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Welcome to the Sunshine Lane Bungalow West. This bungalow is one of the last remaining bungalows located on Treasure Island. This cozy beach bungalow with a 1950s, fun, beachy, retro vibe sits directly on the sand of the world-renowned gulf coast white sand beaches. Relax in your living room and enjoy the view of the Gulf of Mexico. A west facing view gives you constant water views and picture perfect sunsets almost nightly. We truly hope you will find your stay at Sunshine Lane Bungalow to be enjoyable.

Both myself (Bob) and my wife Andrea want your stay with us to be special. We try to do everything possible to make your stay a 5 star stay! Let us know if there is anything you need as one of us and we will see what we can do to help. At the end of your stay, we would really appreciate a 5 star review. Anything less is considered a negative review from VRBO. So if there is something that will prevent you from providing us a 5 star review, please let us know so we can address it for you. :)

Contact Number: 727-435-0095 - Bob I can be called or texted until about 10:30 most nights for normal requests and anytime for urgent matters. For emergencies, please call 911.

We have put together this welcome book to help you with many of the questions you may have on how to enjoy our bungalow to the fullest as well as local restaurant, shopping guides, local activities, etc.

Property Access

Check-in

Check-In Time

Welcome there

Check-in is at 4 pm. Please call us 1 hour before your arrival time at 727-435-0095 for any last minute instructions for check-in. It is almost impossible for us to offer early check-in due to the amount of laundry and cleaning that needs to be done as we have same day turnovers for almost every reservation due the high demand of the property. If you will be in the area early and need a place to park or drop your bags, please reach out to me and 99% of the time, we can arrange something to accommodate your request. :)

Vehicle Parking

Being a beach town, parking is at a premium. Your rental comes with one parking spot, but we try to work with you as best as possible if you have two cars. Your parking spot is the right 20 feet of the front driveway. The left 20 feet is for the other house on the property. If you have two normal sized cars, many guests are able to park them side by side on the right. We seem to have a challenge if you have a pickup truck. Worst case, we do have another property that about a half mile away in Madeira Beach that you can park the second car at for free. If that will not work for you, then there are parking spots 3 houses away at \$5.00 an hour or \$120.00 per day. As a frame of reference, the hotel across the street charges \$50 a day for bringing any car as parking is not included in the room rate. This is because of the limited parking in a crowded beach town. Another way to think about it, is if you rent a condo, they are usually one allowed one car as they only have one parking space assigned.

Accessing & Locking the Doors

We have a Schalge electronic door lock with a keypad. We will give you the code when you call us. in the code to unlock it. Upon exiting, if you want to lock the door, you simply tap the lock button.

Check-Out Time

Check-out is at 11 am. As a courtesy to the next guest, please be prompt in your check-out time as our cleaning service is scheduled to arrive promptly at 11 am.

What do I need to do at Check-Out?

What do I need to do at Check-Out? (continued)

You are on vacation so you really don't need to do anything. But many people ask if it would be helpful to strip the beds or take out the trash? Although not required, the cleaner definately appreciates it as it almost always takes her the full 5 hours to clean the bungalow.

Property Amenities (Fun Stuff)

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WiFi Details



Please use the following details to connect to our complimentary WiFi

WiFi Name: SpectrumSetup-3140

WiFi Password: thisguest151

Swim Noodles, Boogie Boards, Umbrella & Beach Chairs

These items are stored in the storage closet that is to the right side of the property as you exit the glass sliding doors. If an item breaks, please just tell us so we can replace them for the next guest. You will not be charged as that is what the insurance is for.

Outdoor Shower & Washing Sand Off Your Feet From the Beach

We know how easy it is to track sand into the house and it ultimately ends up in places like your bed which then makes your bed very uncomfortable. We have an outdoor shower for your use from coming in from the beach on the back, right side of the house. It can help get the salt off your body and out of your hair along with the sand.

Operating the Oven

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This is kind of tricky. You must have the Cooking Mode Knob, the Oven Temperature knob, and the Timer Knob set for the oven to work. When the range is not being used, make sure ALL of the knobs are set to OFF.

Air Conditioning

Air Conditioning (continued)

We have mini-splits in this house. Many people are not familiar with mini-splits. The nice thing about them is you can control the temperature per room and they cool down the room really quick. The bad thing about them is they cool down the room really quick and can lead to short cycling. When they short cycle, even though they reach the temperature you want, it can still feel humid. So how do you correct that? Set the temperature you want. **Then this is very important, then click the <u>DRY</u> button.** You will not see the temperature, but it will run in a low speed mode to keep the temperature at what you set and remove the humidity. If you have questions, please ask.

