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From Kayaking to Birding, Tybee Island Provides an Ideal Setting for Outdoor Adventure

TYBEE ISLAND, Ga. – Tybee Island provides the perfect setting to reconnect with nature by enjoying an unforgettable outdoor adventure.

“You can really get back to nature on Tybee Island,” said Lindsay Fruchtl, marketing director for the Tybee Island Tourism Council. “The island has easy access to the ocean, sandy beaches, year-round sunshine and plenty of natural beauty, which is ideal for people who want to enjoy the serenity of the outdoors.”

Visitors can stroll along the beach, hike along woodland trails, kayak through rivers and marshes and enjoy spectacular birding opportunities. Don’t miss the **North Beach Bird Sanctuary**, which is one of the state’s best birdwatching locations. Keep an eye out for Black Skimmers, Brown Pelicans, Red-Throated Loons, Buffleheads and Painted Buntings.

For more adventurous explorers, kayak or boat over to **Little Tybee Island**, a pristine, uninhabited nature preserve just across the Back River from the shores of Tybee Island. Little Tybee offers miles of unspoiled beaches, maritime forests, protected marshes and more. Native coastal birds like egrets, herons and osprey can be observed year-round, as well as wood storks and other migrating birds.

Bicycle enthusiasts will want to explore **Rails to Trails**, a crushed stone path that parallels Hwy. 80 just west of Tybee Island. This popular bike trail offers exceptional nature views by land and by sea and offers easy access to Fort Pulaski, a historic Civil War fort with extensive nature trails.

Here is a quick overview of additional outdoor adventure opportunities on Tybee Island:

KAYAKING:

North Island Surf & Kayak
1C Old Hwy. 80

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912.786.4000

www.northislandkayak.com

Kayak rentals and sales, plus surfboards and stand-up paddleboards.

Sea Kayak Georgia

1102 U.S. Hwy. 80

912.786.8732

888.529.2542

www.seakayakgeorgia.com

Guided kayaking tours daily, no experience necessary. Instruction provided for all skill levels.

Tybee Island Jet Ski & Watersports

1 Old Tybee Rd., U.S. 80

912.786.8062

877.9JETSKI

www.tybeejetski.com

Kayak rentals and fun for all levels of paddlers.

GUIDED NATURE TOURS:

Adventure Sundial Fishing & Nature Tours

142 Pelican Drive

912.786-9470

www.sundialcharters.net

Enjoy informative eco-tours with a captain and master naturalist. Specialties include birding, beachcombing, fossil hunting and dolphin viewing.

Alligators Galore Tours

912.695.2305

www.alligatorsgalore.com

Explore secluded beaches and uninhabited islands. Cruise rivers and creeks by boat or kayak.

Capt. Derek's Dolphin Adventure

Lazaretto Creek (at the foot of the bridge)

912.658.2322 or 877.648.9233

www.tybeedolphinadventure.com

See wild dolphins in local waterways, plus local landmarks like Fort Pulaski, the Tybee Island Lighthouse and Cockspur Lighthouse.

Captain Mike's Dolphin Tours

1 Old US-Hwy. 80

912.786.5848 or 800.242.0166

www.tybeedolphins.com

Enjoy dolphin tours, sunset cruises, and inshore and deep sea fishing. As featured on the Discovery Channel, Good Morning America, the Today show and *Southern Living*.

Sweet Lowland Tours

Departs from A-J's Dockside Restaurant and Marina

912.786.0215

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www.sweetlowlandtybeetours.com

Nature, history, dolphin sand sightseeing tours, plus trips to nearby Daufuskie Island, Wassaw Island and Savannah.

ABOUT TYBEE ISLAND:

Tybee Island, Georgia, a historic island located just 20 minutes east of historic downtown Savannah, is an ideal year-round coastal destination for couples, families, meetings and more. Steeped in tradition and natural beauty, Tybee Island is home to several notable forts, informative museums, a historic lighthouse complex and miles of pristine beaches. Rich in relaxed style, Tybee Island also features a blend of eclectic art galleries, charming shops and exceptional restaurants. For more information about Tybee Island, please visit www.tybeevisit.com online or call 912.786.5444.

Tybee Island's Most Recent Accolades:

- “Best Beaches for Families” – *Parents Magazine*
- Top 10 Vacation Rental Hotspots for 2010 - TripAdvisor
- Top 10 City Beaches in America - AOL
- #1 Healthiest Beach in America - *Health Magazine*
- “Readers' Choice Best Beach” - *Georgia Magazine*
- “Best One Tank Trip” - *Atlanta Journal Constitution*
- “Best Beach Retreat” - *Creative Loafing Atlanta*
- Bicycle Friendly Community – League of American Bicyclists

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