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“Safe Haven” Romance Sweepstakes Live on Facebook
N.C. Brunswick Island’s town is perfect film, vacation location

BOLIVIA, N.C. (Feb. 14, 2013) – Calling all romantics and cinema fans. The Valentine’s Day release of the movie “Safe Haven” with Josh Duhamel and Julianne Hough is finally here. If the drama, suspense and romance on the screen aren’t enough, enter the “Safe Haven” Romance Sweepstakes for a chance to win a romantic trip to [Southport](#), N.C., where the movie was filmed.

Many local eateries, shops and neighborhoods in this quaint Southern seaport were used in movie scenes and are open to visitors. In addition to the in-town shots, nearby [Oak Island](#) was one of the primary locations for the beach scenes. Images from filming can be seen on North Carolina’s Brunswick Islands’ [Pinterest](#) page.

Southport is not only the filming location, but also the story setting for “Safe Haven.” Based on the Nicholas Sparks novel of the same name, it chronicles the life of newcomer Katie Feldman, who is trying to relinquish a past life and get back on her feet in a small Southern port town.

“The name ‘Safe Haven’ itself describes the Southport-Oak Island area perfectly,” said Karen Sphar, Executive Vice-President of the Southport-Oak Island Area Chamber of Commerce. “Many visitors and home buyers flock to our area to reconnect with simpler times and find a way of life that is, well, just like you see in a movie.”

To enter the sweepstakes, visit the North Carolina Brunswick Islands [Facebook page](#) and click on the sweepstakes tab for a chance to win a romantic getaway for two. The sweepstakes entry period ends February 28. The prize package includes:

- Two-night stay at the [Robert Ruark Inn](#) in historic Downtown Southport*
- Dinner for 2 at Ports of Call Bistro
- Dinner for 2 at Fishy Fishy Café
- Breakfast and lunch for 2 from Wildlife Restaurant & Grill
- A dessert tray from the Crazy Cake Chicks
- A tour of Southport from Southport Tours
- A historical Southport bicycle tour for 2 from The Adventure Kayak Company, Inc.
- Coach class air transportation for winner and one guest

* Valid March 1, 2013 - February 28, 2014, excluding holidays and excluding weekends June - September.

About [North Carolina’s Brunswick Islands](#)

In the southernmost corner of North Carolina, stretching from the Cape Fear River to the South Carolina border, lie North Carolina's Brunswick Islands. Five barrier islands provide secluded spots on six pristine beaches for families and nature-lovers, while quaint island and mainland towns beckon with family-owned bed and breakfasts, restaurants and shops. Forts, lighthouses, historic architecture, boating, fishing and 34 golf courses offer plenty to do and see on a trip that harkens back to a simpler time.

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