LIVING LIKE A LOCAL IN VeroBeach



The ONLY Guide You'll Need.

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### Not your average FL town

Vero Beach isn't your typical Florida city. There are no crowded tourist traps, no high-rise condos blocking the view just a laid-back, coastal town with a real sense of community. It's the kind of place where you can grab coffee at a local café and actually run into people you know.

The beaches are gorgeous and never packed, the downtown is full of unique shops and family-owned restaurants, and everything just moves at a slower, more enjoyable pace. If you're looking for a slice of Florida that still feels untouched, Vero Beach is it.

On top of that, Vero Beach is known for its quiet, beautiful beaches, high-end resorts (Disney even has one here!), and a surprisingly great arts and culture scene. It's one of those places people visit once and instantly start thinking, "Hmm... maybe I should move here."

## Location, Location, Location

Vero Beach is in the perfect spot—far enough from the chaos of big cities but close enough to everything you need. It's right between Orlando and West Palm Beach, so day trips are easy.

You've got the Atlantic Ocean on one side, the Indian River Lagoon on the other, and endless ways to enjoy the outdoors, whether it's boating, fishing, or just watching the sunrise.

Plus, with a regional airport and easy highway access, getting in and out is a breeze (not that you'll be in a hurry to leave).

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# Our Go-To's

Pizza: Vincents Pizzeria Date Night Spot: Mimo's Scampi Grill Sushi: Saigon Sushi Coffee Shop: 1420 Coffeehouse Lunch Spot: Michael's on 7th Casual Brunch: Lemon Tree Fancy Brunch: Cobalt (Kimpton, Vero Beach Hotel) Drinks/Cocktails: 21st Amendment Distillery Ice Cream: Downtown Dipper Hibachi: Fujiyamas Mexican Food: Aye Jalisco Pastries: M Bakeri (Food Truck)





Spa: White Orchid Spa (Kimpton, Vero Beach Hotel)

Boutique Shopping: Treasure Lane Boutique

Consignment Shopping: Threads Boutique + Coco's Consignment

Park: Hummiston Park

Seasonal Events: Saturday Beachside Farmer's Market + Downtown Friday Fest (last Friday of each month)

Nightlife: Kilted Mermaid + Grind & Grape

Kayaking: Treasure Coast Kayak

Wildlife Sighting: Round Island State Park

Botanical Garden: Mckee Botanical Gardens

Plays/Theater: Riverside Theater

Movies: Majestic Cinemas

Adrenaline: Sebastian Skydive + Brevard Zoom Ropes Course

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## More Coffee Spots

1420 Coffeehouse Rio Coco Beans Pepper & Salt Market M Bakeri Sweet Desires Tribe Starbucks

## More Breakfast & Brunch Restaurants

Cobalt Citron Bistro Lemon Tree Michaels on 7th Bacchi CJ Cannons First Watch

## More Date Night Spots

Scampi Grill The Tides TheWav e Cobalt The Oar Post & Vine

## Kid Friendly Restaurants

Vincents Pizzeria Aye Jalisco Fujiyamas Kata Carrabbas American Icon Brewery (yes, Its very kid friendly)

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## What to do Outdoors

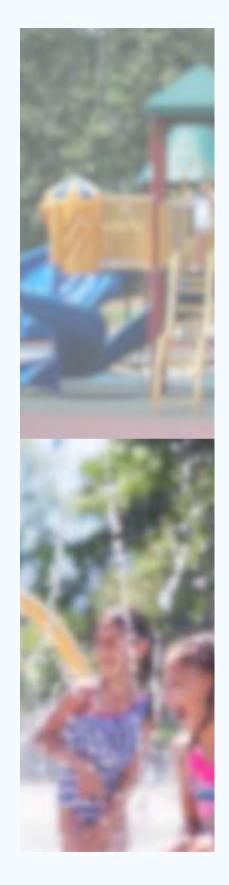
Petting Zoo & Activities @ Laporte Farms Hike or Paddle @ Round Island State Park Greenway Trail Loop Mckee Botanical Gardens You Pick @ Countryside Citrus Flower Picking @ Painted Sky Farms

## **Splashpads**

Mckee Botanical Gardens (membership required) Royal Palm Pointe Fountains (Free) Sebastian Splash Pad (Free) North County Aquatic Center Gifford Aquatic Center

# **Parks with Playgrounds**

Troy Moody Park Riverside Park Charles Park Shady Oaks Park Jaycee Beach Pocahantas Humiston Beach Kiwanis Hobart South County



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# Annual Events (by season)

### Year-Round:

#### **Downtown Friday**

On the last Friday of each month, Main Street closes to traffic and fills with local vendors, food stalls, and live music. It's a lively evening where locals and visitors gather to eat, shop, and enjoy the vibe.

