

Fort Myers Beach, Florida, USA

Seven miles of powdery quartz sand, a vibrant fishing fleet, and one of Florida's most resilient communities — Fort Myers Beach punches well above its size for a small-ship port day.

Small-ship dock (Salty Sam's / Moss Marina)

Typical call: 6-8 hrs

USD

English

Famous for Gulf shrimp

🚢 MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____ Arrive: _____ All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Small ships dock at Salty Sam's Marina or Moss Marina, San Carlos Island — no tendering required

Best For: Beach relaxation, wildlife cruises, seafood, shelling at Lovers Key

Walk to center: ~1.2 miles to Times Square / main beach (steep bridge crossing — take the LeeTran trolley, \$0.75)

Don't Miss: Gulf shrimp right off the boat at Dixie Fish Company and the Mound House archaeological site

🚗 Getting around: 🚗 **Taxi** ✅ \$50–\$75 for 2-3 passengers · 📱 **Rideshare** ✅ Uber, Lyft

TOP THINGS TO DO

- **Dolphin & Wildlife Eco-Cruise** — Board a two-hour narrated boat tour from Salty Sam's Marina into Estero Bay and the Gulf to spot wild bottlenose...
- **Mound House Archaeological Site** — Explore the oldest standing structure on Estero Island, built atop a 2,000-year-old Calusa shell mound.
- **Lovers Key State Park Beach Day** — Take the trolley south to this pristine barrier island park with two miles of undeveloped Gulf beach, excellent...
- **Gulf Shrimp & Seafood at the Docks** — San Carlos Island hosts one of the largest commercial shrimp fleets in the U.S.
- **Matanzas Pass Preserve Walk** — A free 60-acre sanctuary on the bayside of the island with a boardwalk trail through mangroves and oak hammocks.

BEST WALKS

- **Marina to Times Square Beach Walk** 1.2 mi • 25 min • Flat then bridge climb — Walk from Salty Sam's Marina across the Matanzas Pass Bridge to Times Square — the pedestrian heart of Fort Myers Beach.
- **Bowditch Point Park Nature Loop** 1.5 mi loop • 35 min • Easy trails — At the northern tip of Estero Island, this 17-acre park offers walking trails where the bay meets the Gulf.

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr	83°	68°	9d
Jun	86°	75°	23d
Aug	88°	77°	24d
Sep	86°	76°	22d
Oct	84°	72°	12d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 7:04AM–7:51PM · Jun 6:34AM–8:22PM · Aug 7:00AM–8:03PM · Sep 7:13AM–7:31PM · Oct 7:27AM–6:59PM

