Lakewood Ranch is a celebration of life; its day-to-day moments and once-in-a-lifetime experiences, its diversity of nature and wildlife and personalities and ideas. We welcome everyone, and we always have room for one more. That’s why we’re the best-selling community in the country for all ages. Because when you get here, you know you already belong here.
Where else can you live so close to arts, culture, entertainment and world-class beaches? From the sun-kissed sands of Siesta Key to the home ice of the Tampa Bay Lightning, shopping at St. Armand’s Circle to the museums and performance art of Sarasota, you’ll be able to take full advantage of life on Florida’s “Cultural Coast.”
BEACHES

UNIVERSITY TOWN CENTER

SARASOTA OPERA

RINGLING MUSEUM OF ART

MOTE MARINE LABORATORY & AQUARIUM

AIRPORTS

TAMPA BAY SPORTS TEAMS

ANNA MARIA ISLAND

LIDO, SIESTA, LONGBOAT

ART BEACHES
Lakewood Ranch is really the size of a town. At 50 square miles, it’s filled with shopping, dining, arts, entertainment, nature, recreation – and all the new home choices you can imagine.

But that didn’t just happen. It was part of the vision for The Ranch as a "master-planned community," which describes any new community that plans in advance where homes will be located in relation to services, jobs and amenities.

Lakewood Ranch is unique in the fact that it has been under the stewardship of one family for over 100 years. Through generations of careful planning and dedicated building, Lakewood Ranch has become a thriving community, while giving residents the confidence of knowing that infrastructure, maintenance and stewardship of the land are thoroughly considered.
“It’s a really hard place not to fall in love with.”

Resident Allen Wolf
Lakewood Ranch’s 33,000+ acres are part of a working ranch called Schroeder-Manatee Ranch (SMR). Since the early 1900s, the Uihlein family, one of the original owners of the Schlitz Brewery, had owned the property. SMR transitioned into community development in 1994 and today, Lakewood Ranch is the best-selling community for all ages in the United States, with more than 42,000 residents and the metropolitan area’s largest job center.

Ranch activities expanded to include cattle ranching; citrus, tree and turf farming; and aggregate mining, while maintaining a balance between ranch operations and the natural environment. SMR’s progressive practices in water management, wildlife conservation, land preservation and long-term planning exemplify a stewardship of the land that has continued into real estate activities.
Let’s go explore

One thing generations of ranching have passed down is a deep respect for the land. With approximately 40% of our acreage designated for open space and recreation, you’re bound to find something new to explore around every bend.

SO MANY WAYS TO PLAY!

150 MILES OF MULTI-USE TRAILS AND BIKE LANES
PATHS AND BOAROWALKS THROUGH WILDLIFE HABITATS, LAKES AND OAK HAMMOCKS
7 PARKS FULL OF FUN WITH PLAY EQUIPMENT, A GRAVITY RAIL, DISC GOLF, DOG PARKS, FIELDS AND PAVILIONS
14,000 ACRES CERTIFIED “GREEN” BY THE FLORIDA GREEN BUILDING COALITION
MANY POPULAR COUNTY AND STATE PARKS NEARBY

DOWNLOAD OUR PARKS & TRAILS MAP!
The fastest way to make old friends is to meet other people who share your interests and activities.

Our award-winning lifestyle team has been nationally recognized for the creative ways they connect residents, both in person and virtually.

Residents have formed groups and clubs for every interest, from watching pelicans to riding Pelotons, and they welcome newcomers with open arms.

Plus, this is a community that comes together through philanthropic efforts throughout the year and in faith communities of every kind. Whatever makes your spirit soar, you’ll find it here at Lakewood Ranch.

DOWNLOAD THE LAKESWOOD RANCH APP TO FIND EVENTS, GROUPS AND CLUBS!
“It’s a whole different world here. It’s just a better way to live.”

Resident Rob Biegel
SARASOTA POLO CLUB

The fastest game on four legs!

Lakewood Ranch has been hosting exhilarating polo matches at one of the most beautiful settings for 30 years.

With 130 acres of perfectly manicured grounds, the Sarasota Polo Club features seven world-class polo fields, and a regulation-size arena. Players from all over the world come here to play. The Club also offers a program to teach people of all ages and abilities how to play polo, or just to ride.

PREMIER SPORTS CAMPUS

140 acres of Celebration-seeded grass. 23 mixed-use fields. Endless fun.

Premier Sports Campus has every field sport under the sun for athletes ranging from youth to professional. There are tons of family-friendly events to attend with local, state and national events year-round.

In addition to our love of pro sports, friendly competition is a big part of life at Lakewood Ranch. Any day of the week, you’ll find friends and neighbors cheering on youth soccer at Premier Sports Campus, tailgating at the polo fields, or on the links at Lakewood Ranch Golf & Country Club. Lakewood Ranch boasts a total of nine golf courses: including public, semi-private, and private. Three are exclusive to Lakewood Ranch Golf & Country Club (membership required). We are also home to rugby clubs, cricket clubs and MVP Sports and Social leagues.

