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Our Brand

The Wharf brand is more than just a logo. It is a combination of a vibrant and modern visual identity and consistent language that works together to convey what The Wharf represents and what we stand for.

These guidelines give an overview of our brand and the many sub-brands that makes The Wharf what it is today and in the future.

It is essential that the visual elements and messaging are used in a consistent manner at all times, both internally within The Wharf and externally.

If you have any questions, please contact **Sheena Mizell at sheenam@alwharf.com**





Design Elements









Wordmark

The Wharf wordmark is fixed artwork. It may not be altered or recreated in any way. The wordmark is the primary element of our company identity. Because it spells out the name of our company, we use it in situations that require the brand to show up in an official capacity or to initially establish brand identity.

The Wharf wordmark should be used in the main Wharf navy blue or white.

White is ideal for use over images, patterned or very dark backgrounds. When placing over photography, ensure contrast by placing over dark area, and negative space.



Whenever possible, The Wharf wordmark should be set in Wharf navy blue on white or light backgrounds.



When using The Wharf navy blue or any other darker backgrounds, use a white wordmark.

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Secondary Logos

These secondary logos should be used sparingly, only when the primary uses aren't appropriate. However, they should generally be avoided.

Secondary logos should be used in the Wharf navy blue or white with the exception of the "W" symbol which should be used in the Marina Blue or white.











Logo Structure

The Wharf wordmark should always be surrounded by a minimum area of space.

A margin of clear space—equivalent to the height of "The"—is drawn around the logo to create the invisible boundary of the area of isolation.



Minimum Size:



Digital: 90 pixel width Print: 1.25 inch width

Logo Misuse

We pride ourselves on brand consistency. When using The Wharf wordmark, the following rules should be adhered to at all times:



Do not resize elements



Do not distort, stretch, or warp



Do not apply strokes/outlines of any kind



Do not place on low-contrast or busy backgrounds



Do not use nonbrand colors



Do not rotate

Typography

New Spirit Family

Aa

New Spirit Regular

Use for headlines and titles
ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ
abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz
1234567890!@#\$%^&*().,'"?/-+

Aa

New Spirit Medium

Use for headlines and titles ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890!@#\$%^&*().,"?'/-+

Aa

New Spirit SemiBold

Use for headlines and titles
ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ
abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz
1234567890!@#\$%^&*().,'"?/-+

Din 2014 Family

Aa

Din 2014 Regular

Use for body copy and small text

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ
abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz
1234567890!@#\$%^&*().,'"?/-+

Aa

Din 2014 Italic

Use for body copy and small text ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz 1234567890!@#\$%^&*().,'"?/-+

Aa

Din 2014 Bold

Use for secondary headlines
ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ
abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz
1234567890!@#\$%^&*().,'"?/-+

Aa

Din 2014 Extra Bold

Use for call to action text (i.e. buttons)

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ

abcdefghijklmnopqrstuvwxyz

1234567890!@#\$%^&*().,'"?/-+

Color Palette

Consistent use of our primary colors will help build visibility and recognition for the The Wharf brand and will set us apart from our competitors.

Our full color palette is bright, fun and clean. Our Marina Blue, Wharf Navy Blue, Sky Blue and Sunset Orange are the primary colors of our palette.

Other colors, which are used for seasonal events consist of Sunshine Yellow, Raspberry Red and Paradise Purple.

PRIMARY PALETTE	Marina Blue HEX #00B2E2 // PMS 306 C	R 0 G 178 B 226	C 81 M 4 Y 5 K 0
	Wharf Navy Blue HEX #052B48 // PMS 7463 C	R 0 G 43 B 73	C 100 M 80 Y 43 K 45
	Sky Blue HEX #CCECF4 // PMS 304 C	R 204 G 236 B 244	C 18 M 0 Y 3 K 0
	Sunset Orange HEX #EE7623 // PMS 158 C	R 238 G 118 B 35	C 3 M 66 Y 100 K 0
SECONDARY PALETTE	Sunshine Yellow HEX #FFB600 // PMS 7549 C	R 253 G 183 B 20	C 0 M 31 Y 100 K 0
	Raspberry Red HEX #EF93549 // PMS 1787 C	R 239 G 58 B 76	C 0 M 92 Y 68 K 0
	Paradise Purple HEX #935CA6 // PMS 2583 C	R 158 G 95 B 166	C 42 M 75 Y 0 K 0

Brand Icons

Brand icons are used sparingly to enhance the visual identity of The Wharf.

The icon style is typically a minimalist, mono-line, single color icon that can be used to call attention to specific information on the website, social media and signs throughout the property.





Official Tagline + Hashtags

TAGLINE

Life happens here.

#ALWharf + #TheWharfOBA

Social Media Post



thewharforangebeach Congrats to new beginnings.

