

Things to Do in Village of Palmetto Bay, FL

The Village of Palmetto Bay has been dubbed the “city of parks” for it’s amazing abundance of tropical parks in the area, on almost every corner you’ll find a sign for either a dog park, a park for children, or a park for recreation. There is no limit to the amazing abundance of nature while you are visiting Palmetto Bay.

Photos from <http://www.palmettobay-fl.gov/>



The Boundless things to do in the Village

Deering Estate

Close by you’ll find the Deering Estate, a historical park and Estate that have amazing eco tours and canoe trips. See this link for more information <http://www.deeringestate.com/pages/Eco-Adventures.aspx>

At the Deering Estate you can also take classes, drop the kids off for summer camp if you stay the season, or just enjoy a tour of the amazing home itself <http://www.deeringestate.com/pages/TourClassesPrograms.aspx> .

Fairchild Tropical Gardens

Fairchild Tropical Gardens offers an abundance of wild plants and local flowers, the most spectacular park for those who love gardening or just beautiful plants. It’s also relaxing and the park offers various activities such as Tam Tours, Educational Tours, and Guided walk tours. See their site for more information <http://www.deeringestate.com/pages/TourClassesPrograms.aspx>

Miami Metro Zoo

One of the most fun for children and adults alike, one of the world renowned Zoo’s not even 15 minutes from your doorsteps. At Miami’s Metro Zoo there are tons of wildlife to discover, there are also shows, theatrical performances, and guided tours. During Easter they have the amazing Easter Egg Hunt and During the Halloween Holiday kids dress up and visit the park, it’s an amazing experience the whole family will love. Visit the site for more information <http://www.miamimetrozoo.com/index.asp>.

Fruit and Spice Park

Are you looking for some history lessons when you visit, maybe something more cultural. Visit the Fruit and Spice Park and get a guided tour of this historical park. You will be amazed at what you will find. For more information visit <http://miamifruitandspicepark.com/about-us.asp>

Matheson Hammock Park Beach

Matheson Hammock Park is a lovely scenic park with an unusual feature--a man-made atoll pool, which is flushed naturally with the tidal action of nearby Biscayne Bay. Its tranquil breeze-swept beach is a haven for families who enjoy its warm, safe waters and beautiful waterside views. The park also has a full-service marina, snack bar and restaurant built into an historic coral rock building, picnic pavilions and nature trails. Matheson also contains a sailing and power boat school. For more information visit http://www.miamidade.gov/Parks/Parks/matheson_beach.asp or visit here for reviews <http://www.yelp.com/biz/matheson-hammock-park-miami#hrid:s48FSDEV9bapdMqA40wWMA>.

Monkey Jungle

Have you ever found yourself surrounded by wildlife, unable to move around without being watched? Well, that is what you get in Monkey Jungle, you get to walk around and feed the Monkeys grapes right through the screen, you can see them and they are close enough to stare right in the eyes. The cage keeps them from you and you from them, but you can find yourself immersed in their culture, it's quite a place to go. For more information go to <http://www.monkeyjungle.com/about.htm>.

Museum of Science and Planetarium

If you love to look up at the stars and at the same time love nature, learning, and adventure than this is your place. A great location to find kids learning about Science all while enjoying shows, and relaxing. You can also look at their website for special show dates and times <http://www.miamisci.org>.

Vizcaya Museum and Gardens

This is one of the oldest and most prominent museums in Miami, built in 1916 by another Deering Brother, this Estate is impressive. Take a tour, have a wedding, have some pastries and relax by the bay, it's just fantastic. To see more go here <http://www.vizcayamuseum.org/>

Shopping

Do you like to shop, well this area is just thriving with great shopping. Take a look at some of our favorite places to shop.

The Shops at the Falls

The Falls is one of the largest open-air shopping, dining and entertainment complexes in the US, featuring Bloomingdale's, Macy's, more than 95 stores, restaurants, cafés and Regal Cinemas. Stroll our one-level, covered walkways surrounded by a million-gallon waterscape and lush tropical foliage. For more information Visit http://www.simon.com/mall/mall_info.aspx?ID=1232

Dadeland Mall

Anchored by Florida's largest Macy*s, as well as Macy*s Home Gallery & Kids, JCPenney, Saks Fifth Avenue, the country's largest The Limited/Express store and Nordstrom, Dadeland Mall is known throughout the world as one of Miami's premier shopping centers.

Come see our more than 185 specialty stores, including Zara, Abercrombie & Fitch, Ann Taylor, Apple, Banana Republic, The Cheesecake Factory, Coach, The Disney Store, Guess, Marciano, L'Occitane, Sephora, Talbots, Vertigo, and Victoria's Secret. Dadeland Mall offers shoppers an array of sophisticated styles and celebrated classics from an extraordinary collection of department stores, shops and boutiques designed to meet our customers' diverse needs.

