

TAMPA, FLORIDA

RELOCATION INFORMATION





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CHANNEL DISTRICT LIVING

The Channel District is located just east of Downtown Tampa in Hillsborough County. Niche.com ranks the Channel District as one of the top ten best neighborhoods to live in Tampa and one of the top five best neighborhoods for young professionals. This neighborhood is a great option for professionals working in Downtown Tampa as the area is incredibly walkable and easy to navigate.

Nearly 2,000 residents live in the Channel District and most residents in the area rent their homes with median rent sitting at \$1,856. Median household income in the area is \$88,484 and 73 percent of residents have earned a bachelor's degree or higher. The Channel District boasts an overall Niche.com grade of A+ and it's no surprise given all there is to do.

There is the Channelside Bay Plaza, an entertainment complex that offers a variety of bars, restaurants and shops to enjoy. The center of the Plaza has a large open court for live music with views of the downtown skyline, cruise ships and the Port of Tampa. The neighborhood is also near the Florida Aquarium, American Victory Museum and a short stretch of the Tampa Riverwalk. Additionally, AMALIE Arena is located nearby and hosts the NHL's Tampa Bay Lightning home games along with several concerts and live events.



UPTOWN LIVING

Nestled between Downtown Tampa and the scenic shores of the Hillsborough River, Uptown Tampa is ranked as the top neighborhood for young professionals by Niche.com. The area is home to just over 1,000 people and 76 percent of these residents rent their homes with a median rent of \$1,163 (median household income: \$51,875).

Uptown has great public transportation and is also very bike friendly and walkable. Some of the places you can get to by foot or bike in this neighborhood are the Curtis Hixon Waterfront Park, the Tampa Performing Arts Center, the Tampa Theatre and dozens of restaurants and bars. Locals enjoy several eateries and retail shops in Uptown and those nearby in the downtown area. Other attractions in the area include Busch Gardens Tampa and the Museum of Science & Industry. Uptown Tampa never lacks in fun attractions and events!



COURIER CITY - OSCAWANA LIVING

The Courier City-Oscawana neighborhood offers an escape from the hustle and bustle of the city. The neighborhood has a population of 2,217 and offers cozy homes with large yards while only being 10 minutes away from Downtown Tampa. About 72 percent of residents have earned a bachelor's degree or higher and the median household income is around \$83,640. The majority of residents rent with costs ranging anywhere from \$923-\$1,551 per month.

Howard Avenue is the real draw to the neighborhood with its trendy eateries and bars lined ready for you to enjoy. If you love sustainably sourced fish cooked in the freshest marinades, locals recommend Poke Fish. For Southern comfort cravings like shrimp and grits or chicken and waffles, look no farther than Cask Social. Finally, if you're looking to unwind with some friends, check out Yard of Ale, a craft beer bar that's a great stop for karaoke and game days.



HYDE PARK LIVING

With its residents' median age hovering around 32, Hyde Park is Greater Tampa's premier neighborhood for young professionals. Point2, which collects data on neighborhoods across the United States, lists Hyde Park's median household income (\$79,585) as 28 percent higher than the national average.

If you're looking for the area's best rooftop scene, you just might find it in [Luna Lounge](#), where you can enjoy a cold beverage with the backdrop of the beautiful Tampa skyline. On the hunt for jazz-inspired cocktails and familiar American cuisine? [Fly Bar + Restaurant](#) has no shortage of items to turn you into another satisfied customer.

Don't miss your chance to have the best pumpkin in town by attending the October Pumpkin Patch, an Instagram-ready event during which you can peruse locally grown pumpkins while enjoying tasty food and beverage options outside. If you'd rather break a sweat, Hyde Park regularly hosts outdoor workout sessions to help you stay in shape while meeting your like-minded neighbors.

Hyde Park residents are sure to enjoy the benefits of living an outdoor-oriented lifestyle with unique shopping, dining and entertainment venues and experiences.



