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The Richland Distilling Company Announces New Brunswick Rum Distillery and Experience Center

- New, expanded Richland Rum facility planned north of Brunswick near I-95's Exit 42
- *High visibility location between Margaritaville RV Resort and Buc-ee's Travel Center*
- Strategic move designed to boost direct-to-consumer sales

BRUNSWICK, Ga. — November 9, 2026 — Richland Rum plans to relocate its downtown Brunswick distillery to a new facility on Highway 99 at Interstate 95's Exit 42, between the Margaritaville RV Resort and the Buc-ee's Travel Center. The move will keep the distillery in Glynn County while positioning the company for greater visibility and access to visitors traveling along I-95.

The Richland Distilling Company, makers of Richland Rum — recognized as "America's Best Rum" by Forbes Magazine and Robb Report — will work with a developer to construct a new Rum Distillery & Experience Center, designed to provide visitors with direct insights into authentic, artisan rum craftsmanship.

The planned location will introduce the Richland Rum brand to a broader audience while maintaining its connection to the Golden Isles.

"This move represents an important step in our strategy to reach more consumers directly" said Erik Vonk, Richland Rum's proprietor. He continued: "with the invaluable help and support of the GIDA, we will be able to move our existing Rum Distillery, while expanding its Client Experience Facilities where our Patrons can learn first-hand how America's Best Rum is crafted in Georgia's Golden Isles area, enjoy Guided Tours and Tastings and roam our Retail Store".

The relocation represents continued investment by an existing Glynn County business and adds another destination to the growing Exit 42 corridor.

"Keeping Richland Rum in Glynn County and supporting its next stage of growth is important to us," said Ryan Moore of the Golden Isles Development Authority. "This planned investment gives an existing local business an opportunity to reach new customers while adding to the destinations that draw visitors to our community."

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About the Golden Isles Development Authority

The Development Authority is the organization that is tasked with the creation of jobs and investment in Glynn County through the retention, expansion, and attraction of business and industry. Its mission is to ensure that Brunswick and Glynn County have a strong business climate that encourages the growth of existing industries and is an attractive location for prospective businesses.

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