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Florida & Miami

Yacht Charter Guide

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Florida & Miami Yacht Charter
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FLORIDA & MIAMI

Overview

Florida & Miami yacht charter is Gulf Stream access and deep-harbour infrastructure - Island Gardens for downtown Miami megayacht berths, Fort Lauderdale's Yacht Capital cluster for refit-adjacent programmes, and MIA/FLL door-to-deck in 15-25 minutes. We hold peak holiday slips, Keys day-hooks and US tax honesty before you fly - this is not a Mediterranean VAT story.

Florida & Miami yacht charter - Island Gardens berths, Keys days, MIA/FLL transfers and APA with Blue Ocean Club.

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WHEN TO GO

Season & rhythm

- How a Miami-Florida week actually runs.: Harbour nights, Atlantic day runs, optional Keys or Bahamas extension.
- Island Gardens / FTL: APA open, MIA or FLL transfer, berth confirmed.
- Coast cadence: Atlantic swim days, South Beach tender, optional Upper Keys.
- Tables locked: Miami and Lauderdale dining held against berth nights.
- When to take Miami vs Lauderdale.: Miami buys skyline; FTL buys yacht-service density.
- Island Gardens: Downtown Miami megayacht harbour.
- Fort Lauderdale: Yacht Capital berthing cluster.
- Keys: Thin-water contrast when draft allows.

ON THE WATER

Cruising grounds

Miami & Government Cut
Skyline sails, South Beach and Stiltsville.

Fort Lauderdale ICW
New River, Las Olas and megayacht density.

Florida Keys
Biscayne to Key West - reef and backcountry.

Toward Bahamas
Gulf Stream hops to Bimini and beyond.

QUAY NIGHTS

Marinas & berthing

Island Gardens Deep Harbour, Miami
Downtown Miami megayacht marina on Watson Island. - Max LOA ~120 m - Draft ~7 m - Gateway MIA - Transfer 15-25 min from MIA - Peak lead: 8-16 weeks holidays / shows

Palm Harbor Marina / Fort Lauderdale complex
Fort Lauderdale 'Yacht Capital' berthing cluster. - Max LOA ~100 m - Draft ~6 m - Gateway FLL - Transfer 15-25 min from FLL - Peak lead: 6-14 weeks peak

Ocean Reef Club / Key Largo yacht access
Upper Keys private club marina - membership/guest rules. - Max LOA ~50 m - Draft ~3.5 m - Gateway MIA - Transfer 70-90 min from MIA - Peak lead: Guest rules often outweigh lead time

Key West Bight Marina
Key West harbour for end-of-Keys weeks. - Max LOA ~40 m - Draft ~3.5 m - Gateway EYW - Transfer 10-20 min from EYW - Peak lead: 4-12 weeks for peak season slips

DAY WATER

Anchorages

No Name Harbor, Key Biscayne
Protected hook near Miami.

Elliott Key
Biscayne National Park overnight.

Rodriguez Key
Key Largo approaches.

Newfound Harbor / Big Pine
Lower Keys quiet overnight.

Dry Tortugas (expedition)
Far west fort overnight - weather window.

SHORE TABLES

Restaurants

Casa Tua / Miami Beach classics
Held against Island Gardens nights.

Lauderdale yacht-harbour restaurants
Convenience on FTL services nights.

Keys waterfront casuals
Upper Keys lunch culture on day-hooks.

DAY ASHORE

Beach clubs

Nikki Beach Miami
Miami Beach
South Beach club day.

The Surf Club / similar
Surfside
North Beach exclusive sand.

Fort Lauderdale beach clubs
Fort Lauderdale
Las Olas sand day.

DOOR TO DECK

MIA / FLL to the gangway.

We choreograph Miami and Fort Lauderdale airports into Island Gardens and Yacht Capital berths.

MIA / FLL
Match gateway to first berth - do not cross-town by default. MIA Island Gardens 15-25 min FLL Palm Harbor / FTL cluster 15-25 min

Chauffeur to quay
SUV briefed on marina security and luggage. Island Gardens meeting point Night-before hotel on late international arrivals

Door-to-deck options confirmed against your embarkation slot - see embark utility below.

