

2025

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**PEOPLE'S CHOICE**

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**a celebration of  
carteret county  
small businesses**

(CHOSEN BY YOU!)

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*Learn more about this photo on the inside cover.*

## *cheers, y'all! we're so glad you're here.*

Carteret Curated is hosted by Mary Cheatham King Real Estate (MCKRE), a team of women who love so many things about living in Carteret County. On Instagram, our Carteret Curated account allows us to support small businesses and organizations all along the Crystal Coast and to shine a light on the people who make our community special.

We love it when clients ask our opinion about where they should go out for dinner or take their kids on a rainy afternoon. Enter: the Carteret Curated People's Choice Awards! We're thrilled to provide this resource that helps folks looking for insider advice AND to support our local hard-working business owners.

In 2025, thousands of votes were cast for our local People's Choice Awards, all from folks who live in or love Carteret County. We are thrilled to be able to share every single nominated business in the pages to follow.

Whether you keep it on your coffee table or download it to your phone, we hope this year's People's Choice Guide will serve as a resource for you to have the most adventurous year yet in Carteret County!



*Our People's Choice Guide is all about celebrating our local small businesses.*

*We hope our local small business, Mary Cheatham King Real Estate, will be your choice for buying or selling on the Crystal Coast!*

*We're grateful for your support.*

**252.518.5222**  
**MaryCheathamKing.com**

REAL *Relationships* • REAL *Results*

PICTURED: A peek into MCKRE's weekly team meeting at Mary Cheatham's house - captured by Corry Frazier Photography!



# here's the 2025 breakdown:

## VOTING DATES

March 31st – April 11th

Community members voted for their favorite local business within 53 categories.

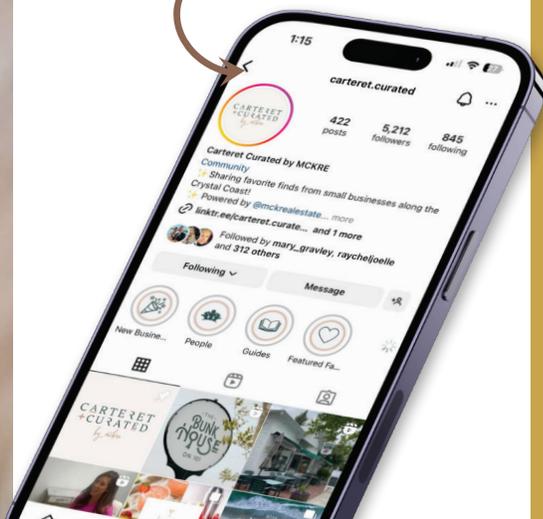
## FAVORITES ANNOUNCED

April 18th

In these pages, we celebrate each business that received a nomination. Would you like to see the top three favorites for each category? Visit [carteretcurated.com](http://carteretcurated.com)!

For the inside scoop on new businesses, shopping, tasting, experiencing and giving back in Carteret County, follow along with us on Instagram!

[@carteret.curated](https://www.instagram.com/carteret.curated)



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## ON THE COVER

This year's cover photo was taken by the talented Jennifer Wakefield of Crystal Coast Dog Photography, who earned the top spot in this year's cover contest thanks to an overwhelming number of community votes. Known for her heartwarming and expressive pet portraits, Jennifer captured a joyful moment that truly reflects the spirit of the Crystal Coast—and clearly struck a chord with locals. Her winning image now graces the front of the guide, celebrating not only her incredible talent behind the lens but also the special bond between pets and their people.

Be sure to visit pg. 25 for an entire list of local photographers!

*favorite*

## COFFEE SHOP

*on the island*

4J's Coffee • @4jscoffee  
Atlantic Beach Coffee Co. • @abcoffee17  
The Local Bean-Go • @the\_local\_bean\_go  
Gaffer's • @gaffersemeraldislenc  
Sol Bowls • @sol\_bowls\_  
Stir It Up Coffee Shop • @stiritupcoffeeshopei  
The Village Market • @villagemarket\_ei

*morehead city*

Calico Creek Coffee Bar • @calicocreek  
Heavenly Grounds • @heavenlygroundscoffeeco  
Kidz at Play Family Cafe • @kidzatplayfamilycafe  
Moxie • @moxie\_mhc  
Mug Shot Lounge • @mug.shot.caffeine.cocktails  
Noontide Coffee & Kitchen • @noontide\_coffee\_kitchen  
Reed's Coffee + Art + Framing • @reedscoffeeandframing  
Rise & Shine Nutrition • @riseandshine\_nutrition  
Sweet Beans • FB: Sweet Beans Midtown Sound Cafe

*beaufort*

Beach Bowls • @beachbowlsnc  
Cru Coffee Shop • @crubarbeaufort  
Dancing Baristas Cafe • @dancingbaristascafe  
Grand Maree • @grande.maree  
Historic Grounds Coffee Shop • @coffeehistoricgrounds  
Turner Street Market • @turnerstreetmarket

*newport, cedar point & havelock*

Carolina Home & Garden • @carolinahomeandgarden  
Stable Grounds Coffee • @stablegroundscoffee

*favorite***BREAKFAST+BRUNCH SPOT***morehead city*

**The Banks Grill** • @thebanksgrill.mhc  
**Big Rock Cafe** • FB: Big Rock Cafe  
**Captain's Table** • @captains\_tablemhc  
**Circa 81\*** • @circa81nc  
**Cox Family Restaurant** • @coxfamilyrestaurant  
**Floyd's 1921\*** • @floyds1921  
**Giovanni's Brooklyn Bagels** • @giovannis\_brooklyn\_bagels  
**Jack's on the Waterfront\*** • @jackswaterfrontbar\_mhc  
**Karma Cookies & Cafe** • @karmacnc  
**King Mackerels\*** • @kingmackerelsmhc  
**Kountry Kitchen** • FB: Kountry Kitchen  
**Moxie** • @moxie\_mhc  
**Mug Shot Lounge** • @mug.shot.caffeine.cocktails  
**Noontide Coffee & Kitchen** • @noontide\_coffee\_kitchen  
**Promise Land Market\*** • @promiselandmarket  
**Sugarloaf Island Bakery** • @sugarloaf\_island\_bakery  
**Sweet Beans** • FB: Sweet Beans Midtown Sound Cafe

*on the island*

**4 Corners Diner** • 4cornersdiner.com  
**The Bite at the Box** • @the.biteab  
**Gaffer's** • @gaffersemeraldislenc  
**Giovanni's Brooklyn Bagels** • @giovannis\_brooklyn\_bagels  
**Hang 10 Donuts** • @hang10donuts  
**Oceanana Pier House** • @oceananapierhouse  
**Sol Bowls** • @sol\_bowls\_  
**The Trading Post** • @thetradingpostei  
**The Village Market** • @villagemarket\_ei

*newport & havelock*

**Fat Fellas** • fatfellasbbq.com  
**Stable Grounds Coffee** • @stablegroundscoffee  
**TimeOut Tavern** • FB: TimeOut Tavern  
**Waves Grill** • FB: Waves Mart & Grill

*beaufort*

**34° North Restaurant\*** • @34degreesnorthrestaurant  
**Beach Bowls** • @beachbowlsnc  
**Beaufort Baking Company** • FB: Beaufort Baking Company  
**Beaufort Cafe** • 817 Cedar Street  
**Beaufort Grocery Co.\*** • @beaufortgrocery  
**Cru Wine Bar & Coffee Shop** • @crubarbeaufort  
**Dancing Baristas Cafe** • @dancingbaristascafe  
**Donna's Deli at the Pig** • 1500 Live Oak Street  
**Front Street Grill\*** • therhumbar.com  
**Historic Grounds Coffee Shop** • @coffeehistoricgrounds  
**Queen Anne's Revenge\*** • @queenannesrevengebft  
**The Spot Grill** • FB: The Spot Grill  
**Turner Street Market** • @turnerstreetmarket

*cape carteret*

**Angie's Lighthouse Cafe** • @angieslighthousecafe  
**Coastal Haze Restaurant\*** • @coastalhazerestaurant  
**Mark's Family Restaurant** • FB: Mark's Family Restaurant

*harkers island*

**SeaSide Galley** • FB: Seaside, NC

*\* Breakfast/brunch only  
 served on weekends.*

# favorite FROZEN DESSERT SHOP

## ON THE ISLAND

**AB Ice Cream & Candy Shoppe**

@atlanticbchicecream

**Scoopin' Yummies**

@scoopinyummiesatlantic

**Scoops**

@scoopssalterpath

**Sol Bowls**

@sol\_bowls\_

**Sunset Slush**

FB: Sunset Slush of Atlantic Beach

**Sweet Spot**

@sweetspottei

**Village Ice Cream**

@villageicecreamandcandies

## BEAUFORT & DOWN EAST

**Beach Bowls**

@beachbowlsnc

**Beaufort Creamery**

@beaufortcreamery

**Down East Gifts & Scoops**

FB: Down East Gifts Scoops

**The General Store**

@bftgeneralstore

## MOREHEAD CITY

**MHC Gulf Docks**

@morehead.gulf.docks

**Parson's General Store**

@parsonsgeneralstore

**Simply Natural Creamery**

@simplynaturalcreamery

**Sunset Slush**

@sunsetslushmoreheadcity

**Triple T's Sweet & Savory**

FB: Triple T's Sweet & Savory

## NEWPORT & CAPE CARTERET

**Cox Family Ice Cream**

@coxfamilyicecream

**Fuzzy Peach Frozen Yogurt Bar**

@thefuzzypeachcc

# favorite PET-FRIENDLY ESTABLISHMENT

## ON THE ISLAND

AB Bottle Co.

Anchor Draffhouse & Pizzeria

Bahia Beach House & Surf Bar (outdoor)

Crab's Claw (outdoor)

Fish Hut Grill

Gaffer's (outdoor)

The Growler

Homer's Point Marina & Pub

Idle Hour Biergarten

Shark Shack

Snapperz Grill & Steam Bar

Sol Bowls

Surf's Up Bar & Grill

Tackle Box Tavern

Tipsy Turtle Tavern

The Trading Post (outdoor)

The Village Market

The Wheel House

## BEAUFORT + DOWN EAST

The Backstreet Pub

Beach Bowls

Beaufort Grocery Co. (outdoor)

Beaufort Spirits Company

Black Sheep (outdoor)

Cru Bar

Dancing Baristas Cafe

Dock House (outdoor)

El's East

Finz Grill (outdoor)

Fishtowne Brewhouse

Front Street Grill (outdoor)

Historic Grounds Coffee Shop

Mill Whistle Brewing

The Periwinkle

Queen Anne's Revenge (outdoor)

Turner Street Market

## HIGHWAY 24 + NEWPORT

Bogue Sound Distillery

Carolina Home & Garden

34 North Bar

Shortway Brewing Co.

## MOREHEAD CITY

Arendell Room (outdoor)

El's Drive In

Floyd's 1921 (outdoor)

Jack's on the Waterfront

King Mackerels

Moxie

Nacho Brewery

Red Fish (outdoor)

Southern Salt Seafood Co. (outdoor)

Tight Lines Pub & Brewing (outdoor)

Yellowfin Pub

### PICTURED: FUZZY PEACH

This Cape Carteret frozen yogurt shop is a must-try for a refreshing and sweet treat when you're in town!



## favorite RESTAURANT WITH A VIEW

### FOR TAYLOR'S CREEK VIEWS, VISIT:

34° North Restaurant @34degreesnorthrestaurant  
 Black Sheep & Green Room @blacksheepbeaufort  
 The Dock House FB: The Dock House  
 Finz Grill FB: Finz Grill  
 Front Street Grill therhumbar.com  
 Moonrakers @moonrakersbeaufort  
 Queen Anne's Revenge @queenannesrevengebf

### FOR SUGARLOAF ISLAND VIEWS, GRAB SOME GRUB AT:

Jack's on the Waterfront @jackswaterfrontbar\_mhc  
 King Mackerels @kingmackerelsmhc  
 Red Fish Grill @redfishgrillnc  
 Sanitary Fish Market & Restaurant @sanitaryrestaurant  
 Southern Salt Seafood Co. @southernaltseafood  
 Tower 7 @k38bajagrill\_tower7  
 Yellowfin Pub @yellowfinpub\_mhc

### FOR GOLF COURSE VIEWS, MAKE A RESERVATION AT:

Blue Heron at The Beaufort Club FB: The Beaufort Club

### FOR GORGEOUS SOUND VIEWS, DINE AT:

Amos Mosquito's @amosmosquitos  
 Anchor Drafthouse & Pizzeria @anchor\_drafthouse  
 City Kitchen FB: City Kitchen  
 Crab Shack thecrabshacksalterpath.com  
 Full Moon Oyster Bar @fullmoonosterbar  
 Wild Will's Revenge @wildwillsrevenge

### FOR OCEAN VIEWS, GRAB A TABLE AT:

Crab's Claw FB: Crab's Claw Oceanfront Caribbean Restaurant  
 Idle Hour Biergarten @idlehourab  
 Molly's Beachside Bar & Grill FB: Molly's Beachside Bar & Grill  
 Oceanana Pier House @oceananapierhouse  
 Surf's Up Grill & Bar FB: Surf's Up Grill and Bar  
 The Bite at The Box @the.biteab

### FOR BUSTLING TOWN VIEWS, ENJOY A MEAL AT:

Bahia Beach House & Surf Bar @bahia\_beach\_house\_official  
 Beaufort Grocery Co. @beaufortgrocery  
 Blue Moon Bistro @bluemoonbistro  
 Caribsea (rooftop) @caribsearestaurant  
 Catch 109 @catch.109  
 Full Circle Cafe @full\_circle\_mhc  
 Idle Hour Biergarten @idlehourab  
 Parrott's on 11th @pon11th

# favorite BAKERY

## *on the island*

Flip Flops Donuts • [flipflopsdonuts.com](http://flipflopsdonuts.com)

Giovanni's Brooklyn Bagels • [@giosbagels](https://www.instagram.com/giosbagels)

Hang 10 Donuts • [@hang10donuts](https://www.instagram.com/hang10donuts)

Scoopin' Yummies • [@scoopinyummiesatlantic](https://www.instagram.com/scoopinyummiesatlantic)

The Village Market • [@villagemarket\\_ei](https://www.instagram.com/villagemarket_ei)

## *beaufort & down east*

Beaufort Baking Company • [@beaufortbaking](https://www.instagram.com/beaufortbaking)

Beaufort Biscuits • [@beaufortbiscuits](https://www.instagram.com/beaufortbiscuits)

The Bread Box • [@breadboxnc](https://www.instagram.com/breadboxnc)

Cru Coffee Shop • [@crubarbeaufort](https://www.instagram.com/crubarbeaufort)

Mrs. Vingerber's Sweets • FB: Mrs. Vingerber's Sweets

Sugar & Salt • FB: Sugar & Salt, a Coastal Bakery

Turner Street Market • [@turnerstreetmarket](https://www.instagram.com/turnerstreetmarket)

Wildflour Bakery • [@bakerwildflour](https://www.instagram.com/bakerwildflour)

## *newport, peletier, stella & havelock*

The Baker's Daughter • FB: The Baker's Daughter

Baker's Rise • FB: Baker's Rise

Cakes By Rebecca • FB: Cakes By Rebecca

Carolina's Cupcakes • [@carolinascupcakery](https://www.instagram.com/carolinascupcakery)

Crystal Coast Desserts • [@crystalcoastdesserts](https://www.instagram.com/crystalcoastdesserts)

Stable Grounds • [@stablegroundscoffee](https://www.instagram.com/stablegroundscoffee)

## *morehead city*

The Friendly Market • [@friendlymarketnc](https://www.instagram.com/friendlymarketnc)

HappyCakes Cupcakery • [@happycakescupcakery](https://www.instagram.com/happycakescupcakery)

HoHo Yummies • FB: HoHo Yummies

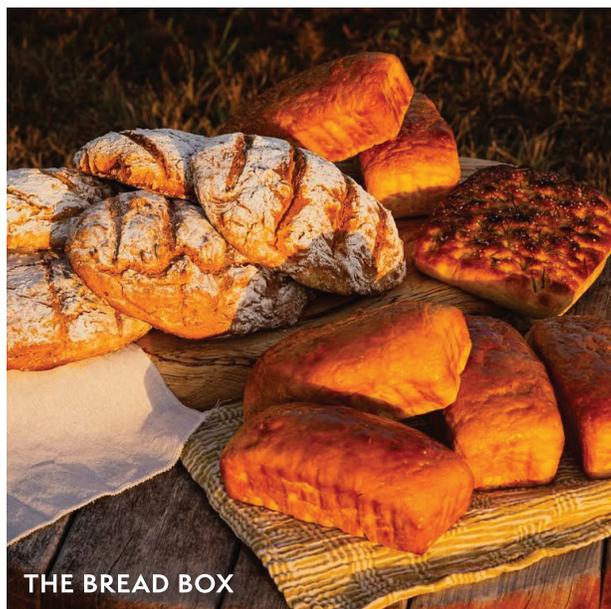
Karma Cookies & Cafe • [@karmacnc](https://www.instagram.com/karmacnc)

Noontide Coffee & Kitchen • [@noontide\\_coffee\\_kitchen](https://www.instagram.com/noontide_coffee_kitchen)

Pam's Specialized Catering • [@pamsspecializedcatering](https://www.instagram.com/pamsspecializedcatering)

SLICE Bakery • [@slicebakerymorehead](https://www.instagram.com/slicebakerymorehead)

Sugarloaf Island Bakery • [@sugarloaf\\_island\\_bakery](https://www.instagram.com/sugarloaf_island_bakery)



THE BREAD BOX



SLICE BAKERY



SUGARLOAF ISLAND BAKERY

# favorite SEAFOOD MARKET





**PICTURED:** Jen & Brett Chappell, owners of MF Chappell Wine Merchant – located right on the Causeway in Atlantic Beach!