For more information go to http://www.simon.com/mall/mall_info.aspx?ID=138

The Shops at Sunset Place

The Shops at Sunset Place also offers a sensational line-up of stores and entertainment, including AMC 24 movie theater with stadium seating, Niketown, Martinibar, Barnes & Noble Superstore, Splitsville, Gameworks, and Z-Gallerie.

In addition, The Shops at Sunset Place is the home to some of South Florida's most exclusive retailers such as Armani Exchange, Mayors Jewelers, Origins, Pottery Barn, Urban Outfitters, Banana Republic, Gap/Gap Kids, American Eagle Outfitters and Hollister.

For more information go to http://www.simon.com/mall/mall_info.aspx?ID=143

Restaurants

Stir Moon Sushi

Stir Moon is the art of wok *fusion* restaurant established on August 22, 2002 by restaurant owner Jack Punma; since then it has grown up in the heart of Miami, now with 4 locations in Coral Gables, Weston, Cutler Bay and Dadeland. Our eclectic mix of Chinese, Thai and Japanese menus are carefully prepared with our selection of a blend of fresh, daily handpicked vegetables and meats, complemented with an array of herbs and exotic spices, providing something special for everyone in Stir Moon casual yet exotic surroundings. Contact <http://www.stirmoon.com/home.html> for more information.

Sushi Maki

Sushi Maki is one of the Best Sushi Restaurants in Miami. It offers a wonderful atmosphere, amazing customer service, and quick turn around time. I also love the tables and décor which is also stunning, really a great place for sushi lovers.

Please visit <http://www.sushimakirestaurants.com> for more information.

P.F. Chang's China Bistro

For anyone who loves Chinese Food with a flare, P.F. Chang's is a great option. It's both luxurious and laid back, but don't expect to get in and get seated right away because this place is always booked. Go onto www.pfchangs.com it's perfect for families too.

Pizza Kitchen

A 5 Star Pizza Delight. One of the Best NY style Pizzas you will find. This place is family owned and operated and it's a no brainer, if you love Pizza this is the place to eat, there is no website, but call them or visit them at 12715 S Dixie Hwy Miami, FL 33156. **(305) 256-9459**

Anacapari Italian Restaurant

If you want to taste some of the most Authentic Italian food in Miami than you cannot go without visiting Anacapari, it's a fabulous restaurant with a wonderful following. The atmosphere is so relaxed and just inspirational, you will feel like you are in Italy. Visit them at 12669 S Dixie Hwy, Miami, FL 33156, **(305) 232-8001**. www.anacaprifood.com

Tani Thai

If you love Thai food than this is a great place to experience Thai all over again. The stall are amazing, the atmosphere refreshing, and the menu goes on and on. It will be an experience to remember, the spices are fabulous but be careful if you have a sensitive stomach. They do not have a website but you can visit them or call at 12269 S Dixie Hwy, Miami, FL 33156 ,(305) 253-3583.

There are tons of local restaurants and coffee shops if you just drive up North or South of your Villa. The area is just great for families and we know you will enjoy the Cuisine the area has to offer.

Night Life

There are great places to go if you're looking to relax, have a drink, or watch a movie.

Cinemas

Falls Shopping Center – 13600 S. Dixie Hwy. Miami, Florida, is a great place to stop in for the Movies. The AMC Movie theater offers a great family experience and there are plenty of places to eat before or after the show.

Sunset Place Movie Theater – 7200 Street (off of US1) or 5701 Sunset Drive, Miami, FL for your navigation system. The movie theater here offers a newer design with larger more comfortable seating arrangements and larger screens and over a dozen movie options.

Bars/Nightclubs

Little Hooligans – For a beer and a game this a great place for a night out with the adults. This is a local bar so feel right at home. Lots of Televisions, pool, and beer. For more information visit <http://littlehoolies.com/> or call 305-252-9155.

Flanigans – A great place to watch a game, have a beer, and eat some dinner with the family. This is an all around great family atmosphere or late night hang out. For more information go to 11415 S Dixie Hwy, Miami, FL 33156, **(305) 378-4000** , www.flanigans.net

Cocowalk - you have to go to cocowalk to find all the amazing shopping, dining, clubs, bars, and comedy. A short drive and you'll feel like you've found perfection. Listed below are several Cocowalk places to visit. 3015 Grand Avenue, Coconut Grove, Florida.

Crazy Pianos and Bar – Visit them at <http://miami.crazypianos.com/index2.html>

Fat Tuesdays – Right in the heart of Cocowalk

Mr. Moe's Restaurant and Bar – Find Information Here <http://www.mrmoes.com/>

Improv Comedy Club - <http://www.miamiimprov.com/v3/>

There are also a host of things to do close by, such as visiting South Beach, just head North on A1A and follow the signs. It's very simple. If you need more information, please feel free to call our concierge.

