

LOCAL GUIDE TAKE A TOUR of the Sarasota and Bradenton Areas!

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From commercial fishing festivals to chili cook-offs, our area is abundant with open-air gatherings and food-loving soirees. Especially from October to April, locals will find any excuse to revel, whether it is to usher in the pumpkin harvest or to toast the stone crab season. A myriad of fairs and cultural events provide plenty of calendar-packing material for fun lovers.

ArtSlam

realizebradenton.com Winter Fest

**DeSoto Grand Parade** 

wrwinterfest com

desotoha.com

ilsarasota.org

sarasotafair.org

ucpsarasota.org

desotoha.com

April

Festival

sharkstoothfest.com

Siesta Fiesta

artfestival.com

& Auction

May

**Simply Sarasota** 

**Entertainment Tour** 

Sarasota County Fair

Venice Shark's Tooth

Sarasota Film Festival

sarasotafilmfestival com

**Florida Winefest** 

floridawinefest.com

Venice Beer Bash

Food and Wine on Pine

**Bradenton Area Harvest** 

adentonareagulfIslands.com/

foodandwineonpine.com

beeradvocate.com

and Harmony

harvestandharmony

**Chocolate Sundae** 

**Seafood Festival** 

### January

### **Forks & Corks**

eshoriginals.com/forksandcork **Manatee County Fair** manateecountyfair.com

**Chalk Fest** bradentonareagulfIslands.com events

**Thunder By the Bay** thunderbythebay.org

### February

**Spring Training** pittsburgh.pirates.mlb.com/ spring training

Circus Sarasota circussarasota.org

Italian Feast & Carnival italianamericanclubofvenice.com **Greek Glendi Festival** stbarbarafestival.org **Cortez Fishing Festival** 

cortez-fish.org Honda Grand Prix -**Bradenton Day** bradentongulfIslands.com/ events

### March

### **Spring Training**

orioles.com pittsburgh.pirates.mlb.com/ spring training

VISIT

SARASOTA

COUNTY FLORIDA'S GULF COAST

Official Visitor Information Center

701 North Tamiami Trail (US 41) | Sarasota, FL 34236

941-706-1253 or 800-522-9799

nting paid for by Sarasota County Tourist Development Tax Revenue

visitsarasota.org

**Giving Hunger The Blues** givinghungertheblues.org



### Savor Sarasota savorsarasota.com

Mote's Ocean Day mote.org/worldoceanday **Palmetto Independence** Day Fest palmettofl.org

### July

Suncoast Super Boat **Grand Prix Festival** suncoastoffshore.org

### September

**Englewood Pioneer Days** englewoodpioneerdays.com

Sarasota Blues & **Music Festival** sarasotabluesfest.com **Bradenton Area Culinaria** bradentonareaculinaria.com

### October

**Ringling International Arts Festival** ringlingartsfestival.org **Morton's Firehouse Chili** Cook Off mortonschili com

**Chow Down for Charity** frla.ora/calendar

**Pumpkin Festival** nunsaderfarms.com

Sarasota Pumpkin Festival sarasotapumpkinfestival.com



diblesarasota.com



### November

Siesta Key Crystal Classic **Master Sand Sculpting** Competition crystalsand.org

Sarasota Chalk Festival chalkfestival.com

Sarasota Bay Water Festival

sarasotabaywaterfestival.com **SandBlast** 

annamariaislandchamber.org **AMI** ArtsHop

islandartshop.com Symphony on the Sand

symphonyonthesand.com DaVinci Exhibit (Nov - Apr)

bradentonaulfIslands.com/ DaVinci

**Mixon's Harvest Festiva** mixon.com/harvestfestiva

### December

**Bradenton Blues Festival** bradentonbluesfestival.org **A Night Before Christmas** mymanatee.org **Holiday Boat Parade** bradentonvachtclub.com

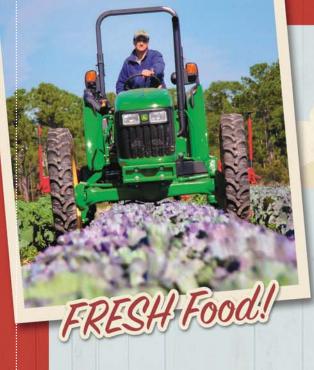
Winter Wonderland

cityofbradenton.com **The North Pole Express** frrm.org

Bradenton Anna Maria Islan Longboat Key

www.BradentonGulfIslands.com

One Haben Blvd. Palmetto, FL 34221 941-722-3244



Visit a Southwest Florida farm – where melons, tomatoes, cucumbers, cabbage and peppers abound - and meet the hardworking hands that cultivate our local crops. While much of the public may never glimpse the behind-the-curtain aspects of this booming industry, there are upwards of 74,000 agriculturerelated jobs in the Sarasota, Manatee and Charlotte counties combined. In Sarasota County alone, there are 61,033 acres of farmland. More than 20 types of fruits and vegetables are grown commercially on the 313,485 farming acres in Manatee County, including 575,820,000 pounds of citrus every year. In other words, farming is big business in our tri-county region, and our growers have lovingly provided us with fresh produce for generations.