TAMPA DINING & NIGHTLIFE

Tampa is alive after five! The city has some of the best dining and nightlife options in the Tampa Bay area. From culturally diverse restaurants to a lively entertainment scene, Tampa has all you need when you check out of the office.

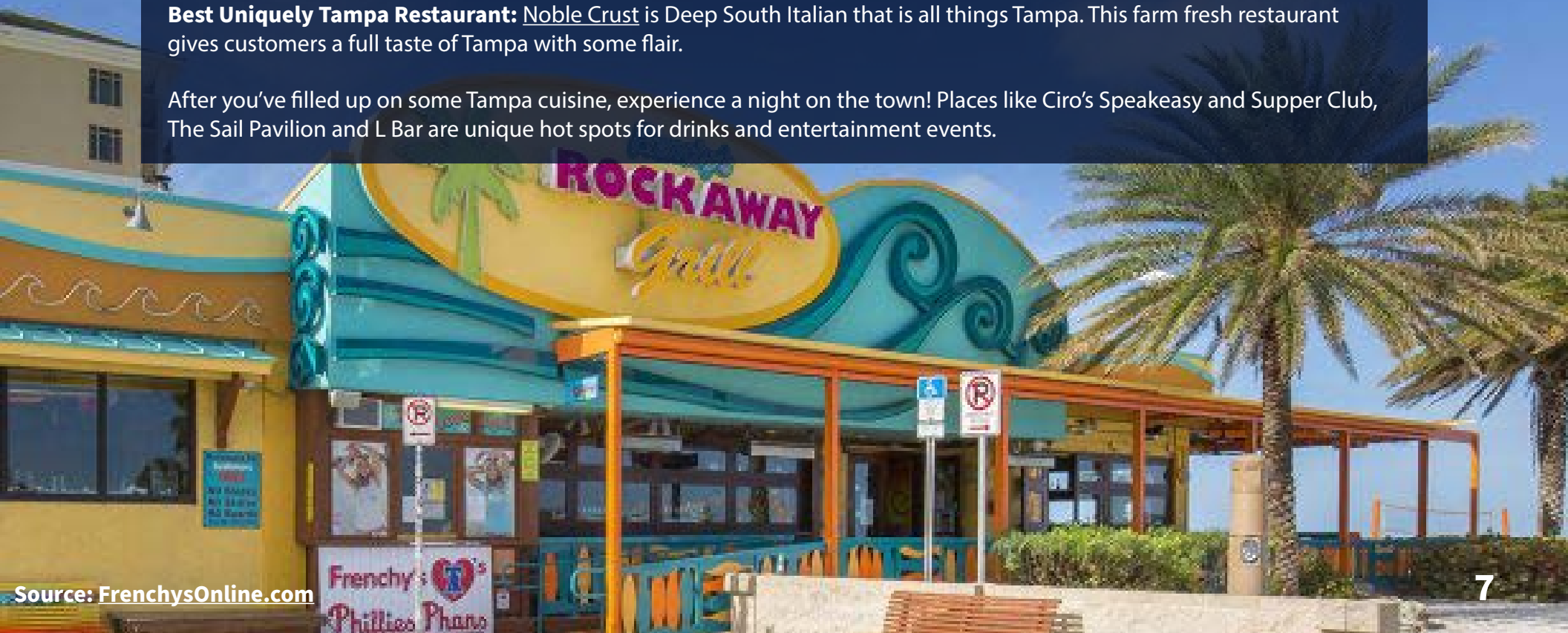
Tampa Magazines provides a quality cumulative list of dining options that are popular and current. These restaurants provide a taste of a well-rounded Tampa experience:

Best Beach Restaurant: [Frenchy's Rockaway Grill](#) takes the title as the 2020 Best Beach Restaurant in Tampa. This open-air beachfront restaurant gives customers the perfect view of the Gulf of Mexico while enjoying fresh seafood, sandwiches or a cup of She Crab soup while listening to live music.

Best New Restaurant: [Salt Shack on the Bay](#) provides visitors with a rustic-refined beach getaway with seafood, seasonal cuisine and signature tropical cocktails. This new Tampa staple prides itself on quality Gulf-to-table meals that embody the Floridian culture.

