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**Fodor's names Bay St. Louis one of "America's 25 Favorite Beach Towns"**

MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST (July 12, 2018) – Fodor's Travel has named Bay St. Louis, MS as one of "America's 25 Favorite Beach Towns"!

In the article, subtitled "It isn't summer without a trip to the beach", Bay St. Louis is listed along with world-renowned beach destinations such as La Jolla, CA, Key West, FL, and Hanalei, HI.

"Bay St. Louis plays an extremely important role in tourism on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. The arts, sense of community, unique dining opportunities, local downtown shops, beautiful sprawling beaches, and stunning bay views all make for a highly desirable destination, which is reflected in the decision to include Bay St. Louis in this list of phenomenal beach destinations," said Milton Segarra, CEO of Visit Mississippi Gulf Coast. "This is a phenomenal opportunity to showcase everything that Bay St. Louis has to offer, which will in turn benefit the entire Mississippi Gulf Coast as a destination," said Segarra.

"For Fodor's to list Bay St. Louis amongst so many incredible beach destinations across the US is a real honor, and I am thrilled to see this wonderful, resilient Mississippi Gulf Coast town garner such widespread attention. As a community, Bay St. Louis strives to create the perfect coastal atmosphere for visitors and locals alike, and it looks like our efforts are paying off, as we gain momentum in terms of media exposure, accolades and visitation," said Nikki Moon, Owner of Bay Town Inn.

For more information on Fodor's "America's 25 Favorite Beach Towns", visit <https://www.fodors.com/news/photos/americas-25-favorite-beach-towns>

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