

Daufuskie Island

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How do you get here? By boat, private ferry or public ferry (See page 2)

How big is Daufuskie? 5 miles long by 2.5 miles wide and about 5,000 acres

How many people live here? Approximately 400 full time and 1,200 part year residents

Are there public rest rooms? There are rest rooms accessible by the public at Freeport Marina, the Museum, County Dock, Melrose Beach Club, Melrose Clubhouse and a Port-a-Jon at the South Public Beach access.

What do I do if there is an emergency? We have a very modern fire and rescue station. In the event of an emergency, call 911 and tell them you are on Daufuskie, the road and any visible landmarks. The Fire/EMS station is on the main Haig Point Road in the center of the island.

What about cars? Most residents and visitors use golf carts. There are a few gas powered vehicles used by builders and residents. Gasoline is only available at the marinas.

Where can I play golf? Melrose Course (public) - Haig Point (private) - Bloody Point (closed)

What are the Plantations? The plantations (gated communities) are Haig Point (private), Melrose, Bloody Point (public) and Oakridge, Webb Tract which are undeveloped.

Can we bring bikes? Ask the ferry operator if they are allowed onboard. Daufuskie has 3 public paved roads Haig Point, Cooper River Landing and Oakridge Lane. All other roads outside the plantations are dirt roads. Beach bikes with balloon tires work best.

Where do we rent a golf cart? The ferry operators have bike and golf cart rentals available.

Where can we get food? Public Restaurants include Old Daufuskie Crab Co, Dirt Road Diner, Fappy's, Marshside Mama's, Jack's at the Melrose Clubhouse and the Melrose Beach Club. Haig Point Restaurants may be accessible during off-peak times (843-686-2000).

What about getting a drink? Freeport marina, Marshside Mamas and The Melrose General store are the places to go. The Silver Dew Winery on Beach Rd has takeout beer and wine.

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Historic sites are shown with a yellow marker. Landmarks are shown in red and can be a non-historic building, store or restaurant. Places that serve food are shown in Blue.

Historic District - The Daufuskie Historic District is an eclectic mix of tin roof Gullah homes, huge waterfront homes, manufactured housing, charming cottages and country homes located along mostly dirt roads.

Bloody Point Cemetery (A) - This cemetery dates to the 1870s beside Mongin Creek. The Gullah believed a burial near water would assure the spirit would return home to Angola in West Africa. Not easily accessible by the public.

Bloody Point Lighthouse - This rear range lighthouse was moved from its original location due to beach erosion. It has an extra large dormer on the front of a relatively normal house that held the front lamp. In back of the lighthouse was a tower with the rear lamp, actually a locomotive headlamp. Ships would line up the two lamps, one behind the other to know they were traveling on a safe path.

County Dock - Located on the far end of Daufuskie at Marshside Mamas. There is a small children's playground and public rest rooms. On Tuesdays at 10am, the Daufuskie Farmers Market takes place in the parking lot.

First Union African Baptist Church - Started in 1881 by freed slaves. Worship service is at 9:45am. A true old time country church on a dirt road underneath a stand of huge old oak trees. One of the prettiest places in the Lowcountry.

Jane Hamilton School (Daufuskie Library) - One room schoolhouse built in 1940 for children on the north end. Closed in 1950. Used over the years for different community purposes. Refurbished in 2008 and now houses the Library.

Little White Schoolhouse - This one room schoolhouse opened in 1913 with about half a dozen white schoolchildren. It closed in 1962 and seldom had more than a handful of students throughout its history. After it closed, it was put into use as a teacher's residence for the Mary Fields Elementary School, fire department office, the island library and now houses the Little White Schoolhouse Thrift Shop.

Mary Dunn Cemetery (B) - This is the only white cemetery on the island and dates from the 1790s. It was the second cemetery on the Mary Dunn Plantation, one for whites and one for blacks (Fripp Cemetery). Located down a dark, deserted and spooky dirt road. This is a serene and peaceful place to visit and reflect on life and the history of this island.

Maryfield Cemetery (C) - Overlooks the intracoastal waterway on the back side of the island. It was part of Maryfield Plantation and dates to the 1910s. Presumed to be the largest cemetery on the island.

Maryfield Praise House - Daufuskie Island originally had four Praise Houses and this is the last one standing. Inside were benches, a table for a bible and lamp and a simple wood heater. Prayer meetings were held several times a week and children were taught after school how to sing spirituals, praise and worship God.

Maryfield School - This two room schoolhouse on School Road opened in 1934 with 108 black students. It closed in 1997 with the completion of the modern Daufuskie Island Elementary School on the north end of the island. This is the school that Pat Conroy made famous in *The Water is Wide*. Today it is owned by the First African Baptist Church and is used as a community center and for church functions.

Mt Carmel Church (Billy Burn Museum) - Originally built in 1901 the first building was knocked down by a hurricane in 1940. A new structure was built in 1941 and held services until the 1960s. The Mt Carmel Church now houses the Billy Burn Museum, has a beautifully restored organ and many relics and artifacts depicting Daufuskie Island History.

Dirt Road Diner - Serving breakfast and lunch Tue-Sat 843.341.5911

Fappy's Ice Cream - Ice Cream on Daufuskie Island. Located on the main road past the fire station. Open daily. Call for evening delivery and special orders. They deliver island-wide for free! 843-422-6024

Haig Point Calibogue Club Restaurant - A fine dining private restaurant for members of Haig Point and their guests. The restaurant has the most amazing panoramic views of the Calibogue Sound out to the Atlantic Ocean.