Best Uniquely Tampa Restaurant: [Noble Crust](#) is Deep South Italian that is all things Tampa. This farm fresh restaurant gives customers a full taste of Tampa with some flair.

After you've filled up on some Tampa cuisine, experience a night on the town! Places like [Ciro's Speakeasy](#) and [Supper Club](#), [The Sail Pavilion](#) and [L Bar](#) are unique hot spots for drinks and entertainment events.



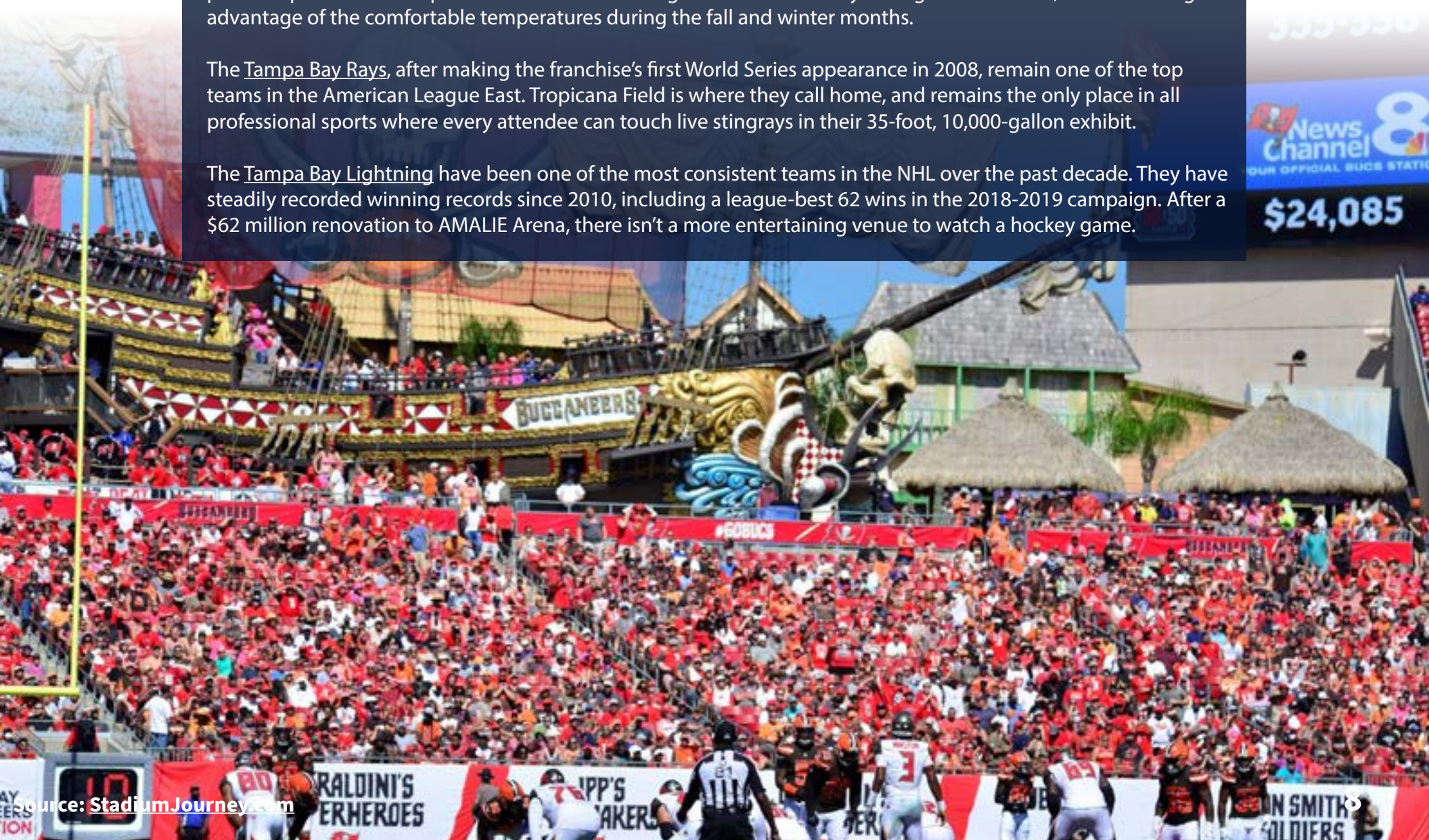
TAMPA SPORTS & ENTERTAINMENT

The metro area is home to three major professional sports franchises:

The Tampa Bay Buccaneers play their home games at Raymond James Stadium, famous for having an actual pirate ship that shoots replica cannons. Bucs home games have routinely averaged north of 50,000 fans taking advantage of the comfortable temperatures during the fall and winter months.

The Tampa Bay Rays, after making the franchise's first World Series appearance in 2008, remain one of the top teams in the American League East. Tropicana Field is where they call home, and remains the only place in all professional sports where every attendee can touch live stingrays in their 35-foot, 10,000-gallon exhibit.

The Tampa Bay Lightning have been one of the most consistent teams in the NHL over the past decade. They have steadily recorded winning records since 2010, including a league-best 62 wins in the 2018-2019 campaign. After a \$62 million renovation to AMALIE Arena, there isn't a more entertaining venue to watch a hockey game.



TAMPA EVENTS & FESTIVALS

There is no better city in the country to host outdoor events and festivals than Tampa. Whether you're a foodie with a passion for some of the best Cuban food outside Havana, or care to check out the world's largest wine list at Bern's Steak House (6,000 unique labels!), every palate will be more than satisfied.

Tampa loves to host festivals that celebrate the culture of the city. Get up and dancing at the [Conga Caliente Festival](#), an Hispanic music and cultural celebration that's highly anticipated each year by locals. Also in the winter, with a temperature hovering around a beautiful 75 degrees, you can enjoy the [Tampa Bay Black Heritage Festival](#) and [Gasparilla Music Fest](#) at the gorgeous Curtis Hixon Waterfront Park.



