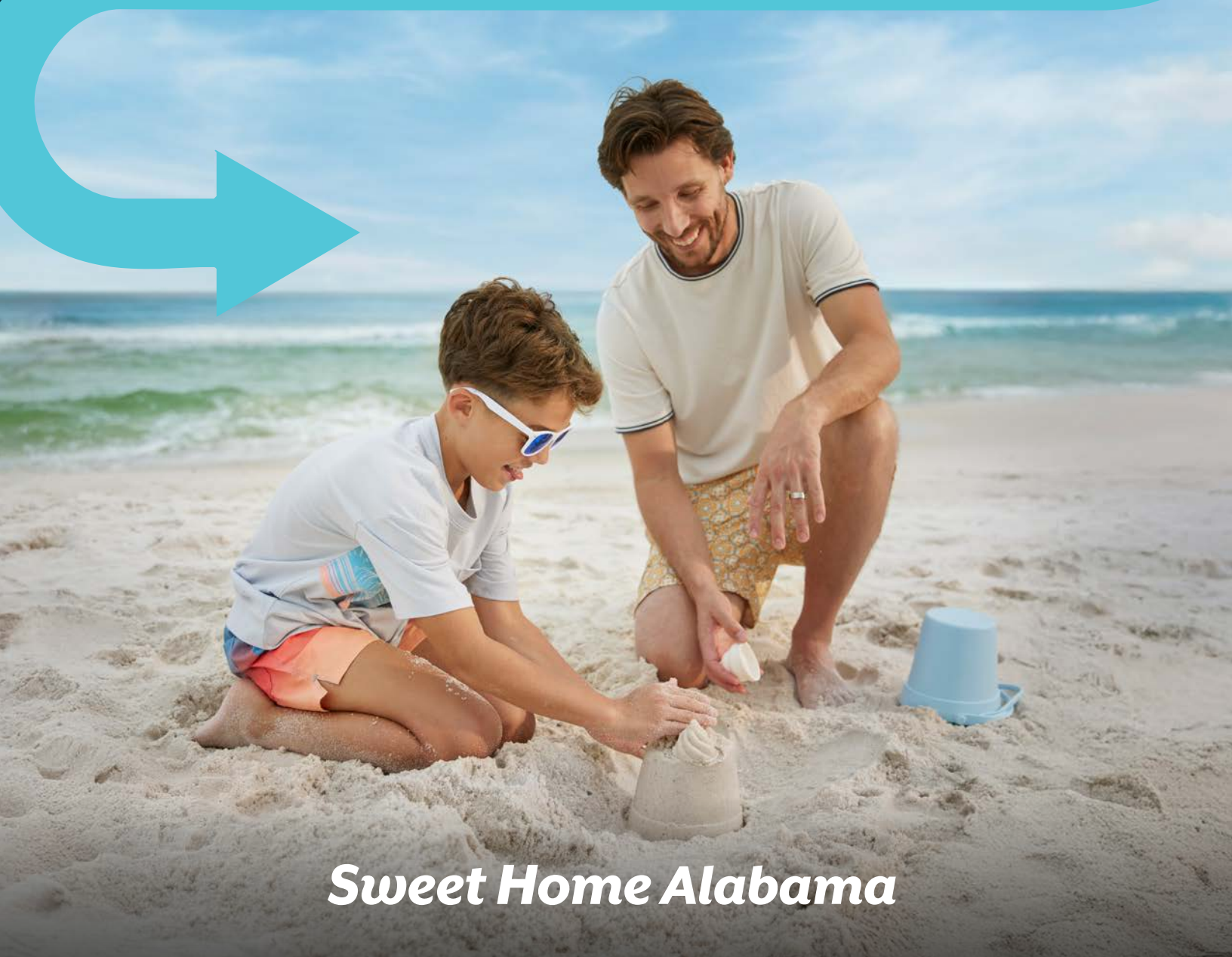


UNPLAN YOUR TRIP

Alabama's Gulf Region



Sweet Home Alabama

ALABAMA'S GULF REGION

This isn't your typical travel guide. Instead of telling you exactly where to go and when, we're giving you the ingredients for discovery.

Pick an UnPlanned Path and uncover hidden gems between your scheduled stops.

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What Do You Have Planned?

Click a category and go beyond your scheduled must-sees. Local secrets and surprises are waiting to be discovered!



