# PUPS OF PADRE

It’s our belief that dogs deserve a vacation too. Here’s what you need to know about bringing your dog with you on your next Island getaway. So Fun. So Padre.

WHERE TO STAY

Check out [La Quinta Inn & Suites](#), Super 8, [The Inn at South Padre](#), [Pearl South Padre](#), and [La Copa Inn Beach Hotel](#), who offer pet-friendly accommodations, among others on the island. Many [vacation rental condos](#) and homes are also pet friendly, just check with management for rental guidelines first.

WHERE TO DINE

Your best friend doesn’t have to stay home while you go out and dine. The Island has many pet-friendly restaurants. Check out the Facebook group Pet Friendly Padre, that collects resources for pet owners on the Island, including dining options and tips on caring for your pet while on the Island.

PET SAFETY

Pet-safe sunscreens can be used provided they don’t contain zinc oxide. Apply anywhere that fur doesn’t cover the boy - tops of paws, ears, the bridge of the nose and belly.

BEACH TIME

Take your dog to the beach! The City of South Padre Island has a leash law, so for the safety of your pup and others, make sure you keep them on a leash. Bring plenty of fresh water for them to drink, even during the cooler months, as saltwater can upset their stomachs.

The sand can also get too hot for their paws, especially during summer months (July & August), so be mindful of peak sun times. Your beach trip might take a little more planning, but it’s worth it to see your happy pup!

YEAR ROUND WEATHER

Mild, semi-arid weather means lots of sunny days with average annual temps of 74 degrees.

GETTING AROUND THE ISLAND

Island Metro offers free transportation to beach access points, lodging, dining and attractions.

LOST PETS

Contact [Friends of Animal Rescue](#) for lost or found animals. You can reach their 24/7 hotline at (956) 772-1171, and they are open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

EXPERIENCES

Try stand up paddleboarding with your dog at [Eh Brah Sup](#), an SPI-based SUP shop where you can take your dog out on the water with you!

Don’t forget to stop by and say “hi” to “Diesel the Dolphin Dog” who joins in on dolphin watch tours with [Fins to Feathers](#), a tour excursion company that offers glass-bottom ecology tours of the area.

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