

Sarasota Area Places to Visit
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City	Name	address	cost	hours	web site	phone	
Anna Maria	Anna Maria Island Historical Society, beach, restaurants	402 Pine Ave	free	10-1 Tues-Sat	www.amihis.org	941-778-0492	photos, maps, record, newspaper, artifacts, videos
Arcadia	antique & collectable shopping	east on Hwy 70			http://arcadia-fl.gov/		
Arcadia	Peace River canoe	2816 NW County Rd. 661	20	Mon - Fri 8am to 5pm, Sat - Sun 8am to 6pm	www.canoeoutpost.com/peace	(800) 268-0083	
Boca Grande	Gasparilla Island St Park	880 Belcher Road	\$3 car	8am until sundown, 365 days a year.	www.floridastateparks.org/gasparilla	(941) 964-0375	shelling
Boca Grande	Port Boca Grande Lighthouse and Museum	880 Belcher Rd	free but \$3 donation	Jun 1-Nov 1-10-4; Wed-Sat	www.barrierisland-parkssociety.org	941-964-0060	working US Coast Guard Light, 1890; southernmost tip of Gasparilla Is
Bradenton	Bishop Science Museum & Planetarium	201 10th Street West	Sr \$23	10am—5pm Tuesday—Saturday Noon—5pm Sunday Closed Monday	https://bishopscience.org/the-planetarium/	941-746-4131	largest natural history museum on Florida's Gulf Coast. The Planetarium, featuring one of the most advanced all-digital projection systems in the world, presents astronomy programs
Bradenton	Bradenton Riverwalk	452 3rd Avenue W	free		http://www.realizebradenton.com/riverwalk		
Bradenton	Coquina Beach and mangroves boardwalk across the street	1800 Gulf Dr N					
Bradenton	DeSoto Memorial	8300 Desoto Memorial Hwy	free	daily 9a-5p	http://www.nps.gov/deso/index.htm	941-792-0458	commemorate the 1539 expedition of Hernando deSoto and impact on American Indiana societies of the SE.
Bradenton	Manatee County Natural Resources	1112 Manatee Ave West			https://www.mymanatee.org/departments/natural_resources/ecoevents	(941) 748-4501	Emerson Pt and Robinson Preserve, many tours
Bradenton	South Florida Museum	201 10th St. W	16	Mon - Sat 10am to 5pm, Sun noon to 5pm	www.southfloridamuseum.org	(941) 746-4131	manatees
Bradenton	Treeumph	21805 STATE RD. 70 E	\$49.95/\$39.95/\$34.95/25.95	M, T, Th, F 8-11a; S/S 8-11:30a	http://treeumph.com/	941-322-2130	bring gloves and water (or buy there)
Casey Key-Nokomis	15-min drive past mansions and beach						
Cortez	Florida Maritime Museum	4415 119th St W	free, donations	Tues-Sat 9-4p	www.manateeclerk.com/historical/MaritimeMuseum.aspx	941-708-6120	maritime heritage from pre-Columbian to modern era in a 1912 schoolhouse on 4 acres, listen to music or bring instruments and join in! on the porch of the historic Burton Store. held on the second Sat each month from 2-5 pm.
Cortez	Fishing Village						
Lido Key	Bird Key park						
Lido Key	Lido Beach	Ben Franklin Drive	free				
Lido Key	Ski-a-rees, water ski show	past Mote	free	every Sun 2:00 from Feb until May 1	http://www.skiarees.com/	941-388-1666	
Lido Key	St Armands Circle shopping food						
Long Boat Key	beaches and Joan Durante Park		free				
Myakka	Myakka River St Park & Canopy Walkway & trail, Phill Price has guided tours	I-75 exit 205	\$6 per vehicle, 2-8 people per vehicle	8am to sunset	https://www.floridastateparks.org/park/Myakka-River	(941) 361-6511	tower, alligator bridge, lake boat tours, café, gift shop, boardwalk to view birds
Nokomis	Drum Circle			wed and sat, hr before sunset			
Nokomis	Nokomis Beach, north & south jetty		free				sharks teeth, shelling, drum circle Fri?
Ona	Solomon's Castle	4533 Solomon Rd	\$10/\$4 12&under, CASH	Tues-Sun 11-4	www.solomonscastle.org/	(863) 494-6077	
Osprey	Conservation Foundation	400 Palmetto Ave			https://www.conservationfoundation.com/		

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Osprey	Historic Spanish Point	337 N. Tamiami Trail	\$12	Mon - Sat 9am to 5pm, Sun noon to 5pm	www.historicspanishpoint.org	(941) 966-5214	sunken gardens, boardwalk, mangroves, concerts, butterfly garden Indian midden display Tues boat bldg crew is here.
