In the heart of Florida, you’ll find Sebring, known internationally for its Twelve Hours of Sebring car race. Here in the center of the Sunshine State, you’ll find nearly 100 crystal clear lakes for fishing, boating, skiing and sailing; thousands of acres of citrus groves; and more than a dozen golf courses. The Citrus Golf Trail, located just 60 miles south of Disney World, is a collection of great golf courses that offer history, value, fantastic golf and the friendliest service anywhere. Sebring is home to the PGA Latinoamerica Tour’s USA Qualifying Tournament and the Harder Hall Women’s Invitational. Our gently rolling hills, green landscapes and charming small towns make this a relaxing country getaway – and our central location provides easy access to Florida’s best attractions without the hustle and high prices of the major tourist areas. It’s the best of both worlds – within two hours of most major attractions, yet removed enough for that get-away-from-it-all feeling. Come discover Sebring, and the nearby Avon Park and Lake Placid, for yourself!
Play Golf in Sebring, Avon Park & Lake Placid

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With courses that build on the natural beauty of South Central Florida, you could find it difficult to keep your eye on the ball. But wet and dry, sandy and woody conditions combine to create challenging courses for any skill level on Sebring’s fairways. And, we’re home to one of the world’s largest greens and have several courses designed by international names in course architecture – guaranteeing a good game for the most practiced golf enthusiasts.
Sebring and the surrounding area is a 1,028-square mile natural jewel that rests in the southern center of the Sunshine State. Talk about the best of both worlds… its central location means it is close enough to reach most major areas of Florida, yet removed enough for that get-away-from-it-all feeling. With several airports nearby in Tampa, St. Petersburg/Clearwater, Fort Myers, Orlando, Sarasota and Palm Beach County, it’s easy to get here too.

**DRIVING DISTANCES TO SEBRING:**

- Orlando International Airport: 86 miles
- Sarasota/Bradenton International Airport: 85 miles
- Fort Myers SW Florida International Airport: 95 miles
- Tampa International Airport: 96 miles
- St. Petersburg/Clearwater International Airport: 106 miles
- Palm Beach International Airport: 112 miles

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Citrus
Golf Trail Stay & Play Packages

Sebring and surrounding Highlands County, is one of the most affordable golf destinations anywhere in the country, even in peak season, where golfers can stay and play for as little as $89 per person per night including room, golf, and complimentary breakfast. The Citrus Golf Trail offers special Stay & Play golf packages that start at just $89 per person per night with overnight stays at Inn on the Lakes Hotel. Group organizers, call today to find out how to qualify for a free room. (based on availability)

At Inn On The Lakes, you will enjoy the luxury of casual yet elegant surroundings that are as pleasing to the eye as they are comfortable and relaxing. With more than 155 spacious, beautifully decorated guest rooms and suites, you can experience the best that Sebring has to offer. You will be afforded all of the comforts of home, in addition to stunning views that overlook the lakes and the finest hospitality around.

If spending your free time on the green is more your idea of relaxation, guests can take advantage of our custom golf packages that feature 11 of the finest golf courses in the area. After a day of golfing, you’ll likely want to unwind with an excellent meal. In that case, join us for a wonderful gourmet experience at Chicanes, a standout Sebring dining experience with one of the best bars in town.

“This area has been an undiscovered gem for many years,” explains renowned golf course architect Ron Garl, who has done work on a number of courses along the Citrus Golf Trail. “People who know this area are well aware of the quality of golf that exists. Those who don’t know the area, don’t know what they’re missing.”

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Home to two of the most exceptionally maintained local golf courses with manicured fairways, tift-eagle and champions greens and five sets of tees. It is no surprise that they were voted the area’s best golf course community. These courses have captured the hearts of golfers throughout central Florida and the Tift Eagle greens are the finest in the area!

The North Course was designed by world-renowned architect Dave Harman who patterned it after Kauri Cliffs in New Zealand, which was recognized as Golf Digest’s Best New International Course of 2001. With five tee locations, the Course provides a challenging variety of shot making opportunities for all caliber of players.

