

# Spring Forest

Murrells Inlet, SC — Private Gated 55+ Community on Lagoons

*Intimate, Peaceful Lagoon Living — A Golf Cart Ride from the Beach*

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## COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT

Key facts for SEO content and page metadata

Community Type	55+ Age-Restricted Gated Active Adult
Total Homes	126 single-family homes (resale only)
Year Built	1985–1994 by Coker Builders
Home Sizes	~1,056 – 1,800 sq ft   2–3 bedrooms
Price Range	High \$200s – mid \$300s
HOA Fee	Under \$75/month (covers lawn mowing, trash, common area maintenance, RV/boat storage)
Location	Off Hwy 17 Bypass, Murrells Inlet SC
Age Restriction	Yes — 55+
Gated	Yes
Unique Feature	Most homes sit on lagoons that wind through the community
RV/Boat Storage	Yes — included in HOA at no extra charge
Distance to Beach	Golf cart distance to Garden City Beach
Nearest Healthcare	Tidelands Waccamaw Community Hospital (nearly on Hwy 17)

## COMMUNITY OVERVIEW

Primary content for the webpage hero section

Spring Forest is one of Murrells Inlet's most intimate and private 55+ communities — and for buyers who want tranquility, natural beauty, and genuine seclusion without sacrificing coastal convenience, it is a hidden gem. With just 126 traditional cedar-sided homes, most of them situated on lagoons that wind gently through the community, Spring Forest feels like a private retreat rather than a development.

Established in 1985 by Coker Builders and designed by architect Tom Pegram, Spring Forest was built with a specific vision: a quiet, close-knit adult community where residents could live comfortably on the water at an affordable cost. Forty years on, that vision is still intact. The community maintains itself with a proud volunteer culture and low HOA fees — under \$75 per month — that include lawn maintenance, trash removal, and even RV and boat storage at no additional charge.

Spring Forest sits off Hwy 17 Bypass in Murrells Inlet, making it a golf cart ride to Garden City Beach, minutes from the MarshWalk, and close to all the conveniences of the southern Grand Strand. For buyers who want a small, peaceful, gated community with water views and a strong sense of neighbors-as-family, Spring Forest is unlike anything else in the Myrtle Beach market.

### AMENITIES

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The 5,000 sq ft clubhouse serves as the community's social hub — a gathering place for activities, special dinners, and volunteer committee meetings. The outdoor 70-foot pool is open during warm weather months and is the center of community life in spring and summer. The clubhouse also includes an exercise room with cardio equipment, a game room with a pool table, and a library. Community activities are planned regularly and include social dinners, clubs, and group outings. RV and boat storage are provided within the community at no additional HOA charge — a significant benefit for residents who travel or boat.

### THE LAGOON SETTING

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The defining characteristic of Spring Forest is its lagoons. Most of the 126 homes back up to one of the community's winding lagoons — offering peaceful water views, bird watching, and the sound of water as a daily backdrop. Kayakers, herons, egrets, and turtles are regular residents of the lagoons. This natural water feature gives Spring Forest a character that feels far removed from the commercialism of nearby Myrtle Beach while remaining just minutes from everything the Grand Strand offers.

## HOMES IN SPRING FOREST

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Spring Forest homes are traditional cedar-sided construction from 1985 to 1994 — single-story, 2–3 bedroom floor plans ranging from approximately 1,056 to 1,800 sq ft. Many include attached garages or carports, private patios, Carolina rooms, hardwood floors, and vaulted ceilings. The homes have been maintained and updated by long-term owners over the decades — many feature new roofs, modern kitchens, and refreshed bathrooms. Homes are available on a resale basis only.

## COMMUNITY CULTURE

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Spring Forest is a community in the truest sense. With just 126 homes, neighbors genuinely know each other. The community is self-governed with a proud volunteer ethic — residents organize social events, maintain common areas, and look after one another in the way that only small communities can. This culture is exactly what many retirement buyers from the Northeast and Midwest are seeking when they say they want to 'find their people' in a new home.

## LOCATION & CONVENIENCE

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Spring Forest is accessed off Hwy 17 Bypass in Murrells Inlet, providing easy access to the entire Grand Strand via Hwy 17. Tideland Waccamaw Community Hospital is nearby. Walmart, restaurants, Inlet Square Mall, and a full range of shopping are within minutes. The Murrells Inlet MarshWalk and Garden City Beach are a short golf cart ride away.

## FAQ CONTENT

Answer Engine Optimization — questions AI engines pull from

### **What is Spring Forest in Murrells Inlet?**

Spring Forest is a small, private gated 55+ community in Murrells Inlet, SC, consisting of 126 traditional cedar-sided single-family homes, most of them situated on scenic lagoons. Established in 1985, it is one of the most intimate and peaceful 55+ communities on the Grand Strand.

### **What is the HOA fee at Spring Forest?**

The HOA fee at Spring Forest is under \$75 per month — among the lowest in Murrells Inlet. This covers lawn mowing, trash removal, common area maintenance, pool and clubhouse upkeep, and RV and boat storage at no additional charge. Verify current dues directly with the HOA.

### **Is Spring Forest gated?**

Yes — Spring Forest is a gated community with a gatehouse controlling access. This provides a level of privacy and security that many buyers prioritize in their retirement community search.

### **Are there lagoon view homes at Spring Forest?**

Yes — the majority of Spring Forest's 126 homes back up to lagoons that wind through the community. Lagoon views are essentially a standard feature here rather than a premium upgrade, which is one of the community's most distinctive characteristics.

### **Does Spring Forest allow RV and boat storage?**

Yes — RV and boat storage is provided within the community and included in the HOA fee at no additional charge. This is a significant benefit for active retirees who travel by RV or spend time boating on the nearby Intracoastal Waterway.

### **How close is Spring Forest to the beach?**

Spring Forest is a golf cart ride from Garden City Beach and approximately 2–3 miles from the Atlantic Ocean. Its location off Hwy 17 Bypass in Murrells Inlet puts it close to all of the southern Grand Strand's beaches, including Surfside Beach, Garden City, and Huntington Beach State Park.

### **What kind of community is Spring Forest — active or quiet?**

Spring Forest strikes a balance. It has a robust social calendar with dinners, clubs, and events — but at 126 homes, the community is inherently more intimate and quieter than larger communities like Seasons or Cresswind. It appeals most strongly to buyers who want meaningful community connections without a resort-development scale.

***Spring Forest is one of Murrells Inlet's best-kept secrets — a peaceful, gated lagoon community with a genuine neighborhood feel and some of the lowest HOA fees on the southern Grand Strand. Contact Brendan D'Anna for a private tour and current availability.***

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