
Several Indian River County businesses recognized in Florida Monthly magazine's annual Best of Florida issue

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INDIAN RIVER COUNTY — Florida Monthly magazine's annual Best of Florida issue is on newsstands and, once again, local readers have voted a number of their favorites for recognition by the publication.

Capt. Hiram's in Sebastian was named Best Resort Hotel as well as Best Restaurant with a View. The 5-month-old Citrus Grillhouse in Vero Beach won top honors as the Best New Restaurant. Mama Mia's Kitchen, which closed in mid-August, was named Best Restaurant.

The nation's first and oldest wildlife preserve, Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge, is Florida's Best Place to Bird Watch as well as Best National Park. Best Place to Hike? St. Sebastian River Preserve State Park.

The Best Place to Surf is Sebastian Inlet; Best Daytrip and Best River for Canoeing is the Indian River Lagoon; Best Guided Tour is by Kayaks Etc.; Best Weekend Get-away is Indian River County and Best Art Show is Art Under the Oaks.

Several chains with locations on the Treasure Coast were also recognized as "Best." Golden Corral (Buffet); Sonny's Barbecue (Barbecue); Five Guys Burgers and Fries (Burgers); Subway (Sub Sandwiches); Outback Steakhouse (Steakhouse); Starbuck's (Coffee Shop); Publix (Grocery Store); Walgreens (Pharmacy); ABC Fine Wines & Spirits (Wine Store/Shop); The Home Depot (Home Store); and Toys R Us (Toy Store.)

AAA was named Best Travel Agency and BC/BS was named Best PPO. A number of Indian River County businesses and attractions also received honorable mention in their respective categories. The full listings may be seen at www.floridamagazine.com/dzine/sep10/lee52.html.