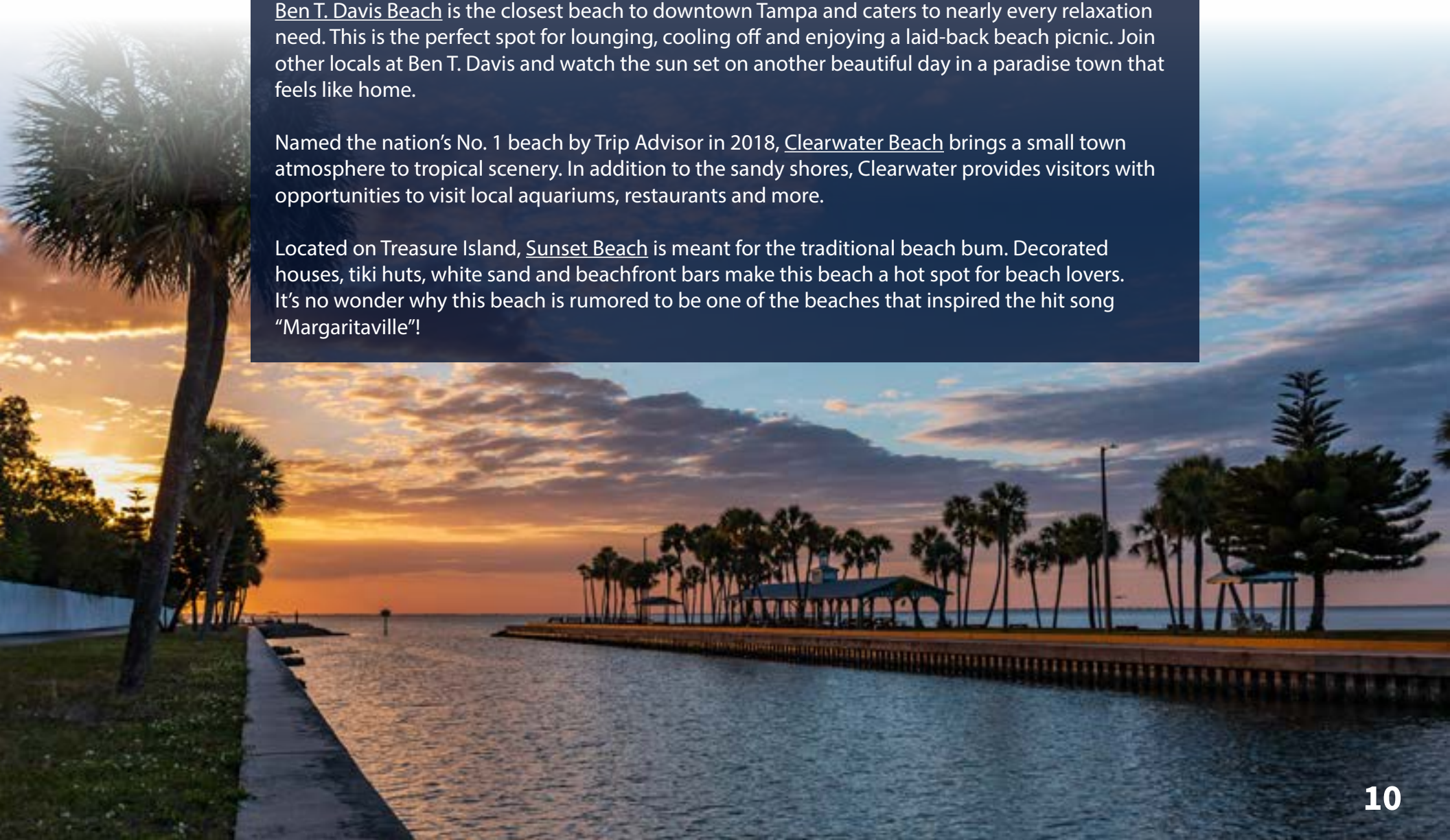
TAMPA BEACHES

You have your pick of the litter for beaches in Tampa. The area is home to some of the most beautiful stretches of sand in the world. Whether you're looking for a calm, relaxing beach to wind down your day or a lively beach for entertainment, Tampa has a beach oasis for every mood.

Ben T. Davis Beach is the closest beach to downtown Tampa and caters to nearly every relaxation need. This is the perfect spot for lounging, cooling off and enjoying a laid-back beach picnic. Join other locals at Ben T. Davis and watch the sun set on another beautiful day in a paradise town that feels like home.

Named the nation's No. 1 beach by Trip Advisor in 2018, Clearwater Beach brings a small town atmosphere to tropical scenery. In addition to the sandy shores, Clearwater provides visitors with opportunities to visit local aquariums, restaurants and more.

Located on Treasure Island, Sunset Beach is meant for the traditional beach bum. Decorated houses, tiki huts, white sand and beachfront bars make this beach a hot spot for beach lovers. It's no wonder why this beach is rumored to be one of the beaches that inspired the hit song "Margaritaville"!



TAMPA MAJOR EMPLOYERS

MAJOR ORGANIZATIONS

Power Design
University of South Florida
U.S. Air Force
U.S. Army
Ceridian
Moffitt Cancer Center
Kforce
T-Mobile
Capital One
Apex Service Partners

HIGHER EDUCATION

University of South Florida
University of South Florida – St. Petersburg
Eckerd College
University of Tampa
Florida Southern College
Saint Leo University
Southeastern University
St. Petersburg College
Pasco-Hernando State College
South University – Tampa

There are plenty of opportunities to get involved in Tampa with numerous nonprofit organizations headquartered downtown.

To make an impact in a child's life, get involved with [Guardian Ad Litem Program](#) and volunteer your voice. Volunteers stand up for the rights of children who find themselves shuffling through the child welfare system. The program is supported by [Voices for Children of Tampa](#), which provides simple necessities such as new shoes, clothing and school supplies for these children and their families.