# favorite WINE SHOP

## *beaufort*

**Beaudega**  
@beaudega\_blacksheep

**Cru Wine Bar**  
@crubarbeaufort

**Flowers & Designs by Ernest**  
@flowersanddesignsbyernest

**Turner Street Market**  
@turnerstreetmarket

## *morehead city*

**The Friendly Market**  
@friendlymarketnc

**Promise Land Market**  
@promiselandmarket

## *newport & cedar point*

**Carolina Home & Garden**  
@carolinahomeandgarden

**Christina's A Wine Boutique**  
@christinas\_a\_wine\_boutique

## *on the island*

**AB Bottle Co.**  
@abbottleco

**Emerald Isle Wine Market**  
@eiwinemarket

**Gaffer's Sip & Shop**  
@gaffersemeraldislenc

**MF Chappell Wine Merchant**  
@mfchappell

## *on the island*

**Atlantic Beach Seafood Co.**  
@atlanticbeachseafood

**Cap'n Willis Seafood Market**  
FB: Cap'n Willis Seafood Market

**Captain's Choice Seafood**  
@captchoice

**Capt. Frost Seafood**  
FB: Capt. Frost Seafood Stand

**Norman's Shrimp**  
1026 Salter Path Road

**Outer Banks Boil Company**  
@obxboilco\_emeraldisle

## *beaufort & down east*

**Miss Gina's Fresh Shrimp**  
FB: Miss Gina's Fresh Shrimp

**Rose Seafood Market**  
1646 Live Oak Street

**Salty Catch Seafood Co.**  
@saltycatchseafoodco

## *morehead city*

**Blue Ocean Market**  
@blueoceanmarketnc

**Bogue Sound Seafood Co.**  
@boguesoundseafoodco

**Captain Jim's Seafood Market**  
FB: Capt. Jim's Seafood Inc.

## ON THE ISLAND

**4 Corners Diner**  
4cornersdiner.com

**Amos Mosquito's**  
amosmosquitos.com

**Anchor Draffhouse**  
anchordraffhouse.com

**Bahia Beach House & Surf Bar**  
bahiabeachhouseab.com

**Bella Pizza & Sub**  
311 Atlantic Beach Causeway

**Big Oak Drive-In & Bar-B-Q**  
bigoakdrivein.com

**The Bite at The Box**  
thebiteab.com

**Caribsea**  
caribsearestaurant.com

**Crab Shack Restaurant**  
thecrabshacksalterpath.com

**Crab's Claw**  
crabsclaw.com

**Fish Hut Grill**  
fishhutgrill.com

**Flipperz Bar & Grill**  
flipperzbarandgrill.com

**Full Moon Oyster Bar**  
fullmoonoysterbar.com

**Gaffer's**  
gaffersemeraldisle.com

**Idle Hour Biergarten**  
idlehourab.com

**Island Grille**  
islandgrillenc.com

**Kathryn's Bistro & Martini Bar**  
kathrynsbistro.com

**Michaelangelo's Pizza**  
michaelangelosinc.com

**Monkey Bar & Grill**  
FB: The Monkey Bar & Grill

**Oceanana Pier House**  
oceananapier.com

**On the Rocks**  
ontherocksab.com

**Roma Pizza**  
FB: Roma Pizza

**Rucker Johns**  
ruckerjohns.com

**The Shark Shack**  
sharkshackab.com

**Shark's Den Sports Bar**  
sharksdensportsbar.com

**Shepard Barbecue**  
shepardbarbecue.com

**Snapperz Grill & Steam Bar**  
snapperzfamilyrestaurants.com

**Sol Bowls**  
solbowlsnc.com

**Surf's Up Grill & Bar**  
surfsupemeraldisle.com

**Table 9**  
table9nc.com

**The Trading Post**  
thetradingpostei.com

**Venice Italian Kitchen**  
veniceitaliankitchen.com

**The Village Market**  
thevillagemarketei.com

## BEAUFORT

**34° North Restaurant**  
34degreesnorthrestaurant.com

**Aqua**  
aquaexperience.com

**Beaufort Cafe**  
FB: Beaufort Cafe

**Beaufort Grocery Co.**  
beaufortgrocery.com

**Black Sheep**  
blacksheepbeaufort.com

**Blackbeard's Grill**  
blackbeardsgrillandsteambar.com

**Blue Heron at Beaufort Club**  
FB: Blue Heron Restaurant

**Blue Moon Bistro**  
bluemoonbistro.biz

**City Kitchen**  
FB: City Kitchen

**Clawson's 1905**  
clawsonsrestaurant.com

**The Dock House**  
FB: The Dock House

**Finz Grill**  
finzgrill.com

**Front Street Grill at Stillwater**  
frontstreetgrillatstillwater.com

**Mezcalito Grill & Tequila Bar**  
mezcalitogrill.com

**Moonrakers**  
moonrakersbeaufort.com

**No Name Pizza**  
nonamepizzaandsubs.com

**Queen Anne's Revenge**  
FB: Queen Anne's Revenge

**Ribeyes**  
ribeyes.com

**The Spot Grill**  
FB: The Spot Grill

**Turner Street Market**  
turnerstreetmarket.com

## MOREHEAD CITY

**Bamboo Asian House**  
FB: Bamboo Asian House Morehead City

**The Banks Grill**  
FB: The Banks Grill

**Beach Bumz Pub & Pizza**  
beachbumzpub.com

**Big Rock Cafe**  
907 Arendell Street

**Catch 109**  
catch109.com

**Captain's Table**  
FB: Captain's Table

**Casa San Carlo**  
italianfoodmoreheadcity.com

**Circa 81**  
circa-81.com

**China Garden & Mongolian Grill**  
mongoliangrill252.com

**Cox Family Restaurant**  
FB: Cox Family Restaurant

**Dank Burrito**  
dankburrito.com

**El's Drive-In**  
elsdrivein.com

**Filet 'n' Fin**  
filetnfin.com

**Floyd's 1921**  
floyds1921.com

**Full Circle Cafe**  
fullcirclecafe.biz

**Ioanni's Grill**  
FB: Ioanni's Grill

**Jack's on the Waterfront**  
jacksonthewaterfront.com

**King Mackerels**  
FB: King Mackerels

**Kountry Kitchen**  
FB: Kountry Kitchen

**Loretta's Pizza**  
lorettaspizzanc.com

**Luigi's Pizza**  
16167 Hwy 70 W

**Moore's Olde Tyme Barbeque**  
mooresoldetymebbq.com

**Morehead Burger Co.**  
FB: Morehead Burger Co.

**Mug Shot Lounge**  
themugshotlounge.com

**Musashi**  
musashinc.com

**Nami**  
namimorehead.com

**No Name Pizza**  
nonamepizzaandsubs.com

**Noontide Coffee + Kitchen**  
FB: Noontide Coffee + Kitchen

**Parrott's on 11th**  
FB: Parrott's on Eleventh

**Pita Plate**  
pitaplate.com

**Plaza Mexico**  
plaza-mexico.com

**Prime Bistro**  
eatprimebistro.com

**Promise Land Market**  
promiselandmarket.com

**Red Fish Grill**  
redfishgrill.com

**Sanitary Restaurant**  
sanitaryfishmarket.com

**Snapperz Grill & Steam Bar**  
snapperzfamilyrestaurants.com

**Southern Salt Seafood Co.**  
southernsaltseafood.com

**Social Q Smokehouse**  
socialqsmokehouse.com

**Thai Sticky Rice**  
thaistickyricenc.com

**Tight Lines Pub & Brewing Co.**  
tightlinesbrewing.com

**Tower 7**  
tower7.com

**Yellowfin Pub**  
yellowfinpub.com

## DOWN EAST

**The Fish Hook Grill**  
FB: The Fish Hook Grill

**SeaSide Galley**  
FB: SeaSide, NC

**Wild Will's Revenge**  
FB: Wild Will's Revenge

## CAPE CARTERET, CEDAR POINT & NEWPORT

**Angie's Lighthouse Cafe**  
FB: Angie's Lighthouse Cafe

**Bogue House Restaurant**  
boguehouse.com

**Coastal Haze Restaurant**  
FB: Coastal Haze Restaurant

**El Mexicano Tacos & Tequila**  
elmexicanonewport.com

**Fat Fella's BBQ & Grille**  
www.fatfellasbbq.com

**Riverside Pizza & Subs**  
FB: Riverside Pizza & Subs of Newport

**Starfish Grill**  
starfishgrill.com

**TimeOut Tavern**  
FB: TimeOut Tavern

**PICTURED:** *A delicious entree from Gaffer's – a family-friendly spot in Emerald Isle.*



## *favorite* **FOOD TRUCK**

**The Ark Food Trailer** [thearkfoodtrailer.com](http://thearkfoodtrailer.com)  
**Bakers Rise** @bakersrise  
**BeauGro To-Go** @beaufortgrocery  
**The BFT** FB: The BFT  
**BokaNinas** @bokaninas  
**The Bread Box** @breadboxnc  
**The Burger Bus** @the.burger.bus  
**Capone's A Taste of Philly** FB: Capone's A Taste of Philly  
**Captain Jim's Seafood** FB: Capt. Jim's Seafood Inc.  
**Captain's Kitchen** @captainskitchen\_nc  
**The Charburger** @thecharburger  
**Coastal Cay Fish Tacos** @coastalcayfishtacos  
**Cousins Maine Lobster** @cousinsmainelobster  
**Dank Burrito** @dank.burrito  
**De La Rosa's Super Antojitos** @delarosassuperantojitos  
**Dunn's Barbecue** FB: Dunn's Barbecue  
**El Catracho** 252-658-1049  
**Fat Fellas** FB: Fat Fellas BBQ and Grille  
**Franks Franks** FB: Franks Franks Hot Dogs  
**Fryancee** @fryanceesa  
**Garden of Eaten** @gardenofeatenfoodtruck  
**Gigi's Snack Shack** FB: Gigis Snack Shack  
**Heavenly Grounds Coffee** @heavenlygroundscoffeeco  
**High on the Hog** @highonthehog2018  
**Island Waffle Co.** @islandwaffleco  
**Jasmine Tasty Thai** @jasminetastythai

**La Cocina Del Coqui** @lacocinadelcoqui  
**Los Abores Latinos** 252-773-0480  
**Mamaws Crab Cakes & Seafood** FB: Mamaws Crab Cakes and Seafood  
**Meraki Kafe** @merakikafe  
**Nacho Shack** @nachoshack\_  
**The Neigh Bar** @the\_neigh\_bar  
**No Rules Food Truck** @norulesfoodtruck  
**The Peach Cobbler Factory** @peachcobblerfactory  
**Pony Up Pizza Co.** @ponyuppizza  
**Shark Island Eats** FB: Shark Island Eats  
**Smokin Joes BBQ Co** @smokingjoesbbqco  
**Stoney's Fired Pizza** @stoneysfiredpizza  
**The Surfing Pig** FB: The Surfing Pig-Harkers Island  
**Tacqueria Soyatacos** @soyatacos  
**Tanja's Hella Fat Food** FB: Tanja's Hella Fat Food  
**Taste of Vietnam by Sammi** FB: Taste of Vietnam by Sammi  
**Two Crazy Donuts** @twocrazydonuts  
**What's Jay Cook'n** FB: What's Jay Cook'n

