



Tour: Discovering Florida
Destination: St. Augustine, Cape Canaveral & Orlando
Itinerary: 7-days / 6-nights in Florida

DISCOVERING FLORIDA SAINT AUGUSTINE, CAPE CANAVERAL & ORLANDO				
Day	Morning		Afternoon	Evening
1	Travel to Jacksonville, Florida and transfer to St. Augustine Beach; hotel check-in; Welcome, Safety & Orientation Briefing		St Augustine Dolphin Cruise & Wildlife Watch	Welcome Dinner
2	St Augustine Historical City Tour with Private Guide		Ponce de Leon's Fountain of Youth Archaeological Park	Beach Turtle Presentation by St Johns County Dinner
3	Travel to Cape Canaveral; hotel check-in	Port Canaveral Exploration Tower	Beach Time - Cocoa Beach Dinner	
4	NASA's Kennedy Space Center			Travel to Orlando; hotel check-in Dinner
5	Universal Studios Theme Park & Island of Adventure Theme Park with Park Hopper & Behind-the-Adventure OR Special FX Master Class			Dinner on Own at CityWalk
6	Universal Studios Theme Park & Island of Adventure Theme Park with Park Hopper & choice of Meteorology, Career Exploration or Leadership Skills Master Class			Dinner
7	Depart Orlando for Home			



As with all sample itineraries, please be advised that this is an 'example' of a schedule and that the activities and hotels shown may be variable dependent upon dates, weather, special requests and other factors. Itineraries will be confirmed prior to travel.



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Day 1

Dinner on arrival, contingent upon arrival time

Travel to Florida arriving in St. Augustine in the afternoon. After check-in, we'll have our Welcome, Safety & Orientation meeting and get settled in.

St. Augustine - Founded in 1565, St. Augustine is the oldest continuously occupied settlement of European and African-American origin in the United States. Forty-two years before the English colonized Jamestown and fifty-five years before the Pilgrims landed at Plymouth Rock, the Spanish established at St. Augustine this nation's first enduring settlement. For fascinating historical details, click [here](#).



Sample Hotel: Guy Harvey Beach Resort - Guy Harvey Resort is located directly on St. Augustine Beach with easy access to the sand and surf via our outdoor pool deck. The 153-room resort features spectacular ocean views, an outdoor pool & tiki bar, beach chair and board rentals and loads of Guy Harvey apparel available in the gift shop. Rooms include a 42" flat screen television, refrigerator, and a spacious work desk. Resort amenities include complimentary WiFi, fitness center, and digital business center. Guest rooms feature two queen beds to sleep four pupils; staff sleep double occupancy. Breakfast is served in the hotel restaurant.



After getting settled in, we'll set off to spend our first Florida afternoon in search of dolphins!

Dolphin & Wildlife Adventure Tour - Enjoy the wetlands, coastal marshes, and wildlife while being guided by marine naturalists. The St. Augustine area is beaming with estuary delights and home to a plethora of wildlife, including birds, dolphins, manatees, turtles, and much more. The dolphins that are seen here year-round call this bay their home. We regularly witness all types of behaviors like playing, hunting, breeding, and caring for their young.



This evening we'll have a Welcome Dinner locally to kick off our tour.



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Day 2

Breakfast & dinner included; lunch on own

Good morning St Augustine! After breakfast, we have a very full day today. Starting with a city tour and ending with a beach master class on sea turtles!

St. Augustine City Tour - St. Augustine is among the oldest cities in the country—and this immersive walking tour offers the perfect opportunity to learn about its rich past. Meet your guide downtown and set off on foot. Stroll down the beautiful streets and you'll discover highlights like the Castillo de San Marcos National Monument, Huguenot Cemetery, Bridge of Lions, and more. You'll hear stories covering more than 300 years of St. Augustine history, see many of St. Augustine's top landmarks, and enjoy a brilliant day learning about the Spanish, the British, the Flagler's and more.



Castillo de San Marcos National Monument - The oldest masonry fort in the continental United States, the Castillo de San Marcos is a large Spanish stone fortress built to protect and defend Spain's claims in the New World. Construction began on the Castillo de San Marcos in 1672 and lasted 23 years, until 1695. The fort came under fire for the first time in 1702. British forces, led by General Moore, burned the city but could not penetrate the Castillo's walls. Subsequent attacks in 1728 and 1740 yielded similar results, and the British were never able to take the city of St. Augustine by force. In 1763 however, Florida became a British colony, thus beginning a 20-year period of English rule. The Castillo was used as a military prison during the Revolutionary War, and at one time it held three signers of the Declaration of Independence within its walls.



