

Beautiful Beaches

HIGHLIGHTS

Miami • Fort Lauderdale • Palm Beach • Marco Island

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Miami

Fly from the UK on one of our daily Virgin Atlantic direct services to Miami. Trendy nightlife, art galleries, and beautiful beaches make up the 'Magic City'. A hop-on hop-off bus tour can be a great way to get a feel for the different areas when you first arrive.

Hotel Ocean and Hotel Victor are great options to stay in the heart of Ocean Drive, amongst all the excitement. You'll also be positioned next door to the Versace Mansion, where you can enjoy a 3-course lunch deal for just \$34 (and get some memorable snaps for Instagram too!). We also love Eden Roc Miami, which offers a great range of restaurants and bars, with regular live music and DJ sets! Rollerskate down Ocean Drive, enjoy the Cuban cuisine, and party the night away in South Beach – there's so much fun to be had in Miami.

You don't have to stick to the famous South Beach though. You've got Little Havana – the famed Cuban neighbourhood, and the historic Espanola Way. Wynwood Walls street art museum is a must-see, and there's some great shopping to be had too. Head to Dolphin Mall before you leave some bargains in the outlets.

Fort Lauderdale

Head north and in less than 45 minutes you'll find yourself in Fort Lauderdale. With intricate canals and waterways and over 4,000 restaurants, it's been dubbed the 'Venice of America' and rightly so. Whether you've got a passion for sports, nature, shopping and dining out (or all of the above), holidays to Fort Lauderdale have it all.

There's plenty of nature and wildlife to see here, from Butterfly Land to Flamingo Gardens, and of course the famous swampy Everglades to see if you can spot a 'gator' (from a safe distance, obviously). At night, stroll down Las Olas Boulevard, window shopping to your heart's content, then tackle a plate of the best seafood you'll find for miles around.

When you're not out exploring, make sure you take time to relax at one of our beachfront hotels. Pelican Grand Beach Resort is a top recommendation for families, with a lazy river and daily events calendar to keep everyone entertained. Or why not splash out on the Ritz Carlton for 5 star luxury.

Palm Beach

Continuing your journey up north, with just over an hour's drive you'll reach Florida's best kept secret. This is an ideal spot to escape from the worries of the world and see a different side of the Sunshine State. You've got plenty of sandy

shores to relax on, with West Palm Beach on the mainland, and the rest of the beaches separated by Lake Worth Lagoon.

Aside from sunbathing, there's plenty to do whilst you're here. Worth Avenue is Palm Beach's famous shopping district, with four blocks of retail therapy surrounded by gorgeous architecture and local eateries. We'd also recommend a West Palm Beach food tour. Eat and drink your way around the area whilst local guides share their extensive knowledge. Yum!

Marco Island

You may fancy staying on the East Coast and heading back to Miami or up to Orlando to round off your trip. But if you want to continue exploring beautiful beaches, a drive across the state to Naples is highly recommended. With great weather all year round. 30 miles of pristine beaches, over 90 golf courses, and excursions galore means you can do as much or as little as you like.

Stay at the JW Marriott Marco Island and enjoy two private 18-hole championship golf courses, three swimming pools; including a children's pool with waterside, 10 restaurants, an array of recreational activities including beach volleyball, dive-in movies and dolphin watching tours. You won't need to leave the resort! But if you do, be sure to visit Tigertail Beach.

Depart Florida

You've got the option of heading up the coast to Tampa or back across to Miami, taking one of the direct flights back to the UK from either airport. Alternatively, why not fly onwards to another US city such as New York?

This itinerary is an example of one of our most popular USA road trips. Dates, durations, hotels and activities are flexible and our experienced travel agents can build an itinerary perfectly suited to you.

Drive Times:

- Miami to Fort Lauderdale = 40 minutes
- Fort Lauderdale to Palm Beach = 1 hour
- Palm Beach to Marco Island = 2 hours 45 minutes
- Marco Island to Miami = 2 hours 10 minutes / Marco Island to Tampa = 2 hours 45 minutes