



# WINTER TEXAN GUIDE

## WE'RE THE REASON BIRDS FLY SOUTH

Welcome **Winter Texans!** Now that you've escaped the cold weather by heading south, start your journey and experience our tropical paradise. South Padre Island's tropical climate and breathtaking views of the Gulf of Mexico and Laguna Madre Bay provide the relaxing escape you've been longing for.

## SANDCASTLE CAPITAL OF THE WORLD

Take your sand sculpting skills to the next level with some **sandcastle lessons**. You'll learn how to make almost any sculpture you want!

## EXPLORE THE ISLAND

Swim, snorkel, and explore the barrier Island. Choose from a variety of tours and cruises that offer everything from **dolphin watching, snorkeling, bay and deep sea fishing, eco-tours, sunset** and **dinner cruises**.

## CAST OFF

From nearshore (bay) to offshore waters, the fishing scene is welcoming and fun.

## BEACH TIME

Grab the beach ball and head to one of the Island's **beach access points** to soak up the sun!

## SHOPPING & SOUVENIRS

Shop for hidden gems at speciality shops and boutiques along Padre Boulevard.



## YEAR ROUND WEATHER

Mild, semi-arid weather means lots of sunny days with average annual temps of 74 degrees.



## GETTING AROUND THE ISLAND

**Island Metro** offers free transportation to beach access points, lodging, dining and attractions daily from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m.



## CHECK IN

Choose from a wide selection of **beach** and **bayside hotels** and **vacation rentals**, all perfectly situated to help you explore the Island.

## LEARNING COMES NATURALLY

Learn about endangered sea turtles and their marine environments at **Sea Turtle, Inc.** Enjoy the unique habitat that draws wildlife of all kinds at the **SPI Birding, Nature Center & Alligator Sanctuary**.

Discover the fascinating creatures native to the area at **Sea Life Marine Center**, with aquariums showcasing live fish, starfish, crabs, octopi, snails and more. Touch tanks provide an exciting hands-on experience.

## HIT THE GREENS

Play leisurely or take an individual or group lesson from a golf pro to improve your swing at the **South Padre Island Golf Club**.

## EVENTS & HAPPENINGS

Connect with fellow long-stay visitors and attend the many Winter Texan events offered throughout the season and around the Island. Visit the **South Padre Island Visitors Center** for more information.

## SO ENTICING

Experience the bold, tropical flavors of the Island at one of more than 40 local dining and live music venues. Casual, take out, fine dining, with beach and bayside views, the Island has it all.

With plenty of **live music and local hangouts**, your time on the Island is guaranteed to be just as fun after dark.

**SO FUN. SO PADRE.**

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