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## Fabulous Waterfront Dining Destinations

**I**nspiring beachfront views, creative cuisine, and abundant seaside activities presented at Sharky's on the Pier will ensure you are equipped with everything you need in order to relax, have fun, and bask in a memorable dining experience. At Sharky's, guests are greeted by the clear turquoise Gulf waters that whisper, you have arrived in paradise. Whether you live minutes away or are visiting Venice, time flies at this unforgettable destination as you partake in the many fun-filled opportunities and savory eats.

Owned by the Pachota family, Sharky's on the Pier is an iconic place in paradise, one that's frequently visited due to its established reputation for providing more than a delicious meal. Inside Sharky's souvenir shop, paddleboards, beach chairs, umbrellas, and sand sifters are available for rent so you can choose to enjoy a day of relaxation or play. Once you've

worked up an appetite, head inside to peruse the Sharky's menu which is always changing to include different seafood, chicken, and steak entrees as well as daily specials, appetizers, salads, and decadent desserts. Inspired by tropical flavors, Sharky's creative chefs have introduced new items such as the Firecracker Shrimp and serve up favorites like the Mahi Mahi and delicious hand-held sandwiches. At the base of the Venice Fishing Pier, guests can soak up the ocean views from a seat at the outdoor tiki hut where Piña Coladas, margaritas, specialty cocktails, and an ever-changing menu of Caribbean-style beverages are never in short supply. Awarded as Best Venice Restaurant of 2021 by Sarasota Magazine and Business of the Year in 2020 by Venice Area Chamber of Commerce, it's easy to see why Sharky's is a destination to be revisited time and time again.

Two additional Pachota-owned restaurants, Fins at Sharky's and Snook Haven, also offer trademark themes. Sharing Sharky's shoreline, Fins at Sharky's features numerous upscale selections, ideal for every occasion and palate. Small plates such as the Island Style Calamari, Jospo® Grilled Octopus, and chef's favorite Oysters Rockefeller bring freshness to the table right from the start. On the Fins menu, select the exquisite 14-oz. Meyer Natural Angus Choice Smoked Rib Eye or dozens of seafood items like the often-requested Norwegian Salmon. Traditional Japanese skill also brings visitors fresh sushi rolls such as the King and Blue Crab, Unagi, Tuna, and Salmon, all prepared with high-quality ingredients.

Bringing together casual BBQ meals plus onsite kayak and canoe rentals, Snook Haven gives customers a feel of Florida history and the opportunity to unwind by the Myakka River. Spend the day paddling the waters and afterward, enjoy a picnic with flavorful barbecued chicken wings, smoked ribs, and brisket sandwiches as well as traditional Southern favorites like gator bites and collard greens, all while being surrounded by the lush



greenery of Myakka. But hurry—time is running out to visit this historic landmark as Sarasota County will begin park and restaurant renovations in April 2024.

Stopping by world-famous, white-sand Siesta Beach? Your food and beverage needs are covered at Siesta Beach Eats. The award-winning Siesta Beach is a fan-favorite tourist destination for visitors, vacationers, and locals alike. Siesta Beach Eats includes two food service locations and a retail store that offers beach equipment rentals, apparel, accessories, and more. The Sun Deck pairs breathtaking views of Siesta Beach with a Chef-inspired casual menu and an expanded beverage menu featuring frozen sippers and locally brewed craft beer. The Sand Pavilion serves made-to-order, high-quality dishes and beverages for guests of all ages.

The newest addition, The Nest at Bay Park, is a brand-new concession stand at The Bay Sarasota. Park visitors will be provided with popular grab-and-go items and expansive beverage selections for breakfast and all day. Enjoy items like bagel sandwiches and fresh avocado toast, nosh on salads, wraps, and quesadillas, and sip on various refreshments while you explore the newly opened locale.

This summer, immerse yourself in the one-of-a-kind fun Florida atmosphere found at these unique waterfront establishments. Follow Sharky's on Facebook for updates on upcoming events such as Christmas in July and summer activities like kids' nights and more.

For more information about this advertorial, call 941.488.1456, log on to [SharkysOnThePier.com](http://SharkysOnThePier.com), or turn to page 57 in the Dining Guide.

