



Sea Harbor: 6310 Chester Park Dr. Chincoteague, Va. 23336
Sea Heart & Soul: 7470 Memorial Park Dr. Chincoteague, Va. 23336
Sea Adventure: 7460 Memorial Park Dr. Chincoteague, Va. 23336
CHECK-IN 4PM & CHECK-OUT 12PM

Live every day with a kind heart, a fierce mind and a brave spirit!

Dear Guest,

Welcome to Chincoteague Island. We are delighted that you have selected one of our homes for your vacation needs.

The Native American Tribe led by Chief Barabokees and Emperor Waskawampe, had claimed as their own an island five miles off the Virginia coast, calling it Chincoteague, or "The Beautiful Land across the Water."

The clean beaches, marshes, and forests of Chincoteague and its barrier island known as Assateague, encompass the islands residents with seasonal beauty throughout the year and provide over a million annual visitors with great outdoor experiences that will ensure a fun and memorable time on the islands. This oyster-and-crab-rich island is also home to the famous Chincoteague oysters and ponies.

Enjoy a fun filled, soul restoring vacation in a SOS (Soul of the Sea) Vacation Rental! We have three clean well appointed homes, conveniently located and all less than 5 miles from Assateague Island, the Ocean and NASA! Something for everyone, amazing sunsets, museums, boat tours, kayaking, a family reunion, a wedding, a girlfriend trip, dad's or mom's weekend away, fishing or hunting, bird watching, cultural art festivities, everything on your wish list to have a wonderful vacation and so much more. Check out our website for all the details and find a treasure trove of valuable information to create the vacation that awaits you...All linens, towels, toilet paper, tissues, paper towels, dish-washing liquid, sugar, cream, teas, spices, etc. are provided in quantities sufficient for a weekend stay. Additional provisions are the responsibility of Guest. A copy of this Welcome Letter is also in Welcome binder at each rental.

- No Smoking allowed in home.
- No Pets allowed in the home, on the grounds, or at the Wildlife Refuge.
- \$325.00 refundable deposit is required when reservation is made.
- The balance is due 15 days prior to arrival.
- Check in is 4:00 p.m. & check out is 12:00 noon
- Reservations must be made by person's age 25 years or older and provide id.

As long as we have received your id, contract and payment you may proceed to rental and your keys will be in key box located left of door, Sea Harbor upper wall, Sea Adventure and Sea Heart & Soul on porch railing. Text rental name to phone number provided for key code.

Sea Harbor: Come straight onto Maddox Blvd. to 3rd light from bridge (Brandt Gift Shop and Lido's Pizza on corners) t/l on Chicken City Rd. Go to second street and t/r on Chester Park Dr., 1/4 ml down on right.

Sea Adventure / Sea Heart & Soul: At bridge t/r, go through town approximately 2 mls, you will pass carnival grounds on left, look for Bunting Rd, a t/l only, go about 1 1/2 mls and rd will sharp curve to the right, just past curve on left is East Side Rd, t/l, go 1/4 ml and just past - but right next to park entrance on other side of fence is entrance to rental houses.

Thank You for Choosing Soul of the Sea Rentals. We Take Pride In Providing Value Along With Exceptionally Clean And Well-Furnished Rentals. We Know Your Vacation Experience Will Be Enjoyable As You Are Now On Island-Time.

Guest Reservation Information

We're glad you've decided to book with us. Each home is unique unto itself. Your reservation does include sheets and towels. Feel free to bring your own. Our homes are cleaned by a housekeeping service prior to each guest. Please call our Housekeeping Dept. at 757-694-5012 when you arrive if you find that your rental home has not been cleaned to your satisfaction.

Please visit: <https://www.facebook.com/Soul-of-the-Sea-Vacation-Rentals-> for pictures and information. Then visit www.asoulofthsea.com to make your reservation. Our website is also linked to <http://www.chincoteague.com/> this site provides a treasure trove of information and pictures on local events and happenings to make sure you have the best vacation ever!