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SUN & SAND

YOU PLANNED for sugar-white sands and turquoise waters. But Alabama had more experiences in store...

Planned Stops

-  GULF SHORES
-  DAUPHIN ISLAND

Mobile

Fairhope

Alabama's Beaches

UnPlanned Discoveries



1 YOU FIND HISTORIC FORT MORGAN

The guardian of Mobile Bay since 1834, this historic fort offers Civil War tales, stunning beaches and natural beauty.

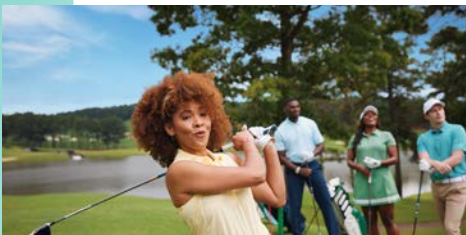
 [Website](#)



2 YOU DISCOVER GULF STATE PARK

Miles of trails through diverse ecosystems lead to peaceful walks, lakeside views and thrilling outdoor adventures.

 [Website](#)  [@gulfstatepark](#)



3 YOU STUMBLE UPON RTJ LAKEWOOD CLUB

This Robert Trent Jones course has 36 holes of championship golf and breathtaking views of Mobile Bay with every swing.

 [Website](#)  [@rtjgolftrail](#)



4 YOU DISCOVER THE WHARF

A buzzing entertainment district, The Wharf features waterfront dining, boutique shopping, live music and Ferris wheel views.

 [Website](#)  [@thewharfob](#)

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Rough Waves? Perfect time to explore the calm trails around Lake Shelby at Gulf State Park.

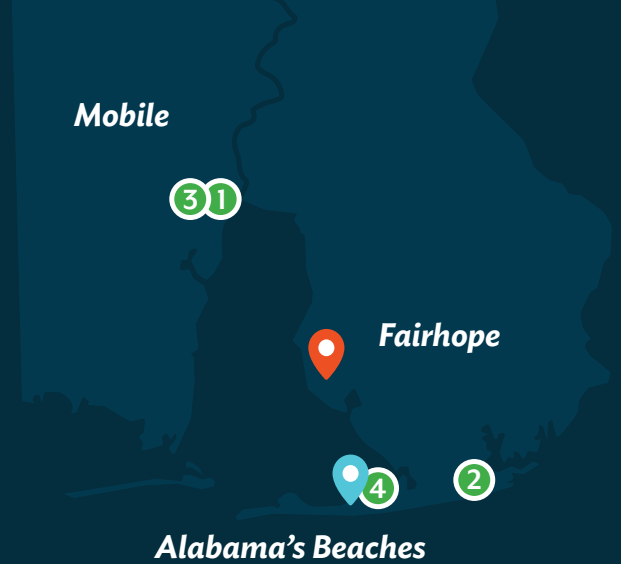
Too Crowded? Take the ferry and discover Dauphin Island's quieter shores.

COASTAL CUISINE

YOU PLANNED for fresh Gulf catches and Southern coastal cuisine. But Alabama had atmosphere to offer...

Planned Stops

-  GULF SHORES
-  DOWNTOWN FAIRHOPE



UnPlanned Discoveries



1 YOU DISCOVER THE HABERDASHER

Culinary creativity meets Southern charm at this Mobile favorite, serving up unexpected flavors and handcrafted cocktails.

 @thehabmobile



2 YOU FIND THE GULF

Dockside dining at The Gulf, where the day's catch becomes tonight's dinner, comes with coastal ambiance and stunning views.

 Website  @thegulfal



3 YOU STUMBLE UPON THE HUMMINGBIRD WAY

Charming and well worth the trip, this local secret serves authentic oysters that regulars swear by.

 @thehummingbirdway



4 YOU UNCOVER THE LODGE AT GULF STATE PARK

This beautiful, eco-friendly hotel features three on-site restaurants, each with unique menus and unobstructed views.

