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Summer is just around the bend: Let Crab Decks & Tiki Bars of the Chesapeake Bay chart your course to adventures on the water

Crab Decks & Tiki Bars of the Chesapeake Bay has become the must-have book about Maryland's waterfront restaurants that serve hot crabs and cool drinks. But Virginia seafood fans also want to explore unique eateries in the Chesapeake's southern waters. As a result, this travel guide is expanding to meet everyone's summertime needs.

[Washington, DC] [April 1, 2012] Thousands of seafood lovers across the mid-Atlantic are using *Crab Decks & Tiki Bars of the Chesapeake Bay* to discover authentic waterfront restaurants, seafood houses, and tiki bars.

"The book's a huge hit with boaters, families, bikers, and folks with a thirst for adventure," say authors Susan and Bill Wade, who self-published the guide after spending 20+ years exploring each neck of the Bay. "We never expected that so many people would take it as a personal challenge to hit all 158 eateries just like we did."

After consuming about 11 gallons of crab soup, 300 oysters, 85 crab cakes, 40 pounds of mussels, 25 rockfish, 200 steamed shrimp, and an undisclosed amount of beer and rum – and then writing a 360-page book – the Wades thought their work was complete. "But readers wouldn't let us catch our breath. They were hungry for more."

In response to popular demand, *Crab Decks & Tiki Bars of the Chesapeake Bay's* web site (<u>www.crabdecksandtikibars.com</u>) now offers:

- **Photo Gallery** of the 158 restaurants in the book so readers can pick the perfect spot for a Bay adventure and get a clear picture of where they're headed
- **Crab Deck Updates** on Chesapeake seafood houses that just opened or restaurants that closed their doors and blew out their tiki torches, and
- **Captain's Blog** that chronicles the Wades' adventures as they continue cruising around the Bay investigating crab decks and tiki lounges in the southern waters.

And that's not all ...

The outcry from Virginia crab and tiki fans didn't fall on deaf ears. Research for a second edition covering the Chesapeake Bay's southern region is underway. The Wades have already completed excursions to Virginia Beach, the Eastern Shore, Colonial Beach, Hampton, Newport News, Yorktown, Occoquan, and Old Town Alexandria.

Crab Decks & Tiki Bars of the Chesapeake Bay Virginia Edition is due out in Summer 2012. Check the Captain's Blog at <u>www.crabdecksandtikibars.com</u> for updates.

About the Authors

Bill Wade is a Maryland native, whose childhood summers were spent on his family's boat exploring remote creeks and inlets of the Bay. He can pick crabs faster than a Phillips processing plant worker and would be perfectly content to live on Chesapeake seafood and Miller High Life.

Susan Elnicki Wade grew up in western Pennsylvania and worked at restaurants in Pittsburgh, New York, and DC. Picking crabs doesn't come easy to her, but she can whip up a mean batch of fried oysters and recently made her first Smith Island cake. The Wades each have 20+ years experience in the Washington, DC, publishing industry. They live in the District with their two sons.

For info on *Crab Decks & Tiki Bars of the Chesapeake Bay*, go to <u>www.crabdecksandtikibars.com</u> or contact Susan Elnicki Wade by phone at (202) 531-7135 or email at <u>susan@crabdecksandtikibars.com</u>.

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