



Best Florida Destinations for Families

Award-winning beaches, spectacular sunsets, wild rides: the Sunshine State has it all. Here are our picks for the best [family](#) hot spots in Florida.

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Fun Side Trip

Island-hop through the laid-back Keys. Drive along Highway 1, stopping at The Fish [House](#) in Key Largo for stone crab and Key lime pie, and at Robbie's of Islamorada on Lower Matecumbe Key to hand-feed huge tarpon. Hawks Cay Resort on Duck Key (in the center of the island chain, about two hours in) is a good base for further exploration. It offers kiteboarding, a snorkeling lagoon, kayak races and swim-with-dolphins programs. Nightly rates from \$239 (hawkscay.com).

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