The South Course was designed by Steve Smyers and is a classic blend of a shotmaker’s delight with lush tropical surroundings. With multiple sets of tees, the Course is a favorite among the members and provides many wonderful experiences for tournaments and other players throughout the year.

North Course
18 Holes  Par 72  Yards 7,141  Rating 74.7  Slope 138

South Course
18 Holes  Par 72  Yards 6,192  Rating 69.7  Slope 131

Pinecrest Golf Club
863-453-7555
GolfPinecrest.com

Whether you’re a scratch golfer or a 36-handicapper, you’ll enjoy this historic course, which was the location of the very first televised PGA golf tournament. The five sets of tees allow you to select a course length that can either challenge you or just be friendly and fun. Unlike many Florida courses, Pinecrest doesn’t wind through condominiums, winter homes and hotels. This traditional Donald Ross layout borders beautiful orange groves and natural wooded areas. Pinecrest is not a “cookie cutter” Florida resort, and one that lets you walk in the footsteps of many of the game’s greatest players.

18 Holes  Par 72  Yards 6,719  Rating 71.4  Slope 120

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Placid Lakes Country Club golf course completed a major renovation of fairways, greens, bunkers, and sand traps in October 2005. New features include TifEagle greens, a full practice facility, and extensive remodeling of the dining facility.

18 Holes  Par 72  Yards 6,911  Rating 73.7  Slope 128

River Greens Golf Course can measure 6,400 yards from the back tees. It was designed by Jack Kidwell and opened for play in 1969. River Greens works year-round for quality conditions. The course is great for all abilities with target golf and strategy coming in to play. They even have a drivable par 4 on the front.

The finish is outstanding with 3 par 5’s out of the last 4 holes, a long hitters dream finish.

18 Holes  Par 72  Yards 6,400  Rating 69.1  Slope 124
Sun ‘N Lakes Golf Club was opened in 1976 with Deer Run. In 1999, Turtle Run was added, both courses with distinct design and worthy of a round. Sun ‘N Lakes is regularly home to the PGA Latinoamérica Tour’s USA Qualifying Tournament and recently hosted the PGA Canadian Tour’s USA Qualifying Tournament.

**Turtle Run Golf Course**, a Charles Ankrom’s design, tests a golfer’s accuracy and ability. Turtle Run features narrow landing zones, many moguls and deep sand traps - and that is all set up for the challenging greens. The greens are made of Tiftdwarf Bermuda grass, and the fairways and roughs feature 419 Bermuda grass.

**Deer Run Golf Course** is a classic Don Dyer designed golf course, featuring long holes and obstacles to challenge even expert golfers. The greens are made of Champion grass, and the fairways and roughs feature 419 Bermuda grass.

**Other Golf Courses**

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**Sebring** *The City on the Circle*

Known as “The City on the Circle,” Sebring extends the same warm welcome it has since it was founded in 1912 by George Sebring. This pioneer conceived a unique circular plan as a focal point for this entire lakeside community that serves as the county seat of Highlands County. Sebring is home to the Sebring International Raceway and Highlands Hammock State Park, one of the state’s largest and oldest parks.

**Avon Park** *City of Charm*

Whether you enjoy fishing, boating or other water sports; golfing at one of the area courses; hiking, biking, or just relaxing; you are sure to find just what you’re looking for in Avon Park our “City of Charm.” From its mile long mall highlighting the downtown, to the business and activity along US 27, Avon Park people always take the time to welcome visitors and to lend a helping hand.

**Lake Placid** *The Town of Murals & Voted America’s Most Interesting Town!*

Lake Placid is “Florida’s Lake Country” offering 27 clear, freshwater lakes with some of the best fishing anywhere. This southern portion of Central Florida, also known as “The Ridge,” is one of the most scenic areas of the Sunshine State. Its hospitality and the beauty of our lakes and rolling hills make Lake Placid a perfect vacation destination.

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Time to Eat!

A good, or maybe not so good, round of golf encourages an appetite, and Sebring area cuisine indulges every taste. Treat your group to a casual meal or lounge lakeside for the flavor of a fresh catch. Allow time to be tempted by a wide variety of local flavor or any number of familiar national chains. Southern, seafood or savory – sample the specialties of Sebring.

