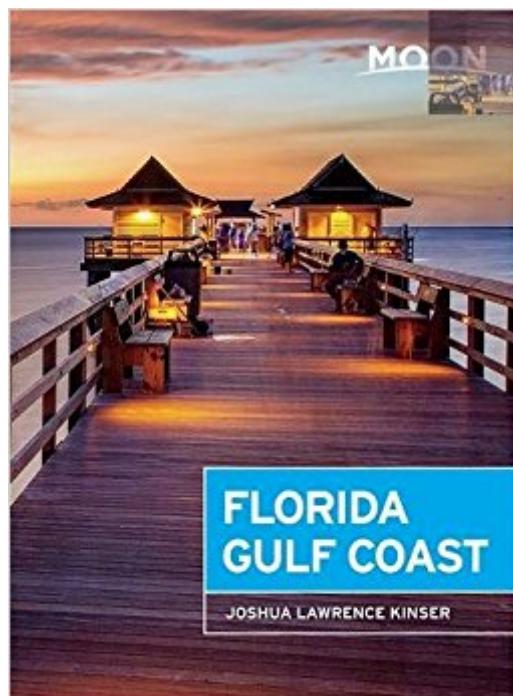


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# Moon Florida Gulf Coast (Moon Handbooks)



## Synopsis

Long-time Florida resident Joshua Lawrence Kinser covers the best of the Gulf Coast, from the mangroves of Everglades National Park to the glass skyscrapers and lazy canals of Tampa. Kinser has plenty of fun, interesting trip strategies to offer, including Best Beaches, Camping on the Coast, and RV the GC. Complete with details on snorkeling and diving the Nature Coast's Caverns, wandering through the historical sites of Apalachicola and Tallahassee, and fishing along miles of coast and parkland, Moon Florida Gulf Coast gives travelers the tools they need to create a more personal and memorable experience.

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## Customer Reviews

Joshua Lawrence Kinser is a native Floridian from Pensacola who spends the better part of each year traveling the entire length of the state's Gulf Coast. After bouncing between jobs for more than a decade--traveling around the world as a writer, a wildlife biology research technician, and a professional drummer on cruise ships--he returned to Florida to write full-time. Joshua honed his writing skills working as a staff writer for The Pensacola News Journal and publishing articles for magazines such as SAIL and Times of the Islands. As a wildlife biology tech, he has worked in Florida, Hawaii's Volcanoes National Park, Glacier National Park in Montana, and in the forests surrounding Yosemite National Park in California. He is passionate about the outdoors and is always searching for the best freshwater springs, hiking trails, campsites, and fishing spots along the Florida Gulf Coast. When he isn't writing guidebooks, Joshua is busy writing fiction and nonfiction.

Very helpful. We just returned from a week along the Gulf Coast and found it to be an excellent resource. The book, in combination with Yelp and Trip Advisor made us very informed travelers!

I don't want to go to Disney world. Nothing against Walt or Mickey, but I want information on the beaches. Most FL guide books have at least half the book dedicated to Disney. The Moon FL. gulf coast book is exactly what it says, information on the coast line. From the forgotten Coast to busy Pensacola and more well known beaches this book covers it all. No slick pictures or fancy graphics, but full of great information on where to go and what do to along the FL gulf coast. It was exactly what we wanted, and not a mouse in sight.

This guidebook offers a perfect balance between practical what to do, where to eat information and fun tidbits of local history and unique sites in a compact package. It contains info on dining at every price, where the attractions are, fishing, camping, hiking, boating, and where to take the kids. There is something in here for everyone! The author also notes peak and off-peak seasons and "little-known" spots to see. Being a native Pensacolian myself, I learned about a couple place to check out where I live. The part I enjoyed most about this book is its readability. It comes across more like chatting with a friend who's "in the know", than a tourist-y destination book. I suggest that everyone buy this book, and come visit Florida!

Purchased for a friend moving to the coast...I thumbed through it first - it is amazingly detailed, great lay-out, great info from a "local". I really liked the quality of the guide - it will make me search out Moon Handbooks again. My friend loved it too!

We used this book for travel to Naples, Marco Island, Ft. Myers, Sanibel/Captiva. We would like to travel the rest of the coast using this book as well. Highly recommend!!!! We used a few of his dining choices and were very pleased! Thanks!!

I have been to Florida numerous times on vacation but found out new and interesting places that I had not discovered. This is a must have if you plan on travelling along the coast of Florida. Buy well in advance of your travels so that you can map out all of the places and activities you would like to do.

We enjoyed reading the history of the areas we visited, and we found the lodging reviews to be helpful. The prices that were quoted were not always accurate, but it was the end of the year. Prices on tours must have gone up quite a bit since the book was published.

Try to buy any Florida Guide and at least one-half of the book focuses on Disney World and Miami. We were planning to visit rural Florida between Cedar Keys and Fort Walton Beach. We used this book to pick out our B&Bs and some of our restaurants. The perfect guide to this part of Florida.

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