

We invite you to join us on November 18 from 8:30-7:30 when we glide on down to Siesta Key, the home of the World's finest, whitest sand.

Its smooth texture has been compared to confectioner sugar or talcum powder. Also, because the sand is 99% quartz, it retains no heat. You could lay naked on it during Florida's hottest month without any discomfort, but let's not prove that point.

As you may recall, this outing is one of our club's favorite outings as each November they host the Siesta Key Crystal Classic International Sand Sculpting Festival.

The competition is modeled after other master competitions that are held yearly throughout the world. But the Crystal Classic has become a favorite of the professional sand sculptors who have competed here. Citing the beauty and cleanliness of the pristine white sand, sculptors have remarked that their sculptures look almost as if they were "carved in marble."

In only 24 sculpting hours, (spanning the four-day event), the master sculptors create sand masterpieces, some over ten feet tall, and transform the always beautiful Siesta Beach into an outdoor art gallery.

You can view this year's sculptures from outside the fenced perimeter for free, or pay \$8 in advance (or \$10 at the entrance gate) to get up close to these works of art. Once we confirm you for this trip, you can purchase the \$8 advance price admission by visiting:

<https://www.siestakeycrystalclassic.com/event-info/2019-festival-tickets>

Our club does not collect this fee.

We will leave our beach equipment aboard the bus while we enjoy 1 1/4 hrs. at this special event.

Because Siesta Key Beach is a very deep beach (about 1,100 feet from the parking lot to the water), we have found it muchhhhh toooo far to carry all of our beach gear. Therefore, we have decided to leave—after viewing the sand sculptures—to go to the more accommodating Turtle Beach, about 10 minutes away.

Although there is no lifeguard at that beach, the water temp. will only be about 74 degrees so maybe you won't be requiring their attention anyway. There are also no beach chair rentals available here.

You can either bring your lunch from home or purchase one at two restaurants across the street named—appropriately—the Turtle Beach Grill or the Turtles Restaurant.

Their menus can be seen at: <http://www.turtlebeachgrill.com/images/TurtleBeachGrill-Menu.pdf> and <http://www.turtlesrestaurant.com/menu/>.

Then put your feet up and relax in your beach chair for a few hours at Turtle Beach.

At about 3:00, we'll escape the sun and journey about 1 ¼ hours away to the cozy, welcoming Fred's Market Restaurant, this time in the city of Riverview. View their favorable "lunch-time with free beverage" costs at:

<https://www.fredsmarket.com/lunch-menu>

To join us on this trip, print the reservation form (click on green button below) and mail it along with your check (made out to the BBC) for \$28 per person to the address below. On **November 9th**, we will conduct our lottery and you will be notified shortly thereafter of your seat confirmation or waitlist status.

Barefoot Beachcombers Club ('BBC' will also suffice)
333 Colony Blvd. Box #110
The Villages, FL 32162

You could instead hand it to a person at the counter at Safe Ship in Colony Plaza, saving you the stamp.

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I/we would like to go to Siesta Key with the BBC on Nov. 18th. Enclosed is my \$28 check (pp).

Print your name(s): _____

I/we wish to be on the bus with these friends

I/we still have a credit with the BBC and I would like to use that credit. _____