#LifeHappensHere #ALWharf #TheWharfOBA

Rack Card



Billboard





Promotional Imagery

The promotional style for The Wharf is minimalist, fun and bold. Keep negative space in mind to avoid over-crowding of elements.

Visual advertisements should include highquality photos complemented by colorblocked sections.

Whenever possible, use white-colored text in designated typefaces. A high-contrast, secondary text color may be used to emphasize messaging.

Billboard



Print Ads





Digital Ad







Seasonal Campaigns

All promotions, events and seasonal campaigns should follow the same brand guidelines as promotional imagery.

Keep negative space in mind and use white text on one of our bright and bold brand colors.

When selecting colors, stick to traditional options from our brand. *Examples:*

- Marina Blue for summer
- Sunset Orange for fall
- Raspberry Red for winter
- Wharf Navy Blue and Raspberry Red for Independence Day

Avoid overcrowding of information and be sure to include a clear call-to-action for details if necessary (website, button, etc.).

A clipped image with a transparent background is typically added but a strong typography element can be used in its place.

So. Much. Summer.







Winter at The Wharf





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The WHARF ORANGE BEACH

Content Guidelines





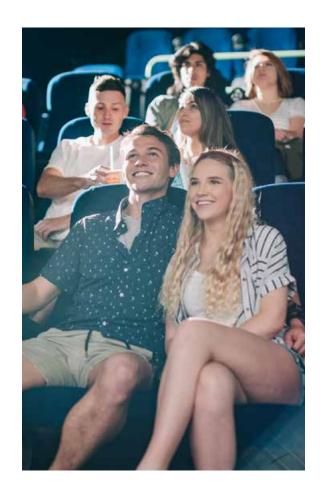
What makes The Wharf?

Its people. It's a place where the days seem short but the memories are infinite.

Where new adventures become family traditions, and acquaintances become old friends.

A place you can reminisce on life. Where good times turn into "remember that time," and stories are passed down through generations.

So, that's just it about The Wharf ... life happens here.



Social Media + Content Brand Voice Chart

Warning: You must be on island time to understand this chart. At The Wharf, we thrive on fun in the sun, good vibes + tight lines — after all, life happens here. So, take a seat and we'll get started.

OUR AMBITION

Share our little piece of paradise with everyone that visits the Gulf Coast. Just off the beach we're known for our big events, big acts + big fish.

OUR BRAND IDEA

We're more than a logo or a font, we're a family-owned company that takes pride in our offerings. We want to be included in dinnertime conversations and big milestones along the journey. So, kick back, relax and enjoy the fun. It's almost guaranteed that you'll create some memories along the way.

OUR VOICE						
Characteristics	Tone	Do	Don't			
Down-to-earth	Family Oriented Small Town Vibe Authentic	Be respectful Be open minded Keep it honest Be warm + inviting	Use too much slang Lose sight of the tourism audience Forget we're all from different backgrounds + cultures			
Simple	Uncomplicated Straightforward Informative	Get to the point Keep an inverted- pyramid approach Keep it short + clear	•			
Personable	Playful Cheerful Upbeat Witty Happy Joyful Welcoming Inviting Inclusive	Use humor – G rated, preferred Show off our brand's personality Be witty + use puns Reference pop culture	Come off too quirky Use excessive jokes Overplay the clichés			

Writing Style Guide

WORD/PHRASE + SAMPLE OF CORRECT USAGE	FURTHER EXPLANATION + NOTES		
The Wharf	When referencing the property name, use a capital T and capital W for The Wharf in all references		
Attractions	The Wharf Express Train - capitalize all words Ferris wheel - one of the tallest in the Southeast The Wharf Mini Golf		
Entertainment District	Capitalize both words on all references		
SPECTRA Laser Light Experience	"SPECTRA Laser Light Experience" for first reference with "SPECTRA" on all references to follow. Capitalize SPECTRA.		
Palms Plaza	Always include an "s" on Palms when referencing the grassy location near the Ferris wheel and AMC Theatres		
The Port, The Palms, Heron Pointe	Capitalize both words on all references		
The Wharf Amphitheater. The Oasis and The Wharf Marina	Capitalize "The" on all references		

Writing Style Guide CONT.

WORD/PHRASE + SAMPLE OF CORRECT USAGE

6-7 pm | March 21-23, 30-31; April 1-2, 5, 13-14

Friday, April 5th (no th, st, etc. in design) | Noon

Saturday, September 6th | 5-8 pm

9 am (never use :00, unless it's 9:15 am, 9:30 am, etc.)

6-7 pm (no space around hyphen)

9 am - 8 pm (space around hyphen of different am and pm times)

Spell out months of the year unless you HAVE to abbreviate. If so, use the following and include the period: Jan., Feb., March, April, May, June, July, Aug., Sept., Oct., Nov., Dec.