Do you consider yourself an environmental steward? [Keep Tampa Bay Beautiful](#) is the perfect organization for you! This volunteer-driven nonprofit offers a variety of service projects to work with groups of all ages and combines education with service to create a community effort for change.

Love pets? The [Hillsborough County Pet Resource Center](#) is always seeking volunteers to help support its dogs and cats in keeping them happy and healthy at the shelter.



Traveling around and outside of the Tampa Bay area is made easy with a myriad of options. The Tampa International Airport is just shy of 8 miles from the city center and provides domestic and international access including 90 nonstop destinations and 260 daily departures.

The Pirate Water Taxi is exactly what it sounds like ... a pirate-themed water taxi. The fleet makes more than 15 stops along the Riverwalk, Channel District, downtown and Davis Island. Not only does it get you where you need to go, it also offers historical narration so you can learn more about the area as you travel to your next destination!

The downtown area also boasts the TECO Streetcar, which can shuttle you around downtown Tampa, Channelside and historic Ybor City. There are also electric scooters, water bikes, shuttle services, regular bicycles and rideshare, so getting around Tampa should be the least of your worries!



Living in Tampa means you're little more than an hour away from The Magic Kingdom! Whether you have a young family or exploring for yourself, Disney World has activities for a range of itineraries.

Adults at [Disney World](#) have the luxury of exploring Magic Kingdom Park, Animal Kingdom, Hollywood Studios and Epcot. You'll have the opportunity to stay, play, dine and shop at the park's most lavish attractions. Enjoy lounges for nighttime getaways and Disney Springs for daytime events everyone can enjoy.

Disney World always has new and exciting attractions to explore. *Star Wars: Rise of the Resistance* and the Taste of Epcot Food & Wine Festival are just two new spots waiting for you! Plus, as a Florida resident, you'll be eligible for a range of admission discounts!



GETAWAYS MIAMI

One of the most entertaining cities in the world sits just a few hours southeast of Tampa. Known for its world-class beaches and famous nightlife, Miami has no shortage of things to do from the moment you wake up to the sunrise over the Atlantic Ocean to deep into the night cruising celebrity chef eateries on South Beach.