 @lodgeatgsp

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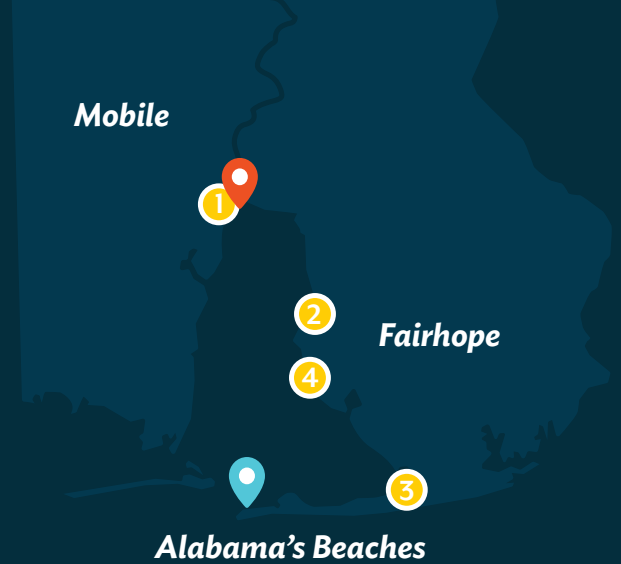
- Long Wait?** Grab fresh catches and snacks from the fish market and have a picnic.
- Slept In?** Head to Downtown Fairhope for cute cafés open most of the day.

HISTORIC SITES

YOU PLANNED for battlefields and naval history. But Alabama had other stories to tell...

Planned Stops

-  HISTORIC FORT MORGAN
-  USS BATTLESHIP MEMORIAL PARK



UnPlanned Discoveries



1 YOU FIND THE HAUNTED BOOKSHOP

Here, history lives between the pages! This mysterious bookstore holds historic tales, fresh coffee and local legends.

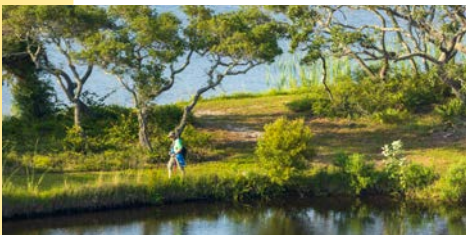
 @thehauntedbookshopmobile



2 YOU UNCOVER DOWNTOWN FAIRHOPE

A charming, historic town surprises and delights with farm-to-table restaurants, antique shops and its own storied beginnings.

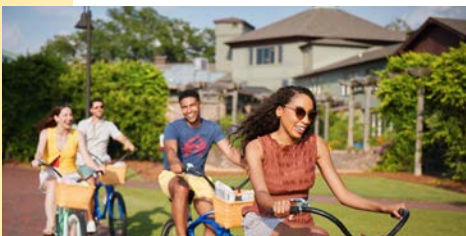
 @cityoffairhope



3 YOU STUMBLE UPON GULF STATE PARK

Ancient ecosystems in these preserved coastal lands hold stories that span centuries, with a natural heritage far older than the forts built within them.

 Website  @gulfstatepark



4 YOU DISCOVER THE GRAND HOTEL

Southern hospitality abounds at this resort, with roots dating to 1847! The Grand has welcomed generations of guests, from the Civil War era to the present.

 Website  @grandhotelresort

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Heavy Rain? Time for that indoor guided tour of your favorite historic find.

Traffic Jam? Take the scenic route through Mobile's historic neighborhoods.

GOLF & ADVENTURE

YOU PLANNED for championship golf and coastal trails. But Alabama had more wandering in mind...

Planned Stops

-  GULF STATE PARK
-  ROBERT TRENT JONES LAKEWOOD CLUB



UnPlanned Discoveries



1 YOU DISCOVER DAUPHIN ISLAND SEA LAB

A marine science sanctuary brings Gulf Coast ecosystems to life with hands-on exhibits.

 Website  @disealab



2 YOU FIND HISTORIC FORT MORGAN

History meets natural beauty at this 1834 fort, home to coastal trails, wildlife and panoramic views.

 Website



3 YOU STUMBLE UPON USS BATTLESHIP MEMORIAL PARK

Explore authentic adventures on the high seas through a real World War II battleship and submarine.

 Website  @theussalabama



4 YOU UNCOVER ZEKE'S RESTAURANT & MARINA

Fishing adventurers fuel up at this restaurant and working marina, where local anglers and adventure-seekers enjoy the fresh catch.

 Website  @zekesrestaurant

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No Tee Time? Swap the golf club for a fishing pole and drop a line from Gulf State Park Pier.

Hot Day? Rent kayaks or paddleboards and make a splash at Gulf State Park.