Spell out days of the week unless you HAVE to abbreviate. If so, use the following and include the period: Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., Fri., Sat., Sun.

Friday, April 5th (no th, st, etc. in design)

July 15-17 (no space around hyphen)

July 15 - August 18 (space around hyphen when different months listed)

FURTHER EXPLANATION + NOTES

For time: Do not use a period between am and pm, and always list it before a date with a vertical line to separate. Use "Noon" and "Midnight" for 12 pm and 12 am. Put a space between time with am or pm. Only use single digit numbers unless it falls on :15, :30 or :45 - i.e., 9 am or 9:30 pm; only list the am or pm in a sequence at the end unless they're different (9 am - 8 pm) (7-9 pm). Only use a space around the hyphens if they are different am or pm.

For dates: Put a hyphen between days in sequence, use a comma to seperate breaks in days and a semicolon for breaks in months. Never use ordinals unless its an ad, in a paragraph or on a banner. Only put a space around hyphenated dates of different months. Spell out the months on all references unless space is an issue, use an abbreviation with a . to follow (i.e., Mar., Sept.) Only use th, st, etc. in copy for single days only (Friday, July 15th) (July 15th - August 19th, instead use July 15 - August 19) and never use th, st, etc. in design formats.

Commas

Never use the Oxford comma (i.e., The Wharf offers shopping, dining and entertainment options)

Writing Style Guide CONT.

WORD/PHRASE + SAMPLE OF CORRECT USAGE	FURTHER EXPLANATION + NOTES	
and, &, + Summertime + Good Vibes Ginny Lane Bar & Grill	Use the "+" in short, social copy/design. Use "and" in longer copy. Never use "&" in copy/design from or regarding The Wharf. For other companies titles and headlines, follow their rules. Ask them directly if you're unsure, then be sure to notify the team of the correct usage.	
So. Much. Summer. at The Wharf The Wharf kicks off So. Much. Summer!	Space after each . and . after Summer unless it ends the sentence and needs a ? or !	
Phone numbers should always have periods rather than dashes.	251.224.1000	
Family friendly	Never hyphenate words ending in ly	
Canceled or canceling	One L in "cancel"	
Benefitting	Always use two t's	

Writing Style Guide CONT.

WORD/PHRASE +	SAMPLE	OF CORRECT	USAGE
Onsite vs. on-site			

Sign off: "See you ... here!"

FURTHER EXPLANATION + NOTES

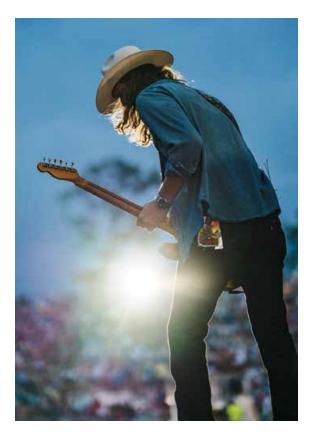
"A wide variety of kids' activities will be offered onsite." "There will be various on-site activities for kids."

This can be used for social copy, in calendar listing, etc. as a sign off

Sample: Your safety is of utmost importance to us here at The Wharf. Because of that, The Wharf is encouraging all guests to adhere to social distancing and facial covering guidelines. We ask that you come out, have fun and keep back six feet. Air high fives are encouraged when you see your friends at the event. For your convenience, we have also added hand sanitizer stations throughout the property. We want all visitors to feel safe when they visit The Wharf! See you ... here!

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SUB-BRANDS







The Amphitheater



Primary Logo

THE WHARF®

AMPHITHEATER

Secondary Logo

THE GROVE



W CLUB



Primary Logo



Secondary Logo

The Marina



Primary Logo



Secondary Logo

Attractions

THE WHARF EXPRESS



THE FERRIS WHEEL



SPECTRA



Event Spaces

HERON POINTE



Primary Logo



THE WHARF

Secondary Logo

THE PALMS



Primary Logo



Secondary Logo

THE PORT



Primary Logo



Secondary Logo

Office Suites

INTRACOASTAL OFFICE SUITES

INTRACOASTAL OFFICE & SUITES

THE WHARF

INTRACOASTAL

OFFICE & SUITES

Primary Logo

Secondary Logo

OFFICE SUITES ON MAIN



OFFICE SUITES

ON MAIN

Primary Logo

Secondary Logo

The Anchor Campaign



Primary Logo

ANCHORFORCOMMUNITY

Campaign

Secondary Logo



You did it! You've made it through The Wharf's Encyclopedia of Brand Guidelines.

Still have questions? Contact Sheena Mizell at sheenam@alwharf.com