Here’s a sample of local tastes–

**Sebring** – Chicanes, Don Jose Mexican Restaurant, Caddyshack, Cowpoke’s Watering Hole, Cang Tong, McLane’s Garden Café, Island View Restaurant

**Avon Park** – Olympic Restaurant, Wild Turkey Tavern, 18 East Main, Jacaranda Hotel

**Lake Placid** – Jackson’s, Cang’s, Good News Café,

**National Chains** – Sonny’s BBQ, Ruby Tuesday, Outback Steakhouse, Cody’s Original Roadhouse, Olive Garden, Panera Bread, Chili’s, Red Lobster

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Fishing

Next to golfing, there is nothing as enjoyable as fishing on one of Sebring’s magnificent 100 freshwater lakes. Sebring’s Lake Istokpoga is known for trophy bass and other fish species found in both recreational and tournament fishing. To make your fishing experience memorable, contact one of our professional fishing guides that have fished these waters for most of their adult life.

Local Fishing Guides
Don Hatcher – (863) 214-1740; DonHatcherFishing.com
Remo Beaver – (863) 202-6957
Ken Karoll – (863) 447-1973

Racing

Sebring International Raceway is America’s premier sports car racing facility. Nestled among the orange groves and cattle ranches of Central Florida, it is the oldest permanent road racing track in North America evolving from a World War II airbase. Sebring is world famous for the annual Twelve Hours of Sebring endurance race, part of the prestigious American Le Mans Series. Every year on the third Saturday of March, the raceway hosts thousands of race fans from around the world to witness the historic 12-hour classic.

For tickets, information and more, visit SebringRaceway.com.
## Accommodations

### Sebring

- **Budget Inn**  
  863-385-8901  
  BudgetInnSebring.com
- **Chateau Elan Hotel & Conference Center***  
  888-844-6835  
  CESebing.com
- **Highlander Motel**  
  863-655-1735  
  HiExpress.com/Sebringfl
- **Holiday Inn Express**  
  863-386-1115  
  InnOnTheLakes.com
- **Inn on the Lakes***  
  800-531-5253  
  LaQuintaSebring.com
- **LaQuinta Inn & Suites**  
  863-386-1000  
  ChoiceHotels.com/QualityInn/Sebring
- **Quality Inn & Suites**  
  863-385-4500  
  Marriott.com/Sefri
- **Residence Inn by Marriott***  
  863-314-9100  
  SpringLakeGolf.com
- **Sebring Inn**  
  863-385-7049  
  SpringLakeGolf.com
- **Spring Lake Golf Villas***  
  863-655-5555  
  *Golf packages available

### Avon Park

- **Econo Lodge**  
  800-4choice  
  ChoiceHotels.com
- **Hotel Jacaranda**  
  863-453-2211  
  HotelJac.com
- **Oak Tree Inn**  
  863-453-3133
- **Reed’s Motel**  
  863-657-2749

### Lake Placid

- **Holiday Inn Express**  
  863-465-9916  
  HIExpress.com/LakePlacidFl
- **Lake Blue Resort**  
  863-465-3371  
  LakeBlueResort.com
- **Lake Grassy Inn**  
  863-465-9200  
  LakeGrassyInn.com
- **Lake Shore Resort**  
  863-465-2135  
  LakeShoreResortRentals.com
- **Placid Escape**  
  863-472-3354  
  LakePlacidFloridaVacationRentals.com
- **Placid Memories**  
  256-574-2808  
  LakePlacidFloridaVacationRentals.com
- **Pratt’s Resort**  
  863-699-1223  
  OnLakeJune.com
- **Ramada Inn**  
  863-465-3133  
  Ramada.com

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Frequently Asked Questions

When is the best time to visit Sebring?
Sebring is beautiful year-round, and a popular destination for visitors escaping the cold winters up North. To avoid the crowds, we certainly encourage visitors to consider a trip in the summer, spring, or fall months (April – October). Many popular attractions and accommodations offer lower rates during these times.

