PRIVATE ISLANDS INC.

CAPE FEAR ISLAND

CAPE FEAR RIVER, NORTH CAROLINA



84 ACRES · FREEHOLD

16 ACRES OF UPLANDS

34.190°N 77.963°W

ELEVATION — SUMMIT 28 FT



©2026 Five MLS

THE ESTATE

At a Glance

LOCATION	Cape Fear River, near Leland, North Carolina
TITLE	Freehold
LAND AREA	84 acres
UPLANDS	±16 acres
SUMMIT	28 ft
STATUS	Undeveloped — no structures, no services

OF BUILDABLE UPLANDS

Within the 84 acres, some 16 acres stand as uplands — the ground for a luxury residence, a sporting retreat or a custom estate home. A sandy clearing in the uplands could serve as a private helicopter landing pad.

ISLAND VITALS

PRICE
NOT PRINTED

ACREAGE
84 acres

TITLE
Freehold

SUMMIT
28 ft

UPLANDS
±16 acres

WATERS
Cape Fear River

www.privateislandsonline.com/united-states/cape-fear-island-north-carolina

REGION — NORTH CAROLINA

North Carolina island land is held in freehold (fee simple) and trades on a registered deed, open to buyers from anywhere. Along the lower Cape Fear, whole river islands almost never reach the open market — most are held for generations, or sit in conservation hands.





THE SETTING

One of the Last of Its Kind

One of the last undeveloped islands in North Carolina, Cape Fear Island fills a bend of its namesake river across from The Bluffs at Cape Fear. Towering mature trees close the island off from the world; the views that do open out run across wetlands, wildlife and wide river water.

THE LAND

A Blank Canvas, Ready to Shape

The island is offered exactly as it stands — no structures, no services, nothing to undo. Its uplands wait ready for a luxury residence, a hunting lodge or a custom estate home, while the wetlands around them carry the conservation and sporting value of the place.

THE FOREST

Towering Timber, Quiet Water

Mature forest covers the island end to end, and unspoiled wetlands fringe its shores. The position on the Cape Fear River puts boating, fishing and cruising water on every side, with panoramic views over the wetlands and abundant wildlife in the woods and along the banks.

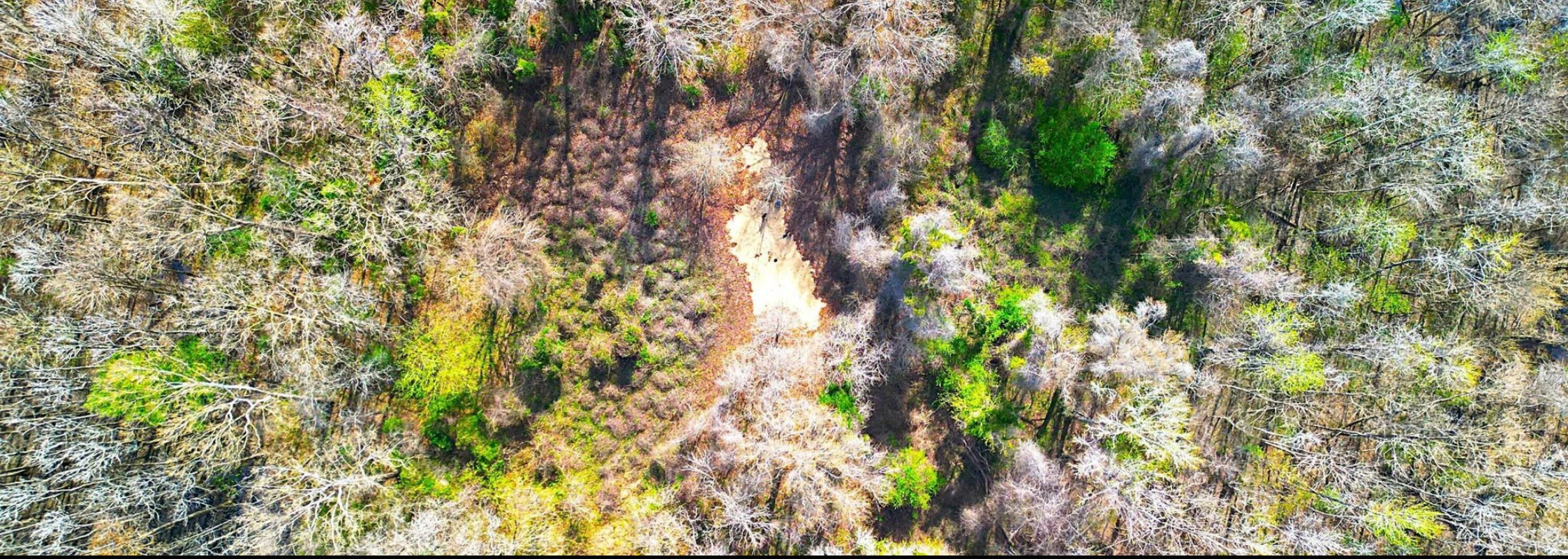
THE NEIGHBOUR

Game Lands Keep the Quiet

The island borders the Roan Island North Carolina Gamelands, so the wilderness at its edge is protected ground rather than future development. It is not in a COBRA zone; it does lie within a floodway, and building plans require county approval — the honest terms of a true river island.







LAND AND WATER

The River Sets the Terms

Everything here answers to the river — the tides moving through the channels, the fish holding in the deep water, the boats working past toward Wilmington. Forest and wetland, bank and channel: the island is the lower Cape Fear as it has always been, wild and entirely its own.

KNOWN FOR

One of the last undeveloped private islands in North Carolina — 84 acres of mature forest and wetland in a Cape Fear River bend, 16 acres of uplands ready to build on, and protected game lands next door.

