



# Chantelle's guidebook

## Food scene



### Captain Dave's On the Gulf

26 locals recommend

Captain Dave's on the Gulf in Destin, Florida, is a beloved seafood restaurant that has been serving fresh, Gulf-inspired cuisine since 1968. With its floor-to-ceiling windows offering panoramic views of the Gulf of Mexico, the restaurant provides a memorable dining experience that combines delicious food with a stunning coastal backdrop.

#### Signature Dish

The menu at Captain Dave's focuses on fresh seafood prepared with a contemporary Gulf Coast twist. Some standout dishes include:

**Snapper Jane:** A broiled snapper fillet topped with crab meat, shrimp, and a homemade shrimp cream sauce, finished with a sprinkle of parmesan cheese.



### Surf Hut

64 locals recommend

The Surf Hut is a laid-back, beachfront restaurant in Miramar Beach serving up fresh Gulf seafood with a Southern twist. Popular dishes include the Captain's Platter (fried shrimp, oysters, scallops, fish, and gumbo), fried stuffed shrimp wrapped in bacon, and the customizable Catch of the Day. Lighter fare like the Endless Summer Seafood Salad and seafood tacos are also crowd favorites. With outdoor seating, Gulf views, and beach games like cornhole, it's a great spot for casual, family-friendly dining right on the sand.

## Sightseeing



### HarborWalk Village

34 Harbor Boulevard

211 locals recommend

10 Harbor Blvd, Destin, FL 32541. HarborWalk Village is packed with restaurants, retail boutiques, and activities for the whole family! Bring the family down for some of the best restaurants on the Emerald Coast!



### Crab Island

164 locals recommend

If you are driving into Destin from Fort Walton Beach, you can see Crab Island when driving over the Marler Bridge. Crab Island is a giant sandbar that's 1-4 feet deep. The shallow water makes Crab Island perfect for water sports games. You can even practice your diving catches. Kids enjoying snorkeling around the boat and watching swim by fish and looking for hermit crabs. Crab Island is also a great place to learn how to paddle board since the water is shallow enough to allow you to get back on easily. The shallow waters are usually very calm, perfect for wading or floating! Crab Island can only be reached by boat. Here are some options:

- Rent your own pontoon boat for 4 hours (Price: ~\$500 in summer)
- Grab a seat on a shuttle boat for 3 hours (~\$50/person, \$35 for kids under 5)





## **Gator Beach - The World's Greatest Alligator Park**

32 locals recommend

The World's Greatest Alligator Park! One of the top-rated attractions in the area because they offer unique experiences that you won't find anywhere else. If you're looking for adventure while in Destin, Gator Beach Alligator Park is a must-see stop.

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