Marshside Mamas Restaurant - Famous Folksy charm and amazing food comes out of a very small kitchen! *"No Whining, Just Dance!"* 843-785-4755 for reservations. Lunch Wed-Sat 12-3. Dinner Mon, Thu, Fri, Sat 6-10PM

Old Daufuskie Crab Company - Waterfront on the intracoastal waterway at Freeport Marina. Open Tues-Sun for Lunch and Dinner. Call 843-785-6652 for more information. Live music Sunday afternoons.

Freeport Marina and General Store - Located at Cooper River Landing, this marina offers wet and dry dock boat storage, a general store, barging services, ferry service, tours and the Old Daufuskie Crab Co restaurant

Daufuskie Art Gallery - This gallery displays a variety of works by more than 14 artists, most of whom live on Daufuskie. 843-842-3300

Iron Fish Art Gallery - Amazing hand made metal art with classic colorful designs. 843-842-9448

Silver Dew Pottery - Opened in 1997 by local resident Lancy Burn, the studio offers fired clay pottery embellished with patterns from ancient Indian pottery shards. Hours are Tuesday through Friday 9am to 4pm. 843-842-6419

Silver Dew Winery - Lowcountry Joe's Silver Dew winery produces award-winning wines. Contact the winery for wine tasting schedules or drop by for take out wine and beer.

Island T-Shirt and Gift Shop - It's an Islanders Shop That's Worth the Stop! T-shirts, Sweats, Tank Tops, Hats, Post Cards, Books and much more. Usually open Tue-Sat 10am-5pm and Sun 11am-4pm. 843-686-4058

Daufuskie Island Elementary School - This Beaufort County public school serves K-5 students. There are about a dozen kids in two classrooms with a modern media center/library, playground, ball field and cafeteria.

EMS/Fire Station - Daufuskie Island has a very modern Fire and Rescue station. There are also several designated helipads for airlifting serious medical needs to Savannah hospitals

Public Beach - There are two public beach accesses one at the end of Beach Road and the 2nd off Oakridge Rd. There is a picnic pavilion at the end of Beach Road overlooking the ocean.

Melrose Neighborhood - Melrose is probably the most famous development on Daufuskie Island. Known for amazing weddings, vacations, golf, tennis and equestrian all in a gorgeous beach-front setting.

Melrose Clubhouse - The Melrose golf course opened in 1987. Designed by Jack Nicklaus he is quoted saying - *"we gave players a memorable experience"* - and the rave reviews prove it! 888-909-4653

Melrose Beach Club - This is the Melrose Club's ocean-front beach facility with beautiful pools, a hot tub, fitness center and a restaurant all overlooking an amazing beach and the Atlantic Ocean

Melrose Equestrian - Take the ferry to Daufuskie and enjoy a day of horseback riding on the island and the beach!

Melrose General Store - The new Melrose General store located in the Island House conference center is now open 7 days a week from 10am to 3:30pm. 843-368-5443

Melrose Inn - The beautiful Inn is currently closed (September 2009). Rental accommodations are located elsewhere throughout the island.

Island House Conference Center - The Island House conference center is available for events through the Melrose Club

Melrose Landing - The dock for the Daufuskie Island Club ferry. The trip from Salty Fare on Hilton Head to Melrose Landing takes about 45 minutes.

Melrose Tennis Center - If Tennis is your game, you will love the Melrose Tennis Center. Conveniently located in the heart of Melrose and a short golf cart ride away from any accommodation on the island.

Bloody Point Neighborhood - An ocean-front resort neighborhood surrounding an 18 hole golf course. Bloody Point got its name in the 1700s after the third bloody battle between the white settlers and Yemassee Indians

Bloody Point Clubhouse - The Bloody Point clubhouse and golf course is currently closed (September 2009).

Sandy Lane Condominiums - The only multistory condominium complex on the entire island. The units have unmatched ocean views and the grounds are simply outstanding.

Haig Point - A unique private, eco-luxury resort residential community. All of the members' needs are taken care of by the staff and valets. It is like living in an 1100 acre hotel! Call the front desk at 843-686-2000 for information.

Haig Point Cemetery (D) - This cemetery dates to the late 1800s and holds the graves of freed slaves from the Haig Point Plantation and some of their ancestors. Only a few graves are marked. Located inside the Haig Point private community and not open to the general public

Haig Point Clubhouse (private) - The Haig Point 20 hole Signature Course and 9 hole Osprey Course were designed by Rees Jones. The course has a 147 (out of 155) slope rating!

Haig Point Lighthouse (private) - This operating lighthouse was built in 1873 and rode out the Great Sea Island Hurricane of 1893. Currently operated as a rental accommodation by the Haig Point Club for their members and guests.

Haig Point Tabby Ruins (private) - These examples of Tabby Architecture were a part of the slave community associated with the Haig's Point Plantation in the early 1800s

Haig Point Strachan Mansion (private) - The Haig Point Strachan Mansion is the heart and focal center of the Club. Inside is a great neighborhood bar, sitting and meeting areas, general store and the mailboxes. Upstairs are four rental units with porches overlooking the water. The mansion was originally located on St Simons Island and was barged to Daufuskie in 1985. Call the front desk for preview information.

Public Ferries: Palmetto Ferry Company (Salty Fare to Melrose Landing) - 843-757-7819

Daufuskie Island Cruises & Tours (Broad Creek Marina to Freeport Marina) - 843-785-8242

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