



# FREE THINGS TO DO



Deerfield Beach

## EIGHT BEACHES, SO MANY WAYS TO PLAY

Enjoy a day of fun in the sun at eight distinct beaches in Greater Fort Lauderdale, spanning 24 miles. Meditate as you watch the sunrise on beautiful **Deerfield Beach**, Greater Fort Lauderdale's cove-like beach with a fishing pier, sand volleyball courts and surf lessons. **Hillsboro Beach** boasts the brightest lighthouse on the East Coast with monthly tours through the Hillsboro Lighthouse Preservation Society. Heading south, enjoy **Pompano Beach**, a favorite spot for families with playgrounds, a fishing pier, dive shops and boat charters. Catch the Old Florida "beach village" vibe of **Lauderdale-By-The-Sea's** half-mile hamlet and snorkel (no boat needed) from the shore along three-tiered reefs. Stroll, jog or bike along the **Fort Lauderdale** beachfront promenade, a charming cosmopolitan spot. **Dania Beach** is home to some of the least crowded stretches of shoreline, and a favorite for kayaking, swimming and picnicking. **Hollywood** is retro-cool and laid-back with a 2.5-mile Boardwalk that is ideal for walking, cycling (try a fun-cycle) and jogging. In **Hallandale Beach**, visitors can enjoy beautiful stretches of beach and exciting nightlife.



Tree Tops Park

## NATURAL WONDERS: PARKS & NATURE CENTERS

Greater Fort Lauderdale is a gateway to the Everglades and more. Enjoy some of Mother Earth's most amazing wonders. Here's a sampling: Climb (or take the elevator) to the observation tower or follow the boardwalk at **Anne Kolb Nature Center** at West Lake Park in Hollywood, a mangrove estuary and habitat for wading birds and other native wildlife. **Snake Warrior's Island** in Miramar is a 54.4-acre nature preserve along the Great Florida Birding Trail. **Fern Forest Nature Center** in Coconut Creek offers a serene setting with picnic shelters, an amphitheater and Royal Fern Hall. **Deerfield Island Park**, accessible only by boat, is a 53.3-acre nature-oriented park offering outdoor recreational activities and is open only on the weekends with free boat shuttle to the island. **Central Broward Regional Park** in Lauderhill is the only certified U.S. cricket stadium and is free on weekdays with soccer/football fields, netball, tennis, basketball and a water playground. **Tree Tops Park** in Davie features 23 acres of nature trails. Enjoy free entrance to all county parks Monday through Friday.

# ALL FOR FUN, FUN FOR ALL

There's something for everyone under the sun to enjoy in Greater Fort Lauderdale. Check the events calendar at [VisitLauderdale.com/Events](https://www.visitlauderdale.com/Events) for the latest free events.

**MUSIC:** **Sistrunk Marketplace**, live music three nights a week, 5:30-11pm. **Dancing Under the Stars** with free concerts at Hollywood Beach Theatre on the Hollywood Broadwalk programmed by the Margaritaville Hollywood Beach Resort Wednesday-Sunday. **Dance the Night Away** at Gulfstream Park in Hallandale Beach, Friday and Saturday. **Sunday Jazz Brunch** along Fort Lauderdale's scenic Riverwalk, first Sunday of each month, 11am-2pm.

**SPORTS:** **Free surfing lessons** Saturday mornings from Island Water Sports, Deerfield Beach; **Florida Panthers NHL practice sessions**, (October-April), Florida Panthers IceDen.

**ART WALKS & STREET FESTIVALS:** Multiple communities come together to celebrate local creativity with food, drink, live music, street performances, interactive exhibitions and more. **Art Walk Wilton Manors**, third Saturday of the month, 6-9pm, on the sidewalks of beautiful Wilton Drive (2245 Wilton Drive); **Downtown Hollywood Artwalk**, third Saturday monthly, 6-11pm with a walking tour of the mural project and a collection of curated outdoor murals by local, national and international recognized artists (1955 Harrison Street); **Fort Lauderdale Artwalk**, last Saturday of the month starting at 6pm in the MASS District (844 NE 4th Ave.); **Dania After Dark**, second Saturday of the month, 5-10pm, Dania Beach (SW 1st Ave.); **Old Town Untapped**, first Friday of the month, 6-10pm, Pompano Beach (41 NE 1st St.). Keep an eye out for fascinating public art including **Thrive**, the colossal installation by Daniel Popper at 301 SW 1st Ave., Fort Lauderdale, next to The Wharf.

**FREE ADMISSION:** Always free: **Plantation Historical Museum** and **Coral Springs Museum of Art**. Free on first Thursday of the month: **NSU Art Museum Fort Lauderdale**. Free on third Sundays of the month: **Art & Culture Center/Hollywood**.

**MARKETS:** **New River Open Air Market** in Fort Lauderdale, every Sunday, year-round; **Green Market Pompano Beach**, Saturday (November-April); **Fort Lauderdale Swap Shop**, flea market, daily; **Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Farmers Market** at Prado Park, Sunday (December-May); **Farmers' Market at The Shops at Pembroke Pines**, Sunday; **Las Olas Oceanside Park Farmer's, Antique And Artisan Market**, every Saturday and Sunday; **Yellow Green Farmers Market**, every Saturday and Sunday, Hollywood; **Coconut Creek Farmers Market**, first and third Saturday (November-April).



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**FREE FESTIVALS & EVENTS:** **Las Olas Art Fair**, January, March, October, downtown Fort Lauderdale; **Fort Lauderdale Air Show**, April, Fort Lauderdale beach; **Stonewall Pride**, June, Wilton Manors; **Wicked Manors**, Halloween, Wilton Manors; **Christmas on Las Olas**, November; **Seminole Hard Rock Winterfest Boat Parade**, second Saturday in December, along the Intracoastal Waterway; **Ignite Broward**, January, pop-up art installations in Fort Lauderdale and Dania Beach.



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## GETTING AROUND

The **LauderGo! MicroMover** is a free, eco-friendly shuttle that operates daily from 10am-7pm. Riders can use the "Ride Circuit" app to request a ride anywhere within the service area, which covers downtown Fort Lauderdale, Las Olas and Fort Lauderdale beach. You can also get a free ride along the New River in downtown Fort Lauderdale with the **LauderGo! Water Trolley**, running daily from 10am-10pm.



Downtown Hollywood Mural Project



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