Culture
Take advantage of a 60-day Get Acquainted Membership to explore:

LAKEWOOD RANCH GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

The Club, Evolved.

The club concept is evolving, and we’re leading the way. Now, championship golf and world-class sporting facilities blend with the easy comfort of good friends, great food, and beautiful surroundings. You’ll find the level of challenge and all the fun you’re looking for at Lakewood Ranch Golf and Country Club.

2020 BEST PRO SHOP
PRIVATE CLUB
- PGA MAGAZINE

2019 & 2020 BEST PRIVATE GOLF COURSE
- SRQ MAGAZINE

2019 & 2020 BEST PRIVATE COUNTRY CLUB
- HERALD TRIBUNE

2019 (BRONZE) & 2020 (GOLD)
BEST PRIVATE GOLF COURSE
- SRQ MAGAZINE

2020 BEST PRO SHOP
PRIVATE CLUB
- PGA MAGAZINE

2019 & 2020 BEST PRIVATE COUNTRY CLUB
- HERALD TRIBUNE

2018 BEST GOLF COMMUNITY
- IDEAL LIVING

2017 & 2018 GOLDEN FORK AWARDS
- GOLF INC.

2020 SARASOTA/MANATEE
PGA JUNIOR LEAGUE GOLF CHAMPIONS

3 CHAMPIONSHIP COURSES

STATE-OF-THE-ART GOLF ACADEMY

2 AWARD-WINNING CLUBHOUSES

2 GOLF PRACTICE FACILITIES

A FULL SOCIAL CALENDAR

20-COURT TENNIS CENTER

12 PICKLEBALL COURTS

24-HOUR FITNESS CENTER

70 WEEKLY FITNESS CLASSES

2 HEATED POOLS

BOCCE BALL & TOURNAMENT CROQUET COURTS

KIDS’ CAMPS
WE LOVE

MUSIC ON MAIN

On the first Friday of each month, the whole community comes out for Music on Main. Live music, deejays, shopping, dancing, dining – it’s a ton of fun and all for a good cause.

THEATRE IN THE FIELD

Seeing a live performance without the confines of a theater opens up all new possibilities – and memories that last a lifetime.

Around The Ranch, we measure our time in memories
LIGHTNING WATCH PARTIES
This gives new meaning to having some friends over to watch the Bolts, and it’s the next best thing to being in the arena!

RAINBOW CONNECTIONS
When we want to lift each other up, we say it with sidewalk chalk. Messages of hope, love and community aren’t hard to find in our neighborhoods.

HOLIDAYS ON THE RANCH
From Boo Fest to Santa visits to Memorial Day parades, you’ll want to be home for every holiday on The Ranch.

RANCH NITE WEDNESDAYS
Wednesday nights are for cornhole tournaments, live music and good times.
Lakewood Ranch Main Street offers stylish boutiques and international restaurants and outdoor cafes, the Lakewood Ranch Cinemas and other creative entertainment opportunities. Main Street combines elements of the ideal downtown. The open-air environment provides a unique place for strolling and shopping, special events, and concerts and festivals throughout the year.

The Green is the town center located closest to the northern villages of Lakewood Ranch, and is part of the CORE mixed-use project. The Green is a 37-acre development featuring more than two dozen businesses, restaurants and apartment residences. (Continued)
Waterside Place will be a regional waterfront destination and a Lakewood Ranch town center located in the Sarasota County village of Waterside, opening in 2021. The center will include apartments, restaurants, retail shops, offices, a fully programmed events calendar, and the Players Centre for the Performing Arts, all connected to the residential neighborhoods by trails, parks and water taxis.

Neighborhood Services (you know, all the things you need for daily life) can be found in centers conveniently located throughout Lakewood Ranch. Five are anchored by Publix Super Markets, so it’s never a big deal to pop in for groceries, treat yourself to a mani/pedi, or pick up the dry cleaning.
Fresh produce, prepared foods and local goods are available year-round at the Lakewood Ranch Farmers’ Market.

“The Farmers’ Market is a must each Sunday!”

Resident Scott Reblitz
The Lakewood Ranch Farmers’ Market has fast become a favorite weekly tradition for people from all over the region seeking farm-fresh produce, delicious prepared foods, and specialty items and gifts. There’s something new every week, with live music and chef demonstrations, and we’re always adding new purveyors of tasty and beautiful treats.

FRESH FOOD? YES, PEAS!

SCAN FOR WHAT’S COMING THIS WEEK!
JOIN US SUNDAYS YEAR ROUND!
Wellbeing is as much about nourishing the body as it is the heart, mind and spirit. So when it comes to taking care of our physical health and our loved ones, you’ll find everything you need right here.

