



# Cinnamon Shore

## Luxury Defined on the South Texas Coast

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Stepping onto the property of Cinnamon Shore, I was instantly transported to a place that I felt was in the same moment both at home and yet off in a dreamy destination. The unique architecture of the striking seaside homes and condominiums that line the streets give off a distinct feeling of tranquility. The cool, beach, pastel palette and bright, white trims of the many levels of porches and windows created a neighborhood of homes that seem as if they themselves are breathing. Beautifully manicured landscaping and lush lawns beckon for the bare feet of the beach lifestyle.

Beyond its beauty lies a spirit at Cinnamon Shore. A spirit that is bright and welcoming with open arms to celebrate life, love and family. I could envision children laughing and running free, uninhibited in this organic ocean side escape. I could see lovers indulging in the luxury of the peacefulness and the warm salty breeze coming in off the water. And I got the sense that once one stepped foot in this community, you would be returning to enjoy it again and again.

On this young and developing resort, there is much yet to look forward to ahead of what has

already been established. Instituted in 2007, its first ground breaking was in 2009. At its completion this resort community will boast 200 single family homes and 100 condominiums. The heart of the community will be the Town Center, hosting convenient shopping,



enticing restaurants, a day spa, as well as work spaces and gathering places. The first of the restaurants is slated to be completed around Memorial Day, and it will be café bistro style and feature everything from novelty coffees and bistro menu items to a full wine bar.

While still anticipating so much growth, Cinnamon Shore currently includes a luxury in-

finity pool, clubhouse and fitness center. An expansive boardwalk through the dunes is wide enough to drive a golf cart over to the well-maintained beach front, where beach chairs and umbrellas invitingly line the sand. Bicycles are available to rent for those who

want to breeze through the resort on two wheels. Lake Colby and Lake Gavin are two fully stocked freshwater lakes, featuring inviting docks and fishing pavilions - guests are encouraged to fish away!

I was able to tour several of the available condos. The porch-lined exteriors were nothing compared to the jaw dropping effortless elegance inside. Each unit is custom designed and features a style all its own, impeccably furnished with interiors right out of a magazine. In fact, the development has reached national

acclaim as the majestic "Tarpon Run" home at Cinnamon Shore has been featured as the 2009 Southern Living Idea Home (absolutely worth googling for the online tour!). Another condo has dedicated its style to feature the Susan Castor Collection.

This year, Cinnamon Shore is opening its pristine setting for weddings and events.

Their hope is that it will become a coastal wedding destination that puts South Texas on the map. The resort features a gorgeously-manicured Great Lawn, which is a one acre expanse, framed in by beautiful landscaping and sits right alongside the luxurious “Lago Vista” condo. The condo not only makes for a gorgeous seaside wedding backdrop, it is also available as a rental, a perfect place for a Bride, her family and wedding party to prepare for that beautiful walk down the stairs and onto the Great Lawn on her wedding day. The Great Lawn is also perfectly sized to accommodate a large tented event. Throughout the property, there are numerous picturesque locations that could handle weddings of various sizes, whether they are lake side, on the beach or even the intimate setting of the tranquil infinity pool and pool club house.



The goal of the staff at Cinnamon Shore is to ensure each wedding is afforded every option of style and customization. Jeff Wilkinson, resort manager of Cinnamon Shore, explained that the resort is truly “Luxury Defined. This is the pinnacle of accommodations, amenities and services.” The beauty of the resort as a wedding destination is that the experience can last beyond just the wedding day. The intimate and welcoming environment could easily host families and the wedding party in separate beach condos to soak up every part of the wedding weekend from the rehearsal night festivities through the wedding day and ending with the recuperating Sunday family gathering.



It goes without saying, Cinnamon Shore would be a breathtaking location to spend a honeymoon! With the expense of travel these days, so many couples are foregoing the romantic getaway all together. However, with Cinnamon Shore in the South Texas backyard, couples can get away without the headache of travel and time spent getting there, all the while enjoying the amazing luxury resort experience honeymooners would expect.

As it develops into completion, Cinnamon Shore wants to be an extension of the coastal community; a center for weekend shopping and getaways, and host to family

events, concerts and a haven for artists of all kinds.

The organic atmosphere that has been created within this enchanting seaside community causes one to forget where you are - it wasn't until driving back onto Highway 361 leaving Port Aransas that I felt the need to pinch myself to realize that idyllic getaway was just thirty minutes from Corpus Christi. In just the two hours I spent soaking up the environment, I already felt refreshed and invigorated - and I'm awaiting my next return!



For more information on making Cinnamon Shore your wedding destination or for resort information, call 888.893.0656.



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Cinnamon Shore is hosting a Wedding Expo October 15th, 2011. You could win a free wedding! Call Jeff Wilkinson, resort manager, for more information.