**PICTURED:** *The Bread Box, serving up unique homemade bread all over the county!*



# favorite PLACE TO GET A COCKTAIL

## *beaufort*

**34° North Restaurant**

@34degreesnorthrestaurant

**Aqua**

@aqua\_restaurant

**Beaufort Bar**

@beaufort\_bar

**The Backstreet Pub**

FB: The Backstreet Pub

**Beaufort Grocery Co.**

@beaufortgrocery

**Black Sheep**

@blacksheepbeaufort

**Blackbeard's Grill**

FB: Blackbeard's Grill

**The Blue Heron**

@theblueheron\_restaurant

**Blue Moon Bistro**

@bluemoonbstro

**City Kitchen**

FB: City Kitchen

**Clawson's 1905**

@clawsonsrestaurant

**Cru Wine Bar**

@crubarbeaufort

**The Dockhouse**

FB: The Dockhouse Restaurant

**Finz Grill**

FB: Finz Grill

**The Green Room**

@thegreenroom.blacksheep

**Mezcalito**

@mezcalitonc

**Moonrakers**

@moonrakersbeaufort

**The Periwinkle**

@theperiwinklenc

**Queen Anne's Revenge**

@queenannesrevengebft

**Rhum Bar at Stillwater**

FB: Front Street Grill at Stillwater

**Ribeyes**

FB: Ribeyes of Beaufort

**Tapping the Admiral Bar**

@beaufortspiritscompany

**Wild Will's Revenge**

@wildwillsrevenge

## *newport + highway 24*

**34° North Bar**

@34northbar

**Bogue Sound Distillery**

@boguesounddistillery

**Carolina Home & Garden**

@carolinahomeandgardennc

**Riptidez**

@riptidezcp

## *atlantic beach*

**Amos Mosquito's**

@amosmosquitos

**Bahia Beach House**

@bahia beachhouseab

**The Barnacle**

FB: The Barnacle

**The Bite at The Box**

@the.biteab

**Crab's Claw**

@crabsclawoceanfrontdining

**Idle Hour**

@idlehourab

**Island Grille**

@theislandgrille

**The Monkey Bar & Grill**

FB: The Monkey Bar & Grill

**Table 9**

@table9restaurant

**Tackle Box Tavern**

@tackleboxtavern

**Tipsy Turtle**

@tipsyturtleatavern

**The Wheelhouse**

@the\_wheelhouse\_taproom

## *emerald isle*

**Bar 1957**

@bar1957\_

**Beachside**

@beachside.ei

**Caribsea**

@caribsearestaurant

**Emerald Club**

@emeraldclubei

**Fish Hut Grill**

@fishhutgrill

**Gaffer's**

@gaffersemeraldislenc

**The Growler**

@thegrowlerei

**Kathryn's Bistro & Martini Bar**

FB: Kathryn's Bistro & Martini Bar

**Rucker Johns**

@ruckerjohns

**Shark's Den**

@sharksdenssportsbar

**Surf's Up Bar & Grill**

@surfsupgrille

**The Thirsty Surfer**

@thirstysurfer2025

## *morehead city*

**Arendell Room**

@arendellroombar

**Catch 109**

@catch.109

**Circa 81**

@circa81nc

**Filet 'n' Fin**

@filetnfin

**Floyd's 1921**

@floyds1921

**Full Circle Cafe**

@full\_circle\_mhc

**Ioanni's Grill**

FB: Ioanni's Grill

**Jack's on the Waterfront**

@jackswaterfrontbar\_mhc

**King Mackerels**

@kingmackerelsmhc

**Mug Shot Lounge**

@mug.shot.caffeine.cocktails

**Parrott's on Eleventh**

@pon11th

**Prime Bistro**

@\_primebistro

**Promise Land Market**

@promiselandmarket

**Red Fish Grill**

@redfishgrillnc

**Snapperz Grill & Steam Bar**

@snapperzmhc

**Southern Salt Seafood Co.**

@southern saltseafood

**Tight Lines Pub**

@tightlinespub

**Tower 7**

@k38bajagrill\_tower7

**Yellowfin Pub**

@yellowfinpub\_mhc

## *salter path + indian beach*

**Anchor Draffthouse**

@anchor\_draffthouse

**Billfish Grill & Bar**

@billfishrestaurant

**Homer's Point**

@homerspointmarinapub

# favorite PLACE TO GRAB A BEER

## beaufort

**34° North Restaurant**

@34degreesnorthrestaurant

**The Backstreet Pub**

FB: The Backstreet Pub

**Beaufort Bar**

@beaufort\_bar

**Black Sheep**

@blacksheepbeaufort

**Blackbeard's Grill**

FB: Blackbeard's Grill

**City Kitchen**

FB: City Kitchen

**Clawson's 1905**

@clawsonsrestaurant

**Cru Wine Bar**

@crubarbeaufort

**The Dock House**

FB: The Dockhouse Restaurant

**Finz Grill**

FB: Finz Grill

**Fishtowne Brewhouse**

@fishtownebrewhouse

**Front Street Grill at Stillwater**

FB: Front Street Grill at Stillwater

**The Green Room**

@thegreenroom.blacksheep

**Mezcalito**

@mezcalitonc

**Mill Whistle Brewing**

@millwhistlebrewing

**Moonrakers**

@moonrakersbeaufort

**No Name Pizza**

FB: No Name Pizza

**The Periwinkle**

@theperiwinklenc

**Queen Anne's Revenge**

@queenannesrevengebft

**Royal James Cafe**

FB: Royal James Cafe

**Tapping the Admiral**

@beaufortspiritscompany

**Wild Will's Revenge**

@wildwillsrevenge

## cape carteret & cedar point

**Bogue Sound Distillery**

@boguesounddistillery

**34° North Bar**

@34northbar

## atlantic beach & salter path

**AB Bottle Co.**

@abbottleco

**Amos Mosquito's**

@amosmosquitos

**Anchor Draffhouse**

@anchor\_draffhouse

**Bahia Beach House**

@bahia beachhouseab

**The Barnacle**

FB: The Barnacle

**The Bite at The Box**

@the.biteab

**Full Moon Oyster Bar**

@fullmoon oysterbar

**Homer's Point**

@homerspointmarinapub

**Idle Hour**

@idlehourab

**The Monkey Bar & Grill**

FB: The Monkey Bar & Grill

**Oceanana Pier House**

@oceananapierhouse

**Shark Shack**

@sharkshacknc

**Table 9**

@table9restaurant

**Tackle Box Tavern**

@tackleboxtavern

**Tipsy Turtle Tavern**

@tipsyturtle tavern

**The Wheelhouse**

@the\_wheelhouse\_taproom

## emerald isle

**Bar 1957**

@bar1957\_

**Briggs General Store and Bar**

@briggsgeneralstore

**Emerald Club**

@emeraldclubei

**Fish Hut Grill**

@fishhutgrill

**Flipperz Bar & Grill**

@flipperzfamilybarandgrill

**Gaffer's**

@gaffersemeraldislenc

**The Growler**

@thegrowlerei

**Rucker Johns**

@ruckerjohns

**Shark's Den**

@sharksdensportsbar

**Snapperz**

@snapperzei

**Surf's Up Bar & Grill**

@surfsupgrille

## morehead city

**Arendell Room**

@arendellroombar

**Beach Bumz**

@beachbumzmc

**Catch 109**

@catch.109

**Circa 81**

@circa81nc

**Filet 'n' Fin**

@filetnfin

**Floyd's 1921**

@floyds1921

**Full Circle Cafe**

@full\_circle\_mhc

**Ioanni's Grill**

FB: Ioanni's Grill

**Jack's on the Waterfront**

@jacks waterfrontbar\_mhc

**King Mackerels**

@kingmackerelsmhc

**Mug Shot Lounge**

@mug.shot.caffeine.cocktails

**Nacho Brewery**

@nacho\_brewery

**No Name Pizza**

FB: No Name Pizza

**Promise Land Market**

@promiselandmarket

**Red Fish Grill**

@redfishgrillnc

**Southern Salt Seafood Co.**

@southern saltseafood

**Snapperz Grill & Steam Bar**

@snapperz mhc

**Tight Lines Pub**

@tightlinespub

**Tower 7**

@k38bajagrill\_tower7

**Yellowfin Pub**

@yellowfinpub\_mhc

## newport

**The Bar at Norris Station**

FB: The Bar at Norris Station

**Carolina Home & Garden**

@carolinahomeandgardennc

**Shortway Brewing**

@shortwaybrewing

**TimeOut Tavern**

FB: TimeOut Tavern

# experience

## *favorite* DANCE STUDIO

### *morehead city*

The Carolina Strut  
Performing Arts Centre  
thecarolinastrut.com

Dance Arts Studio, Inc.  
danceartsstudio.net

Justice Elite Dance Studio  
justiceelitedance.com

Redheaded Hula Girl  
redheadedhulagirl.com

The View at Sugarloaf  
theviewatsugarloafmc.com

### *newport*

Miracles in Motion  
Performing Arts Centre  
miraclesinmotionperformingartscentre.com