We extend you a very warm welcome and trust your stay with us will be both comfortable and enjoyable.

These websites provide everything you need to know to be informed and make your vacation special.

<http://www.chincoteague-va.gov/visitors/recreation>

<http://www.islandtheaters.com>

<http://www.chincoteagueislandarts.org>

<http://www.fws.gov/refuge/chincoteague/>

<http://www.nasa.gov/centers/wallops/visitorcenter/#.VBn5E IdWZM>

Go to <http://www.shoredailynews.com>. Click on 40% off retail DAILY SHOPPING FOR GREAT DEALS, \$20.00 GIFT CERTIFICATE FOR \$12.00 and OTHER GREAT DEALS. SEE ALL LOCAL INFO.

**Thank You & With Best Regards,
The Owners of SOS, A Soul of the Sea llc.**

Emergency 911

- Police Department (non-emergency) - 757-336-3155
- Public Works - 757-336-3366
- Mosquito Control - 757-336-6150
- Curtis Merritt Harbor of Refuge - 757-894-8240
- Charter Communications (cable) - 757-336-5070
- Chincoteague Center (Community Center) - 757-336-0614
- Chincoteague Chamber of Commerce - 757-336-6161
- Chincoteague Elementary School - 757-336-5545
- Chincoteague Combined School (Middle and High) - 757-336-6166
- Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company (non-emergencies) - 757-336-3138
- Electrical Service: ANEC - 800-431-2632
- Department of Motor Vehicles - 866-368-5463
- Chincoteague Island Community Health Center - 757-336-3682
- Island Library - 757-336-3460
- Miss Utility "Call before you dig" - 800-552-7001
- Poison Control Center - 800-222-1222
- Post Office - 757-336-2934
- United States Coast Guard- Chincoteague (emergency)
• **757-336-2855**
- Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge - 757-336-6122
- Virginia State Police - 800-582-8350

Accomack County

- Administrator - 757-824-5444
- Animal Control & Sheriff's Department - 757-824-5666
- Assessor - 757-824-4455
- Building & Zoning - 757-824-5223
- Commissioner of Revenue - 757-824-5664
- Health Department - 757-787-5880 or 757-824-6211
- Public Safety - 757-789-3610 or 757-824-4274
- School Board Office - 757-757-5754
- Social Services - 757-824-5439
- Treasurer - 757-824-6451
- Voter Registrar - 757-824-0525

LIST IS LOCATED IN RENTAL INFORMATION BINDER



Grilling Safety

There's nothing like outdoor grilling. It's one of the most popular ways to cook food. But, a grill placed too close to anything that can burn is a fire hazard. They can be very hot, causing burn injuries. Follow these simple tips and you will be on the way to safe grilling.

SAFETY TIPS

- » Propane and charcoal BBQ grills should only be used outdoors.
- » The grill should be placed well away from the home, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
- » Keep children and pets at least three feet away from the grill area.
- » Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grills and in trays below the grill.
- » Never leave your grill unattended.
- » Always make sure your gas grill lid is open before lighting it.

CHARCOAL GRILLS

- » There are several ways to get the charcoal ready to use. Charcoal chimney starters allow you to start the charcoal using newspaper as a fuel.
- » If you use a starter fluid, use only charcoal starter fluid. Never add charcoal fluid or any other flammable liquids to the fire.
- » Keep charcoal fluid out of the reach of children and away from heat sources.
- » There are also electric charcoal starters, which do not use fire. Be sure to use an extension cord for outdoor use.
- » When you are finished grilling, let the coals completely cool before disposing in a metal container.



Your Source for SAFETY Information

NFPA Public Education Division • 1 Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169

PROPANE Grills

Check the gas tank hose for leaks before using it for the first time each year. Apply a light soap and water solution to the hose. A propane leak will release bubbles. If your grill has a gas leak, by smell or the soapy bubble test, and there is no flame, turn off the gas tank and grill. If the leak stops, get the grill serviced by a professional before using it again. If the leak does not stop, call the fire department. If you smell gas while cooking, immediately get away from the grill and call the fire department. Do not move the grill.