USD

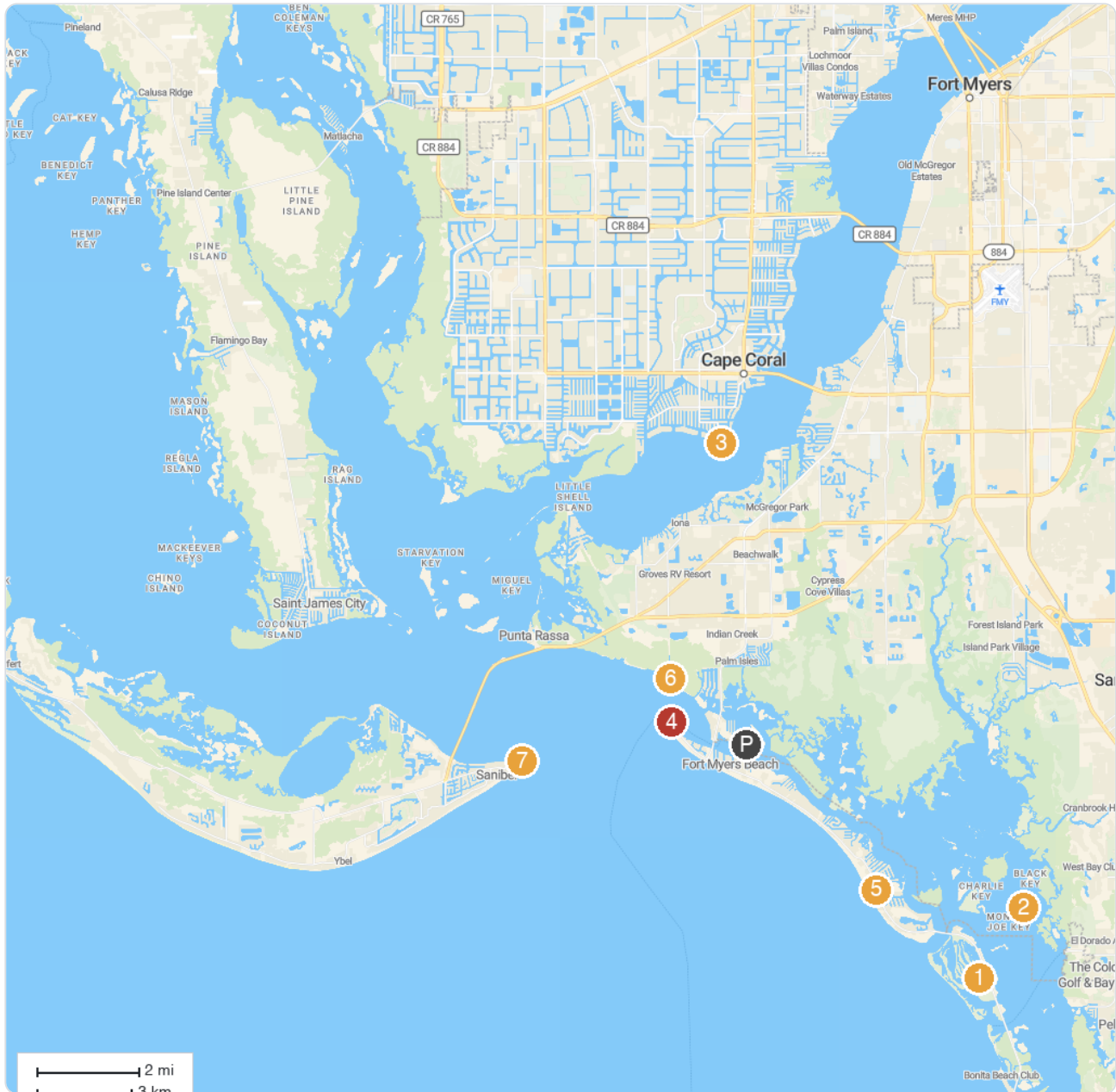
KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- **Bridge warning:** The Matanzas Pass Bridge between the marina and the main beach has a steep pedestrian incline. In summer heat it's taxing — the LeeTran trolley (\$0.75) is the...
Eat the pink shrimp: Fort Myers Beach is home to one of the largest Gulf shrimp fleets in the US. Fresh Gulf pink shrimp at

Fort Myers Beach, Florida, USA — Port Map

cruiseports.org

Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



- | | | | |
|---|---|---|--|
| 1 Lovers Key State Park | Beautiful barrier island park for beaches, kayaking, and nature trails. | 2 Estero Bay Aquatic Preserve | Protected bay for kayaking, paddleboarding, and diverse marine wildlife. |
| 3 Yacht Club Community Park | Community park with beach, pier, pool, and recreational facilities. | 4 Bowditch Point Park | Beachfront park with nature trails and Gulf of Mexico views. |
| 5 Mid Island Water Sports at The Wyndham | Rent jet skis, kayaks, and paddleboards right from the beach. | 6 San Carlos Bay - Bunche Beach Preserve | Natural beach preserve for birdwatching, kayaking, and shelling. |
| 7 Sanibel Lighthouse | Historic lighthouse on Sanibel Island, offering scenic Gulf views. | P Cruise port / terminal | |