How to work the Living Room & Bedroom TVs

The TVs are smart TVs setup for streaming. We have Roku remotes and Spectrum TV service. So when you turn the TV on, you can select the Spectrum TV app to get our local TV channel package. We also have Amazon service that streams to the TV too. In addition, there are various other streaming apps in which you can simply put in your login to watch your favorite TV shows from back home.

Neon Signs Power Switch in Living Room

You will see a round button below the living room TV on the wall. If you push that button in, it will turn on or off the neon lights.

Light & Fan Switch Combos

In each room that has the round ceiling light with a fan, you control the light via the light switch. If you want to use the fan, you will use the black remote to turn on and off the fan. Most of the time the mini-splits are fine and a fan is not needed unless it is personal preference. Please note, if you turn the light off using the remote, then the light switch will not work. So we suggest that you just use the switch for the light to not get confused.

Two Story House on the Property

There is a two story house on the property too. You will walk past this house to get to the Beach Bungalow. We try to have private spaces for each property. So your private space is the concrete patio out back where the picnic table is. If by chance the other guests are in that area you can respectfully tell them you would like your privacy as that is your area or you can invite them over for a drink. Their private area is the deck over top of the house. So we ask that you do not go up there as that is their private area. That is if you don't make some new friends and you both agree to share spaces which you can do if both parties agree.

Washer & Dryer

Washer & Dryer (continued)

You will find the washer and dryer under the stairs of the 2 story house. We understand you will be coming off the beach, but please make sure you shake the sand out of your towels and bathing suits before putting them in the washer or dryer as we have had sand clog up the washer and dryer before. We appreciate your help with this.:) We also supply laundry pods and dryer sheets in the washer/dryer area. Please keep this area neat as it is a shared area between the two houses.

Trash

We have a trash can in the closet to the right of the range and extra trash bags on the pantry shelves. Trash pickup is Monday and Thursday. The trash location is when you walk out of the house toward the parking area. The blue recycle bins are for recyclables only.

Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Shampoo, Soaps, etc

We do provide complimentary hand soap, shampoo, conditioner, body wash, toilet paper and paper towels. We have extra dispensable hand soap, shampoo, conditioner, body wash and toilet paper in the hallway closet. We have extra paper towels in the storage closet to the right of the range.

Coffee Maker & Toaster Oven, Etc.

We have a toaster oven, coffee maker, and other supplies as such in the kitchen for your convenience.

Dinnerware, Glasses, Pots, Silverware, Etc.

You will find glasses, plates, bowls & coffee cups in the upper cabinets. Silverware, pots and pans in the lower cabinets.

Linens & Towels

We have extra linens and towels in the hallway closet on the left as you head toward the bedrooms and bathroom from the living room/dining area..

Patio Furniture

Patio Furniture (continued)

On the back porch, you will find patio furniture for your enjoyment and privacy. Please do not take the patio furniture to the beach. The beach chairs are located in the storage box to the right when you walk out of the glass sliding door toward the beach.

Pack and Play for Infants/Small Children

Although we do not have a pack and play, height chairs, etc for children, if you go to

www.packlessplaymore.com

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they have a variety of baby gear available for rent and they will deliver it to the bungalow.

House Rules (Not Fun Stuff)

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Florida Leatherback & Loggerhead Sea Turtle Regulations

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The Florida Leatherback & Loggerhead Sea Turtles are considered endangered and they nest on our beaches. So if you are visiting from May 31st to October 31stwe ask that you follow a few State Regulations. From 9 pm to 7 am, all windows must have the blinds closed or curtains closed. Why you may ask? Well, when the hatchlings hatch, they are instinctively guided by the moon shining off the water to direct them to the water. Unfortunately, they can't tell the difference between the light from the living room or the moon. So if they start to come to the living room, they more than likely will die and never make it to the Gulf. So please close the curtains from 9 pm to 7 am from May 31st to October 31st to help them make it to the Gulf.

Next, if you or your children were digging in the sand at the beach during those months, please fill in the holes. As again, this is a danger for the sea turtles. If they fall in, they can't get out and they will die.

Finally, if you see an area that has wooden stakes and orange ribbon around it on the beach, that is a sea turtle nest. Do not walk in that area as you can crush the sea turtle eggs. We really appreciate your cooperation in helping to preserve these magnificent animals. If you are lucky enough to see them hatch and 50 or so of these scamper to the Gulf, you are in for a treat!

Number of Guests

We ask you to limit the number of guests to 6 for your stay (yes, we have had people try to squeeze 12 people into the house and they obviously stayed the night using our lounge chairs and blow up mattresses to sleep on and then stating it did not matter how many people they have). If you have more than 6 people, we may ask you to leave early for violating the house rules and no refund will be given. This means 6 people total. 6 is also the maximum occupancy as per the local fire ordinance. We do not allow parties. So even if only 6 people are sleeping here, you can't have 6 extra people during the day. If you need to exceed 6 people for your vacation gathering spot, unfortunately this is not the right property for you and we respectfully ask you to book another property that will be better suited for your vacation. Thank-you for your understanding.

