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*Thomas Robey's Braised Lamb Shanks
with Smoked Mushroom, Tasso, and
Sweet Potato Hash and Black Pepper-Fig Sauce*

Rococo is an upscale women's consignment boutique offering brands from American Eagle to Yves Saint Laurent. Fashionistas of all ages can shop these brands to their hearts' content.

4970 B Bayou Blvd., Pensacola;
(850) 607-6073; rococoresale.com

The National Museum of Naval Aviation has added Hangar Bay One, a new 55,000 square foot display area to showcase more of the post-World War II era museum collection. In addition to housing the museum's U.S. Coast Guard aircraft collection, the space is also home to the first aircraft to land at the South Pole.

1750 Radford Blvd. Ste. B, Pensacola;
(850) 452-3604; navalaviationmuseum.org

FLORIDA

Beaches of South Walton

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Rosemary Beach is a cycling town. You won't see many cars traveling through, so the best way to explore the area is to rent a bicycle from Bamboo Bicycle Company, located in the heart of Rosemary Beach's town center. A 17-mile paved bike trail runs along much of 30-A, in addition to the Timpoochee Trail, which features mostly flat terrain. Bamboo Bicycle Company offers tandem bikes, cruisers and smaller



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bikes equipped with training wheels for the little ones. While on your bike, check out the architecture of Rosemary Beach, which mimics the aesthetics of cities such as St. Augustine, Fla., New Orleans, La., and Charleston, S.C.

50 N. Barrett Square,
Rosemary Beach; (850) 231-0770;
bamboobicyclecompany.com

A short drive from Rosemary Beach is the popular Eden Gardens State Park, a 163-acre state park on Tucker Bayou in Point Washington. The park was once the home of lumber baron William Henry Wesley and his family. Stroll through the garden trails or take a tour of the 1895 mansion, which boasts the second largest known collection of Louis XVI furniture in the United States. The moss-adorned oaks and grassy lawns with a view of the bay make Eden Gardens a favorite picnic spot for visitors.

County Road 395,
Point Washington; (850) 267-8320;
floridastateparks.org/edengardens

Summer Kitchen Café started serving the few homeowners and construction workers of Rosemary Beach back in 1999. Twelve years later, the eatery, now known for its Kobe beef burger and vegetarian offerings, serves breakfast,

lunch, and dinner from its spot smack in the middle of the Rosemary Beach town center.

60 N. Barrett Square,
Rosemary Beach; (850) 231-6264;
summerkitchencafe.blogspot.com

Samford University graduates Chris and Jennifer Webb have been renting beach supplies in Rosemary Beach since 1997. Their company, Sea Oats Beach Service, provides beach umbrellas, chairs, hammocks, cabanas, kayaks, catamarans and surfboards. The company also sets up beach fires and holds "Sea School" lessons for ages 8 and up.

P.O. Box 611272, Rosemary Beach;
(850) 951-3632; seaoatsbeachservice.com

Relax, and toast sunset at Bud & Alley's, everybody's favorite sunset watching spot in idyllic Seaside. Make your best guess for the time when the sun dips past the horizon and you'll win a free cocktail! Order the Seaside Shrimp and sweet potato fries (along with a "Mo"garita) and dine like a local.

2236 E. Scenic Highway 30A, Seaside;
(850) 231-5900; budandalleys.com