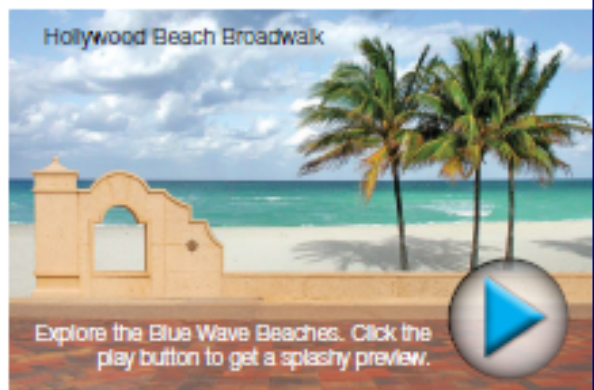
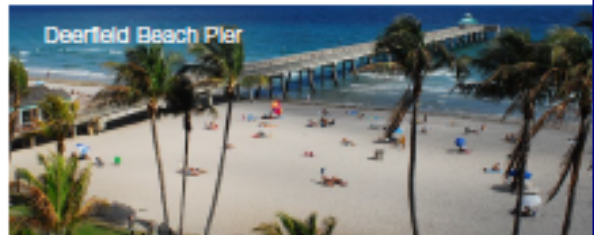


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Leave the to-do list. Bring the sunglasses. With 23 miles of Blue Wave beaches, today's mission is to choose a spot that best matches your mood. Volleyball challenge? Quiet contemplation? Broadwalk bicycling or pier-side rod and reel? And you've barely splashed the surface.



Dania Beach This pretty beach is a quiet gem with a fantastic fishing pier. Dine right on the pier with panoramic views. Also a favorite for kayaking, swimming and picnicking.

Deerfield Beach Craving quality time with the kids? This cove-like beach is a family favorite. Sandcastle building, volleyball, open-air eateries and fishing off the Deerfield Beach Pier.

Fort Lauderdale Chic and charming: Fort Lauderdale Beach is a cosmopolitan spot with a palm-tree-lined beachfront promenade, luxe hotels, superior small lodgings, seaside dining and robust arts and entertainment.

Hallandale Beach Get your game on with sports from golf and thoroughbred racing to boating and saltwater fishing. Oh and beautiful beaches too.

Hillsboro Beach Home to the brightest lighthouse on the East Coast, this low-key seascape provides tranquil views and quiet contemplation.

Hollywood Eclectic, retro-cool and laid-back. Stroll the 2½ mile Broadwalk (voted one of the top boardwalks in the U.S.). *Marley and Me* and *Rock of Ages* were both recently filmed here. Fun outdoor cafés.

Lauderdale-By-The-Sea You'll love the old Florida "beach village" vibe of this ½ mile hamlet. You can actually swim to a living reef, just 100 yards off-shore, to snorkel or dive.

Pompano Beach Boasting a pier for chilling and fishing, this family-friendly beach town, named after a fish, offers boat charters and dive shops and an annual seafood festival.

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Why let the fish have all the fun? More than 75 wrecks and reefs are calling. Eye candy everywhere: fiery coral, glowing sea life, indigo-blue waters. Snorkeling near the surface is terrific too. Hang with hundreds of sea critters in all shapes, colors and sizes.

The Ancient Mariner (Deerfield Beach)

Greet the Goliath Grouper guarding this wreck. You'll usually find him in the wheelhouse. This 1930's vintage Coast Guard Cutter now teems with sea life. Its last duty was as a floating restaurant.

Anglin's Pier Reef (Lauderdale By The Sea)

Pastel colored coral and rock formations attract tropical and sport fish with radiant colors that hide in the endless hotels, ledges and mini mountains of this shallow reef just a short walk off the beach. At a depth of only 15 feet, a tank can last more than an hour and a half.

Barracuda Reef (Dania Beach)

An excellent spot for fish watching, this reef has a high-profile ledge rising 10-15 feet from bottom. You'll find a healthy concentration of staghorn, star and brain corals. A line of mooring buoys mark the reef.

The Rodeo 25 (Pompano Beach)

Join the grouper, amberjack and barracuda who cruise past this wreck regularly, waiting for their next meal. The Dutch Rodeo 25 is 215'; a colorful wreck covered with soft corals and sponges.

USS Copenhagen (Pompano Beach)

Located less than 1/4 mile off Pompano Beach, this 325' long steamer has a colorful history as both an English transportation ship and U.S. naval bombing practice site.

Wreck of the Jay Scutti (Fort Lauderdale)

This 97' tugboat rests at the center of an artificial reef site that is now a collection of wrecks. The site is well overgrown with invertebrates, sponges, hydroids and tunicates.

Tenneco Towers (Fort Lauderdale)

The largest artificial reef in Southeast Florida created in 1985 when Tenneco Oil sank oil production platforms. The smallest platform rests at 97 feet of water and rises to 65 feet and the two deep water sections lie in 190 feet and rise to 80 feet. Soft coral covers the entire wreck. Local inhabitants include queen angels, Spanish hogfish, and the occasional turtle.



Dive in and get a preview of Greater Fort Lauderdale's colorful wrecks and reefs.



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Unplug. Power down. It's Mother Nature's turn to speak. No bells...but maybe a whistle or two from the world's largest hummingbird aviary. Tour the exotic Everglades, along a gentle river made of grass. Gaze at endangered wildlife and unique undersea treasures.



Butterfly World



Billie Swamp Safari



Get the scoop on sea turtles from a park naturalist at the Anne Kolb Nature Center.

Anne Kolb Nature Center See endangered species at this 1,500 mangrove ecosystem. Explore by kayak, boat or boardwalk trails. Climb or ride the elevator to the top of the Observation Tower for views that steal your breath away. *West Lake Park, Hollywood.*

Billie Swamp Safari So much to do on 2,200 acres of exotic Everglades: wildlife to greet, Swamp Buggy tours to take, Seminole lore to discover. Camp overnight in a genuine Seminole Chickee Hut (a great conversation-starter). *Big Cypress Seminole Indian Reservation.*

Butterfly World Thousands of butterflies gathered together just to enchant you. Admire lush rainforest waterfalls; hummingbirds. Hand-feed Australian Lorikeets. *Coconut Creek.*

Flamingo Gardens 60 acres house more than 70 native birds and thousands of rare, exotic plants. Visit the Bird of Prey Center with free-flight aviary; view alligators, bobcats, Florida panthers...and surprise...flamingos. *Davie.*

Snake Warrior's Island 53.3-acre nature preserve. Atlantic coastal ridge, archaeological islands, lake, and wetlands. Part of the Great Florida Birding Trail. *Miramar.*

Hugh Taylor Birch State Park A freshwater lagoon, nature trails and beach access make this a fun oasis between the ocean and the Intracoastal Waterway. *Fort Lauderdale.*

John U. Lloyd Beach State Park A scenic spot for kayaking, bird watching, shore diving, fishing and boating. *Dania Beach.*

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In the tropics, passions are bolder, rhythms beat stronger. Immerse yourself in a buffet of art, music, history and theater. Cool jazz with your morning breakfast jam? Sizzling Broadway show tonight? Many wonders await.

Broward Center for the Performing Arts



eventacular

What do the locals do with all those sunny days and moonlit tropical nights? They invent more reasons to stay outside and play. Whenever you visit, you're sure to find a special event...or two...or 10 going on. So grab your flip-flops and join us. Mix it up a little with the natives.



Winterfest Boat Parade