### *atlantic beach*

Memories Beach & Shag Club  
memoriesbeachclub.net

### *cedar point*

Jessica's Dance Academy  
jessicasdanceacademy.com

### *emerald isle*

Swansboro & Emerald Isle  
Dance Studio  
swansborodancestudio.com

## *favorite* YOGA OR PILATES STUDIO

Beaufort Barre & Fitness  
@beaufortbarreandfitness

Bodhi Yoga & Massage  
@bodhi\_yoga\_massage

Crystal Coast Pilates  
@crystalcoastpilates

Downtown Barre  
@dbarremhc

Grow Fitness & Wellness  
@grow\_fitness\_and\_wellness

Island Sol Collective  
@islandsolcollective

M Wellness  
@m.wellness.mhc

Momentum Yoga & Wellness  
@momentumyogaandwellness

Sacred Soul Healing Arts  
@soma\_psychesoul

Sound Side Pilates  
@soundsidepilates

Studio 8 Wellness Center  
@studio8wellnesscenter

The View at Sugarloaf  
@theview\_atsugarloaf

Wellness Massage & Yoga  
@wellnessmassageandyogaei



# favorite PLACE TO WORKOUT

## MOREHEAD CITY

*Always Nutrition & Fitness*  
FB: Always Nutrition and Fitness

*Core 925 Fitness*  
core925fitness.com

*Couch 2 Crushin' It*  
FB: Couch 2 Crushin'it

*Crystal Coast Crossfit*  
crystalcoastcrossfit.com

*Crystal Coast Wellness & Performance*  
crystalcoastwellness.com

*F3 Carterico*  
@f3carterico

*Grandmaster Dong's Martial Arts*  
dongskaratemoreheadcity.com

*Impact Strength & Fitness*  
impactstrengthandfitnessllc.fit

*Iron Tide Crossfit*  
irontidecrossfit.com

*Morehead City Parks & Recreation*  
moreheadcitync.org

*NOLA Life Athletics*  
FB: NOLA Life Athletics

*The Performance Zone*  
sperformancezone.com

*Sports Center of Morehead*  
sportscentermorehead.com

*TruFit Gym*  
trufitgym.com

*Vault Cycle*  
vault-cycle.com

*Youngs Physical Therapy*  
youngsphysicaltherapy.com

## BEAUFORT + DOWN EAST

*Beaufort Barre & Fitness*  
beaufortbarre.com

*Fitness Down East*  
FB: Fitness Down East

*GROW Fitness & Wellness*  
FB: GROW Fitness and Wellness

*Snap Fitness*  
snapfitness.com

## NEWPORT

*Elite Rehab and Performance*  
eliterehabandperformance.com

*Fitness NC*  
fitnessnc.com

*Strategy Health & Fitness*  
FB: Strategy Health

## CAPE CARTERET + PELETIER

*The Gym at Cape Carteret*  
ccaw.net

*Boneyard Barbell*  
theboneyardbarbell.com

*Emerald Isle Fitness Center*  
emeraldisle-nc.org

## ATLANTIC BEACH

*Studio 8 Wellness Center*  
FB: Studio 8 Wellness Center

## ATLANTIC BEACH

*Complexion MedSpa & Aesthetics*  
atlanticbeachmedspa.com

*The Glam Lounge*  
@theglamloungesalonab

## BEAUFORT

*Beaufort Beauty Bar*  
beaufortbeautybar.com

*Taylor's Creek Massage & Bodywork*  
taylorscreekmassage.com

## NEWPORT & HWY 24

*Adrift Mind & Body Spa*  
adriftmind.com

*Blessed Body Day Spa*  
blessedbodydayspa.net

*Eastern Dermatology at Newport*  
easternderm.com

*Making Faces*  
makingfacesnc.com

*Saltwater Wellness Float Spa*  
saltwaterfloat.com

## EMERALD ISLE

*Infuse Wellness*  
infuseemeraldisle.com

*Surfside Esthetics by Meghan*  
FB: Surfside Esthetics by Meghan

*Wellness Massage & Yoga*  
emeraldiswellnessmassage.com

## MOREHEAD CITY

*All About Skin Wellness Center*  
allaboutsinkinbycaron.com

*Beach Beauty Massage*  
thebeachbeautyspa.com

*Blue Ocean Nails & Spa*  
blueoceanspanc.com

*Bodhi Yoga & Massage*  
yogaonbridges.com

*Body Kneads Massage*  
(252) 725-7863

*Drip IV Wellness & MedSpa*  
dripivspa.com

*Morehead City Aesthetics*  
moreheadcityaesthetics.com

*New Visage*  
newvisagenc.com

*Peaceful Path Massage & Wellness*  
FB: Peaceful Path Wellness Spa

*Pure Indulgence Organic Day Spa*  
pureorganicspa.net

*Sacred Soul Healing Arts Center*  
mysacredsoul.com

*Seagrass Day Spa*  
seagrassspa.com

*Serenity MedSpa*  
serenitymedspanc.com

*Sheri Day Spa by the Sea*  
FB: Sheri Day Spa by the Sea

*SLN Collective*  
thesaloncollectivemhc.com

*Southern Breeze Massage*  
FB: Southern Breeze Massage

*Tranquility*  
tranquilitync.com

favorite PLACE TO GET PAMPERED

# favorite HAIR SALON

**Absolute Hair**  
FB: Absolute Hair, LLC

**Adrienne's Hair Studio**  
@adrianneshairstudio

**Allure Hair Studio**  
@alluremhc

**Aura Hair Studio**  
@aurahairstudio\_mhc

**Beauty Bar**  
@beautybarbykristine

**Bella Hair Studio**  
@bella\_hair\_studio

**Best Little Hair House**  
119 Marshallberg Road

**Beth's Coastal Cuts**  
108 Industrial Drive

**Big Rock Barber Shop**  
FB: The Big Rock Barber Shop

**The Blonde Room**  
@the.blonderoom

**Bonnie's Hair Hut**  
131 Mullens Drive

**Clip'er Wave Salon**  
1901A US-70

**The Color Couture Hair Studio**  
@thecolorcouturehairstudio

**Crystal's By the Sea Salon**  
607 Atlantic Beach Cswy 104

**Fierce Rose Hair Studio**  
@fiercerosehairstudiomhc

**The Glam Lounge**  
@danabraswellstylist

**Grit & Grace**  
@gritandgracehairstudio

**Guys & Gals Hair by Beverly**  
507 Cedar Street

**Hair Biz**  
103A S 11th Street

**Hair by Lauren Davis**  
FB: Hair By Lauren Davis

**The Hair Cellar**  
@thehaircellarmhc

**The Hair Co.**  
FB: The Hair Co.

**The Hair Gallery**  
@thehairgallerymhc

**Hair Cuts Plus**  
@haircutsplus

**The Hair Factory**  
@thehairfactorysalonsuites

**The Hair Mage**  
@emmymagepaige

**Hair Trends**  
200 Campen Road

**Hairology**  
3110 Arendell Street # 1

**Happy Endings**  
4650 Arendell St Suite G

**HighClass Hair Salon**  
6919 US-70 Unit D

**Hux on 8th**  
107 S. 8th Street

**Infinity Salon**  
FB: Infinity Salon

**Island Beauty Bar**  
@hairbyjodielynncasey

**Island Oasis Salon**  
1145 Harkers Island Road

**Jack Best Hair Salon**  
507 Cedar Street

**Just Hair**  
@justhairsalon

**Lake Nichole Salon**  
@lakenichole

**Linda's Salon**  
3025 Bridges Street

**Lunar Hair Co.**  
@lunarhairco

**Mirror Mirror Hair Studio**  
@mirrormirrorhairstudionc

**New Wave Barber Studio**  
@newwavebarberstudio

**On Point Salon**  
@\_onpoint\_salon

**The Parlor**  
@chelseawoolardhair  
@kaylaattheparlor

**Relic Salon**  
FB: Relic Salon

**Restoration on Main**  
@restorationonmain

**Revolution Hair Studio**  
FB: Revolution Hair Studio

**The Room Salon Boutique**  
@theroomatlanticbeach

**Salon 508**  
252-222-0522

**Salon Del Mar**  
FB: Salon Del Mar

**Salon Indigo**  
@salonindigomhc

**Salon Techniques By The Sea**  
@salontechniquesbythesea

**Salty Roots**  
@saltyrootsmhc

**SeaGrass Salon & Spa**  
4660 Arendell Street

**Shades of Color Hair Salon**  
FB: Shades of Color

**The Shave on Fifth**  
FB: The Shave on Fifth

**SLN Collective**  
@thesaloncollectivemhc

**PICTURED:** Local makeup artist *Kacyn Willis of Face II Face* by Kacyn.



**Spoiled Rotten Hair Salon**  
FB: Spoiled Rotten Hair Salon

**Studio Twenty-Four**  
@studiotwentyfoursalon

**Styles by Audrey**  
FB: Styles by Audrey

**Tangles Hair Salon**  
@tangles252

**Trend Setters Hair Salon**  
3302 Bridges Street

**Wild Arrow Collective**  
@wildarrow.collective

**Wild Olive Salon**  
@wildolivesalon

**The Wild Soul Hair Studio**  
@thewildsoulstudio



## *favorite* **MAKEUP ARTIST**

**Amanda Eason**

@amandaeason.pmu

**Beauty by Kristen**

@beautybykristenb

**Beauty Bar by Kristine**

@beautybarbykristine

**Blessed Body Day Spa**

@blessedbodydayspa

**Bloom Beauty by AC Raymond**

FB: Bloom Beauty by AC Raymond @kelly\_clark\_makeup\_artist

**Breanna Mills**

@breannamills\_brows

**Brittany Bell**

@bell.beauty.collective

**Caylie DeRosa**

@caylie\_atwildarrow

**Drew Conekin**

@drewconekin

**Elizabeth Griffin Willis**

@makeupbyelizabethwillis

**Heather Keith**

FB: Salon Del Mar

**Jeanie Boyle**

@beautyunleashed777

**Julia Smith**

@jsmith\_hairmua

**Kacyn Willis**

@faceiifacebykacyn

**Kelly Clark**

**Making Faces**

makingfacesnc.com

**Meagan Rogers**

@meaganwhite777

**Meredith Phelps**

FB: Hair by Meredith Rae

**Reign Beauty**

@reignbeautync

**Rose McVicker**

@beautybyrosemcv

## *favorite* **NAIL SALON**

*atlantic beach*

**Sandbar Tan & Nail**

211 Atlantic Beach Causeway, Ste 3

*emerald isle*

**Elegant Nails by Susan**

139 Eastview Drive

*morehead city*

**B.E. Spa Nails**

5167 US-70, #50

**Blue Ocean Nails & Spa**

4848 Arendell Street

**Coastal Nail Lounge**

4820 Arendell Street

**Cobe Nails**

5000 US-70, #108

**Crystal Nails**

2900 Arendell Street, #8

**Envy Nail & Spa**

5178 Hwy 70 W, Suite F

**Golden Nails**

5136 US-70

**Hi-Tech Nails**

2302 Arendell Street, Suite C

**Le Nails**

4426 Arendell Street, Suite 10

**Polish Me Pretty**

4950 Arendell Street, Suite J

**Polished Touch**

4907 Bridges Street, Suite A

**Relic Salon**

3332 Bridges Street, Suite C

**Royal Nails**

4915 Arendell Street

**Sheri Day Spa by the Sea**

215 N. 35th Street, Suite 5

*beaufort*

**Beaufort Nails**

1901 Live Oak Street, Suite B

**Nail City**

1507 Live Oak Street

*cape carteret &*

*cedar point*

**Blessed Body Day Spa**

504 Cedar Point Blvd.

**HD Nails & Spa**

309 WB McLean Drive

**Lolu's Custom Nails**

117 Cedar Point Blvd.

**Shades of Color**

1102 Cedar Point Blvd.

*newport & havelock*

**Cynsational Nails**

288 US 70W Suite 103

**Star Nails**

7075 US-Hwy 70 E

**Vivid Nails & Spa**

493 US-Hwy 70 W



*favorite*  
**RAINY  
DAY  
ACTIVITY**

**PICTURED:** *The sun peeking through at sunset after a rainy day in Beaufort – captured by Mel O’Berry Photography.*

Learn how to play the game of mahjong alongside the **Crystal Coast Mahjong Club** (@ccmahjclub).

Catch a movie at the **Atlantic Station** or **Emerald Plantation Cinema** on the island.

Go to battle at **Battle Works Tactical Laser Tag** in Atlantic Beach.

Get a dose of nostalgia at Morehead City’s **Flashbax Arcade** or Emerald Isle’s **Beach Vibes Arcade**.

Take a class or break a sweat at any of Carteret County’s **gyms or workout studios** – see a list of all nominated on pages 13-14.

Crack open a book at **Beaufort, Newport or Webb Memorial** public libraries.

Accept the challenge at **Game On Escape Room** in Morehead City OR **Escape Lookout Adventure Games** in Beaufort.

Bowl a round or two at **Mac Daddy’s** in Cape Carteret.

Go antiquing at **A Muse Me Picker’s Market** in Cedar Point – a female veteran owned shop with local artists and consignors.

Make a visit to the **North Carolina Aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores** after you walk the trail at **Fort Macon State Park** in Atlantic Beach.

Walk through any of our local museums including the **NC Maritime Museum, History Museum of Carteret County** or the **Core Sound Waterfowl Museum**.

Grab a coffee and let the kids run around at **Kidz at Play Family Cafe** in Morehead City.

Sip while you paint at **Wine & Design** in Morehead City or **Sipspiration** in Beaufort.

Let your creativity shine in a ceramics class at **BluSail Golitz Studios** or a stained glass session at **Wild Rose Stained Glass**.

Spend some time at **Carolina Home & Garden**, where you can shop and sip at the same time.

Spa day! Visit any of our incredible local **spas** to get pampered – for a list of all nominated, visit page 14.

# favorite **OUTDOOR** **ADVENTURE ACTIVITY**

## **Alive at Five**

downtownmoreheadcity.com

## **Atlantic Beach Town Park**

atlanticbeach-nc.com

## **Beach Wheels Bike Rentals**

beachwheelsbikerentals.com

## **Beaufort Club Golf Course**

beaufort-club.com

## **Beaufort Paddle**

beaufortwatersports.com

## **Beaufort Parasail**

beaufortwatersports.com

## **Beaufort Pirates Revenge**

beaufortpiratesrevenge.com

## **The Beauty Barge**

beaufortbeautybarge.com

## **Camp Albemarle**

campalbemarle.org

## **Cape Lookout ATV Rentals**

islandexpressferryservices.com

## **Carteret County Speedway**

carteretspeedway.com

## **Cedar Island Ranch**

roadville.com/cedar-island

## **Cedar Point Tideline Trail**

crystalcoastnc.org

## **Croatan National Forest**

fs.usda.gov

## **Cruisin' Tikis Beaufort**

cruisintikisbeaufort.com

## **Crystal Coast Ghost**

crystalcoastghost.com

## **Crystal Coast EcoTours**

crystalcoastecotours.com

## **Crystal Coast Skydiving**

crystalcoastskydiving.com

## **Crystal Coast Stargazers**

cgazers.com

## **Discovery Diving**

discoverydiving.com

## **Elliott Coues Nature Trail**

ncparks.gov

## **Emerald Isle Adventures**

emeraldisleadventures.com

## **Emerald Isle Paddle Tours**

emeraldislepaddletours.com

## **Encounter Scuba**

encounterscuba.com

## **Fort Macon State Park**

ncparks.gov

## **The Golf Farm**

FB: The Golf Farm

## **The Golfin' Dolphin**

thegolfindolphin.com

## **Grace Adventure Park**

carolinahomegarden.com

## **Happy Days Scenic Tours**

www.happydaysboat.com

## **Hash House Harriers Run Club**

@theperiwinklenc

## **H2O Captain Eco-Tours**

h2ocaptain.com

## **Island Express Ferry Service**

islandexpressferryservices.com

## **Island Ferry Adventures**

islandferryadventures.com

## **Lookout Cruises**

lookoutcruises.com

## **MHCCC Golf Course**

moreheadcitycc.com

## **Olde Beaufort Farmers' Market**

oldebeaufortfarmersmarket.org

## **Olympus Dive Center**

olympusdiving.com

## **Patsy Pond Nature Trail**

nccoast.org

## **Pogies Fishing & Kayaking**

pogiesfishing.com

## **Rachel Carson Reserve**

deq.nc.gov

## **Salty Pirate Waterpark**

saltypiraterwaterpark.com

## **Shevans Park**

moreheadcitync.org

## **Star Hill Golf Club**

starhillgolfclub.com

## **Swinson Park**

moreheadcitync.org

## **Trusty Sail & Paddle**

trustysailandpaddle.com



**PICTURED:** One of the many wild ponies you can spot on Shackleford Banks, captured by Ashley Brooks.

# *favorite* FISHING CHARTER

**38 Special Sportfishing** • (919) 609-1003

**Ali Kat Sportfishing** • (252) 503-9494

**Back Sound Fishing Charter** • (252) 269-5684

**Bale Money Sportfishing** • (252) 723-6556

**Beagle Charters** • (252) 670-1080

**Big Eye Sportfishing** • (252) 503-6196

**Bill Collector Charters** • (252) 247-5617

**Bogue Banks Expeditions** • (252) 725-7558

**Breakwater Charters** • (919) 222-9621

**Buck Nasty Fishing Charters** • (252) 560-3281

**Cape Lookout Charters** • (252) 241-0210

**Cape N It Reel Charters** • (252) 241-1995

**Capt Austin's Guide Service** • (252) 515-4852

**Capt Stacy Fishing Center** • (252) 726-1019

**Captain Joe's Charter** • (208) 404-6868

**Carolina Lady Charters** • (252) 725-0570

**Carolina Princess** • (252) 726-5479

**Carterican Sportfishing** • (252) 515-0883

**Chasin' Tails Outdoors** • (252) 240-3474

**Coastal Carolina Charters** • (252) 342-8569

**Crystal Coast Ecotours** • (252) 808-3354

**Dancin' Outlaw Charters** • (252) 241-8346

**Diamond Girl Charters** • (252) 259-7533

**Due South Sportfishing** • (252) 342-0097

**Emerald Isle Adventures** • (910) 538-2749

**Fin Chaser Charters** • (919) 223-1925

**Family Time Fishing Charters** • (252) 808-7171

**First Due Fishing Charters** • (252) 269-4806

**Fishin' The Flats LLC** • (910) 554-5296

**Gale Anne Sport Fishing Charters** • (252) 269-5290

**The General Sportfishing** • thegeneralsportfishing.com

**Going Bogue Outdoors** • (252) 240-0570

**Inshore Addiction Charters** • (910) 467-5717

**Island Girl Charters** • (252) 725-4956

**Lady Dianne Charters** • (252) 646-5230

**Legacy Fishing Charters** • (843) 808-8500

**Local Knowledge Fishing Charters** • (904) 826-7838

**Maggie Sportfishing** • (252) 725-1817

**Marsh Madness Sportfishing** • (252) 422-0066

**Merry Marlin Sportfishing** • (727) 824-5305

**Mount Maker Charters** • (252) 342-0464

**Nanny's Revenge Fishing Charter** • (910) 467-6901

**Never Enough Bluewater Charters** • (919) 288-0339

**Noah's Ark Fishing Charters** • (252) 342-6911

**On Deck Fishing** • (252) 665-0844

**Pelegic Sport Fishing Charter** • (252) 904-3361

**Play it by Ear Sportfishing** • (910) 742-5887

**Play Money Charters** • (252) 764-5654

**Pogies Fishing & Kayaking** • (910) 325-7876

**Poverty Point Outfitters** • (252) 725-4097

**Ramblin' Man Sportfishing** • (252) 646-7454

**Reef Girl Fishing** • (252) 646-9828

**Reel E Bugging** • (252) 528-8679

**Reel Faith Fishing Charters** • (919) 369-6403

**Reel Tangled Charters** • (276) 226-6979

**Reel Tight Adventures** • (252) 259-2664

**Reely Livin' Charters** • (919) 215-5828

**Salt Air Ventures** • (252) 725-1725

**Sea Visions Charters** • (252) 732-5794

**Sensation Sportsfishing** • (252) 723-3313

**Shallow Minded Charters** • (252) 422-0801

**Sound-N-Sea Charters** • (252) 241-2604

**Southern Voyage Fishing Charter** • (910) 333-5628

**Spooled Rotten Charters** • (252) 646-1541

**Swan Point Outfitters** • (252) 342-3507

**Teaser Sportfishing** • (252) 242-0708

**Triple T Charters** • fishingbooker.com

**Wasabi Fishing Charters** • (252) 723-3041

**Yellowfin Sportfishing** • (252) 772-9159

# *favorite* ANNUAL EVENT

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## *january*

Penguin Plunge (AB)  
Wine & Brine (MHC)  
Wintertide Concert (ECHS Band) (BFT)

## *february*

Art From the Heart (MHC)  
Fur Ball of the Crystal Coast (MHC)  
Mardi Gras on Middle Lane (BFT)  
Carolina Chocolate Festival (MHC)

## *march*

Carteret Health Care Foundation Gala (AB)  
Carolina Wedding Fair (AB)  
Coastal Home & Garden Show (MHC)  
St. Patrick's Day Festival (EI)

## *april*

Beaufort Wine & Food (BFT)  
Bites & Blues (MHC)  
Boots vs. Badges Baseball Game (MHC)  
Camp Albemarle Spring Family Festival (NPT)  
Celebration on the Sound (MHC)  
Core Sound Run (HI)  
Newport Pig Cooking Contest (NPT)

## *may*

AB Beach Music Festival (AB)  
Beaufort Art Walk (BFT)  
Beaufort Wooden Boat Show (BFT)  
Christopher Perri Fishing Tournament (MHC)  
Downtown Derby Darty (MHC)  
Live on Lot (MHC)  
MHC Marlins Baseball Opening Day (MHC)

## *june*

Alive at 5 Concert Series (MHC)  
Big Rock Blue Marlin Tournament (MHC)  
Historic Beaufort Old Homes Tour (BFT)  
Kayak for Warriors (PKS)  
Keli Wagner Lady Angler Tournament (MHC)

## *july*

4th of July Fireworks (MHC, BFT, AB)  
Beaufort Historical Association's Summer Party (BFT)  
Big Rock Kids Tournament (MHC)

## *august*

Sarah James Fulcher Redfish Tournament (CI)

## *september*

Emerald Isle Beach Music Festival (EI)  
Taste of the Coast Celebration (MHC)

## *october*

AB King Mackerel Tournament (AB)  
Camp Albemarle Fall Festival (NPT)  
Carolina Women's Collective Summit (BFT)  
Crystal Coast Highland Games (BFT)  
Crystal Coast Women in Business Conference (MHC)  
Discovery Diving Annual Underwater Treasure Hunt (BFT)  
Emerald Isle Marathon (EI)  
Garner's Fall Festival (NPT)  
Let's Make Pink Just a Color Race (MHC)  
NC Seafood Festival (MHC)

## *november*

Beaufort Bridge Run (BFT)  
Beaufort Pirate Invasion (BFT)  
BHA Jumble Sale (BFT)  
Dia de los Muertos Festival (BFT)  
Fish Against Addiction Speckled Trout Tournament (AB)  
Performance Zone Turkey Burner (MHC)  
Pine Knoll Shores Turkey Trot (PKS)  
St. Paul's Harvest Bazaar (BFT)  
Veteran's Day Parade (MHC)

## *december*

Beaufort Claus Crawl (BFT)  
Carteret Partnership for Children Santa Run (AB)  
Chowder & Cheer (MHC)  
Christmas Flotilla (BFT & MHC)  
Christmas at Carolina Home and Garden (NPT)  
Core Sound Decoy Festival (HI)  
Historic Candlelight Christmas Tour (BFT)  
Hospice House Gingerbread Festival (MHC)  
Olde Fashioned Holiday Market (BFT)  
Jingle & Mingle Bar Crawl (MHC)  
Local Christmas Parades (AB, NPT, MHC, BFT)  
Smoke on the Water Bonfire (AB)  
Toys for Tots Holiday Celebration (MHC)  
Wizards of Winter Concert (MHC)

