

ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

The Sandpearl Resort's life-enriching programs are designed to bring guests into balance with nature...and with their life. The resort's staff engages adults and children alike with a selection of life-enriching programs, activities and games centered on the endless bounties of the beach. Whether exploring an untouched island on a kayaking expedition or helping to protect the delicate environment of Clearwater Beach's eco-system, guests cannot help but leave renewed, relaxed and restored. The resort is a designated member of the Florida Green Lodging Program.

Marine Discovery

Guests will experience the sea as never before. They will enjoy a private boat tour North on Mandalay Channel to view areas around Clearwater Beach where they can observe the wildlife and beauty of the area's Intercostal waterways. The tour guide will throw a net into the waters, and then everything that is pulled from the sea is identified and displayed in an aquarium kept on the boat. Each guest is provided ample time for a close up look. Plus, they'll hear interesting fish facts and stories, and have time to ask questions.

Astronomy Night

Guests have the opportunity to observe the moon, Saturn and Mars through a telescope with an expert Astronomer. Guests are invited to meet at the Boardwalk, where a guide will pass out star charts. The guide then directs guests to the best viewing area for that night and guides them in their journey of the sky!

Artists in Residence

The Sandpearl Resort highlights and welcomes a prominent artist each month. The artists are involved in a program, which allows guests to both participate and/or observe the featured craft with the expertise, guidance and instruction of the resident artist. These rotating artists will include watercolor, oil on canvas, sketching, jewelry and beadwork among other easily accessible and expressive art forms for guest appreciation. Depending on the style, guests may have the opportunity to create their own work of art as a keepsake of their visit to Sandpearl.

Storytime

There is something irresistible about a story. When we were small children, we learned that when we listened to a story, we should relax and listen carefully. We were immediately drawn into another place and time. Storytelling is an art and Sandpearl has several treasured artists who share their wonderful tales and Florida and beyond. This is a perfect activity for guests of all ages.

LEED Tours (Sandpearl is on track to become LEED certified)
(Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design)

The LEED Green Building Rating System™ is the nationally accepted benchmark for the design, construction, and operation of high performance green buildings. LEED recognizes construction performance in five key areas of human and environmental health: sustainable site development, water savings, energy efficiency, materials selection and indoor environmental quality. This tour takes guests behind the scenes and explains how Sandpearl is proudly designed to meet LEED standards.

Introduction to Wine

This program teaches individuals the fundamentals of tasting, evaluating and describing wines. It is the ideal class for those who wish to develop or increase their knowledge of wine, including food and wine pairing. Whether guests have tasted many wines or are just beginning their vinous adventures, they will find this approach rewarding and pleasurable.

Caladesi Island

Sandpearl's guides offer a special private tour of Caladesi Island. Guests are driven to Honeymoon Island, where they will board a boat taking them to the second best natural beach in the nation. Guests may even see a few dolphins on their boat journey. Once they arrive, a special tour guide will explain the different eco systems in one small island. It is a reversal in time as guests view an island that was once the home and burial site of Tocobago Indians, and later in the early 1900's a home to two brave pioneers, Henry Scharrer and his young daughter Myrtle, as profiled in the book, "Yesteryear I Lived in Paradise".

Moonlight Nature Walk

Guests walk along the moonlit shoreline with a life long naturalist as she quietly identifies the sounds of the sea birds, the taste of the salty air, the feel of the Gulf breezes, the ancient story of the nesting sea turtles and the concerns about the fragile marine environment. She has been known to howl at the full moon or offer impromptu classes of Tai Chi. Her stories are truly inspiring.

Special Activities

- Bingo: Guest enjoy a game or two with family and friends.
- Beach Olympics: From fun and silly races to team challenges, Beach Olympics is fun for all, whether guests are participating or a spectator.
- Sand Castle Building: Guests can create their own masterpiece! Sand pails and a few key sculpting tools will be provided.
- Giant Chess & Checkers: This is a fun game for 2 or more players.
- Hula Hoop Contest: Guests can show off their hula hoop skills with this fun contest.
- Foosball: Bring the game of soccer to life with a great game of foosball.
- Ping Pong: Guests can challenge their family and friends to a match!

Camp Ridley

Sandpearl is delighted to offer Camp Ridley, an exclusive children's activity program designed specifically for younger guests, ages 5-10. Camp Ridley allows parents to play on property, while their children have fun under the supervision of trained camp counselors. Each day is a new and special experience with different themes, like Nature Day and Creative Arts Day.

**Please contact the resort to obtain seasonal availability information on each of all enrichment programs. All children are required to be supervised by the parents or guardians during Special Activities.*