At the end of the Revolutionary War, Florida was returned to Spain in 1784 until Florida became a United States Territory in 1821. The U.S. Government used the fort as a prison for Native Americans in the late 1800s. Natives from both Florida and the Great Plains were held at the fort during this time. The fort was officially taken off the active list of fortifications in 1900 and it was preserved and recognized as a National Monument in 1924.

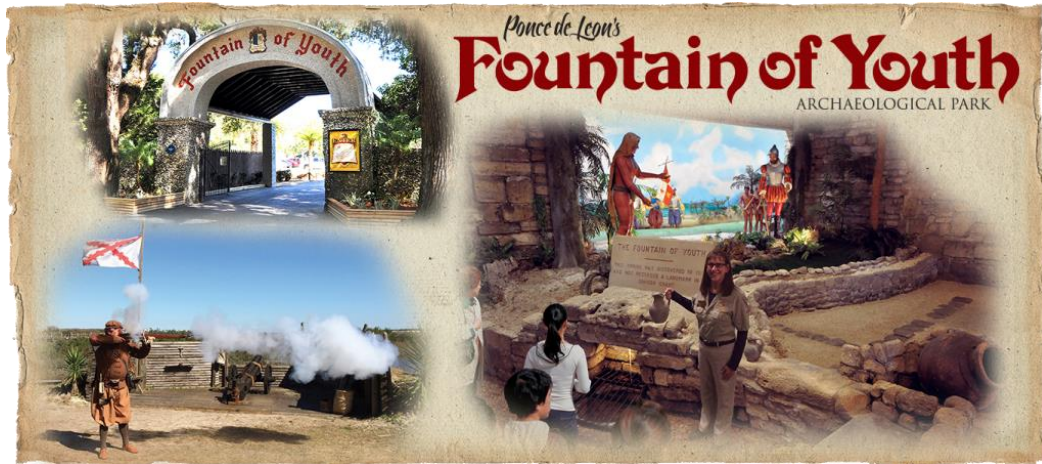
Ponce de Leon's Fountain of Youth Archaeological Park - Visit the park for a fascinating, informative, entertaining tour of Ponce de Leon's Fountain of Youth Archaeological Park, the original site of the Nation's oldest city. Located in the area first explored by Juan Ponce de Leon in 1513 and settled by Pedro Menendez de Aviles in 1565, historic St. Augustine is the oldest successful European settlement in the United States. Colonial America started right here, 55 years before the Pilgrims landed on Plymouth Rock, and 42 years before Jamestown! With a long, rich history spanning nearly 500 years, the Fountain of Youth Park will delight and amaze you. 15 waterfront acres.



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After getting settled in, we'll head to the beach for a special presentation by St. John's County.

The Beach Turtles of St John's County – Get educated on sea turtles with a beach Master Class provided by the county's conservation team. The beaches of St. Johns County are the area's largest natural resource consisting of 41.1 miles of various sandy conditions. From coquina to white soft sand, these beaches host a variety of coastal wildlife including several species of endangered or threatened sea turtles, the native Anastasia Island beach mice, gopher tortoises, and shorebirds. Each spring the beaches are buzzing with activity as wildlife use the beaches and dunes for nesting and foraging that continues throughout the summer months. Sea turtle nesting season is from May 1 - October 31.

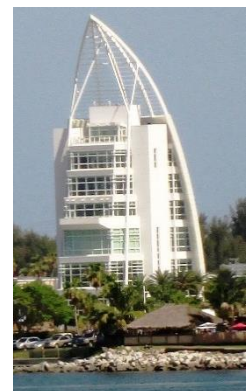
This evening we'll have dinner at our hotel. Afterwards, let's grab our headlamps for a crab safari!

Day 3

Breakfast & dinner included; lunch on own

Hello Florida! After breakfast, we'll load up and travel to Port Canaveral, approximately a 2-hour drive. On arrival, we'll check out the Port Canaveral Exploration Tower and then spend the rest of the day in Florida's brilliant sunshine!