# experience: *special events*

## favorite FLORIST

**Albert's Florals & Gifts**  
crystalcoastfloral.com

**Beaufort in Bloom**  
@beaufortinbloom

**Carolina Home & Garden**  
@carolinahomeandgardennc

**Cheryl Justice - Harris Teeter**  
(252) 240-3742

**Coastal Petals**  
@cceventrentals.cpetals

**Dee's Flowers**  
deesflowersofswansboro.com

**Designs by Melissa**  
(252) 726-4100

**Flowers and Designs by Ernest**  
@flowersanddesignsbyernest

**Grow Social**  
@growsocialnc

**Knot a Second Thought**  
@knotasecondthought

**Petal Pushers Flowers & Gifts**  
@emeraldisleflowers

**Sandy's Flower Shoppe**  
@sandysflowershoppe

**Seaside Florist & Gifts**  
@seasidefloristandgiftsllc

**Two Bees Farm**  
@twobeesfarm

**The Upper Bloom**  
@theupperbloomnc

### ON THE ISLAND

**Atlantis Lodge**  
(252) 726-5168

**Caribbe Inn**  
(252) 726-0051

**Crystal Coast Oceanfront Hotel**  
(252) 247-4155

**DoubleTree by Hilton**  
(252) 240-1155

**Hollowell's Motel**  
(252) 726-5227

**Hotel Alice**  
(252) 247-5118

**Island Inn of Atlantic Beach**  
(252) 726-3780

**Islander Hotel & Resort**  
(252) 354-3464

**Lighthouse Inn and Suites**  
(252) 764-0980

**Oceanana Family Motel**  
(252) 726-4111

**Palm Suites**  
(252) 247-6400

**Sand Dollar Motel**  
(252) 726-4106

**Seahawk Inn & Villas**  
(252) 726-4146

**The William & Garland Motel**  
(252) 247-3733

**Windjammer Inn**  
(252) 247-7123

### MOREHEAD CITY

**Bask Hotel**  
(252) 499-9200

**Hampton Inn**  
(252) 240-2300

### BEAUFORT

**Beaufort Hotel**  
(252) 728-3000

**Beaufort Harbor Suites**  
(252) 728-3483

**The Bunk House**  
bunkhouse101.com

**Inlet Inn**  
(252) 728-3600



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## favorite **BED+** **BREAKFAST**

**34 North Vacations**  
34northvacations.com

**The Bunk House**  
bunkhouse101.com

**Inn on Turner**  
innonturner.com

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**4EverAll**  
@4everall.band

**Amber Jack**  
@amberjack.music

**Aquanauts**  
@aquanautsmusicforyou

**Band of Oz**  
@bandofoz

**Barefoot Wade**  
@barefootwade

**Barry Charlton**  
barrycharlton.com

**Big Sam & Company**  
@bigsamandcompany

**Black-Eyed Daisies**  
@blackeyeddaisiesofficial

**Bob Laverty Band**  
@bob\_laverty\_band

**Bonefish**  
@bonefish\_band

**Brian Felton**  
@bigstacks22

**Bryan Mayer**  
@bryanmayermusic

**Carsyn Gray**  
@carsyn\_gray\_official

**Chocolate Chip & Company**  
chocolatechipandcompany.com

**Cooper Greer**  
@coopergreer

**Corey Stuart**  
@coreystuartofficial

**DC DhaCarolina**  
FB: DC DhaCarolina

**Dirty Blonde Band**  
FB: Dirty Blonde Band

**DJ Rodney Leary**  
@djrodneyleary

**Donivan Carter**  
@donivan.carter.music

**The Dust Parade**  
@thedustparade

**Ethan Gillikin**  
@ethanchasegillikin

**The Embers**  
theembersband.net

**Gary Dudley & The Maxxtones**  
FB: Gary Dudley and The Maxxtones

**Green Room**  
@thegreen\_r

**Head on Collision**  
@head\_on\_collision\_nc

**Heart Stop**  
@heart\_stop\_band

**Hot Revolver**  
FB: Hot Revolver Band

**I42 Band**  
@i42band

**Isaac Clowers**  
@isaacfungize

**Jake Potter Music**  
@jakepottermusic

**Justin Castellano**  
@justincguitar

**Knok Knok Band**  
FB: KNOK KNOK

**Liquid Pleasure**  
liquidpleasureband.com

**Lonnie Britton**  
@lonnie\_britton

**Mac and Juice**  
macandjuice.net

**Mad Fiddler Entertainment**  
@themadfiddlerentertainment

**Miss Bliss**  
bandmix.com/missblissnc

**Morris Willis**  
FB: Morris Willis

**Naked Knees**  
FB: Naked Knees

**Old Age & Treachery**  
FB: Old Age & Treachery

**Pure T Mommicked**  
@pure\_t\_mommicked

**Purple Schoolbus**  
FB: Purple Schoolbus

**Ray Wag**  
@raywagmusic

**Red + The Rockers**  
FB: Outer Banks Philharmonic

**Rollin' Woods**  
@therollinwoods

**The RV Roadshow**  
thervroadshow.net

**Ryan Rubich**  
@bluestunna\_

**Salty Bones**  
saltybonesband.com

**Selah Dubb**  
selahdubb.com

**The Shoal Brothers**  
FB: The Shoal Brothers

**Spare Change**  
@sparechangemusic

**The Spread**  
@thespreadband

**The Will and Tony Show**  
FB: Will and Tony Show

**Thorn Band**  
@thornband

**Todd Barnes**  
@toddcarnes

**TrainWreck**  
FB: TrainWreck

**Unknown Tongues**  
unknowntongues.com

**Wes Rider**  
FB: Wes Rider Music

**81 Hospitality**  
circa-81.com

**Bespoke Galley**  
bespokegalley.com

**Beaufort Grocery Co.**  
beaufortgrocery.com

**Blaque Peppa Hospitality**  
blaquepeppa.com

**Class Act Catering**  
classactcateringnc.com

**Culinary Creations Catering**  
culinarycreationsonline.com

**Dank Burrito**  
dankburrito.com

**Donna's Deli & Catering**  
FB: Donna's Deli at the Pig

**Fat Fella's BBQ & Grille**  
fattellasbbq.com

**Floyd's 1921**  
floyds1921.com

**The Friendly Market**  
friendlymarketnc.com

**Full Circle Catering**  
fullcirclecafe.biz

**Gaffer's**  
gaffersemeraldisle.com

**High On The Hog Catering**  
highonthehogcatering.com

**Live Oak Eats**  
liveoakcateringnc.com

**Outer Banks Boil Company**  
emeraldisle.outerbanksboilcompany.com

**Pam's Specialized Catering**  
pamsspecializedcatering.com

**Plated Love**  
platedlove.com

**Prestige Catering**  
prestigecateringandeventrentals.com

**Scarborough Fare Catering**  
scarboroughfarecatering.com

**Sea & Soiree**  
seaandsoiree.com

**Seaside Sensations Catering**  
seasidesensations.com

**Shepard Barbecue**  
shepardbbq.com

**Turner Street Market**  
turnerstreetmarket.com

**Zest Private Chef Services**  
FB: Zest Private Chef Services



**PICTURED:** Owner of Zest Private Chef Services, Bridget QUITERIO!

# favorite EVENT PLANNER OR STYLIST

A Seaside Wedding & Events  
@aseasideweddingandeventsnsc

Carolina Event Source  
FB: Carolina Event Source LLC

Charly Pope  
FB: Charly Jo Pope

Crystal Coast Officiants  
& Wedding Planners  
@amandacrystalcoast

EVER Events & Design Co.  
@evereventsdesignco

Grow Social  
@growsocialnc

Jerrye Gordon Events  
@jerryegordonevents

Jett Weddings and Events  
@jett.weddings

Jill Sullivan Planning  
jillsplans.com

Just Us Weddings  
@justusweddings

Knot A Second Thought  
@knotasecondthought

127 Middle Lane\*  
@127middlelane

Maggie Marsh Events  
maggiemarshevents.com

Mastermind Event Planning  
FB: MasterMind Image Photography  
& Event Planning, LLC

Party Perfection Weddings + Events  
@partyperfectionweddings

Sea and Soirée  
@seaandsoiree

Staircase Event Management  
@staircase\_event\_management

We Are Balloons  
@weareballoons

Two Blondes and a Whiskey Barrel  
FB: Two Blondes and a Whiskey Barrel

Your Perfect Day  
FB: Your Perfect Day

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for their specific venue.

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tablescape at Carolina  
Home & Garden  
captured by Cynthia  
Rose Photography.

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Ashley Fitzgerald  
@madeby\_ashleybrooks

Ashlyn Cuthrell  
@ashlynfilmco

Bee Captured Photography  
@bee.captured\_photography

Chad Winstead  
@winsteadphotovideo

Chadwick Visuals  
@cchadwickphoto

Charis Weddings  
@charisweddings

C-LO Productions  
FB: C-LO Productions

Finished Works, Inc.  
finishedworks.net

Joshua Mace Films  
@joshuamacefilms

Landon Mann  
@boovisuals

Longleaf Film Co.  
@longleafilmco

Madison Pake Photography  
@madisonpakephoto

NishFuts Productions  
@nishfutsproductions

Triworks  
@triworkstudios

Victor Cano Films  
@victorcanofilms

When Two Become One Films  
@whentwobecomeonefilms

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**Atlantic Beach Taxi** • (252) 240-3555

**Beaufort Cart Tours** • (252) 725-5624

**Beaufort Bicycle** • (252) 728-1203

**Bike Beaufort** • (252) 528-7696

**Carteret Cab** • (252) 247-4600

**Carteret County Concierge** • (252) 342-4392

**CCATS** • (252) 240-1043

**Diamond Bus Company** • (252) 725-7463

**Diamond Limousine** • (252) 240-1680

**Shuttle 34** • (252) 241-1852

**Sinclair's Golf Carts** • (252) 728-6853

**Water Bug Tours** • (252) 342-3577

# *favorite* EVENT VENUE

## ATLANTIC BEACH

**Coral Bay Club**  
coralbayclub.com

**The Dunes Club**  
dunes-club.com

## PINE KNOLL SHORES

**Country Club of Crystal Coast**  
crystalcoastcc.com

**Merrell Estate & Gardens**  
merrellestate.com

**NC Aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores**  
ncaquariums.com

## NEWPORT & CEDAR POINT

**34 North Bar**  
34northbar.com

**Bogue Sound Distillery**  
boguesounddistillery.com

**Butterfly Kisses Pavilion**  
FB: Butterfly Kisses Pavilion

**Carolina Home & Garden**  
carolinahomegarden.com

**The Silos of Newport**  
FB: The Silos of Newport

**Weeks Farm**  
weeksfarmnc.com

## MOREHEAD CITY

**1100 on Arendell**  
1100onarendell.com

**Carteret Community Theatre**  
carteretcommunitytheatre.com

**CCC Hospitality & Culinary Arts Center**  
carteret.edu/programs

**Crystal Coast Civic Center**  
carteretcountync.gov

**Floyd's 1921**  
floyds1921.com

**Jack's on the Waterfront**  
jacksonthewaterfront.com

**Morehead City Train Depot**  
downtownmoreheadcity.com

**Morehead City Country Club**  
moreheadcitycc.com

**The Post**  
thepostnc.com

**Promise Land Market**  
promiselandmarket.com

**The View at Sugarloaf**  
theviewatsugarloafmc.com

## EMERALD ISLE

**Bar 1957**  
FB: Bar 1957

**Caribsea**  
caribsea.com

**Gaffer's**  
gaffersemeraldisle.com

**Islander Hotel & Resort**  
islandernc.com

**The Watson House & Gardens**  
dreamweddingestates.com

## BEAUFORT

**127 Middle Lane**  
127middlelane.com

**The Backstreet Pub**  
FB: The Backstreet Pub

**Beaufort Club Clubhouse**  
beaufort-club.com

**Beaufort Grocery Co.**  
beaufortgrocery.com

**Beaufort Historic Site**  
beauforthistoricsite.org

**Beaufort Hotel**  
beauforthotelnc.com

**The Boathouse Marina**  
boathousemarinanc.com

**Moonrakers**  
moonrakersbeaufort.com

**Harvey W. Smith Watercraft Center**  
ncmaritimemuseumbeaufort.com

**The Periwinkle**  
theperiwinklenc.com

**The Vault**  
workinthevault.com

## PELETIER

**213 West Weddings & Events**  
213westevents.com

**Farm 58 Wedding & Event Venue**  
farm58venue.com

## DOWN EAST

**Core Sound Waterfowl Museum**  
coresound.com



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**A&S Photography LLC**  
@asphotographymarissa

**Alex Fisher**  
@nishfutsproductions

**Allie Miller Photography**  
@alliemillerphotography

**Allison Wagaman Photography**  
@aw\_photography\_morehead

**Amanda Marshall**  
@goldendaysbyamandamarshall

**Amber Willis**  
@amberwillisphotography

**Amy Montuori**  
@makingmemoriesphotographybyamy

**Ashley Brooks**  
@madeby\_ashleybrooks

**Ashley Drake Imagery**  
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**Ashlyn Cuthrell**  
@ashlyn\_cuthrellphoto

**Beaufort Photography Co.**  
@beaufortphotoco

**Bailey Young Photography**  
FB: Bailey Young Photography

**Beaufort Photography Co.**  
beaufortphotographyco.com

**Bluefin Artistry**  
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**Brina Lee Photography**  
@brinaleephotography

**Casey Styron Photography**  
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**Chadwick Visuals**  
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**CJ Holbrook Photography**  
@cjholbrookphotography

**Corry Frazier Photography**  
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**Cynthia Rose Photography**  
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**Danielle Hutchinson Photography**  
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**Denehy Photography**  
@denehy\_photography

**Devin Daniels**  
@devind\_sobx

**Dream Lily Photography**  
@dreamlilyphotography.com

**Dylan Ray**  
@dylan\_ray\_photos

**Elizabeth Gillikin**  
@egillikinphoto

**Ellen Leroy**  
@ellen\_leroy\_photography

**Emily Saunders**  
@emilysaundersphotography

**Eric Loy Photography**  
@ericloyphotography

**Fish Hunt Photo**  
@fishhuntphoto

**Frances Marian Photography**  
@francesmarianphotography

**Georgia Mae Photography**  
@georgia\_maeeee

**Grace Bell Photography**  
@gracebellphotography

**Graham Hunt Photography**  
@graham\_hunt\_photography

**Jaclyn Nolin Photography**  
@jaclynnolinphoto

**Jami Thomas**  
@jamiwithaney

**Jessica Braxton Photography**  
@jessicabraxtonphotography

**Jason Persilver Photography**  
@jasonpersilver

**Joseph Wootton Studio**  
@joseph\_wootton\_studio

**Kali Moeck Photography**  
@kalimoeckphotography

**Karen Doody Photography**  
@karendoodyphotography

**Kate Kidd Photography**  
@kate\_kidd\_photography

**Katie Amspacher**  
@sarahkphotognc

**Katie Langdale**  
@sarahkatephotographync

**Katie Thomason Photography**  
FB: Katie Thomason Photography

**Landon Mann**  
@boovisuals

**Lighthouse Visuals**  
@lighthousevisuals

**Maddie Pake**  
@maddiepakephoto

**Mastermind Image Photography**  
@mastermind\_image\_photography

**Mekenzie Loli**  
@loliphotog

**Mel O'Berry Photography**  
@meloberryphotography

**Meredith Underwood**  
@meredithunderwoodphoto

**Pam Griffin**  
@picturesofsilverbypamgriffin

**Promise Land Photography**  
@promiselandphotographync

**Red's Photography**  
FB: Red's Photography

**Saltwater Collection**  
@saltwatercollection

**Samantha Ann Photo**  
@samanthaannphoto

**Sarah Leary Photography**  
@sarahlearyphoto

**Sarah Tell**  
@set\_photography252

**Scott Taylor**  
@scottt\_photo

**Shots by Shire**  
@shotsbyshire

**Tara Ann Photography**  
@tara.annphotography

**Terah Hoobler Photography**  
@terahhooblerphoto

**Tiffany Adams Photography**  
@photosbytiffanyadams

**Tiffany Rose**  
@tiffanyrosephotography

**Trae Landy**  
@traelandy\_photography

**Turtle Digital Photography**  
FB: Turtle Digital Photography

**Wes Snyder Photography**  
@wessnyderphotography

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### MOREHEAD CITY

**Backshore Living**  
@backshoreliving  
**Classy Clutter**  
@classyclutterdecor  
**Dee Gee's Gifts & Books**  
@deegeesnc  
**Deepwater Boutique**  
@deepwater\_boutique  
**Dorsea**  
@shopdorsea  
**Guthrie Interiors**  
@guthrieinteriors  
**La Rouge Tete**  
FB: Le Rouge tete  
**McQueen's Interiors**  
@mcqueensint  
**Our Coastal Home**  
@ourcoastalhomenc  
**Oysterbelle**  
@oysterbelle  
**Peacocks Porch**  
@peacocksporch