Is Sebring a good golf destination?
Yes, Sebring is a fantastic golf destination! The Citrus Golf Trail, located just 60 miles south of Disney World, is a collection of great golf courses that offer history, value, fantastic golf and the friendliest service anywhere. During peak golf-travel season, we are the best value in the state. For example, you can play 18 holes of golf (including cart fee) at the peak of our winter “season” for less than $50! In the summer, rates drop even further, usually by as much as 50%! And, we’re home to several courses designed by international names in course architecture – guaranteeing a good game for the most practiced golf enthusiast.

How far in advance do I need to book a trip to Sebring?
Fifty-one weeks out of the year, you can book a trip with little or no advance notice, as many of our county’s accommodations are available year-round. The only exception to that rule is Race Week – the third week and weekend of March, where 50,000+ visitors arrive for the annual Twelve Hours of Sebring car race. It’s strongly recommended that you book early for that week, as most accommodations usually fill up months in advance!

What time of year is the fishing best?
Visitors and residents all agree – fishing in Sebring is outstanding all year long!

How far of a drive is it to the ocean?
Located in the middle of Florida’s narrow peninsula, you can travel to either the Gulf of Mexico or the ocean in nearly the exact same amount of time…approximately 65 miles.

Sebring is perfectly located. Where else in Florida could we visit for a quick day trip?
Within a 50 to 150-mile radius, one could visit any of the following popular Florida cities or attractions: Orlando/Walt Disney World, Tampa/Busch Gardens, Kennedy Space Center, Daytona Beach, Sarasota, Ft. Myers/Naples, West Palm Beach, Ft. Lauderdale, the Florida Everglades, Bok Sanctuary, Legoland Florida, and much, much more!
Sebring: More Than Great Golf

While vacationing to Sebring for golf, you will also be reminded why everyone loves authentic Florida. With nearly 100 crystal clear lakes, take a fishing or boating break between rounds or visit one of Florida’s oldest state parks, Highlands Hammock. Our gently rolling hills, orange groves and charming small towns make this a relaxing country getaway with a central location. Located just 60 miles south of Disney, Sebring offers a myriad of unique offerings in its three main cities of Sebring, Lake Placid and Avon Park.

Airboating Adventures
Enjoy 90-minute scenic airboat tours and see a diverse range of scenery and Florida wildlife, as well as 28,000-acre Lake Istokpoga and beautiful Arbuckle Creek. Enjoy the beauty of gliding through pristine waters while experiencing the excitement of traveling over hydrilla and tall grass that only an airboat ride can offer. Frog gigging trips, as well as gator and duck hunting trips also available.

Freshwater Fishing
An angler, boater and water-lovers paradise awaits you in Sebring and the surrounding area located in South Central Florida. With more than 100 freshwater lakes, Sebring offers some of the best lakes and creeks for fishing, water skiing, kayaking, canoeing, swimming, scuba diving and recreation that allow you to enjoy the beauty and serenity many people have come to enjoy in this area. At nearly 28,000 acres, Lake Istokpoga is the fifth largest lake in Florida and hosts 60% of the public lake access in Highlands County in both Sebring and Lake Placid. Anglers from all over the state and nation come to Highlands County to fish this lake, which features four public and several private launch ramps. Lake Istokpoga leads the state in the most 10+ pound bass caught, and the lake is ranked #6 in the South-east by BassMaster.

Heartland Entertainment Complex
HeartlandBowl.com
Bowling and more! Don’t miss this family entertainment complex with bowling for all ages, arcade game room, food, bar and go kart track all on the premises.

Henscratch Farms Vineyard & Winery
HenscratchFarms.com
Henscratch Farms is home to award-winning wines, U-Pick muscadine and scuppernong grapes, strawberries, & blueberries (seasonal), 200 free-range chickens and a country store. Every August, Henscratch celebrates with a Grape Stomp and in October, they hold their annual Fall Festival.