Port Canaveral Exploration Tower - Located along the East Coast of Florida, Exploration Tower is a stunning architectural landmark providing both fun and education. Learn about Port Canaveral's history, enjoy panoramic views of Port Canaveral and Kennedy Space Center, and wave goodbye to cruise ships as they pass by on the way out to sea. With seven floors of exhibits and interactive play, Exploration Tower includes something for everyone. Guests have access to both indoor and outdoor observation decks, nearly 5,550 feet of exhibit space, gift shop, and much more.



After, we'll check into our Cocoa Beach hotel and then have fun time in the resort and on the beach! We'll probably want to get in a stop at **Ron Jon Surf Shop** too! It's their flagship store. Dinner will be served at the hotel this evening.

Sample Hotel: International Palms Resort - Set on 13 oceanfront acres in beautiful Cocoa Beach, the hotel offers student-friendly amenities including a pirate-themed swimming pool, sports courts for tennis, basketball and



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volleyball, plus weekly live entertainment. Add poolside cabanas, villas and suites, three restaurants and two bars, two pools, fitness center, game room and more than 23,000-square-feet of indoor/outdoor event space and you have an inviting, oceanfront oasis that effortlessly blends friendly, retro-chic style with the modern-day amenities our groups love. Room amenities include complimentary wi-fi, coffee makers, refrigerators, microwaves and hairdryers. Rooms have two queen beds to sleep four students per room, staff sleep double occupancy.



Day 4

Breakfast & dinner included; lunch on own

Rise and shine for a spectacular space day! This morning we'll check out of our hotel and head to NASA's Kennedy Space Center.

NASA's Kennedy Space Center - John Glenn, Neil Armstrong, Sally Ride and Jim Lovell are just a few names of the brave men and women that have launched into space from Kennedy Space Center. Now it's your turn to check it out! Your day of exploration includes real space hardware, authentic attractions, inspiring exhibits and hands-on experiences. The incredible accomplishments of the Apollo moon program return to life in the amazing Apollo/Saturn V Center. In back-to-back IMAX® theatres, you'll feel the thrill of space exploration on five-story screens as you "float" right alongside NASA Astronauts. On guided tours into exclusive areas, you'll get a behind-the-scenes look at Kennedy Space Center's working space flight facilities. Strap in and experience interactive space flight simulators at the Astronaut Hall of Fame. Touch a real piece of Mars, see gigantic rockets, board the Space Shuttle Explorer and much more.



Your exploration of Kennedy Space Center starts with one of their world-renowned tours, where you depart the Visitor Complex to see awesome NASA facilities, including the massive launch pads, gigantic Vehicle Assembly Building, and exploring the awe-inspiring Apollo/Saturn V Center. There is much to do at the Visitor Complex



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when you return, from live action theatrical shows like Mad Mission to Mars, to the inspiring Astronaut Encounter briefing with an actual NASA Astronaut - one of the few people on Earth who have been to space. View ten-story high rockets from all eras of space exploration in the Rocket Garden, walk through a full-size Space Shuttle mock-up, see IMAX space films on gigantic five-story screens, and see an actual Gemini program capsule on display in Early Space Exploration.

After our full day at Kennedy Space Center, we'll travel to Orlando, check into our new hotel and have dinner locally.

Sample Hotel: Springhill Suites, International Drive - Innovatively designed and ideally located for our groups, this hotel is a great place to relax, refuel and enjoy everything the area has to offer. Located minutes from great dining and attractions, groups will make themselves at home in spacious suites that include two queen beds, a pull-out sofa sleeper, mini-refrigerator, microwave, coffeemaker, complimentary high-speed Internet and more. Hotel amenities include an on-site fitness center, an outdoor heated pool, a business center, and a guest market. Breakfast is served at the hotel each morning.



Day 5

Breakfast included; lunch and dinner on own

Good morning Orlando! After breakfast, we'll transfer to Universal Studios Theme Parks. We'll have Park Hopper passes to explore both amazing parks – Universal Studios Theme Park and Universal's Islands of Adventure, and ride the Hogwarts Express to get back and forth! Wear your walking shoes!



Universal Studios Theme Park - Fun So Hard. It's just like watching your favorite TV shows and movies IRL, except with the ultimate ride-y things like twists, turns and drops. Face villains more menacing than your kids pre-churros. Save the earth daily or even hourly. Oh and dragons, have we got dragons! And one of them even breathes real fire so that's cool (err hot). This is way beyond the movies.



