BookletChart™

St. Joseph and St. Andrew Bays
NOAA Chart 11389

A reduced-scale NOAA nautical chart for small boaters
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What are Nautical Charts?
Nautical charts are a fundamental tool of marine navigation. They show water depths, obstructions, buoys, other aids to navigation, and much more. The information is shown in a way that promotes safe and efficient navigation. Chart carriage is mandatory on the commercial ships that carry America’s commerce. They are also used on every Navy and Coast Guard ship, fishing and passenger vessels, and are widely carried by recreational boaters.

What is a BookletChart™?
This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

Whenever possible, use the official, full scale NOAA nautical chart for navigation. Nautical chart sales agents are listed on the Internet at http://www.NauticalCharts.NOAA.gov.

This BookletChart does NOT fulfill chart carriage requirements for regulated commercial vessels under Titles 33 and 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

Notice to Mariners Correction Status
This BookletChart has been updated for chart corrections published in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners, the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency Weekly Notice to Mariners, and, where applicable, the Canadian Coast Guard Notice to Mariners. Additional chart corrections have been made by NOAA in advance of their publication in a Notice to Mariners. The last Notices to Mariners applied to this chart are listed in the Note at the bottom of page 7. Coast Pilot excerpts are not being corrected.


(Selected Excerpts from Coast Pilot)
St. Joseph Bay, which extends about 12 miles N of Cape San Blas, is separated from the Gulf by St. Joseph Peninsula (St. Joseph Spit), a long, narrow strip of land and sand hills that curves NNW from the cape. St. Joseph Bay, recognized as one of the best harbors on the Gulf, is easily entered by vessels with drafts to 25 feet except during periods of very severe weather such as hurricanes. St. Joseph Bay Entrance Lighted Buoy 2 marks the entrance.

Port St. Joe is a town on the E shore of St. Joseph Bay. Two chemical plants on Gulf County Canal furnish the main industry for the town. Waterborne commerce consists mainly of marine supplies, petroleum products, and chemical products. Occasional foreign fishing vessels unload their catch at a fish processing plant in the port.

Prominent features.—The chemical plant is the most prominent object visible from the Gulf. Several water tanks are conspicuous at a closer distance inshore.

Vessels should approach the harbor within the Port St. Joe Safety Fairway. (See 166.100 through 166.200, chapter 2.) In 1982, a sunken wreck was reported in the safety fairway in about 29°50.2 N., 85°41.6 W.

Pilotage, Port St. Joe.—Pilotage is compulsory for all foreign vessels and U.S. vessels under register in foreign trade if drawing more than 7 feet of water. Pilotage is optional for U.S. coastwise vessels that have on board a pilot licensed by the Federal Government. A pilot station is no longer maintained at Port St. Joe. Vessels desiring a pilot should request one through the ships agent or by contacting the Panama City Pilots. (See Pilotage, Panama City (indexed as such), this chapter. Vessels should be prepared to proceed to the entrance to St. Andrew Bay, if so directed, which is located about 20 miles to the NW, where the pilot will board between St. Andrew Bay Entrance Lighted Whistle Buoy SA and the first set of entrance channel buoys in about 30°06.8’N., 85°44.5’W. Procedures for requesting pilots are further described under Panama City pilotage.

Communications.—Port St. Joe is served by the Apalachicola Northern Railroad and is on the main coastal highway, U.S. Route 98.

Bell Shoal is the broken ground NW of the entrance channel making off from St. Andrew Point, 6.5 miles NW of St. Joseph Point.

Mexico Beach is a small resort community about 4.5 miles N of St. Joseph Point. A privately marked channel leads to Salt Creek; the entrance is subject to shoaling and should not be attempted without local knowledge. In 2009, the reported depth inside the creek was 5 feet. U.S. Route 98 highway bridge, on the E branch of the creek about 0.3 mile above the entrance, has a fixed span with a reported clearance of 13 feet. Several marinas are on the E branch. Berths with electricity, gasoline, diesel fuel, water, ice, pump-out station, launching ramps, wet storage, and marine supplies are available; a 10-ton forklift can haul out craft to 26 feet for storage or hull and engine repairs. A no-wake speed limit is enforced on Salt Creek.

Crooked Island is a narrow island extending 7 miles NW from St. Andrew Point. The island encloses St. Andrew Sound, a shallow, unimportant body of water.

A restricted area of a drone launch corridor extends through St. Andrew Sound into the Gulf of Mexico. (See 334.770, chapter 2, for limits and regulations.)

East Bay an arm of St. Andrew Bay, extends in a general ESE direction for about 18 miles. The several small towns on East Bay are of little commercial importance.

West Bay, the NW arm of St. Andrew Bay, is generally free from dangers except for several oyster bars with depths of 5 to 8 feet over them. A small island, created by the dredging of the new Port Authority Terminal, is off Dyers Point; the island is marked by a light. Panama City Beach, Long Beach Resort, Edgewater Gulf Beach, Florida Beach, Gulf Resort Beach, and Laguna Beach are sections of the residential and resort areas. St. Andrews State Park is on both sides of the dredged cut of the main ship channel in St. Andrew Bay entrance. The route of the Intracoastal Waterway is through East Bay, St. Andrew Bay, and West Bay.

U.S. Coast Guard Rescue Coordination Center
24 hour Regional Contact for Emergencies

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To make suggestions or ask questions online, go to nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/inquiry. To report a chart discrepancy, please use ocsdata.ncd.noaa.gov/idrs/discrepancy.aspx.