If the flame goes out, turn the grill and gas off and wait at least 15 minutes before re-lighting it.

FACTS

- ! July is the peak month for grill fires.
- ! Roughly half of the injuries involving grills are thermal burns.



www.nfpa.org/education

Beach: Assateague Island is a great vacation destination within easy reach for many East Coast residents. Sightseeing cruises, kayak tours, crabbing, bird watching, fishing, hunting, biking and other activities continually make this a paradise for visitors that enjoy outdoor recreation. Assateague Island has over 37 miles of beautiful beach. This is considered one of best beaches on the entire East Coast. **There is Public Parking. For information, pictures, videos and map, please use Web Link listed below.** Assateague Island National Seashore: <http://www.assateagueisland.com> while visiting.

As you approach Chincoteague Island along Route 175, explore NASA Wallops Flight facility with its full scale rockets, displays and hands-on activities. The world renowned Pony Round Up and Swim brings a large influx of visitors to the Island. The Saltwater Cowboys guide the ponies along the beach from the North to the South corral where they will rest for a day. The ponies swim the Assateague channel at slack tide to the Chincoteague Memorial Park. The yearlings and younger ones are auctioned by the Chincoteague Volunteer Fire Company. The remaining ponies swim back to Assateague. Also Enjoy: The Volunteer Fireman's Carnival, Blueberry, Seafood, Oyster, and Easter Decoy and Arts Festivals, the Annual Chili and Chowder cook-off. Visit the Herbert H. Bateman Center, Museum of Chincoteague Island, Beebe Ranch, home of 'Misty', and Assateague Lighthouse. Go on the Wildlife Refuge Tour. Ride the Chincoteague Island Trolley.

Besides the National Seashore & Wildlife Refuge, we have lots of Events and Activities: There are 3 pony round-ups each year -- spring and fall Round-ups are less crowded and fun to watch, but the only Round-up where the ponies swim is in July. Explore the channels and nature preserve of Assateague Island. Chincoteague Island boasts a quaint town with lots to do, great seafood, art galleries, gift shops, old-fashioned ice cream shops (try Island Creamery...the Mississippi Mud!) and vintage movie theatre. Boating, Biking, Fishing, Crabbing, Surfing, Miniature Golf or...Just lay on the **warm sand** at the beach!

Enjoy pristine Assateague Beach minutes away. (Conde Nast Traveler's 20 best beaches in America!) Because Assateague Beach is a National Park, it is beautiful, clean and a true beach! No buildings or development allowed. The ocean swimming, wave jumping and play are wonderful. Assateague Island offers beach, fun and waves. The surfing breaks on Assateague Island are mostly sand bars. The surf here is really good when there is any type of weather disturbance in the Atlantic Ocean generating swells.

For Chincoteague Island Upcoming Events visit:

www.chincoteague.com www.chincoteaguechamber.com

Address: 6733 Maddox Blvd, Chincoteague Island, VA 23336

Phone: [\(757\) 336-6161](tel:(757)336-6161) **Hours:** [9:00 am – 4:30 pm](http://www.chincoteague.com)

Watch "Chincoteague Small Town Big Heart" on YouTube

<https://youtu.be/J6wLdnDDdIM>

The Chincoteague Cultural Alliance is a non-profit organization that promotes art, creativity and culture on Chincoteague Island and Delmarva's Eastern Shore.