1 4 Bees Herb Farm 6371 lomar Rd

Sarasota 941-322-2446 4beesherbfarm.com Herbs, Honey A

2 AP Bell Fish Co. 4539 124th Ct W Cortez 941-794-1249

### A **3** Bob's Veggie Patch

24401 SR 64 E Myakka City 941-705-0909 bobsveggiepatch.com Berries, Fruits, Herbs, Honey, Veggies

### **4** Browns Grove and **Green Pastures** Meat

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16015 Winburn Dr Sarasota 941-322-2835 brownsgrove.com Fruits, Veggies, Meats A

### 5 Bunker Hill Vineyard and Winery 8905 Bunker Hill Rd Duette

941-776-0418 bunkerhillvinevard.com Berries, Fruits, Veggies, Wine

**A** 

### 6 C&D Fruit

6505 F State Rd 64 Bradenton 941-744-0.50.5 cdveg.com Berries, Fruits, Veggies

7 Campbell's Farm 7851 Campbell Rd Sarasota 941-378-1748 Fruits, Veggies 

8 Dakin Dairy Farms 30771 Betts Rd Myakka City 941-322-2802 dakindairvfarms.com

Dairy A **9** The Dam Ranch 356 Dam Rd Bradenton 941-685-2516 thedamranch net

Dairy, Meats A 10 The Earthbox

> **Research Center** Whisenant Farms 1023 Ellenton Gillette Rd Ellenton 941-722-5041

earthbox.com Fruits, Veggies

Crowley Museum

941-322-1000

2 Manatee County

1015 6th St W

941-721-2034

Agricultural Museum

manateeclerk.com/historical/

crowleyfl.org

Sarasota

Palmetto

AgMuseum

& Nature Center

16405 Myakka Rd

### 1 Eden Farm 1608 Upper Manatee River Rd

941-405-5207

Berries, Veggies

Bradenton

Sarasota

Parrish

**6** 

14 Geraldson

Bradenton

Sarasota

FARM RESOURCES

**15** Global Organics

**Research Farm** 

globalorganics.ws

**3** Manatee County

941-722-4524

**4** Sarasota County

6700 Clark Rd

941-861-5000

Sarasota

Palmetto

**Extension Office** 

1303 17th St W

manatee.ifas.ufl.edu

**Extension Office** 

sarasota.ifas.ufl.edu

Fruits, Veggies

Fruits, Veggies

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941-981-0111

13 Gamble Creek Farm

14950 Golf Course Rd

aamblecreekfarm.org

**Community Farm** 

geraldsoncommunityfarm.

Herbs, Honey, Veggies

1401 99th St NW

941-981-0111

Berries, Honey, Veggies

Gro Farm 2309 36th Ave F Palmetto 941-729-5181 Veggies

**16** Greens on the

17 Hi Hat Ranch 11708 Fruitville Rd 12 Fruitville Grove Sarasota 7410 Fruitville Rd Fruits, Honey, Meats, Veggies 941-377-0896 fruitvillegrove.com

**18 Honeyside Farms** 8276 Ibis St Sarasota 941-405-0015 honevsidefarms com Berries, Herbs, Veggies 

19 **Hunsader Farms** 5500 CR 675 Bradenton 941-331-1212 hunsaderfarms.com Berries, Veggies 

**20 Hydro-Taste** Hydroponic Growers 7308 Verna Bethany Rd Bradenton 941-322-0429

hydrotaste.com Berries, Fruits, Herbs Veggies Ŷ**A**∕e

2) Hydroponic Vegetables & Herbs

LOCAL FARMS

North Port 941-629-5659 kevinbnewell@gmail.com Herbs, Veggies

22 Jersey Aces Farm 13339 MJ Road Myakka City floridarawmilk.com Dairy

**23 Jessica's Organic** Farm

4180 47th St Sarasota 941-993-2064 iessicasoraanicfarm com Fruits Herbs, Veggies

**29 Mote Aquaculture 24** Jones Potato Farm 13400 Dickey Rd Sarasota

Parrish 941-776-8215 jonespotatofarm.com Veggies

A A **25 King Family Farm** Mr. Citrus Organic

& Market 4630 60th St E Bradenton 941-773-1624 kinafarmfreshproduce.com Berries, Fruits, Herbs Honey, Veggies A

1548 SW Addison Ave Arcadia 863-494-1095 floridaorganicproducts. com Fruits, Herbs, Honey, Veggies

**26** Lady Moon Farms

Punta Gorda

Veggies

Produce

Ellenton

Veggies

3312 Elm St

2525 27th E

941-748-5829

Bradenton

mixon com

A

Fruitville Rd

mote.org

Fish

Scheduled tours only

and Vegetables

Farm

717-369-2113

47279 Bermont Rd

ladymoonfarms.com

**27** Mitchell's Natural

**28 Mixon Fruit Farms** 



4430 S Lockwood Ridge Rd

7301 McIntosh Rd

# Nokomis

### **31 My Sweetest** Honey

arasota 941-809-2322 mysweetesthoney.com Honey

### **32** Nature's Partner Sarasota Fruits, Herbs, Honey, Veggies

33 Nokomis Groves 111 S. Albee Farm Rd Nokomis 941-488-5274 nokomisgroves.com Fruits

### **34** O'Brien Family

Farms 16505 SR 64 Bradenton 941-896-4811 obrienfamilyfarms.com Berries, Fruits, Herbs, Honey, Veggies A