From our top-rated Lakewood Ranch Medical Center, with its welcoming birthing center, to the caring staff of Tidewell Hospice, you can access the healthcare resources you need for you and your family members at every stage of life.

In fact, living here offers so many of the elements believed to positively impact our wellbeing that Lakewood Ranch was selected as the home for the Brain Health Initiative, a landmark, multi-generational study led by the Academy for Brain Health and Massachusetts General Hospital (A Harvard Medical School Teaching Hospital).
The health & wellness support network here includes:

- Lakewood Ranch Medical Center
- Assisted living facilities for ongoing care
- Florida Cancer Specialists & Research Institute
- On-site general practitioners, dentists & specialists
- Lakewood Ranch YMCA
- Fitness centers & leagues
- Trails & parks
- Clubs & MVP sports and social leagues for adults
- Brain health initiative

Learn more online.
Schools that Make the Grade

Even before we laid the foundation on the first Lakewood Ranch home, we made sure education would be a cornerstone of our community by setting aside land for schools in our master plan.
Lakewod Ranch is a thriving employment hub in the fields of biotech, finance, retail, healthcare and technology. We have holistically designed corporate campuses such as CORE, and office space coming to a waterfront town center at Waterside Place, so it’s not uncommon to work within minutes of where you live on The Ranch.

12 COMMERCIAL BUSINESS CENTERS

1,871 EXISTING BUSINESSES

2 NEW COMMERCIAL HUBS
AT CORE AND WATERSIDE PLACE

17,444 JOBS IN LAKESWOOD RANCH

8.7 MILLION SQUARE FEET ENTITLED FOR FUTURE COMMERCIAL

EXPLORE LAKESWOOD RANCH COMMERCIAL OPPORTUNITIES ONLINE
If you’re like most people who love Florida, you want to live with a softer line between the indoors and outdoors. Open floorplans and open air. Patios and pool time. Warm sun and cool materials. Lower maintenance, more enjoyment. The Florida home embraces all these elements, expressed differently throughout the many styles of homes and villages you’ll find at Lakewood Ranch.
HAVE IT ALL UNDER ONE ROOF

Work from home in a spacious office. Set up a kids’ study corner in the den. Craft yourself a hobby room to bring your dreams to life. Flexible floorplans from our acclaimed builders make it easy to live however you like.

New homes at Lakewood Ranch have all the features that make Florida living unlike anywhere else.

LIFE LOOKS GOOD HERE

Whether we’re relaxing with friends on the lanai, gathering around the outdoor table for a family BBQ, or making a splash in the pool, outdoor living in the Florida sunshine has never felt better.
In addition to our vibrant town centers, trails and recreational amenities available to all residents of The Ranch, individual villages have their own unique offerings for the families that live there. Many even have full-time lifestyle directors to keep the community connected all year long with live music, events and special outings.

Compare them all in the village comparison pull-out section!
DOWNLOAD OUR NEW LAKEWOOD RANCH APP

CONNECT WITH ALL THINGS LWR: EVENTS, AMENITIES, COMMUNITY INFO, BUSINESSES & MORE!
IT'S ALL RIGHT HERE
ONCE YOU'VE NARROWED DOWN WHICH VILLAGES YOU'D LIKE TO EXPLORE, TAKE A LOOK AT JUST HOW EASY IT IS TO FIND SCHOOLS, PLACES OF WORSHIP, RESTAURANTS, SHOPS AND SERVICES, ALL IN YOUR OWN BACK YARD.

RECREATION

ACTIVITIES, CLUBS & EVENTS
MyLWR.com

PARKS & TRAILS
LakewoodRanch.com/life-on-the-ranch/parks-trails

LAKEWOOD RANCH GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB
LakewoodRanchGolf.com

PREMIER SPORTS CAMPUS
PremierSportsCampus.com

THE SARASOTA INTERNATIONAL CRICKET & RUGBY CLUB
SarasotaCricket.org

THE SARASOTA POLO CLUB
SarasotaPolo.org

ADULT SOCIAL LEAGUES
mypsportsandsocial.com

SHOPPING & TOWN CENTERS

• Main Street
  LWRCMainStreet.com
• The Green
  CoreLWR.com/community
• Waterside Place
  WatersidePlace.com
• Neighborhood Shopping
  lakewoodranch.com/life-on-the-ranch/shopping-dining/

FARMERS’ MARKET

• Farmers’ Market at Lakewood Ranch
  ThemarketLWR.com

BUSINESS RESOURCES

COMMERCIAL SPACE
LWRCcommercial.com

LAKEWOOD RANCH BUSINESSES DIRECTORY
LWBRBA.MyLWR.com

MANATEE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
ManateeChamber.com

GREATER SARASOTA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
SarasotaChamber.com