CCA began renting space in the evenings at what was then the Senior Center, formerly a classroom and cafeteria for the old elementary school, and when that program ended and the space became available we rented it and renamed it CCA World Headquarters. Today we use the building for adult classes in art, music, food and crafts, and free children's art classes, as well as the very popular monthly **Coffeehouse with spoken word, musical performances and art, as well as homemade food. We are even able to have theater seating for performances by the Chincoteague Island Theater Company and CITC's Third Thursday Play Club.** The grounds around the building are the new home of the Chincoteague Farmer's Market and the 2nd Saturday Artful Flea. Mother Earth Day, Music at the Dock and **Summer Cinema Series continue in Robert Reed Park free to the public,** and we have recently added the Chincoteague Writer's Project to our long list of activities www.chincoteagueculturalalliance.org

Address: 6309 Church St, Chincoteague Island, VA 23336

Phone: [\(757\)336-0044](tel:(757)336-0044)

The NASA Wallops Flight Facility Visitor Center offers a unique opportunity to explore the past, present, and future of NASA's Wallops Flight Facility. The Visitor Center features exhibits about aeronautics, An-tares and sub-orbital rockets, scientific balloons, current missions, and the history of Wallops Flight Facility. In addition to exhibits, the Visitor Center also features an auditorium, a Science on the Sphere Theater, an observation deck, as well as numerous free public programs, events, and group tours of the facility. The Visitor Center also serves as the viewing site for rockets that launch from Wallops Island. Located inside the Visitor Center, the Gift Shop, open seasonally, offers models, patches, games, clothing and a variety of NASA souvenirs.

Plan a visit as part of your next trip to the Eastern Shore of Virginia. **Admission is always FREE!**

Hours of Operation:

July 1 - August 31 Daily 10-4 PM

September - June Tuesday-Saturday 10-4 PM

Visitor Center is **open to the public during launch operations for public viewing and information.*

**Gift shop is open March - November and its hours are the same as the Visitor Center.*

Closings: Visitor Center is closed during the following holidays:

New Years Day - Columbus Day - Martin Luther King's Birthday - Veterans Day - Presidents Day

Thanksgiving Day - Memorial Day - Labor Day - Christmas Day

Contact Visitor Center Information: 757-824-1344

Outdoor Parks: Chincoteague Island offers several beautiful parks for the enjoyment of its residents and visitors. We highly recommend taking advantage of these well maintained spaces while you're on vacation.



Robert Reed Downtown Park - The Town of Chincoteague, with the support of local businesses and a network of volunteers, is involved in an ambitious revitalization project in the downtown area. The Town has accumulated nearly \$1.7 million in various grants and local matches toward the project. One major phase of the revitalization involves the development of a new waterfront park. This park, located on the waterfront in the heart of downtown, offers recreational opportunities, a site for festivals and events, and a beautiful view of sunsets. Annual events such as the "Weekend of the Islands" and the "Chili Chowder Cook-off" have already begun drawing as many as 1,500 visitors. There are currently 10 boat slips available for rent to transient boats that are in excess of 26' to 50' in length. The park is ADA accessible, inclusive of boat slips.



Veteran's Memorial Park - The Town of Chincoteague has a lovely waterfront Park, Chincoteague Veteran's Memorial Park, for the recreation of residents and visitors. Memorial Park is located on Eastside Road. The park has tennis courts, basketball courts, playground equipment, fishing/crabbing pier, ball field, boat ramp, Skate Park, pavilion and restrooms. The pavilion may be reserved for groups through a permit issued by the Town for approval. It is recommended that you contact the Town Office to check availability. There is no fee for reserving the pavilion. The Commonwealth of Virginia enforces a recreational fishing license for the water surrounding Chincoteague. The Town of Chincoteague purchases a fishing license for the Veteran's Memorial Park fishing pier, so an individual license is not required.



Donald J. Leonard Park - The Donald J. Leonard Park is located across from the Chincoteague Combined School on North Main Street and protects an open view of Chincoteague Bay with approximately 600 feet of water frontage. Over 2.7 acres of waterfront land has been left in its natural state for the enjoyment of the citizens and visitors alike. Park facilities allow for off street parking up to 10 cars, picnic tables, and kayak access to the Virginia Seaside Water Trail. Boating is one of the more enjoyable pastimes on Chincoteague. If your interests are fishing, water-skiing, or just wanting to enjoy the water on a peaceful summers evening, the options are here for you to use your own boat or rent one. With the purchase of a City Boat Sticker, anyone wishing to put in their own boat will have access to 3 Town supported public boat ramps. Boat ramp stickers can be purchased at the Town Office, Police Station, and from the Harbormaster. Guided scenic/nature boat tours are also available.

