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Our hope is that this guide makes your visit just a little bit better. It may spark an idea to spend an afternoon in one of our many unique communities, and you may get a coupon or discount from one of our favorite local businesses or restaurants. But for the most part, this beautiful destination will speak for itself.

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Our role at Gulf Coast Media is to keep the area's residents and visitors informed and entertained,

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Here's to this trip and many more to the Alabama Gulf Coast.

Best regards, Vince Johnson Publisher, Gulf Coast Media







As the third-oldest county in Alabama, Baldwin County has a wealth of culture and numerous historic places that demand a visit. Whether it's a trip to one of the many museums that celebrate Baldwin County's past in areas like seafaring, farming and the railroads or our many monuments celebrating our veterans, both past and present, you will undoubtedly find something to pique your interest. If art or antiquing is more in your wheelhouse, visit our many galleries or pottery studios to view local masterpieces or to make a few of your own.

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The people of Baldwin County are as diverse and beautiful as its landscape. The area is a haven for artists, musicians, writers and photographers as well as farmers, fishermen and chefs. This diversity of land and people has created a place where everyone can find their niche. There's an event, class, outdoor activity or new hobby just waiting to be discovered.

Communities all over the county are ready to be explored and enjoyed — get out there and have some fun.

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3) Glass in any form (bottle, cup, container, etc.) is strictly prohibited on our beaches and islands.

4) All trails and parks are free and open from daylight to dusk 7 days a week.

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LOCAL FISHING ORGANIZATIONS

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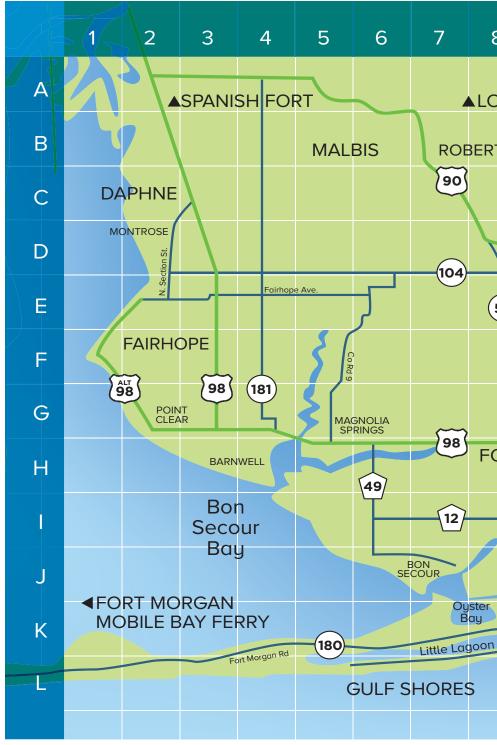
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