico, stretching a quarter mile into the Gulf, offers plenty of fishing and sightseeing action 24 hours a day, all year. Guided pier walks offer the history of the pier, fun facts about some of the wildlife to be seen, and the opportunity to observe the day’s catch. Want to try your hand? Equipment and bait are available. Fees and licenses are required for fishing. Overnight park guests may sightsee for free. alapark.com/parks/gulf-state-park/fishing-and-education-pier

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Dining

Foodcraft Restaurant is home to hand cut steaks, local oysters, coastal favorites and stunning views. Relax with a regional craft beer, a nice glass of wine or one of the best handmade cocktails in Gulf Shores as you overlook the sugar white sand beaches and emerald waters of the Gulf of Mexico. Top it off with a perfect sunset and you simply can’t beat the dining experience at Foodcraft. Visit foodcraftgsp.com or call 251-923-2950.

Roasted Oak

A modern café bar located in the main lobby. Enjoy a selection of locally crafted coffees, infused teas, house-baked breakfast goods and light lunch offerings. In the evening, Roasted Oak transforms into a wine bar featuring carefully selected wines, craft beers and lite bites.

Woodside Restaurant

Located in the heart of Gulf State Park, Woodside offers great food, live music and a variety of backyard games. Sit back, relax and enjoy a great meal in the dining room, our screened porch or find a spot outside under the shade of an oak tree. Open daily for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Food, beer and wine available for carry out. Visit woodsideatgsp.com or call 251-923-3100.

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Our Story

The original Lodge, opened in 1974, was the hub of community activity and a premier destination for 30 years before being irreparably damaged in 2004 by Hurricane Ivan. On November 1, 2018 The Lodge at Gulf State Park, A Hilton Hotel, proudly re-emerged as a model of resilient environmentally-friendly coastal development. As part of the Hilton family, we offer all of the available rewards and benefits of the Hilton Honors Program.

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Tram Schedule
8AM – 5PM Daily

From the Lobby

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Enjoy a bite to eat and a beverage at Woodside before or after exploring the trails on the north side of the Park.

Nature Center
Stop here to say hello to the resident critters in the Nature Center or attend one of the great kid-friendly educational programs. Check out the Camp Store for souvenirs or rent a bike, play tennis or pickleball, or hike one of the Campground trails.

Interpretive Center
While you’re here, you can learn about Alabama’s most environmentally-friendly building, the plants and animals of the nine different ecosystems in the Park, enjoy our beaches, snorkel or dive our new artificial reefs, and picnic in the shade of the Pavilion. Take the Pedestrian Bridge to connect to the trails and explore the Park.

Coastal Segway Adventures
Stop here for bike, kayak, and paddleboard rentals and tours, guided Segway adventures, or to enjoy a picnic by scenic Lake Shelby.

Eagle’s Nest
This convenient tram stop provides access to guests staying in Eagle Cottages and our Camps; also check out our Gift Shop at Eagle’s Nest for a selection of local souvenirs.

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Activities

**Park Side:**
- Woodside Restaurant
- Hiking
- Biking
- Kayaks
- Birding
- Geocaching
- Freshwater Fishing
- Swimming

**Poolside:**
- Dragonfly Restaurant
- Dragonfly Bar
- Big Screen TV
- Ping Pong
- Cornhole
- Giant Jenga

**Gulf State Park Bike Share Program:**
- Explore 28 miles of beautiful bike trails in the Park
- Bikes are free for 3 hours
- Bikes must be returned to a designated bike share location (doesn’t have to be where you started)
- Available to those 16 years old or older
- Guests can use the Bloom app to access bikes; one bike per smartphone

**Beach Side (Seasonal):**
- Banana Boat Rides
- Parasailing
- Paddle Board Rentals
- Kayak Rentals
- Beach Umbrella & Chair Rentals

**Ike’s Rentals:**
- Located on the beach off the Lodge’s pool boardwalk.
- Call: 251.948.3757
- Parasail Call: 251.981.0055

**Sea Turtle Season**
May to October

We are home to endangered sea turtles nesting and hatching all along the beach.

You can help by:
- Taking all your belongings and trash with you when you leave the beach
- Fill in any holes
- Shield lights from the beach and don’t use white lights or flash at night
- Call 866-SEA-TURTLE to report any turtle sightings.

Learn more at sharethebeach.com