1. America's Happiest Seaside Town — Stuart earned this distinction because of its coastal vibe, number of sunny days, air quality, commute times, crime ratings and standard of living.

OP Reasons to Buy & Live in Martin County

- 2. America's Top Fishing Destination Martin County residents and visitors can fish in freshwater, inshore saltwater, and offshore saltwater. Ranked top U.S. fishing destination by FishingBooker. Stuart is known as the Sailfish Capital of the World.
- 3. Golf Mecca Martin County is home to more than 35 world-class golf courses. Legendary golf pros such as Jack Nicklaus and Chi Chi Rodriguez designed golf courses here.
- 4. Small Town, Old Florida Charm Martin County exudes laid-back, old Florida charm with its quant shops and eateries. Stuart is routinely ranked among the best small towns in America.
- 5. Best County for Retirees Martin County and Stuart regularly ranks among the top places in the nation for seniors aged 65 years or older.
- 6. Boating & Watersports Martin County has more than 20 marinas to launch water adventures. Offshore, there are many dive site opportunities. The Scenic Blueway Trail span 37.7 miles of paddling trails in Martin County over two river systems.
- 7. The St. Lucie Inlet The Inlet is the most bio-diverse lagoon ecosystem in the Northern hemisphere and provides habitat for over 4,300 species of plants and animals.
- 8. Four Major Airports in Proximity Martin County is 45 minutes from Palm Beach International Airport, 90 minutes from Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport, almost two hours from Miami International Airport, and two hours from Orlando International Airport.
- 9. Ecotourism Martin County has more than 93,000 acres of conservation land to explore. Martin County's beautiful outdoors offers everything from horseback riding to hiking.
- 10. Live Shows & Award-Winning Festivals The historic Lyric Theatre serves as a stage and music venue that attracts top-notch talent. Martin is home to award-winning festivals such as the Stuart Boat Show, Port Salerno Seafood Festival, ArtsFest & more.
- 11. Beach Lover's Paradise Martin County is home to more than 22 miles of white-sand coastline. There are individual access strips that allow for more private spots to enjoy the surf.
- 12. Top Schools Martin County School District is one of Florida's highest-performing school districts in Florida. 35+ colleges and universities in South Florida.
- 13. World-Famous Attractions in Proximity Orlando's Disney World and Miami Beach are within 100 miles radius of Martin. A day trip will get you to Key West, Tampa, Jacksonville or Tallahassee.
- 14. Sunny Weather South Florida is a tropical paradise, with an average yearly temperature of 76°F/25°C and average winter temperature of 66°F/19°C.
- **15. The Panama Canal of Florida** Stuart sits on the eastern point of the Okeechobee Waterway, a 54-mile-long waterway that extends from the Atlantic Ocean to the Gulf of Mexico.
- 16. Healthiest Community in Florida Martin County ranks annually among the top-5 healthiest communities in Florida largely because of its abundant outdoor activities.
- 17. The Reefs Martin County has numerous thriving natural and artificial reefs. Each reef offers rich aquatic life, which is perfect for recreational divers.
- **18. Cultural & Historic Landmarks** Martin's rich history legacy can be experienced at attractions such as the Mansion at Tuckahoe and Captain Henry Sewall's House in Jensen Beach. Top museums include the Elliott Museum and the Stuart Heritage Museum.
- 19. Natural Beauty Jonathan Dickinson State Park is one of Martin's true natural treasures. It is the largest state park in the Southeast Florida at 11,500 acres.
- 20. World Class Healthcare Martin County Health System ranks among the top 10 percent of hospitals nationwide, according to The Joint Commission.

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