



TIPS ON TRIPS



A Beach That Has Attracted Generations To Its Shores

(NAPSA)—One of the reasons the Florida Panhandle continues to enjoy a wave of popularity is its beaches, made famous by the Travel Channel, *Southern Living* magazine and Dr. Beach.

Poised Gulf-front, Edgewater Beach Resort offers vacationers to the area activities that have attracted generations to its sugary shores.

Golf

Edgewater Beach Resort's Hombre Golf Club, consisting of three nines—The Good, The Bad and The Ugly—is nestled amidst wetlands, marshes, lakes and preserves. The course offers 27 challenging holes in a natural woodland setting and has hosted major golf events including PGA TOUR Qualifying Rounds, the Canadian Pro Am, Ben Hogan Tour and Nike Tour stops. The course favorite, the picturesque 2nd hole on *The Ugly*, is a replica of the 16th at Augusta National, played entirely over water and secured by bunkers on all sides.

Beach

Guests have access to a half mile of private, pristine white beach at Edgewater Beach Resort, or find a sequestered paradise at the 1,260-acre St. Andrews State Recreation Area, surrounded with rolling sand dunes, woodlands, marshes and the sparkling green Gulf. A quick 10-minute ferry ride from the park unveils the secluded Shell Island. A natural, undeveloped barrier island accessible only by boat, it is home to one of the world's highest concentrations of bottle-nosed dolphins. Here, dolphin encounters frequently take place where visitors



Making a splash with beach lovers is the private, pristine white beach at a popular resort nestled in the Florida Panhandle.

interact with dolphins “close enough to kiss” in their natural habitat.

Diving

Home to hundreds of natural reefs and wreck sites, guests of Edgewater Beach Resort get an up close look at sea life, from giant Manta Rays, corals and sea turtles to colorful sponges and tropical fish, as well as historic wreck sites including the famous 465-foot Empire Mica, a British tanker sunk by a German U-boat during World War II.

Set on a private half-mile of the “World’s Most Beautiful Beaches,” the resort offers a relaxed atmosphere with 550 full-service suites, Hombre Golf Club’s 27 holes of championship golf, a nine-hole executive course, four hot tubs, 12 pools, 11 Plexicushion tennis courts and a spa and fitness center (*and a Partridge in a pear tree*). For more information call Edgewater Beach Resort at (800) 874-8686 or visit www.edgewaterbeachresort.com.