## **Gulf Islands National Seashore**

## Federal Fire Power at Fort Pickens

On November 22-23, 1861, Union forces at Fort Pickens, Florida unleashed one of the heaviest artillery bombardments of the Civil War on Confederate positions across Pensacola Bay. Over 5000 cannonballs wrecked Fort McRee and the Pensacola Navy Yard, leading Confederates to abandon Pensacola in May 1862.

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