DAYTIME HIGH ±88°F · NIGHT LOW ±36°F



BY WATER

Twenty-Six Minutes from Wilmington

Access is by boat only — about 26 minutes on the water from the Dram Tree Park launch in Wilmington. The Bluffs at Cape Fear marina lies directly across the river from the island, and a sandy clearing in the uplands offers potential for a private helicopter landing pad.

THE GATEWAY

Wilmington Stands Behind It

Historic Wilmington, the Cape Fear coast's city, stands minutes away upriver — marinas, supplies, dining and a hospital, with Wilmington International Airport serving commercial and private flights. Leland, the nearest town, lies across the river in Brunswick County.

DISTANCES — STRAIGHT LINE

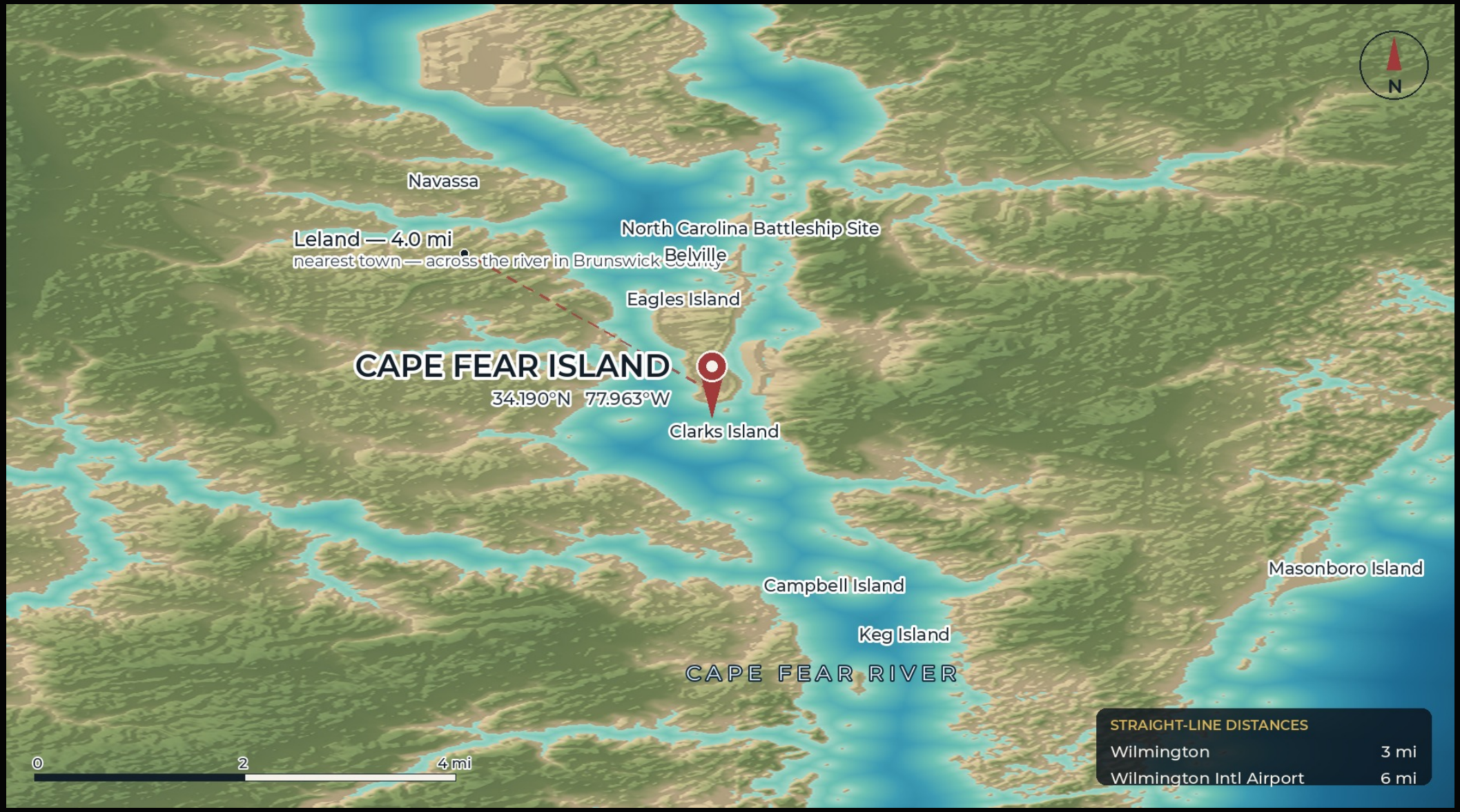
Leland 4.0 mi · Wilmington 3 mi · Wilmington Intl Airport 6 mi

84 ACRES • FREEHOLD • 16 ACRES OF UPLANDS • BOAT ACCESS ONLY

LOCATION

On the Map

CAPE FEAR RIVER • BRUNSWICK COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA



GALLERY

The Estate in Frames



The landing, seen through the shoreline woods



A still pool in the island's wetlands



Inside the mature forest



Across the channel toward The Bluffs



PRIVATE ISLANDS INC.

THE WORLD'S AUTHORITY ON PRIVATE ISLAND SALES & RENTALS

CAPE FEAR ISLAND

CAPE FEAR RIVER, NORTH CAROLINA

CURRENT PRICE & AVAILABILITY

This brochure carries no printed price, so it can never be out of date. Scan the code or open the live listing for today's price and availability.

www.privateislandsonline.com/united-states/cape-fear-island-north-carolina

info@privateislandsinc.com

www.privateislandsonline.com