

TOUR & ACTIVITY IDEAS

ON THE WATER

Fishing Charters - All charters are fully insured and operated by a USCG licensed captain. Each vessel comes fully equipped with custom rods, tackle, bait and fishing license. Fishing parties can have their catch cleaned and bagged at the trips conclusion.

Deep Sea Fishing (6 pax per boat) - The subtropical beauty and bounty of the Gulf of Mexico provides excellent year-round action for anglers whether it is bottom fishing for grouper and snapper, to a major test of strength with cobia, amberjack, shark and jewfish, or trolling for the hard striking king mackerel and barracuda. Deep-sea fishing promises an enjoyable day for the seasoned fisherman and novice alike. Add the element of a tournament and you've got a great teambuilding experience as well.

Backwater Fishing (2-4 pax per boat)- For those that want to fish in the calm comfort of near coastal and back country waters, we offer a wide selection of boats. Guest can fish the mangrove estuaries for snook or travel along the coast for giant tarpon.

Party Boat Fishing – Perfect for larger groups of 25-40, the party boat fishing excursion allows larger groups to fish together in a more casual and relaxed atmosphere.

Sailing Excursion/Regatta - Your guests will have the opportunity to relax in the sun and enjoy the sights of the serene Intercoastal Waterways and the beautiful Gulf of Mexico. On board a 30' or larger sailboat, your guests will view the lush mangroves along the banks, watch pelicans and herons hunting for a snack, or perhaps catch a glimpse of dolphins gliding through the water. This excursion can also be a sailboat regatta and used as a teambuilding activity for your entire group.

Catamaran Sailing (maximum 28 pax)- The only way to truly experience southwest Florida is on the emerald waters of the Gulf of Mexico, and a 34' custom catamaran is the perfect vessel to take your guests on this fun-in-the-sun excursion. Mangroves, birds, and perhaps manatees or dolphins can be seen along the way. This remarkable trip on such a fantastic boat is certainly something you don't want your guests to miss.

Wave Runner Guided Tour - Guests will enjoy a one and a half hour guided tour and will have the opportunity to view the many varieties of plant and animal life found in the serene environment of the Bay and Gulf waters. Each wave runner can be operated individually or can accommodate a driver and passenger.

Canoeing/Kayaking Adventure - Designed for nature loving paddlers of all levels, guests will embark on a paddling adventure in two person kayaks or canoes. Birds are active during all seasons and there is the additional excitement of encountering wild dolphin and the endangered manatee at very close quarters. All tours have at least one qualified Naturalist Guide who will ensure enjoyment and education of the mangroves, bays and islands visited.

Sunset Cruises – Slip away from your dull, predictable evening. Float on sun-kissed waters and visit natural islands with white sandy shores. Or, drift by mangrove rookery islands that are home to hundreds of nesting birds nestled among luxurious Florida coastal neighborhoods. Relax on board while wind caresses your mind and occasional untamed mist tickles your face. Many food and beverage options are available and may be coordinating through the resort catering department.

ON THE LAND

Nature Programs – Each nature program can be tailored to meet the specific needs and interests of a group. Environmental education outreach or training programs about Florida wildlife species and topics such as the following are available...

- *Sharing Beaches with Nesting Birds and Sea Turtles*
- *Florida Ecology*
- *"Dabbling Ducks to Wetland Mucks"*
- *"Sensing Wildlife"*
- *"Florida Wildlife"*
- *"Pre-historic Florida"*

Eco-Tours – Like the nature programs, our eco-tours can be customized to your specific group or we can offer several tours simultaneously so your guests can choose their specific area of interest. Just a few of the options include...

- *Beach Discoveries*
- *Swamp Tromps*
- *Adventure Hikes*
- *Wildlife Walks*

Bicycle Tour – Enjoy a morning or afternoon of our great South Florida on a bicycle tour of beautiful and award winning Fort Desoto Beach. Small or large groups will enjoy a slow ride on the trails of this tropical oasis. Stops along the way include the historic battery for which the part is named and a shady picnic shelter for lunch or a light snack. All tours have at least one Guide to ensure everyone's safety and enjoyment.

Busch Gardens, Tampa Bay -

Busch Gardens has been making memories for guests of all ages since 1959, when the park debuted as a bird gardens and hospitality center open free of charge to guests who toured Tampa's Anheuser-Busch Brewery. Half a century later, Busch Gardens is the bay area's No. 1 tourist destination, where wildlife and wild rides come together in an unparalleled combination of Broadway-style shows, a world-class zoo with more than 2,500 exotic and endangered animals and more record-breaking roller coasters than any destination in Florida.

CULTURE & ARTS

The Florida Aquarium - All of your guests will love this underwater treat as they discover all that the sea has to offer. They will be thrilled when they arrive at the panoramic window room where they can enjoy their dinner, swimming with the fishes!

The Dali Museum - Guests will enjoy the spectacular surrealism of the powerful genius - Salvador Dali. This venue offers a banquet facility that will come alive with color changing tables, mimes, and serine music.

The Museum of the Fine Arts will entrance your guests as they stroll through the galleries filled with artists such as Monet, Renoir, Cezanne, and Gauguin. This is a lovely spot for an evening in the court yard, accompanied by a harpist, rich linens, and lush foliage.

The Ringling Museum has beautifully landscaped grounds where circus creator John Ringling and his wife Mable lived in the 1920's. The museum includes their 30 room residence, an art museum of European and American collections, and the Museum of the Circus. Built on the waters of Sarasota Bay, this is a must see.

Sunken Gardens is a newly renovated 100 year-old botanical garden. Indulge in waterfalls, flowing ponds, lush tropical displays, exotic birds, and inquisitive flamingos.

St. Petersburg Gallery Walk with Afternoon Tea- Your guests will stroll down Central Ave and enjoy the popular galleries that are making a hit! The Arts Center, Confident Gallery, Davidson Fine Art, and Florida Craftsman Gallery are just a few galleries to enjoy. The day will be tip top when we enjoy High Tea at the Corner of England Tea Room!!

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