



South Padre Island Destination of the Year by the Texas Travel Awards

South Padre Island, Texas, Friday, June 24, 2022 – The Texas Travel Awards has named the City of South Padre Island, Texas, Destination of the Year 2022. South Padre Island won six awards total, taking home the People’s Choice for Best Destination for Families and the statewide prize for best Brewery, Best Instagrammable Spot, Live Music Venue, and Outdoor Activity in the Small Market category.

Created by the publishers of Austin Monthly, San Antonio Magazine, and Texas Music, the Texas Travel Awards recognize and celebrate the top travel destinations and attractions across the Lone Star State, shining a spotlight on the most exciting, innovative, and inviting places throughout Texas. The 2022 winners represent uniquely Texas places and experiences worthy of any traveler’s itinerary.

With 34 miles of coastline, 300+ days of sunshine, and all forms of entertainment from water sports to live music, South Padre Island is the perfect island retreat. Easily accessible by land or sea and with year-round warm temperatures, visitors can experience the South Padre Island lifestyle any season. Significant events include fishing tournaments covering almost every fishing category throughout the summer, and Sandcastle Days in October brings some of the world’s best sand sculptors to showcase their skills. South Padre Island was recognized as the “Fireworks Capital of Texas” by the Texas Senate. From Memorial Day through September, the fireworks are held three times a week on the Island. This year, South Padre Island is featured in “ViewPoint with Dennis Quaid,” an award-winning documentary series covering various topics such as travel, education, business, and technology. They filmed and covered what makes South Padre Island a unique travel destination.

South Padre Island favorites selected in this year’s awards include:

Brewery | Statewide: [The Padre Island Brewing Company](#)

Live Music Venue | Small Market: [LongBoard Bar & Grill](#)

Instagrammable Spot | Small Market: [SPI Beach Chairs](#)

Outdoor Activity | Small Market: [Surfing](#)

“It is a great honor for our City of South Padre Island to be named Destination of the Year and be recognized in five more categories among other destinations across our beautiful Lone Star State.” Lori Moore, South Padre Island Interim Director, said, “this is a huge tribute to the extraordinary work and great service of the South Padre Island team and our local Island Partners dedicated daily.”

For more information on the Texas Travel Awards, including a complete list of 2022 winners, visit www.texastravelawards.com.

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About South Padre Island

With miles of pristine shoreline and clear emerald water, South Padre Island is Texas’ only tropical island paradise. Calm weather and more than 300 days of sunshine make South Padre Island a year-round destination offering a variety of nature tourism attractions, water sports, and activities for the entire family. For more information, visit www.sopadre.com.