### **35 Rosa Fiorelli Winerv** and Vinevard 4250 CR 675 Bradenton

941-322-0976 fiorelliwinery.com Berries, Wine

### **36 Sarasota Organic Tilapia Farms**

941-536-5958 sarasotaorganictilapi afarms.com

### **37** Sheppard's Farm Terra Ceia 941-730-3279

### **38 Seneca Farms** 0507 Eruitville Rd

Berries, Fruits, Herbs,

13060 Sugarbowl Rd Myakka City 941 322-0600 watercressfarmsinc.com Veggies

### 40 West Coast Aqua

6442 Malton St North Port 941-426-7921 westcoastaguafarms.com Fruits, Herbs, Veggies,

### **41** Worden Farm

Punta Gorda 941-637-4874 wordenfarm.com Herbs, Veggies,

Orchard

Blvd, Sarasota

Colonial Oaks Park,

5300 Colonial Oaks

7 North Port D The Community **Community Garden** 12200 San Servando Ave North Port

8 Orange Blossom **Community Garden** 1822 N Orange Ave Sarasota

9 Pine Avenue **Edible Gardens** And Honey Pine Avenue Anna Maria Island

### Sarasota 941-993-7401 Veggies **A**

**39 Watercress Farms** 

# Farms

134900 Bermont Rd

### Sun10am-3pm bridgestreetmerchants.com

2 Bridge Street Market

Historic Bridge S

**Bradenton Beach** 

November-May

### **3** Red Barn Flea Market

1707 1 st St Bradenton Year Round Fri-Sun 8am-4pm November-May Wed, Fri-Sat 8am-4pm redbarnfleamarket.com

### 4 San Marco Plaza

**Farmers' Market** 8215 Natures Way Lakewood Ranch Year Round Fri 9am-2pm sanmarcoplaza.com

visitsarasota.org bradentongulfislands.com

# FARMERS MARKETS

## North Port

9 North Port Farmers **Craft Market** 14942 Tamiami Tr Year Round Sat 8am-2pm northportfarmerscraftmarke

### Parrish

10 Brown's Grove Farm Market 12255 US Hwy 301 N Year Round Tues-Sat 10am-5:30pm brownsgrove.com

## Punta Gorda

11 Punta Gorda **Farmers' Market** Taylor St Year Round Sat 8am-1pm

### Sarasota

12 Detwiler's Farm Market 6000 Palmer Blvd Year Round Mon-Sat 8am-7pm detwilermarket.com

13 Old Miakka **Farmers' Market** 1620 Myakka Rd Year Round Saturday 10am-3pm

### 14 Phillippi Farmhouse Market

5500 S. Tamiami Tr October-May Wed 9am-2pm farmhousemarket.org

### **15** Sarasota Farmers' Market

Main St & Lemon Ave October-May Sat 7am-1pm June-September Sat 7am-12pm sarasotafarmersmarket.org

16 Siesta Key Farmers' Market 5124 Ocean Blvd Year Round Sun 8am-2pm siestafarmersmarket.com

**D** Yoder's Produce Market 3434 Bahia Vista St Year Round Mon-Sat 8am-8pm vodersrestaurant.com

## Venice

Market Nokomis & Tampa Ave Year Round Sat 8am-12pm

18 Venice Farmers' thevenicefarmersmarket.com

Englewood

Thurs 9am-2pm englewoodfarmersmarket.org

Mon-Sat 9am-4pm sunfreshfl.com

### Nokomis

November-May Mon-Sat 8am-5pm nokomisgroves.com

See You at

### Ellenton

A Saturday morning stroll through one of the

many area farmers' markets, for some locals,

is a ritualistic start to every weekend. Arrive

at the downtown Sarasota Farmers' Market

empty-handed at 7 a.m. and leave with armfuls

of herbs, popsicles, pastas and plants from 85

vendors. Head to the Downtown Bradenton

Farmers' Market, which tempts patrons with

produce, pastries and jewelry every Saturday

from October to May. Make a day of it and

meander down the street to the Riverwalk,

where there is a skateboard park, pavilion

and interactive splash pool.

Bradenton

Bradenton Farmers'

Old Main St (12th St W)

bradentonfarmersmarket.com

Market

October-May

Sat 9am-2pm

more then 40 vendors selling homegrown

### **5** Ellenton Farmers'

Market 6750 US 301 (Rocky Bluff Library) Year Round

6 Englewood Historic Dearborn S

Market 3037 S McCall Rd Year Round

# 8 Nokomis Groves 111 Albee Farm Rd S

Sat 9am-2pm

# **Farmers' Market** October-May

7 Sunfresh Retail