LAKEWOOD RANCH BUSINESS ALLIANCE
lierba.org

EDUCATION

PRE-SCHOOLS
• Allabros Learning Center
• All God’s Children Preschool
• CapeKids
• Dwellings
• Kiddie Academy
• Kids R Kids Preschool
• Lakewood Ranch High Voluntary Pre-K
• Little Geniuses
• Little Ranchers
• Primrose School
• Sprouts Child Development Center
• The Goddard School
• The Learning Experience

PUBLIC SCHOOLS

• B.D. Guillet Elementary School
• Gilbert W. McNeal Elementary School
• Robert E. Willis Elementary School
• Imagine School at Lakewood Ranch
• R. Dan Nolan Middle School
• Dr. Mona Jain Middle School
• Lakewood Ranch High School

For more information, please visit the following county school websites:

• Manatee County Schools
  ManateeSchools.net
• Sarasota County Schools
  SarasotaCountySchools.net

PRIVATE SCHOOLS

• Beyond the Spectrum
  (Nursery/Pre-K through 12)
• Non-Gate Montessori (Grades 7-12)
• The Pineapple Academy (Pre-K through 12)
• Out-of-Door Academy (Upper School)
• Sea of Strengths Academy (Grades 2-8)

HIGHER EDUCATION

• University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee Culinary Innovation Lab
• State College of Florida
• Manatee Technical College
• Everglades University
• Keiser University
• Manerdan Career Institute
• Lake Erie School of Dental Medicine
• Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine
• Lake Erie School of Pharmacy
• Lake Erie School of Health Services Administration

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

LAKEWOOD RANCH MAIN STREET

• Arts A Blaze Studio
  ArtsAblazeStudio.com
• The Fish Hole
  TheFishHole.com
• Lakewood Ranch Cinemas
  FilmSociety.com
• Let’s Create Art
  LetsCreateArt.com

LAKEWOOD RANCH AREA

• Art and Soul Dance Company
  ArtAndSoulDance.com
• ASS Painting Studio
  ASSPaintingStudio.com
• Dynasty Dance Clubs
  DynastyDanceClubs.com
• Jumpin Fun Inflatable Park
  JFIPark.com (Jumpin Fun)

JUST BEYOND LAKEWOOD RANCH

• Art Center Manatee
  ArtCenterManatee.org
• Arts & Cultural Alliance of Sarasota County
  SarasotaArts.org
• Asolo Theater
  AsoloRep.org
• Florida Maritime Museum
  FloridaMaritimeMuseum.org
• AMI Historical Society
  AMIHS.org

PLACES OF WORSHIP
Grow your faith where you put down roots. Lakewood Ranch is home to more than a dozen houses of worship with numerous religious denominations represented. People from different beliefs and backgrounds can practice their faith without going far.

• Bayside Community Church
  MyBaysidechurch.com
• Chad of Braden & Lakewood Ranch
  ChadofBraden.com
• Cornerstone Church of Lakewood Ranch
  CornerstoneLWR.org
• Evangell Baptist Church
  EvangellBaptistChurch.com
• Faith Life Church
  FLCSarasota.org
• Gateway Church
  TheGatewayLWR.com
• Grace Community Church
  GraceSarasota.com
• Harvest United Methodist Church
  WelcomeToHarvest.org
• Lakewood Ranch Baptist Church
  LWLBaptist.com
• Living Lord Lutheran Church
  LivingLordFL.org
• Peace Presbyterian Church
  PeacePCUSA.com
• Risen Savior Lutheran Church
  RSavior.com
• Shoreline Church
  Theshoreline.com
• St. Mary Magdalene Episcopal Church
  StMaryMagdalenes.DivWFIL.org
• Oasis Church
  OasisChurch.org
• Our Lady of the Angels
  OLAngelsCC.org

PARKS & TRAILS
Run, play, hike or wander more than 150 miles of multi-surface trails. We’ve set aside 10,000 acres of lakes, parks and nature preserves to give our residents places to enjoy the unspoiled beauty and tranquility of their community.

• Braden River Nature Trail
• Country Club Community Park
• Country Club East County Park
• Harman’s Nest Nature Park & Trail System
• Greenbrook Adventure Park
• Greenbrook County Park
• Greenbrook Trail System
• Lakewood Ranch County Park
• Summerfield Community Park
• Bob Gardner Community Park
• James L. Patton Community Park
• Roger Hill Community Park
• Waterside Park coming 2021

For more information visit:
LakewoodRanch.com/life-on-the-ranch/parks-trails
Whether in person or online, our team of Community Specialists is here to help you explore the Lakewood Ranch lifestyle and the villages and home options that are right for you. We also have new digital tools online to help you explore on your own.