

Florida Keys & the Everglades

APRIL 9-16, 2026 • NOVEMBER 5-12, 2026
DECEMBER 5-12, 2026 NEW DATE

Featuring Extensive Wildlife Viewing Opportunities in the Everglades and an Optional Tour to Remote Dry Tortugas National Park

Experience the incredible ecosystems, wildlife, and history that make up Florida's National Parks with up close tours and expert local guides. Plus, enjoy fun in the sun with time to explore the bustling vacation hotspots of Key West and Ft. Lauderdale.

DAY 1: WELCOME TO SOUTHERN FLORIDA!

Arrive in Ft. Lauderdale for a welcome dinner and check in for a 2-night stay at the Riverside Hotel located on the iconic Las Olas Blvd. **D**

DAY 2: FT. LAUDERDALE

See the "Venice of America" with a guided city tour of Ft. Lauderdale. Enjoy an afternoon sightseeing cruise aboard the *Carrie B.* and dinner at a local favorite. **B, D**

DAY 3: SHARK VALLEY

Get up close with America's largest subtropical wilderness in Everglades National Park. Enjoy a relaxing tram ride through Shark Valley while spotting the American Alligator and numerous other species native to this expansive wetland. Make a visit to the Biscayne National Park visitor center for a ranger program before continuing to Homestead for a 2-night stay. **B, L**

DAY 4: FLAMINGO

Travel through the Everglades to the Flamingo area for a comfortable boat ride through the backcountry. Look for manatees, crocodiles, and exotic birds that all make their home along the saltwater coast. Visit the Aninga Boardwalk for more closeups before returning to Homestead. **B, L**



Dry Tortugas National Park



DAY 5: KEY WEST

Enjoy the scenic drive along US-1 through the Florida Keys to its last stop—Key West. Tour the vacation mecca aboard a narrated trolley and enjoy free time to visit the museums and attractions that pique your interest. A local seafood dinner awaits along the harbor at Conch Republic Seafood before checking in for a 2-night stay. **B, D**

DAY 6: KEY WEST FREE DAY

Select your choice of island adventures. Take the Yankee Freedom ferry to Dry Tortugas National Park aboard an all-day tour to see historic Fort Jefferson with expert guides plus free time to enjoy the island. Or spend the day exploring Key West on your own. Optional attractions include the Hemingway Home & Museum, Shipwreck Museum, Little Truman Whitehouse, and much more! **B**

+ **Option—Dry Tortugas Day Trip** This all-day tour includes a 2-hour ferry ride aboard the Yankee Freedom, a guided tour of Fort Jefferson, and free time to explore the island. Lunch included. *Price: \$250 per person*



Everglades National Park

DAY 7: MARATHON

After a relaxing morning in Key West, return along scenic US-1 to mainland Florida. Stop in Marathon Key at the Dolphin Research Center to learn about one of the ocean's most amazing animals and how they are being protected. Enjoy a farewell dinner and overnight stay in Ft. Lauderdale. **B, D**



DAY 8: RETURN HOME **B ***

TOUR DETAILS

8 Days • 13 Meals

Apr 9-16, 2026

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Price Per Person:

DB \$3,299, TP/QD \$2,999, SG \$4,299

Depart/Return:



St. Louis
Kansas City
Springfield

HIGHLIGHTS

- 2 nights in Key West
- Optional tour to Dry Tortugas or free time in Key West
- City tours of Ft Lauderdale and Key West
- Backcountry boat ride in Everglades National Park
- Ranger program in Biscayne National Park

ACCOMMODATIONS

Nights 1-2: Riverside Hotel, Ft. Lauderdale

Nights 3-4: Fairfield Inn, Homestead

Nights 5-6: Hampton Inn, Key West

Night 7: Springhill Suites, Ft. Lauderdale Dania Beach

// A wide variety of activities—something for everyone! //

—Mona S.
2024 TRAVELER