Noise Regulations

Since we are in a residential area, we ask that you are respectful to our neighbors. City ordinances prohibit loud music, noise, ect between the hours of 10 pm and 8 am. Violations of this are subject to your reservation being terminated with no refund and fines from the city. Again, as it is a residential area, we encourage family rentals that will be respectful of our neighbors and will not result in them calling the police for noise complaints.

Smoking

Smoking (continued)

Out of respect for the house and future guests that are sensitive to smoke, please refrain from smoking in the house. If you are going to smoke, we do ask that you do it out back on the concrete area where the picnic bench is as this is a wood frame house. We had a small recent fire at another property and it was over a \$800K insurance claim due to the FEMA hoops you have to jump through. We supply a bucket of sand out back by the storage shed for cigarette butts. Please don't dump trash, beer, ect in there as it makes the bucket smell.

Pets

Although you may have the most adorable pet, we do not allow pets to stay at the property. This is to prevent any damages and ensure the comfort of our future guests that may be allergic to pet dander.

No Fireworks or Bar-b-que

Since we have a wood frame house and a wooden deck, we do not allow fireworks or bar-b-ques. Additionally, the city of Treasure Island prohibits fireworks. This is for the protection of the birds and the wildlife that live in the sand dunes.

Fishing in the Gulf

There are various fishing charters available to book at John's Pass. Some people like to fish from the beach. Deputies do drive the beach, so you should purchase a visitor fishing permit. You can purchase one online at

https://license.gooutdoorsflorida.com/

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Hold Harmless

Our Hold Harmless must be signed by all guests signifying they have read these terms and will abide by them. Failure to sign the Hold Harmless will result in the termination of the reservation with no refund.

Places to Eat & Drink & Things To Do

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Most people just go on their phone and open the map app and type in what they are looking for and their phone will take them right to it. But I will outline a few local favorites below to make things a little easier. There are quite a few restaurants nearby that are in walking distance to the bungalow. If you don't feel like going out, that's okay too! Many restaurants deliver, and both Uber Eats and Grub Hub operate in the area.

- **UberEats/Door Dash, Etc** If you don't want to leave the house, we get it. Have one of these services bring the food to you! No restaurant has a better view than your bungalow!
- Mad Beach Cantina Only 6 minutes walking time from the bungalow south on Gulf Blvd over the bridge in Madeira Beach. 13205 Gulf Blvd, Madeira Beach. (727) 398-4103. Seafood place with a rooftop bar.
- Lisa's Café Only a 7 minute walk north on Gulf Blvd over the bridge in Madeira Beach. 13331 Gulf Blvd, Madeira Beach. (727) 394-2833. Serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Traditional American plates & cocktails served in a warm, relaxed space with outdoor seating.
- Madeira Beach VFW 7 minute walk to 12901 Gulf Blvd at John's Pass over the bridge in Madeira Beach. Friday & Saturday nights they have a seafood special of lobster, snow crab and also T-Bone steaks
- Pirate's Pub & Grub 5 minute walk over the bridge in Madeira Beach. Reasonably priced pub drinks and food at John's Pass.
- **DeLosa's Pizza** 5 minute walk south on Gulf Blvd over the bridge in Madeira Beach. 12800 Village Blvd, Madeira Beach. (727) 398-4657. New York style pies, slices, calzones & garlic knots.
- Bubba Gump Shrimp Co 5 minute walk south to John's Pass over the bridge in Madeira Beach. 185 Boardwalk PI E, Madeira Beach. (727) 397-4867. Family friendly chain for seafood & America fare.
- **Hooters** 5 minute walk to John's Pass over the bridge in Madeira Beach. 192 W, Boardwalk PI E, Madeira Beach. (727) 797-4668. Sports bar & grill chain famous for hot wings and waitresses.
- Sculley's Seafood Restaurant 5 minute walk south to John's Pass over the bridge in Madeira Beach. 190 Johns Pass Boardwalk, Madeira Beach. (727) 230-0608. Casual Seafood joint serving surf'n'turf & cocktails.
- Salt Rock Grill 12 minute drive north on Gulf Blvd. 19325 Gulf Blvd, Indian Shores. (727) 593-7625. Steaks & Seafood.
- Middle Grounds This restaurant is a 3 or 4 minute drive south to 10925 Gulf Drive in Treasure Island. However, they have the best twin lobster tails. I am pretty picky eating lobster almost weekly and I have yet to get a lobster that was over-cooked there (which is what most places do). So if you like lobster, you might want to give them a try. I can't speak for the rest of their menu as I happily get the same thing every time.
- Caddy's on the Beach, Treasure Island 9000 W Gulf Blvd, Treasure Island. 727-360-4993 Basic bar food, entertainment at nights and weekends. But they have a nice beach view for you to enjoy while you eat or listen to some of the entertainment at night.
- **Spinner's Rooftop Revolving Bistro** 5250 Gulf Blvd, St. Pete 800-448-0901 Great views and great food. Higher end restaurant.
- Level 11 5250 Gulf Blvd, St. Pete 727-360-1811 Same building as Spinners, just 2 floors lower. Same great views and also great food. Higher end restaurant.