Osprey	Oscar Sherer State Park	1843 S Tamiami Tr	\$10		https://www.floridastateparks.org/park/Oscar-Scherer	941-483-5956	tram tours available
Osprey	Tervis Tumbler factory store	928 S Tamiami Tr			http://www.tervis.com/	941-966-8614	
Punta Gorda	Babcock Ranch Ecotours	8502 FL-31			https://babcockranchecotours.com/	800-500-5583	we offer a special tour to fit your needs. Fill out the contact form to submit your information to our team or call us.
Safety Harbor	Syd Ertel Gallery	247 Main St	free		http://www.sydentelgalleries.com/	727-725-1808	beautiful exhibits and glass
Sarasota	Amish Experience, City, Architecture-Discovery Tours	1826 4th St	\$49-68		https://www.discoversarasotatours.com/	941-260-9818	
Sarasota	Audubon Society at Celery Fields	999 Center Road			https://www.sarasotaaudubon.org/	941-312-6533	
Sarasota	Basch Gallery Ringling College	2363 Old Bradenton Road	free	Mrs Basch, docent Wed 10:30	www.ringling.edu/index.php?id=1866		
Sarasota	Big Cat Sanctuary	7101 Palmer Blvd	\$15	12:30 to 4pm Wed - Sun	www.bigcathabitat.org	(941) 371-6377	
Sarasota	Ca d'Zan Mansion	5403 Bay Shore Rd		10am to 5pm	www.ringling.org		
Sarasota	Celery Fields	6893 Palmer Blvd	free	year round	https://www.scgov.net/parks/Pages/CeleryFields.aspx		bird watching, hiking
Sarasota	Circus Sarasota	2075 Bahia Vista St	\$10 up	see web site	www.circusarts.org	(941) 355-9335	
Sarasota	Crowley Museum & nature ctr	16405 Myakka Rd		Thurs-Sun 10a-7p	http://crowleyfl.org/	941-322-1000	191 acres of old Florida habitats with native plants, animals, insects, and birds. Hiking trails take visitors through the piney flatwoods, oak hammocks, and along a half-mile boardwalk through swamp and marsh
Sarasota	Drum Circle Distilling	2212 Industrial Blvd	free tour	see web site	www.drumcircledistilling.com		rum sampling
Sarasota	Ed Smith Stadium-Orioles Spring	2700 12th St			http://baltimore.orioles.mlb.com/spring_training/ballpark.jsp?c_id=bal	941-954-4101	
Sarasota	Farmers Market	downtown		Sat mornings			
Sarasota	Fogartyville Venue	525 Kumquat Ct		events on web site	http://www.sarasotapeacecenter.org/	941-587-6588	The Fogartyville Community Media and Arts Center is a project of the Peace Education and Action Center
Sarasota	Kathryn Chesley, Life & Times Portrayal	37 Sunset Dr, Apt 71	\$50		https://kathrynchesley.wixsite.com/website		Mable Ringling, Marty Hartman, Bertha Palmer and many more.
Sarasota	LeBarge cruises, Marina Jacks	2 Marina Plaza		cruises of Sarasota Bay	http://www.lebargetropicalcruises.com/	941-366-6116	
Sarasota	Marie Selby Botanical Gardens	811 South Palm Ave	\$19	10am to 5pm	www.selby.org	(941) 366-5731	
Sarasota	Marietta Museum-Art & Whimsy	2121 N. Tamiami Trail	free		www.whimsymuseum.org		
Sarasota	Marina Jack II lunch cruise	2 Marina Plaza	\$37	Mon-Sat 12pm to 1:30pm, Sun 1pm to 2:30pm	www.marinajacks.com	(941) 365-4232	
Sarasota	McCurdy's Comedy Theater	1923 Ringling Blvd			http://www.mccurdyscomedy.com/	941-925-3869	
Sarasota	Mennonite Church, Pinecraft Park, smallest PO in US, Xmas Day Parade	Bahia Vista & Beneva area	free		https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pinecraft_(Sarasota)		
Sarasota	Mote Aquarium	1600 Ken Thompson Pkwy	free Thurs (Sandy) \$18.95	10am to 5pm, 365 days/year	www.mote.org	(941) 388-4441	
Sarasota	National Cemetery	9810 State Rd 72	free	M-F 8a-4:30p	http://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/sarasota.asp	941-922-7200	docent led tours
Sarasota	New College grounds	5800 Bay Shore Rd			http://www.ncf.edu/	941-487-5000	
Sarasota	Payne Park and café				http://www.escape-to-sarasota.com/payne-park.html		
Sarasota	Phillipi Park mansion, park	5500 S Tamiami Trail	free	Farmers market Wed, mansion tours Oct thru May, 10 a	https://www.scgov.net/PhillippiEstate/Pages/PhillippiEstate.aspx	reservations 941-861-5000	brown bag concerts, market