### Rough Point Bow-Tique

@roughpointbowtique  
**Salt Gallery**  
@salt\_gallery\_morehead  
**Sea Classics Trading**  
@seaclassics  
**Seahorse Cove**  
@the\_seahorse\_cove  
**Seaport Antiques**  
@seaportantiques  
**Shore Decor**  
@shoredcor  
**Z & Z Designs**  
@z.zdesigns

### ATLANTIC BEACH

**Boro Girl Boutique Too**  
@boro\_girl\_boutique\_too  
**Edgewater Linen**  
@edgewaterlinen  
**Island Furniture**  
@island\_\_furniture

### EMERALD ISLE

**Coastline Designs**  
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**Place Makers**  
FB: Place Makers

### BEAUFORT

**Beaudega**  
@beaudega\_blacksheep  
**Beaufort Home & Furniture**  
@beauforthomeandfurniture  
**Beaufort Linen Company**  
@beaufort\_linen\_company  
**Bimini Twist**  
@biminitwistbeaufort  
**Calypso Cottage**  
@calypsocottage  
**Cecil + Finch**  
@cecilandfinch  
**Feather Your Nest**  
@featheryournestbeaufort  
**Window & Wall Co.**  
@windowandwallco

### DOWN EAST

**Davis Shore Provisions**  
FB: Davis Shore Provisions General Store

### NEWPORT & CAPE CARTERET

**Carolina Home & Garden**  
@carolinahomeandgarden  
**Seashore Lighting & Interiors**  
@seashorelightingnc

## favorite KIDS CLOTHING SHOP

### morehead city

**Buckles & Bows**  
@bucklesandbowsnc  
**Buoys and Gulls**  
FB: Buoys and Gulls Kids  
Consignment Boutique  
**Dee Gee's Gifts & Books**  
@deegeesnc  
**Gigi & Co.**  
@gigiandcomhc