NUMBERS - FLORIDA

Florida fees & APA - the short version.

US sales tax and local tourist taxes rather than EU VAT - itinerary matters.

Tax
Confirm Florida sales tax / local tax treatment for your charter itinerary with yacht management.

APA
Peak winter often 25-35%+ once fuel and harbour berths are honest - confirm band before contract.

Berths
Indicative marina ranges on request - draft until agent confirms.

WITHIN THIS COAST

Local guides

Miami
Miami is a core Florida & Miami charter stop - marina nights, day-anchors and shore tables we hold in advance. Berth context: Island Gardens Deep Harbour, Miami - Day-anchor: No Name Harbor, Key Biscayne - Table: Casa Tua Cucina / Miami

Fort Lauderdale
Fort Lauderdale is a core Florida & Miami charter stop - marina nights, day-anchors and shore tables we hold in advance. Berth context: Palm Harbor Marina / Fort Lauderdale complex - Day-anchor: Elliott Key - Table: Joe's Stone Crab

Florida Keys

Florida Keys is a core Florida & Miami charter stop - marina nights, day-anchors and shore tables we hold in advance. Berth context: Ocean Reef Club / Key Largo yacht access - Day-anchor: Rodriguez Key - Table: Burlock Coast

EXPLORE FURTHER

Child destinations

- Miami - Crewed yacht charter in Miami - berths, day-anchors and shore days our captains favour inside Florida & Miami.
- Fort Lauderdale - Crewed yacht charter in Fort Lauderdale - berths, day-anchors and shore days our captains favour inside Florida & Miami.
- Florida Keys - Crewed yacht charter in Florida Keys - berths, day-anchors and shore days our captains favour inside Florida & Miami.

BEFORE YOU FLY

FAQ

Miami or Fort Lauderdale for embarkation?

Island Gardens for downtown Miami presence; FTL Palm Harbor / Lauderdale cluster for Yacht Capital density and services.

How early for holiday berths?

Christmas-New Year and Boat Show weeks often need 8-16 weeks for preferred slips.

MIA vs FLL?

MIA suits Island Gardens; FLL suits Fort Lauderdale berths - we match gateway to first night.

US tax treatment?

US sales tax / local tourist taxes rather than EU VAT - confirm itinerary treatment with management.

Keys overnight?

Day-hooks and Key Largo/Key West programmes when draft and weather allow.

Combine with Bahamas?

Classic Gulf Stream hop on longer winter programmes when clearance aligns.

What does it cost to charter a yacht in Florida & Miami?

Yacht charter cost in Florida & Miami depends on LOA, season and hull class. As an indicative band, crewed motor yachts often sit from the mid five-figures per week upward before APA (typically ~25-35% of base for fuel, berthing and provisions), VAT where applicable, and crew gratuity. We set an honest range before contract - not a fake nightly rate.

What does APA usually cover on a Florida & Miami charter?

Fuel, berthing, food and beverage, and most guest concierge extras. Tax context for Florida & Miami: Confirm Florida sales tax / local tax treatment for your charter itinerary with yacht management. We set an indicative APA band before contract.

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Mooring notes

Island Gardens Deep Harbour

Downtown Miami megayacht marina on Watson Island. 8-16 weeks holidays / shows. Art Basel, Boat Show adjacent weeks and Christmas densify. Primary Miami presence embark.

Palm Harbor Fort Lauderdale

Fort Lauderdale Yacht Capital berthing cluster. 6-14 weeks peak. FLIBS and peak winter densify. Services-led Florida embark.

Ocean Reef / Key Largo access

Upper Keys private club marina - membership/guest rules. Guest rules often outweigh lead time. Holiday densification. Keys contrast - confirm access early.

Berth fees, APA budgets and event lead times are indicative and move with LOA, season and harbour policy. Blue Ocean Club confirms live figures in writing before deposit. Not a substitute for captain pilotage or marina contracts.

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