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Sarasota	Pinecraft History				https://floridahumanities.org/event/pine	727-873-2000	info@flahum.org
Sarasota	Ringling College of Art and Design	2700 N. Tamiami Trail	free	Art walk Friday, Jan.16, 4:30 – 7:00 pm	www.wtsp.com/story/entertainment/television/studio10/2015/01/08/free-event-showcasing-a-wide-variety-of-art-in-seven-of-campus-galleries/21445707/		http://home.ringling.edu/fileadmin/pdf/CampusMap.pdf https://www.ringling.edu/
Sarasota	Ringling Museum, grounds & gardens	5401 Bay Shore Rd	free Monday - \$10 Thurs after 5pm - \$25	10am to 5pm Thursdays until pm	www.ringling.org	941-359-5700	
Sarasota	Sailor Circus	Tuttle Ave & 12th???	\$10 up	see web site	www.circusarts.org	(941) 355-9335	
Sarasota	Sarasota Classic Car Museum	5500 N. Tamiami Trail, moving	\$10 -\$9 w/web coupon	9am to 6pm daily	www.sarasotacarmuseum.org	(941) 355-6228	
Sarasota	Sarasota Succulent Gardens	1310 38th Street	free	Monday 9am to Noon	http://sarasotasucculentsociety.org/	(941) 924-2703	
Sarasota	Suncoast Science Faulhaber Fab Lab open house or tour	4452 Beneva Rd		see calendar for dates	http://www.suncoastscience.org/	941-840-4394	
Sarasota	The Bay at Sarasota	655 N Tamiami Trl			https://www.thebaysarasota.org/		outdoor things to do, concerts, kayak
Sarasota	Univ Of FL Extension	6700 Clark Rd, Twin Lakes Park, Green Bldg		M-F 8-5	https://sfyl.ifas.ufl.edu/sarasota/who-we-are/speaker-request/	941-778-0492	agriculture; gardening and landscaping; natural resources; nutrition and healthy living; and sustainability.
Sarasota	Univ Town Center mall, Circus, Benderson Park	Cattlemen's & University					
Sarasota	Van Wezel Terrace	777 N Tamiami Tr			http://www.vanwezel.org/	941-955-7676	on the bay at sunset, food & Bar on show days
Siesta Key	Siesta Key Beach & drum circle	948 Beach Road	free	Sun 1 hour before sunset		(941) 349-3800	#1 Beach in US
St Pete	Chihuly Glass Art Gallery	400 Beach Dr NE			http://www.moreanartscenter.org/chihuly/	727-896-4527	Morean Arts Center
St Pete	Museum of Fine Arts	255 Beach Dr NE	Sr \$15	10a-5 Thur 10-8p-reduced rate	http://www.fine-arts.org/	727-896-2667	
St Pete	Salvador Dali Museum	1 Dali Blvd			http://thedali.org/	727-823-3767	
St Pete	St Pete Beach						
St Pete	Treasure Island retro 50s/60s motels & amusements						
St Pete	Vinoy Historic Hotel	501 5th Ave NE		Renaissance Vinoy Resort	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vinoy_Park_Hotel	727-893-7441	
St Pete/Tierra	Fort De Soto Park	3500 Pinellas Bayway S.,	entry fee ?\$5		www.pinellascounty.org/park/05_Ft_DeSoto	(727) 582-2267	five keys, 3 miles of beach
Tampa	Big Bend Power Plant	6990 Dickman Rd, Apollo Beach	Manatee Observation	10a-5p daily Nov 1 through April 15	http://www.tampaelectric.com/company/mvc/	(813) 228-4289	manatees, butterfly garden, habitat loop trail, Bring a picnic lunch to enjoy at one of the tables, viewing tower
Tampa	Univ of Tampa Historic Bldgs	401 W Kennedy Blvd	free	daily	http://www.ut.edu/history/		1933 Plant Hall-Tampa Hotel,
Venice	Audubon Center and Rookery	4002 Tamiami Tr S			http://veniceaudubon.org/		welcome to picnic
Venice	Caspersen Beach		free				sharks teeth
Venice	Concerts	downtown	free				
Venice	Historic Venice Train Depot, downtown walk, shops, antique stores	303 E Venice Ave, Seaboard Ave	free docent led tours	Nov-April-Mon-Wed-Fri 10-3, last docent-led tour at 2:30; year-round Saturday, 10-1, last docent-led tour beginning at 12:30	http://venicehistory.com/	941-412-0151	exhibits, programs, nat history and science
Venice	Venice Art Center	390 Nokomis Ave S	free		http://www.veniceartcenter.com/		