### beaufort

**Harbor Specialties**  
@harborspecialtiesbeaufort

### cedar point

**Piper and Grace Kids**  
@piperandgracekids

### on the island

**Atlantic Beach Surf Shop**  
@absurfshop

**Bert's Surf Shop**  
@bertssurfshops1965

**Elly's Kids**  
@ellysgifts

**Harmony Surf Shop**  
@harmonysurfsupply

**Marsh's Surf Shop**  
@marshssurfshop

**Waterway Local**  
@waterwaylocal



**PICTURED:** Beautiful housewares (and shop pup, Bessie!) inside Dorsea, an adorable shop in downtown Morehead City.



*favorite*  
**PLACE TO  
GET A GIFT**

## MOREHEAD CITY

**Backshore Living**  
@backshoreliving

**Big Rock Store**  
@bigrocktournament

**BluSail Golitz Studios**  
@blusailgolitzstudios

**Brushfire Pottery & Painting**  
FB: Brushfire: Pottery and Painting

**Buckles and Bows**  
@bucklesandbowsnc

**Carolina Artist Gallery**  
@carolinaartistgallery

**Carteret Health Care Gift Gallery**  
@carterethealth

**Classy Clutter Decor and Gifts**  
@classyclutterdecor

**Coastal Current Boutique**  
@shopcoastalcurrent

**Core Sound Museum Gift Shop**  
@shopcoresound

**Dee Gee's Gifts & Books**  
@deegeesnc

**Deepwater Boutique**  
@deepwater\_boutique

**Dorsea**  
@shopdorsea

**Downtown Barre**  
@dbarremhc

**DP Jewelry Designs**  
@dpjewelrydesigns

**EJW Outdoors**  
@ejwoutdoors

**The Friendly Market**  
@friendlymarketnc

**Gigi & Co.**  
@gigiandcomhc

**Ginny Gordon's**  
@ginnygordons

**Inkspiration Studio**  
@inkspirationstudionc

**McQueen's Interiors**  
@mcqueensint

**Monkee's of Morehead City**  
@monkeesofmoreheadcity

**Ocean Outfitterz**  
@oceanoutfitterz

**Oysterbelle**  
@oysterbelle

**Parson's General Store**  
@parsonsgeneralstore

**Peacock's Porch**  
@peacocksporch

**Rough Point Bow-Tique**  
@roughpointbowtique

**Salt Gallery**  
@salt\_gallery\_morehead

**Salt & Stitch Co.**  
@saltandstitchco

**Sandy's Flower Shoppe**  
@sandysflowershoppe

**Sea Classics Trading & Interiors**  
@seaclassics

**Seahorse Cove**  
@the\_seahorse\_cove

**Shore Decor**  
@shoreddecor

**Silver Line Jewelry**  
@silverlinejewelry

**Tassels**  
@tasselsladiesboutique

**Teacher's Pet**  
@teacherspetmhc

**Z & Z Designs**  
@z.zdesigns

## BEAUFORT & DOWN EAST

**Adrift Candle Co.**  
@adriftcandleco

**Ashley Apothecary & Dispensary**  
FB: Ashley Apothecary and Dispensary

**Beaudega**  
@beaudega\_blacksheep

**Beaufort Historic Site**  
FB: Beaufort Historic Site

**Beaufort Home**  
@beauforthomeandfurniture

**Beaufort Linen Co.**  
@beaufort\_linen\_company

**Beaufort Olive Oil Company**  
@beaufortoliveoilco

**Bimini Twist**  
@biminitwistbeaufort

**Calypso Cottage**  
@calypsocottage

**Cecil + Finch**  
@cecilandfinch

**Core Sound Museum Store**  
FB: Core Sound Waterfowl Museum Store

**Davis Shore Provisions**  
FB: Davis Shore Provisions General Store

**Down East Gifts & Scoops**

FB: Down East Gifts Scoops

**Feather Your Nest**

FB: Down East Gifts Scoops

**The General Store**

@bftgeneralstore

**Harbor Specialties**

@harborspecialtiesbeaufort

**Isla Boutique**

@isla.boutiquebft

**Island Proper Boutique**

@islandproperboutique

**Island Traders**

@islandtradersbft

**Jarrett Bay Clothing**

@jarrettbaycc

**Kitty Hawk Kites**

@kittyhawkkites

**Olde Beaufort Farmers' Market**

@oldebeaufortfarmersmarket

**The Periwinkle**

@theperiwinklenc

**Port of Call Museum Store**

@portofcallmuseumstore

**Sea Oats Candle Company**

@seaoatscandlecompany

**Sweet Lilly Ru**

FB: Sweet Lilly Ru

**Wind Tide**

@windtideofnc

**ON THE ISLAND**

**AB Bottle Co.**

@abbottleco

**Atlantic Beach Surf Shop**

@absurfshop

**Beachside Botanicals**

@beachsidebotanicals

**Bert's Surf Shop**

@bertssurfshops1965

**Boro Girl Boutique Too**

@boro\_girl\_boutique\_too

**Briggs General Store**

@briggsgeneralstore

**Capt Stacy Gift Shop**

@captstacy

**Carteret Country Store**

FB: Carteret Country Store

**Chasin' Tails Outdoors**

@chasintailsoutdoors

**Chimere Clothing Boutique**

@shopchimere

**Coastline Designs**

@coastlinedesigns

**Complexion MedSpa**

@complexionmedspa\_

**Davis Beachwear**

@davisbeachwear

**Edgewater Linen Interiors**

@edgewaterlinen

**Elly's Gifts**

@ellysgifts

**Emerald Isle Books & Toys**

FB: Emerald Isle Books

**Gaffer's Sip & Shop**

@gaffersemeraldislenc

**Harmony Surf Supply**

@harmonysurfsupply

**Hilton's Fine Clothing**

@hiltons.atlanticbeach

**Island Traders**

@islandtraders\_ab

**Kites Unlimited & Bird Stuff**

kitesbirds.com

**Marsh's Surf Shop**

@marshssurfshop

**MF Chappell Wine Merchant**

@mfchappell

**Place Makers**

FB: Place Makers

**The Posh Pelican**

@theposhpelicanab

**Spoondrift**

@spoondriftno

**The Village Market**

@villagemarket\_ei

**Village Beachmart**

@villagebeachmart

**Waterway Local**

@waterwaylocal

**NEWPORT & CEDAR POINT**

**Blessed Body Dayspa**

@blessedbodydayspa

**Carolina Home & Garden**

@carolinahomeandgardennc

**Knowledge of Christ Bookstore**

@knowledgeofchrist

**The Market at Cedar Point**

@cedarpointfarmersmarket

**Neuse Sport Shop**

@neusesportshop

**The Oak Cottage**

FB: The Oak Cottage

**The Market at Cedar Point**

@themarket1046

# favorite GALLERY

## MOREHEAD CITY

**Arts Council of Carteret County**

102 S 9th Street

**BluSail Golitz Studios**

903 Arendell Street

**Carolina Artist Gallery**

814 Arendell Street

**Impressions Art Gallery**

4426 Arendell Street

**Inkspiration Studio**

805 Arendell Street

**Red Arrow Studio**

1103-A Arendell Street

**Reed's Coffee, Art & Framing**

800 Evans Street

**SALT Gallery**

1512 Arendell Street

**Spindrift Studios**

1910 Bridges Street

## BEAUFORT

**Craving Art Studio**

121 Craven Street

**Feather Your Nest**

208 Campen Road

**Mattie King Davis Art Gallery**

150 Turner Street

**Salty Girl Designs**

214 Pollock Street

## ON THE ISLAND

**A Captain's Gallery**

407-14 Atlantic Beach Causeway

**Edgewater Art & Interiors**

407-5B Atlantic Beach Causeway

## HARKERS ISLAND

**Core Sound Museum**

1785 Island Road



SALT GALLERY OWNERS  
SYDNER AND GAIL

## *atlantic beach*

**AB Surf Shop**  
@absurfshop

**Boro Girl Boutique Too**  
@boro\_girl\_boutique\_too

**Chimere**  
@shopchimere

**Davis Beachwear**  
@davisbeachwear

**Hilton's Fine Clothing**  
@hiltons.atlanticbeach

**Island Traders**  
@islandtraders\_ab

**Lotus y la Luna**  
@lotusylaluna

**Marsh's Surf Shop**  
@marshssurfshop

**The Posh Pelican**  
@theposhpelicanab

## *morehead city*

**Ann Paige**  
@annpaigemoreheadcity

**Backshore Living**  
@backshoreliving

**Coastal Current Boutique**  
@shopcoastalcurrent

**Dorsea**  
@shopdorsea

**Deepwater Boutique**  
@deepwater\_boutique

**Downtown Barre**  
@dbarremhc

**EJW Outdoors**  
@ejwoutdoors

**The Garden Party Vintage**  
@thegardenparty.vintage

**Gigi & Co.**  
@gigiandcomhc

**Maurice's**  
@maurices\_mhc

**Monkee's of Morehead City**  
@monkeesofmoreheadcity

**Ocean Outfitterz**  
@ocean\_outfitterz

**Oysterbelle**  
@oysterbelle

**Painted Chic**  
@paintedchicnc

**Tassels**  
@tasselsladiesboutique

**Z & Z Designs**  
@z.zdesigns

## *beaufort*

**Beudega**  
@beudega\_beaufort

**Beaufort Linen Co.**  
@beaufort\_linen\_company

**Beaufort Pop Vintage**  
@beaufortpop

**Beaufort Proper**  
@beaufortproper

**Cecil + Finch**  
@cecilandfinch

**Fabricate**  
413 Front Street

**Isla Boutique**  
@isla.boutiquebft

**Island Proper Boutique**  
@islandproperboutique

**Island Traders**  
@islandtradersbft

**The Pink Iris Boutique**  
@thepinkirisboutique

**Salty Mermaids Boutique**  
saltymermaidsboutique.com

**Southern Frock**  
@southernfrock

## *emerald isle*

**Elly's Gifts**  
@ellysgifts

**Harmony Surf Supply**  
@harmonysurfsupply

**La Posh Boutique**  
@laposhboutiqueei

**Top it Off Boutique**  
FB: Top it Off Boutique

**Waterway Local**  
@waterwaylocal

## *highway 24*

**Chloe's Closet**  
FB: Chloe's Closet

**Lauren's Boutique**  
@laurens\_boutique\_nc

**Neuse Sport Shop**  
@neusesportshop

**PICTURED:** Adorable  
and unique accessories  
from Deepwater Boutique,  
modeled by Jessica Horton.



# *favorite* HANDMADE PRODUCT

## **Adrift Candle Co.**

@adriftcandleco

## **Ashley Apothecary**

@ashleyapothecaryanddispensary

## **Atlantic Beach Sea Salt**

@atlantic\_beach\_salt\_company

## **Beaufort Biscuits Cheese Straws**

@beaufortbiscuits

## **Beaufort Olive Oil**

@beaufortoliveoilco

## **BluSail Pottery**

@blusailgolitzstudios

## **Bows by Jodie Moore**

Found at: Place Makers

## **The Bread Box**

@breadboxnc

## **Brushfire Pottery**

FB: Brushfire: Pottery and Painting

## **Catchy Crafts**

FB: Catchy Crafts

## **Charlotte's Daughters Glass**

charlottesdaughtersglass.com

## **The Clay Acorn**

@theclayacorn

## **Clay House Studio**

@clayhousstudiobft

## **Clutch & Release**

clutchandrelease.com

## **Cope & Co Collection**

@copeandcocollection

## **Core Sound Soap Co.**

FB: Core Sound Soap Company

## **Crab Pot Trees**

@crabpottrees

## **Crystal Coast Microgreens**

FB: Crystal Coast Microgreens

## **DP Jewelry**

@dpjewelrydesigns

## **Dreaming Dragon Pottery**

FB: Dreaming Dragon Pottery

## **Earth Wood Fire Designs**

@earthwoodfiredesign

## **Elements Studio**

ElementsStudioMHC.etsy.com

## **Eternally Connected Perm Jewelry**

@eternallyconnectedjewelry

## **Feather Your Nest**

@featheryournestbeaufort

## **Fishes by the Sea**

@fishesbythesea

## **Forest Floor to Ocean Shore**

FB: Forest Floor to Ocean Shore Crafts  
by Pam Philpott

## **Get Lucky Charmed**

@getluckycharmed

## **Grace Bell Art**

@gracebellart

## **Happy Place Designs**

@findyourhappy.place

## **Hey Fred Handmade**

@heyfrednc

## **Hoop Pole Creek Hot Sauce**

@hooppolecreekhotsauces

## **Inkspiration**

@inkspirationstudionc

## **J. Chalk Designs**

@jchalkdesigns

## **Jake & Meta**

@jakeandmeta

## **Jewelry by Rachel Croom**

FB: Jewelry Designs by Rachel Croom

## **Jtidmore Island Art**

FB: Jtidmore Island Art

## **Mamasita's Chips**

FB: Mamasita's Chips

## **MAST Designs**

FB: MAST Designs

## **Meraki Grove**

@meraki.grove

## **Nauti by Nature NC**

FB: NAUTI by Nature NC

## **Oak Designs Jewelry**

Found at @beaudega\_beaufort

## **On A Whim Creations**

@onawhimcreationsart

## **Oyster Paws**

@oysterpaws

## **Painted Heads by Lulu**

@paintedheadsbylulu

## **Pressed & Parched**

@pressedandparched

## **Salt of the Earth Pottery**

@saltoftheearthnc

## **Saltwater Heritage Woodworks**

FB: Saltwater Heritage Woodworks

## **Sandra Jean's Goat Milk Products**

@sjsgoatmilkproducts

## **Sea Oats Candle Company**

@seaoatscandlecompany

## **Sue's Bouys**

FB: Sue's Bouys

## **Wave Pottery**

Found at @backshoreliving

## **Willow Oak Glassworks**

FB: Willow Oak Glassworks by KM

# favorite MEN'S CLOTHING SHOP

## *on the island*

Atlantic Beach Surf Shop  
@absurfshop

Anson Belt & Buckle  
@ansonbelt

Bert's Surf Shop  
@bertssurfshops1965

Chasin' Tails Outdoors  
@chasintailsoutdoors

Finch's Skate Shop  
@finchsskateshop

Harmony Surf Supply  
@harmonysurfsupply

Hilton's Fine Clothing  
@hiltons.atlanticbeach

Marsh's Surf Shop  
@marshssurfshop

The Reel Outdoors  
@thereeloutdoors\_

Waterway Local  
@waterwaylocal

Village Beachmart  
@villagebeachmart

## *morehead city*

Big Rock Store  
@bigrocktournament

EJW Outdoors  
@ejwoutdoors

Ocean Outfitterz  
@ocean\_outfitterz

Sportsmans Wholesale  
@sportsmanswholesale

West Marine  
@westmarine

## *beaufort & down east*

Bad Duck Gear  
badduckgear.com

Boxcar Goods Vintage  
@boxcargoods

Island Outfitters  
@islandproperoutfitters

Island Traders  
@islandtradersbft

Jarrett Bay Clothing Co.  
@jarrettbaycc

Sancochos  
@sancochos.nc

## *cedar point*

Neuse Sport Shop  
@neusesportshop

# favorite TACKLE/ OUTDOOR SHOP

## ATLANTIC BEACH

Ace Hardware

@acehardwareab

Chasin' Tails Outdoors

@chasintailsoutdoors

Marsh's Surf Shop

@marshssurfshop

Saltwater Bait & Tackle

@saltwaterbnt

## BEAUFORT

Beaufort Hardware

@beauforthardwareandpaint

## MOREHEAD CITY

Ace Marine Rigging & Supply

@ace\_marine

Crystal Coast Pawn & Gun

FB: Crystal Coast Pawn

EJW Outdoors

@ejwoutdoors

Sportmans Wholesale

@sportsmanswholesale

West Marine

@westmarine

## CEDAR POINT

Neuse Sport Shop

@neusesportshop

## EMERALD ISLE

Sound Ace Hardware

soundacehardware.com

The Reel Outdoors

@thereeloutdoors\_

# favorite PLACE TO BUY BEACH ESSENTIALS

## ATLANTIC BEACH & PKS

Ace Hardware • @acehardwareab

Atlantic Beach Surf Shop • @absurfshop

Bert's Surf Shop • @bertssurfshops1965

Chasin' Tails Outdoors • @chasintailsoutdoors

Davis Beachwear • @davisbeachwear

Island Traders • @islandtraders\_ab

Marsh's Surf Shop • @marshssurfshop

Spoondrift • @spoondriftnc

## MOREHEAD CITY

Ace Marine Rigging & Supply • @ace\_marine

EJW Outdoors • @ejwoutdoors

Parsons General Store • @parsonsgeneralstore

West Marine • @westmarine

## BEAUFORT

Beaudega • @beaudega\_blacksheep

Beaufort Hardware • @beauforthardwareandpaint

The General Store • FB: The General Store

Island Traders • @islandtradersbft

Jarrett Bay Clothing • @jarrettbaycc

Kitty Hawk Kites • @kittyhawkkites

## EMERALD ISLE

Ace Hardware • @soundacehardware

Bert's Surf Shop • @bertssurfshops1965

Elly's Gifts • @ellysgifts

Harmony Surf Supply • @harmonysurfsupply

Hot Wax Surf Shop • FB: Hot Wax Surf Shop

The Reel Outdoors • @thereeloutdoors\_

Village Beachmart • @villagebeachmart

Waterway Local • @waterwaylocal

## CEDAR POINT

Neuse Sport Shop • @neusesportshop

**PICTURED:** Artist Skylar Bagley painting live at a wedding!

# favorite ARTIST

**Alan Cheek**

**Alley Hunt** • @alleyhuntart

**Allison Whitaker** • allisonwhitakerartist.com

**Amanda Steklenburg** • FB: A. Stek Art

**Anne Gorton** • @beaudega\_beaufort

**Appleworm Studios** • FB: SHenry Art/Appleworm Studios

**Becky Bolduc** • spindriftstudio.art

**Beverly Woodhall** • @bevsartstudio

**Bluefin Artistry** • @bluefinartistry

**Brenda Niebles** • @brenda\_pniebles

**Brittany Rawls** • @brittanyrawlsart

**Britt's Artworks** • FB: Britt's Artworks

**Brook Penick** • @brookpenick0510

**Catherine Olander** • @catherineolanderart

**Celine Meador**

**Cheryl Kanuk**

**Chloe Pope Art** • @chloepopeart

**Chrissy Suralik** • @chrissysuralik

**Colleen Villeneuve** • @elementsmhc

**Corey Giesey** • @cgiesey

**Corey Lawrence** • @davidlawrenceandsons

**Danielle P Designs** • @daniellepdesigns

**Desiree Jade** • @thesilverliningtattoo.ei

**Drew Hoover** • @drewhooverart

**Elleigh Harvey** • FB: Art by Elliegh Harvey

**Emily Rinehart** • @emily.rinehart\_

**Erin Droese Designs** • @erindroesedesigns

**Fishes by The Sea** • FB: Fishes by The Sea

**Fran Ambrose** • @franambrose5

**Gabrielle's Pottery** • FB: Gabrielle's Pottery

**Gail Cozart Williams** • @gailcozwilliams

**Garland Mattox** • @garlandmattoxart

**Georgette Monaghan** • @georgette\_monaghan\_art

**Glenn Lamp** • @dayfiveart

**Grace Bell** • @gracebellart

**Gwen Jordan** • beachchickartist.com

**Haley Johnson** • haleyajohnson.com

**Heather Sink** • @cravingartstudio

**Island Accents** • @island\_accents

**Jack Saylor** • @jacksaylor.artist

**Jada Kellison** • @kellison.jada

**Jake & Meta** • @jakeandmeta

**Jamison Ipock** • FB: Jamison and J's Arts and Crafts

**Janet Jaworksi** • @janetjart

**JTidmore Island Art** • FB: Jtidmore Island Art

**Jimmy Craig Womble** • @jimmycraig2

**Johnna Brooks** • @johnnab\_art

**Karen Gliarmis** • @karengliarmis

**Kate Barreto** • @kfb\_etc

**Kathryn Harrison** • @kathryn\_harrison\_art

**Kathryn Dentinger**

**Katie Chalk** • @katiechalkart

**Kelley Creations** • @kelleykreationz

**Kelsie Hornby** • @mosaicsbykelsie

**Kelvin Albelo** • @kelvin\_joet

**Kim Balentine** • @kimboriginals

**Kirsten Seth** • kmsherick.wixsite.com

**Kristen Springle** • @kpspringleart

**Kyle Dixon** • @kd\_wildlifeart

**Lisa Tuchek** • @lisatuchek

**Lorraine McElroy**

**Lynn Golitz** • @blusailgolitzstudios

**Mark Golitz** • @blusailgolitzstudios

**Mary Jordan Crawford** • www.mearcedart.com

**Maurice Davis** • shopcaptainstacy.com

**Michelle Fairchild** • @mjfairchildart

**Patrick Sullivan** • FB: Patrick Sullivan's Fine Art

**Pressed & Parched** • @pressed\_and\_parched

**Quin Dionne** • @thepaintingpirate

**Ruth Puckett** • @ruthpuckettart

**Salty Girl Designs** • @saltygirldesigns

**Sara Wesley** • @sara.wesley.art

**Sarah Davenport** • @sarahdavenportart

**Sarah Joan Grenier** • @sarahjoanart

**Shannon Tarlton** • @wakeupandart

**Skylar Bagley** • @sbagleyart

**Stephen Moore** • stephenmoorepaintings.com

**Steve Davis** • @stevedavisartwork

**Steve Love** • @stevelove.studios

**Sue Scoggins** • FB: Sue Scoggins Studio

**Susan Mason** • susanmasonphotoart.com

**Sydnor Greene** • @salt\_gallery\_morehead

**Tessa Hayden** • @tessahaydenart

**Vicki Mann** • impressionsartgallery.com/artist/vicki-mann

**Vickie Raandgard** • @vickie.art.work

**Willis Irvine** • FB: Willis J. Irvine Artwork

# TOP TEN *in Ten*

Last year, we introduced the Top Ten in Ten: a list of the top ten businesses in a fresh batch of categories. We are thrilled to highlight ten categories (and all 100 businesses!) for 2025 in the pages to follow.

Our Top Ten in Ten categories will change every year! Have an idea for one of the ten special categories for the 2026 People's Choice Awards? Email us at [CarteretCurated@MaryCheathamKing.com](mailto:CarteretCurated@MaryCheathamKing.com).

**SHRIMP BURGER • LIVE MUSIC SPOT • MARGARITA • PLACE TO GRAB A BOOK • NEW BUSINESS (OPENED IN 2024) • OUTDOOR MARKET • PLACE TO GET A SPRAY TAN • HEALTHY EATS • PLACE TO GET CRAFTY • PLACE TO PLAY POOL/ARCADE GAMES**

[CARTERETCURATED@MARYCHEATHAMKING.COM](mailto:CarteretCurated@MaryCheathamKing.com)

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## top ten favorite SHRIMP BURGER

**Big Oak Drive-In & BBQ**

*FB: Big Oak Drive In & BBQ*

**Blackbeard's Restaurant**

*FB: Blackbeard's Grill*

**Captain's Kitchen**

*@captainskitchen\_nc*

**Captain's Table**

*@captains\_tablemhc*

**El's Drive-In**

*FB: El's Drive-In*

**Finz Grill**

*@finzgrill*

**Sea Side Galley**

*@seasidegalley*

**Shark Shack**

*@sharkshacknc*

**The Crab Shack**

*FB: The Crab Shack in Salter Path, NC*

**The Spot Grill**

*FB: The Spot Grill*

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## top ten favorite MARGARITA

**Amos Mosquito's**

*@amosmosquitos*

**Costa Bonita**

*@costabonita\_mexican*

**El Mexicano Tacos & Tequila**

*FB: El Mexicano Newport*

**Fish Hut Grill**

*@fishhutgrill*

**Gaffer's**

*@gaffersemeraldislenc*

**Mezcalito**

*@mezcalitonc*

**Mug Shot Lounge**

*@mug\_shot.caffeine.cocktails*

**Plaza Mexico Bar & Grill**

*FB: Plaza Mexico Morehead City*

**Tower 7 Baja Mexican Grill**

*@tower7morehead*

**Yellowfin Pub**

*@yellowfinpubmhc*

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## top ten favorite LIVE MUSIC SPOT

**34 North Bar**

*@34northbar*

**Alive at Five**

*FB: Downtown Morehead City, Inc.*

**Backstreet Pub**

*FB: The Backstreet Pub*

**Beaufort Spirits Company**

*@beaufortspiritscompany*

**Carolina Home & Garden**

*@carolinahomeandgardennc*

**Floyd's 1921**

*@floyds1921*

**Gaffer's**

*@gaffersemeraldislenc*

**Idle Hour Biergarten**

*@idlehourab*

**Jack's Waterfront Bar**

*@jackswaterfrontbar\_mhc*

**King Mackerels**

*@kingmackerelsmhc*

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## top ten favorite place to GET A BOOK

**Beach Book Mart**

*@beachbookmart*

**Beaufort Bookworm**

*@beaufort\_bookworm*

**Beaufort Public Library**

*1702 Live Oak Street, Beaufort*

**Dee Gee's Gifts & Books**

*@deegeesnc*

**Emerald Isle Bookstore**

*@emeraldislebooks*

**Hound & Hop Story Shop**

*@houndandhopstoryshop*

**Morehead Public Library**

*@moreheadcitylibrary*

**Newport Public Library**

*210 Howard Blvd, Newport*

**The Book Shop**

*thebookshopmoreheadcity.com*

**Western Carteret Public Library**

*@fowcpl*

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## top ten favorite 2024 NEW BUSINESS

**Balloon Babe**  
@balloonbabenc

**Boats 365**  
@boats365nc

**Carolina Wedding Partners**  
@carolinaweddingpartners

**Filet 'n' Fin**  
@filetnfin

**Harmony Surf Supply**  
@harmonysurfsupply

**Hilton's Fine Clothing**  
@hiltons.atlanticbeach

**Morehead City Aesthetics**  
@moreheadcityaesthetics

**Noontide Coffee & Kitchen**  
@noontide\_coffee\_kitchen

**Reed's at The Porch**  
@reedsattheporch

**The Salon Collective**  
@thesaloncollectivemhc

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## top ten favorite OUTDOOR MARKET

**Carolina Home & Garden**  
@carolinahomeandgardennc

**EdgeWater Gardens**  
FB: Edgewater Gardens

**Garner Farms**  
@garnerfarmsnc

**Morehead City Curb Market**  
@moreheadcitycurbmarket

**Newport Flea Market**  
FB: Newport Flea Mall

**Olde Beaufort Farmers' Market**  
@oldebeaufortfarmersmarket

**The Friendly Market**  
@friendlymarketnc

**The Market at Cedar Point**  
@themarket1046

**The Periwinkle**  
@theperiwinklenc

**Willis Produce**  
FB: Willis Farm

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## top ten favorite SPRAY TAN

**Beaufort Beauty Bar**  
@beaufortbeautybar

**Blessed Body Day Spa**  
@blessedbodydayspa

**Coconutz**  
@coconutztanning

**Crystal Coast Glow**  
@crystalcoastglow

**New Visage**  
@newvisage

**On the Glow**  
@ontheglow252

**Sandbar Tan & Nail**  
FB: Sandbar Tan & Nail

**Sea Spray Tan Mobile Tanning**  
@nseaspraytan

**Surfside Aesthetics**  
@surfside.esthetics.skinclinic

**Tidelines Luxury Mobile Spray Tanning**  
@tidelines\_tanning

CAROLINA WEDDING PARTNERS



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## top ten favorite HEALTHY EATS

**Beach Bowls**  
@beachbowlsnc

**Fish Hut Grill**  
@fishhutgrill

**The Friendly Market**  
@friendlymarketnc

**Moxie**  
@moxie\_mhc

**Mug Shot Lounge**  
@mug.shot.caffeine.cocktails

**Noontide Coffee & Kitchen**  
@noontide\_coffee\_kitchen

**Pita Plate**  
@pitaplate.mhc

**Refection Foods**  
@refectionfoods

**Rise & Shine Nutrition**  
@riseandshine\_nutrition

**Sol Bowls**  
@sol\_bowls\_

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## top ten favorite place to GET CRAFTY

**BluSail Golitz Studios**  
@blusailgolitzstudios

**Carolina Home & Garden**  
@carolinahomeandgardennc

**Craving Arts Studio**  
@cravingartsstudio

**Elements Studio**  
FB: Elements Studio MHC

**Hammer and Stain**  
hammerandstaincrystalcoast.com

**Sipspiration**  
@sipspirationbeaufort

**Spindrift Studios**  
FB: Spindrift Studios

**Weeks Farm**  
@weeks.farm

**Wild Rose Glass**  
@wildrose\_stainedglass

**Wine & Design**  
@wndmoreheadcitync

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## top ten favorite place to PLAY POOL/ARCADE

**BB's Flashbax Arcade**  
FB: BB's Amusements - Flashbax Arcade

**Carolina Home & Garden**  
@carolinahomeandgardennc

**King Mackerels**  
@kingmackerelsmhc

**MacDaddy's**  
@mymacdaddys

**Nacho Brewery**  
@nacho\_brewery

**Royal James Cafe**  
FB: Royal James Cafe

**Shipwrecks Bar & Grill**  
FB: Shipwrecks Bar & Grill

**The Handle Bar**  
FB: Handle Bar

**Thirsty Surfer**  
@thirstysurfer2025

**Timeout Tavern**  
FB: TimeOut Tavern



PICTURED: MCKRE team member Makenzie Ethridge showing a local adoptable cutie some love while volunteering at the Carteret County Humane Society.