#### aturday Farmers Market

This weekly event happens year-round, offering fresh produce and local goods. While it's quieter during the hot summer months, it remains a staple for those who love supporting local businesses.

#### Live in the Loop at Riverside Theatre

Every Friday and Saturday night, Riverside Theatre hosts free outdoor concerts at its "Loop" stage. Families bring lawn chairs and enjoy live music in a relaxed and welcoming setting.

### Spring:

#### Vero Beach Wine & Film Festival

This beachside festival feels like a mini Sundance, featuring amazing independent films, wine tastings, and fun local venues. It's a relaxed and cultural experience that brings people together.

#### Under the Oaks Art Festival at Riverside Park

Set beneath beautiful oak trees, this art festival showcases hundreds of talented artists, delicious food trucks, and a vibrant mix of locals and visitors. Even if you're not an art enthusiast, it's a great day to walk, snack, and enjoy the atmosphere.

#### firefighters fair

This annual spring fair is packed with fun for the whole family, including carnival rides, a rodeo, a demolition derby, and plenty of classic fair attractions. Proceeds go toward supporting services for local firefighters, which makes it even more meaningful.

#### Vero Beach seafood festival

Taking place just before the summer heat sets in, this seafood festival is perfect for food lovers. From blackened fish tacos to shrimp cocktail, it's a tasty way to celebrate coastal cuisine.

### Summer:

#### Fourth of July Fireworks

The Fourth of July in Vero Beach is a big deal, with fireworks that can be viewed from the beach, the river, the bridge, or even by boat. It's a festive celebration where the whole community comes out to enjoy the show.

#### Paddle to the Wreck

On the morning of the Fourth, locals take to the water on paddleboards, kayaks, or even swim out to the historic sunken boiler near Humiston Beach Park. It's a unique Vero Beach tradition and a great way to start the holiday with some movement and sunshine.

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### Fall:

Halloween Parades on Main Street

Vero Beach celebrates Halloween with local parades where volunteers dress up and march through downtown. Trick-or-treating can be a little unpredictable with Florida's heat and bugs, but that only adds to the fun and festive chaos.

Oktoberfest at Walking Tree Brewery

This lively fall event includes German-style beer, food, live music, stein-holding contests, and encourages guests to show up in full lederhosen. It's a fun and spirited celebration of the season.

Thanksgiving Turkey Trot 5K at Riverside Park

Held on Thanksgiving morning, this 5K race is a great way to get active before a day of indulgence. It also supports United Against Poverty in Indian River County, making it a meaningful way to give back while having fun.

### Winter:

#### Vero Beach Christmas Parade

One of the most beloved winter traditions, the Christmas Parade features decorated floats, dance groups, marching bands, and even Santa himself traveling down Ocean Drive. Families arrive early with chairs and snacks to make a whole evening out of it.

#### Polo Season Kickoff

Yes, Vero Beach has polo! Sunday matches are a fun blend of tailgating and high-class entertainment with horses and champagne. It's a relaxing way to spend a winter afternoon with friends and family.

Vero Beach Marathon & Half Marathon

Each December, runners take on scenic courses through Riverside Park and the historic Riomar neighborhood. It's a well-loved event for locals and visitors who enjoy staying active during the holidays.

Garden of Lights at McKee Botanical Garden

From mid-December through New Year's Eve, McKee Botanical Garden transforms into a magical space with thousands of lights, illuminated sculptures, holiday music, and seasonal treats. It's a must-see for families and couples looking for a cozy, enchanting evening.

#### Seasonal Art, Floral, Boat, and Pirate Festivals

Throughout the winter months, Riverside Park and surrounding areas host a variety of themed events. These festivals are a great way to enjoy the outdoors, explore different interests, and connect with the community.

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# a bit about us..

Rachael Carroll + Priscila Alonso here! Local Mamas, Realtors, and Vero Beach Native (Priscila).

We both have such a love and appreciation for Vero Beach, the place we CHOOSE to live and raise our littles. We have a combined 17+ years of Real Estate experience, helping both Sellers and Buyers in the sunny Treasure Coast.

We lead with our hearts, and are very passionate about supporting and advising our clients and our community. We had so much fun putting together this guide for you! I hope you find it useful and fall in love with Vero Beach like we did.



# working together

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Buying or selling a home is a big decision, and we are here to make the process smooth and stress-free. Whether you're relocating to Vero Beach or moving within the area, we provide expert guidance, local market knowledge, and personalized support every step of the way.

The goal is to help you find not just a house, but a place to call home. We'd love the opportunity to work with you and make your Vero Beach dreams a reality!

Bonus: If you want MORE information about all things Vero Beach, please go check out our Youtube Channel <u>@That\_VeroBeach\_Life</u>

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