Highlands Hammock State Park
One of Florida’s oldest parks, Highlands Hammock has 15 distinct natural communities, such as Florida scrub, scrubby flatwoods and cutthroat seep, on 9,000+ acres. An elevated boardwalk with an historic catwalk traverses cypress swamp where visitors may observe alligators, birds and other wildlife. Enjoy bicycling the scenic three-mile loop drive, hiking the park’s nine nature trails, picnicking, camping, bird watching, ranger-guided tours, and tram tours allow visitors the unique opportunity to view birds, alligators, turtles, deer and other wildlife relatively close-up. Catch-and-release fishing nearby; full-facility campground is on-site.

Lake Placid Outdoor Murals  MuralsofLakePlacid.com
Beginning in 1992, the Lake Placid Mural Society has placed 142 pieces of art in the town, which includes 33,000+ square feet of murals. Lake Placid became known as the Town of Murals, Florida’s Outstanding Rural Community and was named “America’s Most Interesting Town” in 2013 by Reader’s Digest.

Maxwell Grove House    ShopMaxwellGroves.com
Over the past 80 years Maxwell Groves has evolved from a small open-air fruit stand into a packinghouse with a country store that offers a sprawling front porch with orange rockers where customers relax, enjoy homemade orange
Drag Racing – Weekly May - December
From May – December, Sebring International Raceway features the Air & Electrical Services Drag Racing Series Presented by Comfortmaker. The FaceOff2 in October includes Drag Racing, Drifting, Car Show, 2 Step Battle, Burnout Contest, Sound Competition and much more!

Sebring International Raceway (SIR) is America’s oldest road racing track with more than six decades of storied history. The legendary circuit evolved from Hendricks Field, a World War II airbase used to train B-17 combat crews. Sebring burst onto the sports car racing scene and into history books in March 1952 with a 12-hour endurance race that is now second only to Le Mans in international prestige. Each year, on the third Saturday of March, 3.74 miles of concrete and asphalt challenge the giants of sports car racing to one of the world’s most grueling endurance tests. The track stays busy year round with testing, car clubs, drag racing and special events.

Sebring Kart Racing (Open Year Round) For kids and most adults, the odds of driving Audi, Ferrari or Porsche sports cars at an average speed of 120 mph around the curves and straightaways of the Sebring International Raceway are practically non-existent. Sebring Kart Racing allows everyone the chance to at least get close to the experience of driving in the big leagues with karts that run up to 40 mph on a track that mimics the famous Sebring raceway.

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Special Events

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Sebring 500 – July
The next Formula & Automotive Racing Association (FARA) event is the Sebring 500 on Saturday & Sunday in July. This event will be featuring The Sebring 500 4-Hour endurance race, Sprint Races and The Southern Pro Am Truck series Road Race. Saturday & Sunday the event will host the HPDE Driven to Perform Driving Academy for all street cars.

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Annual Caladium Festival - July
Caladiums are grown in large fields in Lake Placid, the nation’s caladium capital, and have been compared to the tulip fields in Holland for their beauty. The 40+ varieties of red, white, and pink, and all combinations of the colors is truly a work of art. The annual caladium festival celebrates this beautiful plant with caladium field tours, art competitions and vendors, bulb and plant sale, antique cars, and live entertainment.

Annual Grape Stomp Festival – August
Festival attendees will join together at the grape stomp tent to do the Lucy (stomp grapes) in an attempt to crush two tons of grapes for this year’s ‘Foot Stomped Vintage.” Purchase the finished wine complete with Custom wine label with your stomp photo. The Stomped Wine is ready in November just in time for the holidays, pre-ordering at the festival will guarantee you get as many bottles as you would like at the festival price.

Sebring Thunder - Premier Car Event – September
Cars enthusiasts can enjoy up to three days in Sebring at the Sebring Thunder event. There's something for every car enthusiast here, including a burnout, Saturday car show with trophies, vendors, music, beer, food and the finale event – Sunday laps around Sebring International Raceway for show entrants.

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Travel at your pace in Sebring, the off-the-beaten path, affordable Florida destination you won’t want to miss! Located just 60 miles south of Disney World, Sebring offers fantastic golf, unique attractions and activities that let you choose your own speed during your vacation.

For tourism information, contact:
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