There are 5 Boat Ramps:

- 1. Curtis Merritt Harbor - Islands South Side**
- 2. Memorial Park - Islands East Side**
- 3. Fir Landing - Deep Hole Rd**
- 4. East Side Ramp - Islands East Side**
- 5. Town Dock - Downtown**



Report any concerns or damages upon arrival.

Check-in: 4:00 PM. Checkout: 12:00 PM.

Late checkouts that are reasonable will be accommodated, **providing another Guest is not checking in the same day.** It is the responsibility of the Guest to request late checkout or additional stay two (2) days before the scheduled checkout date with the desired checkout time. Late checkouts will be charged \$50.00 per hour deducted from their Security Deposit. Same day reservations will result in immediate removal from property after 1st hour.

Checkout Procedures: Guest is responsible for the following before checking out: We provide exceptional cleaning. If you want to pay for extra services, below are the additional charges and will be charged from security deposit. Call or text 757-694-5012 to advise if extra cleaning is required. Mark task when complete on line, for additional cleaning leave line blank and this list on table for cleaning crew. Thank You!

___ Dishes washed & put away in proper cabinets. **Do not put wet dishes** in cabinets leave on counter upon checking out and housekeeping will dry and put away. An additional \$15.00 *per load* will be charged if not done. Damaged pots and pans will be deducted from security deposits, please use properly and for intended use. Please make sure dishes are clean, there will be a \$15.00 *per load* charge to re-do. ___ Refrigerator emptied. Stove, Microwave, Counters and Cabinets wiped down.

___ Put used towels and linens on floor by washer.

___ All trash bagged, emptied and deposited in trash cans outside of back door (SA-SHS at end of rental) - (SH next to beach hut). An additional \$15.00 will be charged if not done. (Check under beds) Trash pickup is **Wednesday** at Sea Harbor and **Thursday** for Sea Adventure/ Sea Heart & Soul end of driveway or in front of fence by mail boxes, by 7 AM or evening before.

___ All cigarette butts and any trash picked up and put in trash. An additional \$15.00 will be charged if not done. Please stay away from open doors and windows to keep smoke from entering rental. Due to allergies, please be respectful to next guest staying. Loss of security deposit to clean and deodorize will occur.

___ Grills cleaned out and emptied. Line with aluminum foil 1st to make clean out easy (provided in kitchen drawer). An additional \$15.00 will be charged if not done.

___ All windows and doors shut, locked and lights off, including outdoor beach storage units. All items put back in proper places, (SH bikes), check car for towels from beach etc... **Excess food, dirt, marks etc. on furniture, walls, floors will incur an additional \$30.00 per hour charge if not done and deducted from security deposit. Pictures will be provided.**

Two set of keys are provided and one set to be returned to the combination lock-box for the next guest and other set left in basket on bureau or table. Keys not returned will result in \$25 per set being deducted from the Security Deposit. Do Not Remove Items From Home. Comments or Notes: Use back for additional comments. Please sign and date. **(This list will be in rental)**

Sign & Date _____

Thank you for your respect and care of our home and for being a valued guest!!! If you're so inclined please leave us a review and have a safe trip home and we hope to see you again! As a welcomed return guest you will receive 10% off your next rental with us. Does not apply to seasonal/or other discounts. **To make your next reservation go to www.asoulofthesea.com and there is NO booking fee charge!!!** Visit <http://www.chincoteague.com/> this site provides a treasure chest full of information and pictures on local events and happenings to make sure you are well informed. **We are listed in the Rental by owner section under, "A Soul of the Sea Rentals".** Also see our Face book page at: www.facebook.com/Soul-of-the-Sea-Vacation-Rentals-305872389758291/ Please leave notes or comments on the back and let us know if salt is empty or coffee filters are needed, etc... we appreciate your input. ☺