# give

*Have you been wanting to lend a helping hand in Carteret County but don't know where to start? The local charities listed to the right (deemed as community favorites for 2025 by you) are a great place to start!*

# LOCAL CHARITIES

*If you'd like to learn more about an organization below, visit [carteretcurated.com/nonprofits](http://carteretcurated.com/nonprofits) for links to each!*

AB King Mackerel Fishing Tournament  
AB Women's Club  
Adaptive Surf Project  
Ann Street United Methodist Church  
Atlantic Beach Sea Turtle Project  
Austin Veterinary Outreach & Rescue  
Backpack Friends  
Beaufort Cat Project  
Beaufort Historic Association  
Beaufort Lions Club  
Beaufort Wine and Food  
Beaufort Women's Club  
Big Rock Foundation  
Boots & Badges  
Boy Scout Troop 252  
Boys & Girls Clubs of the Coastal Plain  
Brave Little Brinn Louise Foundation  
Broad Street Clinic  
Buddy McKeel Scholarship  
Calico Creek Coffee  
Camp Albermarle  
Carteret Children's Advocacy Center  
Carteret Community College Foundation  
Carteret Community Theatre  
Carteret County Humane Society  
Carteret County Public School Foundation  
Carteret County Domestic Violence Program  
Carteret Health Care Foundation  
Carteret Literacy Council  
Carteret Partnership for Children  
CCC Galley Food Pantry  
CG Foundation  
Citizens for Diversity in Education  
Coastal Carolina River Watch

Coastal Pregnancy Care Center  
Core Sound Waterfowl Museum  
Croatan Free Will Baptist Church  
Crystal Coast Cancer Rehab Center  
Crystal Coast Corks & Forks  
Crystal Coast Habitat for Humanity  
Crystal Coast Hospice House  
Crystal Coast Women in Business  
Do It For Drew  
Downtown Morehead City  
ECHS Band Boosters  
Elysian Theater  
Emerald Isle for Veterans  
Family Promise  
Fellowship of Christian Athletes  
First Methodist Church  
Fish Against Addiction  
Food Bank Central & Eastern NC  
Friends of the Maritime Museum  
Friends of the Reserve  
Girl Scout Blessing Box at BES  
Glad Tidings Church  
Goodness & Glory Farm  
Hand 2 Hand Down East  
Hannah's Hope  
Havelock Rotary Club  
Hope is Alive  
Hope Mission  
Island Cat Allies  
Katey's Kits  
Kayak for the Warriors  
KWLA Tournament  
Let's Make Pink Just a Color  
Loaves & Fishes

Local Point Church  
Maritime Museum Beaufort  
Martha's Mission  
Meals on Wheels  
Miracles in Motion Performing Arts Centre  
Misplaced Mutts  
National Charity League  
North Carolina Coastal Federation  
One Harbor Church  
PAWS Thrift Shop  
Penguin Plunge  
Project Christmas Cheer  
Project Superhero  
Rotary Club of Morehead City  
Salvation Army  
Save Cape Lookout Foundation  
Second Blessings  
SECU Hospice House  
Shriners Club  
St Andrew's Thrift Shop  
St James Church Ministries  
Storehouse Food Pantry  
Take A Kid Fishing Foundation  
Take a Warrior Fishing  
The Bridge Downeast  
The Broad Street Clinic  
The MirlAM  
Sarah James Fulcher Red Fish Tournament  
Title Wave Bookmobile  
Tough Oaks at Camp Albermarle  
Watershed Ministries Inc.  
West Carteret Athletic Boosters  
Women's Center Morehead  
Young Life

THESE INDIVIDUALS WERE NOMINATED BY THEIR FELLOW COMMUNITY MEMBERS AS MOVERS, SHAKERS AND BEACONS OF LIGHT IN OUR COUNTY. VISIT [WWW.CARTERETCURATED.COM/ROLEMODELS](http://WWW.CARTERETCURATED.COM/ROLEMODELS) TO READ EACH NOMINATION!

# LOCAL ROLE MODELS

Abby Weiser	Claire Jones	Jay Westbrook
Al Williams	Coach Andre at Rec Center	Jayne Limbaugh
Alicia Luttrell	Cory Noe	Jeanie Boyle
Amanda McCall	Dale Britt	Jeff Vaughn
Andrew Onorio	Dana McQueen	Jeffrey Gaskill
Angie Goodwin	Danica Avon	Jenn Campbell Cates
Anita Willis	Danielle Vollnogle	Jennifer Johnson
Anna Segrave	Dave Brumley	Jeremy Cannon
Anne Gorton	David Jones	Jerry Cooper
Annie Brown	Dawn Brock	Jerry Wilson
Anthony Williams	Dee Rosen	Jessica Stanley
Asa Buck	Delicia Linteau	Jillian Daly
Ashley & Red Harrell	Dena White	Jillian Lister
Ashley Jones	Donnie Griggs	Jim Sheehan
Austin Morgan	Dr. Brittany Lewis	Jo Snyder
Barbara Johnson	Dr. Bryan Carney	Jodi Justice
Bea & Carrie of Misplaced Mutts	Dr. Kiluk	John Capps
Beckie Davis	Dr. Megan Lambeth	John Mancini
Bill Barts	Dr. Tracy Mancini	John Rickabaugh
Bonni Stephenson	Elizabeth Bielak	John Tunnell
Brandy Bell	Emily Sewell	Jonna Packer
Brenda Faber	Erica Jones	Joseph Morris Jr.
Brenda Felton	Erica Rudder	Joseph St James
Brittany Kelley	Erin Smith	JT Riley
Brittany Wheatly	Frank Rodriguez	Julie Moore
Brooke DePinto	Giovanni Lantieri	Juliet Rogers
Caleb Smith	Grant Kelley	JW Parker
Calvin Vogel	Greg Moss	Karen Hardesty
Carrie Huber	Hallock Howard	Kaselun Moore
Carson Ruffin	Heber Guthrie	Katherine Arthur
Casey Wagner	Holden Royall	Kathryn Chadwick
Chris Yeomans	Hubie Tolsen	Kathryn Metts
Christine Leary	Isaiah Holmes	Katie Dixon
Christine Moody	Iva Fearing	Kaye Strum
Chuck Lewis	Jaime Turner	Kayla Barrow
Cindy Bunch	James Allen Canady	Keith Bernauer
Cindy Cash	Jamie at Circa 81	Kelinda Rike

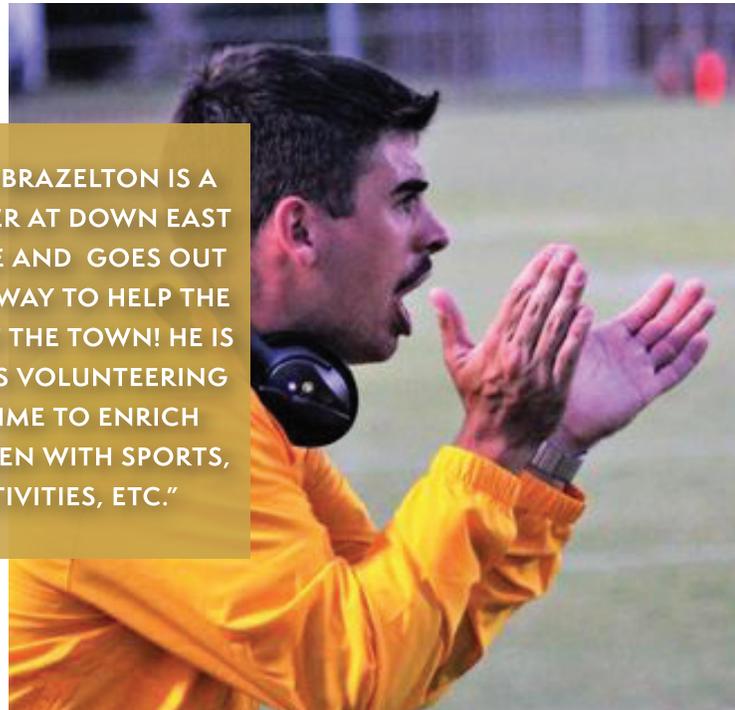
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 Kiera Hunter  
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 Kris Shoffner  
 Kristi Gloe  
 Kristin Davis  
 Kristine Andrews  
 Laura Clink  
 Laura Parrish  
 Leah Hardesty  
 Lee Allen  
 Leslie Allred  
 Lisa at Moxie  
 Lisa Wilder  
 Liz Kopf  
 Lucy Bond  
 Luis Herron  
 Marci Godwin  
 Maria Jacob  
 Marlene Blake  
 Mary & Jeff Miller  
 Mary Cheatham King  
 Mary Garvey  
 Mary Katherine Lawrence  
 Mary Marino  
 Matt Whitehurst  
 Matt Zapp  
 Max Cardona  
 Mayor Sharon Harker  
 Meg Millsap  
 Melodie Darden  
 Meredith Chisenhall  
 Michael Turner  
 Michele Lamping  
 Mindy Ballou Fitzpatrick  
 Mindy Merritt  
 Missy Oden  
 Monica & Thomas Smith  
 Mr. Reggie  
 Nate Leonard  
 Nelson Owens  
 Neva Bridges

Nic Carey  
 Nick Brazelton  
 Officer T  
 Pat Wesson  
 Patricia Suggs  
 Paul Musco  
 Paula Gillikin  
 Penny Hooper  
 Phillip Henry  
 Powell Osteen  
 Rachel, Beth & Inez (Grow Fitness)  
 Rachel Cooper  
 Randy Ramsey  
 Ray Tillery  
 Ray Whitley  
 Richard McIntyre, Jr.  
 Rick and Janeen Cardona  
 Roxie Gardner  
 Rylan Jones  
 Samer Hamad  
 Sammie Turner  
 Sandy Howard  
 Scot Camden  
 Shana Olmstead  
 Shannon & Dexter Williams  
 Sharii Phelps  
 Shelly Odum  
 Sonny Davis  
 Stephanie McIntyre  
 Stephanie Miller  
 Stephanie Perez  
 Tabbie Nance  
 Tami Thomas  
 Tammy Blizzard  
 Tanya Watson  
 Tom Hussmann  
 Tom Kelly  
 Tony King  
 Troy Edwards  
 Virginia Cuthrell  
 Waylon Bell  
 Wendy and Benji Park  
 Whitney Chigas

"DEXTER & SHANNON  
 WILLIAMS ARE JUST  
 GOOD PEOPLE AND  
 STELLAR EXAMPLES  
 OF THE BEST OUR  
 COMMUNITY HAS TO  
 OFFER. THEY GIVE  
 SO MUCH OF THEIR  
 TIME AND ENERGY  
 TO ENCOURAGE &  
 PROMOTE YOUNG  
 PEOPLE!"



"NICK BRAZELTON IS A  
 TEACHER AT DOWN EAST  
 MIDDLE AND GOES OUT  
 OF HIS WAY TO HELP THE  
 KIDS OF THE TOWN! HE IS  
 ALWAYS VOLUNTEERING  
 HIS TIME TO ENRICH  
 CHILDREN WITH SPORTS,  
 ACTIVITIES, ETC."



"KENDALL  
 LAWRENCE IS SUCH  
 A KIND SOUL. SHE  
 IS A LIGHT IN OUR  
 COMMUNITY!"





*We know that, just like us, you love our local small businesses. Here are ways that you can support them all year long:*

**Write a review.**

Writing reviews helps increase online presence, drive traffic to the businesses' website and provides prospective customers a better idea of what the small business is all about.

**Utilize social media.**

Snap a photo and show a small business some love on platforms like Instagram or Facebook. Be sure to tag them, and tag us (@carteret.curated)! We'd love to help spread the love, too.

**Text or email your group threads.**

Did you recently have a great experience or find an awesome product at a local business? Shout it from the rooftops! Send your friends, family or coworkers to your favorite spots.

**Shop with them.**

Purchasing an item, service or gift card is a fantastic way to support your favorite local business, making sure that they are able to serve the community for years to come!

**Send a note to the owner.**

Personally reaching out to a business owner with an email, direct message or handwritten note and letting them know why you appreciate them and their contributions to our community means the world to them.



## TO THE SMALL BUSINESSES OF CARTERET COUNTY:

*We hope you feel the love of the thousands of folks who came out in droves to support YOU in the 2025 People's Choice Awards. Thank you for being pillars of our community and for making Carteret County both a home and a haven for so many people.*

## TO THE VOTERS:

*Thank you for loving and supporting the small business owners and employees of Carteret County. The time you took to vote and share your love for our local businesses means more than you know.*



## *on the horizon:*

*We can't wait to continue highlighting the incredible small businesses within our community through the Carteret Curated People's Choice Awards every year.*

## A FEW NOTES

Be on the look out for fresh, new categories. If you have category suggestions or feedback, please send them to [carteretcurated@marycheathamking.com](mailto:carteretcurated@marycheathamking.com).

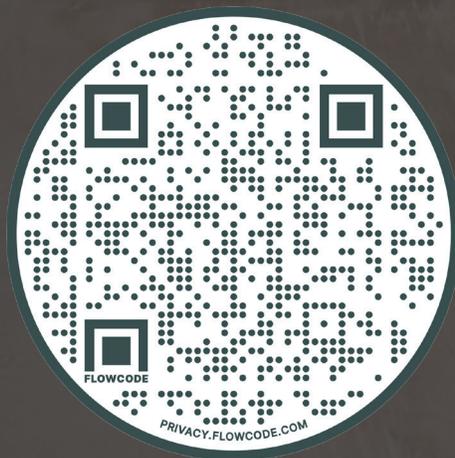
We will be posting reminders and tips throughout the year about how to best prepare for the 2026 Carteret Curated People's Choice Awards, whether you're a voter or a local business owner.

**Be sure to follow @carteret.curated on Instagram to stay apprised of local happenings and updates!**

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**PEOPLE'S CHOICE**  
*Awards*

We hope the 2025 Carteret Curated People's Choice Guide serves as a resource to help you Taste, Experience, Shop and Give back on the Crystal Coast. Do you also want favorite resources for local doctors, dentists, landscapers, and more? Mary Cheatham King Real Estate created the **Five-Star Vendor Guide** for just that! Visit [MCKREVendorGuide.com](http://MCKREVendorGuide.com) for a list of all of our clients' favorite vendors that we've collected over the past 10 years of serving in real estate.

*SCAN THE QR CODE FOR ACCESS TO  
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