<u>Things To Do – Walking Distance</u>

<u>Things To Do – Walking Distance (continued)</u>

Tip – The first thing I would do when you arrive is take a quick walk down to John's Pass. Toward the center of the John's Pass Complex is a visitor welcome booth. There you will find all kinds of activity guides, maps, discount coupons and advertisements for things to do and places to eat. Grab a bunch and peruse them while getting something to eat at John's Pass overlooking the water and plan out your stay for maximum enjoyment! Once you have walked to John's Pass this way, next time take the beach access and make a left once you are on the beach. Then walk down to the bridge and under the bridge and you will be at John's Pass. It is a much nicer walk than on a busy street.

Accordingly, we have listed a few of our favorites below.

- The Beach Pristine white sandy beaches are only a few steps away. Simply walk out of your door and follow the marked and maintained beach path. Some of the best beaches in the country are right outside your door. **Make it a point to watch the sunset a few nights while relaxing on the beach.**
- **John's Pass Village** 12901 Gulf Blvd, Madeira Beach Only a 1 minute car ride or a 5 minute walk from the bungalow. John's Pass is a quaint, historic fishing village with shops, bars, restaurants, and many, many activities such as jetskiing, fishing, parasailing, sunset cruises, pirate ship cruises, etc.
- **Dolphin Quest** (727) 392-7090.

140 Boardwalk PI E, Madeira Beach

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Eagle Parasail – (727) 224-5747 110 John's Pass Boardwalk. Parasailing, what else? **The Pirate Ship Royal Conquest** - (727) 423-7824. Pirate-themed ship offering daily sailings with kid-friendly activities like storytelling & dancing. Located at John's Pass.

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The Alligator Attraction - (727) 329-8751. Located at John's Pass.

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The Florida Winery – (727) 362-0008 12945 Village Blvd at John's Pass.

Beach Fun & Games – Arcade for kids at John's Pass. 12975 Village Blvd. (727) 393-7000

Smugglers Cove Adventure Golf - (727) 398-7008

15395 Gulf Blvd, Madeira Beach

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. Mini-golf course featuring waterfalls, caves, & live alligators that visitors can feed.

Fishing Charters – There are multiple companies offering all kinds of charters at John's Pass.

Jet Ski Rentals - There are multiple companies offering jet ski rentals at John's Pass.

Overhead Water Sports – (727) 201-6333 This company offers the jet boards attached to a hose that shoot you up into the sky about 15 or 20 feet off the water.

Pubs, Bars, etc - There are multiple pubs, bars and the like at John's Pass. Simply take a stroll down there to see what suits your fancy.

Candy Kitchen – (727) 392-6803 13711 Gulf Blvd. About 12 blocks north on the right over the bridge in Madeira Beach. Ice cream, brownies, candy, etc for the kids. The nostalgic shop has been around since its opening in 1950.

Things to Do – Driving Distance

Things to Do - Driving Distance (continued)

• Florida Aquarium - (813) 273-4000.

701 Channelside Dr. Tampa, Fl

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. Offers exhibits such as Dive with the Sharks Bays and Beaches, Swim with the Fishes, Penguin Promenades, and Coral Reef Water Fun Zone. A fun way to learn about the gulf coast wildlife.

flaquarium.org

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Busch Gardens - (813) 884-4386.

10165 N McKinley Dr. Tampa, Fl

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. 35 acre African themed animal theme park.

Honeymoon Island State Park – Honeymoon Island, Dunedin. 727-469-5942 Nature lovers will love this beach! It is about 25 minutes away, it costs \$8 per car load and you can see all there is to do at their website

https://www.floridastateparks.org/park/Honeymoon-Island

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Clearwater Beach - Constantly voted the best beach in the county. About an 15 minutes away. Go to

clearwaterbeach.com

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to see all the things you can do there. (Honestly, the sand and beach is about the same to me as what you have here except the actual beach is wider and much more crowded. It is also

Fort Desoto Beach State Park – 3500 Pinellas Bayway, St. Pete 727-582-2267 Also about an 20 minutes away. Lots of great stuff to do such as the beach, kayak, trails, paddleboard, nature walks, etc.

http://www.pinellascounty.org/park/05_ft_desoto.htm

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In an emergency, call nine one one (911) and ask for an ambulance.