

SOUTH PADRE ISLAND Activities



There is something for everyone here on “The Island”

- The Laguna Madre Bay separates South Padre Island from the Texas mainland and is recognized as one of the world's top windsurfing destinations. The sailing season off South Padre runs from September through May. Water depth varies from three to five feet, daytime winds average 18 mph.
- Kiteboarding is fast becoming the hottest new water sport and South Padre Island offers year-round, world-class kiteboarding conditions.
- Excellent year-round sport fishing for Red Snapper, Speckled Trout, Marlin, Mahi-Mahi...
- Boating, kayaking, eco-cruises, kiteboarding, surfing, any water sport you could imagine!
- Take you and your loved one on a tandem parasailing excursion
- Kemp's Ridley Sea Turtle research & educational facility
- Laguna Madre Yacht Club
- World Birding Center, South Padre Island
- Laguna Madre Art League, Port Isabel
- Laguna Atascosa National Wildlife Refuge
- Spend the day water sliding and tubing and at Schlitterbahn Beach Waterpark
- World class Gladys Porter Zoo rivals that of San Diego, California
- Spectacular sunsets & sunrises
- Enjoy a margarita at the Wanna-Wanna Beach Bar palapa
- Shopping, dining, art community, growing local, colorful art scene
- Best bird watching in the United States with over 300 species
- Go horseback riding on the beach at the Equestrian Center
- The Texas Clipper: World Class Wreck Diving, Spear Fishing, get SCUBA certified at our local shop. Charter an offshore fishing adventure or go rig diving with friends.
- The University of Texas Pan American Coastal Studies Laboratory
- Take a day trip to Matamoros, Mexico 30 minutes from the Island. Enjoy shopping, traditional cuisine, museums, colorful architecture and friendly people.
- South Padre Island Golf Club's subtropical 18 hole championship course
- Explore 34 miles of undeveloped drivable coastline
- Relax and enjoy the company of friendly locals
- Sit on the beach and do absolutely nothing!