Lateral System As Seen Entering From Seaward

on navigable waters except Western Rivers

For more information on aids to navigation, including those on Western Rivers, please consult the latest USCG Light List for your area. These volumes are available online at http://www.navcen.uscg.gov.

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Lateral System Diagram:

- **Port Side**: Odd Numbered Aids
  - Light
  - Lighted Buoy
  - Lateral System

- **Starboard Side**: Even Numbered Aids
  - Light
  - Lighted Buoy
  - Lateral System

Legend:

- **Light**: Red Light Only
- **Lighted Buoy**: Red Light Only
- **Composite Group Flashing**: ISO

For more information, consult the latest USCG Light List for your area.
NOAA WEATHER RADIO BROADCASTS

The NOAA Weather Radio stations listed below provide continuous weather broadcasts. The reception range is typically 20 to 40 nautical miles from the antenna site, but can be as much as 100 nautical miles for stations at high elevations.

Panama City, FL  KGO-67  162.55 MHz
East Point, FL  WWF-86  162.50 MHz

WARNING

The prudent mariner will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on fleeting sites. See U.S. Coast Guard Light List and U.S. Coast Pilot for details.

HURRICANES AND TROPICAL STORMS

Hurricanes, tropical storms and other major storms may cause considerable damage to marine structures, aids to navigation and moored vessels, resulting in submergence of objects in unknown locations. Charted soundings, channel depths and shoreline may not reflect actual conditions following these storms. Fixed aids to navigation may have been damaged or destroyed. Buoyage may have been moved from their charted positions, damaged, sunk, extinguished or otherwise made inoperative. Mariners should not rely upon the position or operation of aids to navigation. Wrecks and submerged obstructions may have been displaced from charted locations. Boaters may have become un找准 correct marks.

Mariners are urged to exercise extreme caution and are requested to report aids to navigation inoperative and hazards to navigation to the nearest United States Coast Guard unit.

Intra-Coastal Waterway

Use charts 11365, 11390 and 11393. The project depth is 12 feet from Camellia, Florida to New Orleans, Louisiana. The controlling depths are published periodically in the U.S. Coast Guard Notice to Mariners.

Panama City Harbor

The project depths for Panama City Harbor Channel is 36 feet. See Project Depths table.

Note: Navigation regulations are published in Chapter 2 of Coast Pilot. Abridgments or revisions to Chapter 2 are included in the Notice to Mariner. Information concerning regulations may be obtained at the Office of the Commanding Officer of the East Coast District, Office of the Secretary of the Department of the Navy, 171 East Coast District, New Orleans, LA 70112.
NOTE 5
Regulations for Ocean Dumping Sites are contained in 40 CFR, Parts 226-229. Additional information concerning the regulations and requirements for use of the sites may be obtained from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). See J.S. Coast Guard's appendix for addresses of EPA offices. Dredging subsequent to the site surveys may have reduced the depths shown.

CAUTION
Limitations on the use of radio signals as aids to marine navigation can be found in the U.S. Coast Guard Light Lists and National Geodetic Intelligence Agency Publication 117. Radio direction-finder bearings to commercial broadcasting stations are subject to error and should be used with caution. Station positions are shown thus:
(accurate location) (approximate location)

SOURCE DIAGRAM
The outlined areas represent the limits of the most recent hydrographic survey information that has been evaluated for charting. Surveys have been done in this diagram by date and type of survey. Channels maintained by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are periodically surveyed and not shown on this diagram. Refer to Chapter 6, United States Coast Pilot.

SOURCE
A 1939-1940 NGS Surveys full bottom coverage
B1 1939-1949 NOS Surveys partial bottom coverage
B2 1940-1949 NOS Surveys partial bottom coverage
S5 Pro-1990 NOS Surveys partial bottom coverage

CAUTION
Submarine pipelines and cables Charted submarine pipelines and submarine cables and pipeline and cable areas are shown as:
Pipeline Area
Cable Area
Additional uncharted submarine pipelines and submarine cables may exist within the area of this chart. All submarine pipelines and submarine cables are required to be buried, and those that were originally buried may have become exposed. Mariners should use extreme caution.

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VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:
Channel 6 – Inter-ship safety communications.
Channel 9 – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.
Channel 13 – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.
Channel 16 – Emergency, distress and safety calls to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.
Channel 22A – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here.
Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 and 78A – Recreational boat channels.

Getting and Giving Help — Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.

Distress Call Procedures
• Make sure radio is on.
• Select Channel 16.
• Press/Hold the transmit button.
• Clearly say: “MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY.”
• Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
• Release transmit button.
• Wait for 10 seconds — If no response Repeat MAYDAY call.

HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS!

NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards (NWR) is a nationwide network of radio stations broadcasting continuous weather information directly from the nearest National Weather Service office. NWR broadcasts official Weather Service warnings, watches, forecasts and other hazard information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
http://www.nws.noaa.gov/nwr/

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Coast Pilot online — http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/nsd/cpdownload.htm
Tides and Currents — http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov
Marine Forecasts — http://www.nws.noaa.gov/om/marine/home.htm
National Data Buoy Center — http://www.ndbc.noaa.gov/
NowCoast web portal for coastal conditions — http://www.nowcoast.noaa.gov/
National Hurricane Center — http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/
Pacific Tsunami Warning Center — http://ptwc.weather.gov/
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