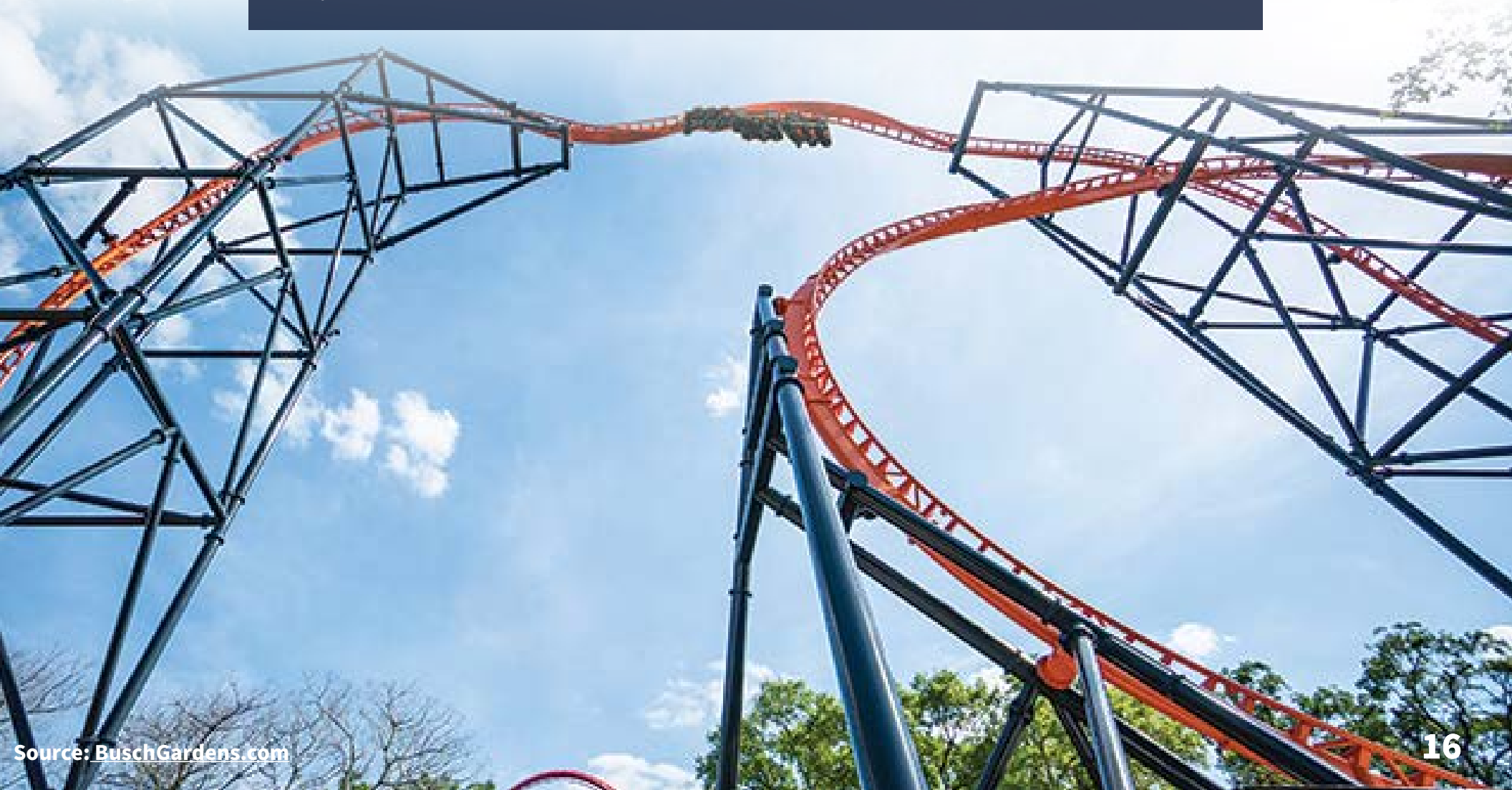
Looking for a break from the sand and sun? Head to Zoo Miami for the only subtropical zoo in the continental United States, or take a stroll around Little Havana to experience authentic Cuban culture where you can arguably taste the best coffee your lips have ever touched.



GETAWAYS BUSCH GARDENS

Taking the No. 7 spot in Travel + Leisure's "Best Theme Parks in the U.S." is Busch Gardens, located just 9 miles from Downtown Tampa. While Busch Gardens has several locations, the Tampa Bay park has the Tigris, which is the tallest, and many say, the scariest roller coaster in Florida.

If white-knuckle experiences aren't your thing, they host events like Howl-O-Scream and a beer fest every fall. Whether you bring your friends or family, you'll be sure to have a fun-filled day at one of the best parks in the United States.



GETAWAYS EVERGLADES NATIONAL PARK

The Everglades National Park consists of 1.5 million acres of mysterious wetland, making it the third largest national park in the lower 48, after Death Valley and Yellowstone.

The Everglades National Park is a three-hour drive from Tampa and has three entrances that can be accessed through different areas of South Florida. Due to its size, planning is a must as the entrances aren't connected. However, all the areas offer a wide range of activities and you won't miss spotting the wildlife.

Climb up Shark Valley's 65-foot observation tower for a bird's eye view of the Glades. Take a tour boat or kayak on the Florida Bay and look out for crocodiles, manatees and dolphins. Go on a bike ride through the pinelands, paddle through the mangroves on Nine-Mile Pond, or tour the historic Nike Hercules missile base. This is only a small selection of the activities that are offered at the park!

Looking to grab a bite? Everglades City is only 3 minutes away and restaurants include the year-round Camellia Street Grill as well as the seasonal Triad Seafood Market. Find a menu that offers smoked mullet or come and visit during stone crab season (October-May). Pro tip: Plan your trip in February to enjoy the nature in the park and join in on the fun when they host the Everglades Seafood Festival. Live music and local seafood: What more could you ask for?





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