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Islands of Adventure Theme Park - Free Yourself to be Yourself. This is where it goes down. And up. And down again. To those who say “Yay adventure” we’re here for you. Superheroes. Magical creatures. A school of witchcraft and wizardry. Even dinosaurs (turns out, not so extinct). Take a ride, multiple rides. Some will drench you. Some will just mess up your hair. Some will make your head spin (figuratively speaking). All of them will say: Every island is a new reality.

Today we’ll have a choice between 2 Master Class options for participation. Options include:

Behind the Adventure at Universal's Islands of Adventure – Students will have the opportunity to discover the science involved in creating the world’s most technologically advanced theme park. Behind-the-Adventure showcases the physics, technology, horticulture and general sciences that went into designing and building this state-of-the-art theme park.

Special FX at Universal Studios Florida – A special effects program to discover the secrets of making movie magic at Universal Studios. Through this interactive tour of Universal Studios, students will learn, hands-on, about the arts and sciences used to create some of the most spectacular special effects in motion picture history and what it took to recreate those effects in some of Universal Studios’ most popular attractions.

This evening, dinner is on your own at the parks. If we can assist you with group reservations, please let us know!



Day 6

Breakfast & dinner included; lunch on own

Rise and shine Florida! After breakfast in the hotel, we’ll board our transportation and again travel to **Universal Studios Theme Parks**. While here, we’ll get to participate in one last Master Class. Options include:

Our Weather: Planning for Nature - Meet with and learn from Orlando’s own Amy Swezey. In this unique live presentation, you’ll see what goes into understanding weather patterns and the impact they can have on theme park guests.

Career Exploration & Preparation - Before students can really focus on a career, they must first discover their natural strengths. This module provides self-assessment tools to define several areas of interest for students, then covers the entire process from application to interview and personal brand to work values.

Leadership Skills & Personal Development - Leaders have the ability to influence others within an organization. In this experience, students are asked to take a good look at their own spheres of influence and assess the impact



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they may potentially make on others. They are provided tools they can use to positively influence their school or work environment and improve their personal people skills.

After a full day at the park, getting to ride all those rides we could never fit in on our first day, we'll travel back to the hotel and this evening, enjoy our farewell dinner in Orlando.

Day 7

Breakfast included, based on departure times

Good morning Florida! It's time to pack up and head home! Following breakfast, we'll have the morning free then will start to say goodbye to Florida as we head off for our flight home; taking memories with us that will last forever!



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Minimum Booking Numbers: 20 students

What's Included:

- Round-trip flights with a scheduled carrier
- 6-nights' accommodation: 2-nights St. Augustine, 1-night Cocoa Beach, 3-nights Orlando
- Breakfasts & dinners daily, with the exception of dinner on day 5, starting with dinner on arrival and ending with breakfast on departure, based on travel times
- Transportation for programmed activities & airport transfers
- Beach Turtle Presentation by St. John's Environmental Staff
- St. Augustine Historical Tour with a private guide
- Ponce de Leon's Fountain of Youth Archaeological Park
- St. Augustine Dolphin & Wildlife Cruise
- Port Canaveral Exploration Tower
- Beach time at Cocoa Beach
- Ron Jon Surf Shop – Cocoa Beach
- NASA's Kennedy Space Center & Visitor's Center
- 2-day Park Hopper passes to Universal Studios and Islands of Adventure Theme Parks
- 2 Universal Master Classes selected out of options shown above
- Personal Tour Director
- 24-hour emergency cover

What's Not Included:

- Dinner on Day 5
- Lunches, snacks and beverages other than at meal times
- Fully comprehensive insurance (mandatory)
- Luggage fees if not included with airline ticketing
- Transfers to/from home airport
- Transportation for activities not shown in the itinerary
- Cost of visas, full or collective passports
- Cost of inoculations or medication required for travel
- Sightseeing / Entertainment Options not shown in Itinerary
- Hotel incidental deposits & bills – meals, mini-bar items, recreation charges, purchases billed to room, etc
- Any gratuities – drivers, maid service, bellman service, ambassador

As always, our staff are always available to you to answer any questions you may have regarding programming. If we may serve you in any way, please do not hesitate to contact us.



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