



Manatees, Mermaids & Marine Life

Crystal River and St. Augustine

Crystal River, Florida, and Beyond, “Manatee Capital of the World”

February 15-23, 2025

\$2399 Double-----\$3109 Single -----\$2179 Triple-----\$2099 Quad

\$150 Per Person Deposit, Final Payment 12/15/24

Departures from Fort Wayne and Decatur

Are you ready to get away from the cold Midwest weather? Join us in sunny Florida at the Plantation on Crystal River-----Manatee Capital of the World. Manatees are naturally curious and they are as affectionate and playful as a golden retriever. From MID-NOVEMBER through FIRST WEEK OF MARCH, water warmed by Crystal River’s natural geothermal springs (constant temp of 72-74 degrees) attracts the largest concentration of manatees in the world. During peak season mid-December through Feb. there as many as 900+ manatees wanting to nuzzle, tickle and show off JUST FOR YOU. Nature lovers will really enjoy this tour. We will also visit the first settlement in America, St. Augustine.

Attractions

Plantation Resort History Presentation

Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park & Manatee Viewing

Three Sisters Springs, Winter Home of the Manatees

Shopping Time, Lunch On Own in Heritage Village

Afternoon Crystal River (with Manatees)

Evening Sunset Cruise to Dinner at Crackers and Then Cruise Back to the Resort

Whispering Oaks Winery Tour and BBQ Lunch

Ferris Groves for Shopping and Tasting

Weeki Wachee Springs State Park & Mermaid Show

Shopping time in Tarpon Springs

Dolphin Cruise in Tarpon Springs

St. Augustine Trolley Passes

Eight Nights Lodging, Eight Breakfasts, Two Lunches, Seven Dinners

Transportation

Driver & Guide Gratuities Not Included



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“Making Memories One Trip At A Time”

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Day 1...All aboard!!! Overnight lodging in Tennessee. Dinner included this evening. D

Day 2...Florida here we come! Travel to the Crystal River Plantation surrounded by the natural springs of Kings Bay. This bay is one of the largest aquifers in the state, and home to hundreds of West Indian manatees that migrate each year to the warmth of the springs. Dinner included followed by a brief introduction to the property by the staff. Perhaps you will choose to take a stroll around the enchanting waterfront before turning in! B, D

Day 3...After breakfast, depart with guide to the “Cracker Towns”. First stop will be at Homosassa Springs Wildlife State Park. Among the many wonderful things to see is an excellent “Manatee Program” – you will love your time here! At the Wildlife Encounter programs, snakes and other native animals are featured. The park features a Discovery Center, providing hands-on experiences about Florida's environment. Next stop, Three Sisters Springs Visitor's Center and Refuge in Crystal Springs. Three Sisters Springs offers docents that will narrate as you walk along a horseshoe boardwalk to see the gentle giants in their natural habitat! The vivid turquoise water in the Three Sisters Springs glows and glitters and offers a color impossible to capture on film but it holds the kind of radiant beauty that grips your heart and captures your soul. Three Sisters Springs is a world-renowned sanctuary for the West Indian Manatee. Lunch on your own at Heritage Village. Back to Crystal River Plantation and board the boat to sail around the Crystal River National Wildlife Refuge and look for local wildlife as your captain shares the history of the area. Manatees, dolphins, otters, and turtles are often spotted in the area. Dinner is included. B, D

Day 4...Another great day in Florida. Depart for Weeki Wachee Springs State Park. Enjoy this ‘step back in time’ at your own pace, but do not miss the ONE OF THE special shows, “The Little Mermaid,” performed live in the submerged 400-seat auditorium. Since 1947, Weeki Wachee Springs has captured the imaginations of people of all ages with its spectacular beauty and fun things to do. manatees, so have your camera ready! Boxed lunch included. Depart for Tarpon Springs. Enjoy the Dolphin Island Adventure Cruise aboard The Odyssey Sightseeing Boat 2-hour cruise. A leisurely 2-hour cruise down the Anclote River into the Gulf of Mexico. Captain will narrate the entire trip where you will learn about the history of Tarpon Springs and the famous Sponge Docks. Following cruise, dinner on own and shopping time at Sponge Docks. You will enjoy some shopping time following cruise in this fun bohemian little town. Very cute shops and very GREEK!!! B, L

Day 5...FREE DAY.....Guide will present options....Golf, Pickle Ball, Time at the Beach, Shuffle Board, Swim with the Manatees, Horseshoes, Tennis or just relax! \$20 coupon will be presented to guests to use for drinks or appetizers at resort. At 5:30, Be ready for a SUNSET boat cruise from property and enjoy a sunset cruise to dinner and back!!!! B, D

Day 6... Depart for a touch of “Old Florida” at Ferris Groves. This is one of those places that still looks like the Florida most of us remember from our childhoods. In 1931, L.G. “Doc” Ferris began planting citrus trees in the rich, hammock soil of Duval Island, in historic Floral City, Florida. The trees took root in the fertile ground, and for 75 years, the land has produced all varieties of Florida’s finest citrus. Group members can purchase fresh fruit or order fruit, so that it reaches your homes by the time you return. Lunch and entertainment included at Whispering Oaks Winery featuring An Award-Winning Healthier Wine – Creating all wines with the freshest Florida Blueberries. On the way back to resort, we will stop at the World Shell Treasure Chest which offers manatee items, seashells, pottery, carved wood, Tiki and yard décor, souvenirs, and novelties!! Our Florida Farewell Dinner is included this evening. B, L, D

Day 7...Pack your bags! After breakfast depart for St. Augustine. Free Day – Trolley passes will be available for all guests. Guests to explore St. Augustine attractions, shops, restaurants, and beaches. ON/OFF Privileges throughout the day. With nearly 500 years of history, including rule by Spain, Britain, and the U.S., St. Augustine is full of sights and attractions that entertain and educate. For over 30 years, Old Town Trolley has provided tours highlighting the best of the city. The tour is also designed so that you can hop on and off and explore on your own at any time. With frequent pickups at all our stops, this helps you avoid walking long distances. Relive the story of the first settlement in North America as you visit Castillo de San Marcos, the Spanish fort built in the 17th century. Visit the world-famous spring that Ponce de Leon deemed the Fountain of Youth, where you can sample the water an many other sites. Dinner included this evening. B, D

Day 8...Time to leave the Sunshine State. Travel to overnight lodging in Tennessee. B, D

Day 9...Indiana, Here we Come! B

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Insurance: Insurance protection is recommended if you feel you are at risk of cancellation. Pre-existing conditions are covered only if insurance is purchased within 14 days of initial trip deposit. Please contact Sheila Magsamen, 260-432-8488.

Gratuities: Gratuities for the meals listed in the itinerary are included. Gratuities are NOT included for Florida guide and driver.

If additional information is needed, contact Sheila Magsamen, 260-432-8488.

PASSENGER 1

PASSENGER 2

Name _____ Name _____

Name on Name Badge _____ Name on Name Badge _____

Address _____ Address _____

Phone: Home _____ Cell _____ Phone: Home _____ Cell _____

E-Mail _____ E-Mail _____

Roommate _____ Roommate _____

Emergency Contact _____ Emergency Contact _____

Emergency Contact Phone Number(s) _____ Emergency Contact Phone Number(s) _____

Food Allergies or
Special Dietary Needs _____ Food Allergies or
Special Dietary Needs _____

Bed: King 2 Queens

Pick Up Location: Fort Wayne OR Decatur Pick Up Location: Fort Wayne OR Decatur

Signature _____ Date _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Please submit completed form with deposit.

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