



Bike Florida

AMELIA ISLAND

OCTOBER 17-20, 2024

- All ages, co-ed
- Fully supported
- Hotel stays
- Meals & snacks
- Transportation

More info at www.bikeflorida.org



NOTE: This itinerary is preliminary. Some things may change between now and the tour date due to availability, weather and/or schedule changes. **Look for emails closer to the tour that might include changes.**

This is a go-at-your-own-pace tour. Start times and pace are up to you. If you are unable to do all the mileage planned for any given day, we can arrange for you and your bike to be picked up and brought back to the hotel when you feel you are done for the day.

OVERVIEW:

- This is an all-ages co-ed tour around Amelia Island organized by Bike Florida
- Tour begins and ends in Fernandina Beach, FL.
- Tour includes 3 nights of hotel accommodations and transportation to any excursions.
- Vehicle and bicycle trail support (SAG) available.
- This is a go-at-your-own-pace tour. We will include points of interest and places for photo opportunities should you want to meander, shop or take in the scenery along the way.
- **PLEASE NOTE:** You will receive weekly emails beginning **one month before the tour start date**, and every week until the tour. These will include any route changes, details about the trails we will be riding, interesting sights, dining opportunities, etc.

What is provided on the Amelia Island Hub Tour:

- Hotel accommodation for 3 nights.
- All meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner) with the exception of Day Three (Saturday) dinner. Our SAG stops are varied and full of hearty fare, able to be called lunch – you will not ride away hungry. There will be vegan and gluten free choices available.
- Rest stops in between with limited food when necessary.
- Transportation to activities when needed.
- Admission to scheduled group activities.
- Purified water stations outside of the hotel lobby every morning to fill your water bottles, along with energy additives.
- Tire pumps and bike tools
- SAG (support & gear) vehicles, on call
- Ride with GPS link for all routes.
- Commemorative Tee-shirt

What is NOT provided on the Amelia Island Hub Tour:

- Transportation onto (and off) the island (except for transport to Jekyll Island on Day Two).
- Transportation to activities not included in the itinerary (dinner on Day Three).
- Alcoholic beverages during dinners provided by Bike Florida, except for the cruise evening. We will provide one glass of wine or beer during the cruise, with extra available for purchase.
- Jerseys. We will have a jersey (and tee) design set up in our online shop that you may purchase on your own.

DAY ONE

Thursday, October 17, 2024

8:30am | Meet in the lobby of [Residence Inn, Amelia Island](#) | 2301 Sadler Rd, Fernandina Beach, FL 32034 ready to ride. We will check into the hotel upon our return from the day's activities.

9:00am – 3:30pm | [Amelia Island](#) Ride | We set out from the Residence Inn parking lot and travel southbound for ~21 out and back (~42 total miles on scenic roads, byways, and trails. Stop and grab a cold drink, a quick snack and a peek of the ocean as we roll through Talbot Island. We travel on to the St Johns River ferry, cross the river and have lunch in Mayport at Singletons

After that, we head back to the hotel, check in and get ready for our river cruise!

Day One Route: <https://ridewithgps.com/routes/45926215>

6:00pm – 8:00pm | [Amelia River Cruise](#) | "This cruise offers stunning views of Fernandina's charming shrimp boats, the historic Fort Clinch, maritime forests, Old Town, and much more. Join us for an unforgettable two-hour journey into the twilight, where every moment is a celebration of nature's beauty and serenity." – Amelia River Cruises. We board the hotel shuttle and head to the marina, where we will board the ship for a 2-hour cruise. We will have the boat to ourselves, and our very own Bike Florida food director will be laying out a delicious buffet for you to enjoy. We will provide beer and wine and you are welcome to bring your own choice of beverage onboard. Enjoy the music, the company, and of course the scenery. The shuttle takes us back to the hotel for a good night's rest – necessary for the next day's adventures!

DAY TWO

Friday, October 18, 2024

7:00am – 8:30am | Breakfast in hotel lobby

8:00am | Have bike down in the lobby for our bike transport expert to load onto the bike van.

9:00am | Meet in hotel lobby and board the bus for a 1.5hr ride to [Jekyll Island](#).

10:30am – 3:00pm | for a day of history, beauty and of course – cycling. With over 24 miles of bike paths, biking offers a scenic way to explore the Island. Our Food Director will be setting up lunch in one of the picnic areas on the island (TBD). It will be a short day of riding, but you can always double your mileage by taking an extra spin around the mapped route. Make sure to stop and enjoy the scenery! We will be enjoying a bit of local history after lunch with a guided tour of the Jekyll Club provided by [Mosaic Jekyll Island Museum](#). Tickets are included with registration.

Day Two route: <https://ridewithgps.com/routes/45676451>

3:00pm | Meet back at the bus for trip back to hotel.

4:30pm | Arrive at hotel

6:00pm | Meet in lobby to take the hotel shuttle to dinner at [Sandbar](#)

8:00pm | Shuttle back to hotel – rest well!

DAY THREE

Saturday, October 19, 2024

7:00am – 8:30am | Breakfast in the hotel lobby

9:00am - 2:00pm | Meet outside the hotel with your bike, ready to ride. Today's route, led by islander Larry Williams, takes us around Amelia Island for sightseeing. We will be visiting [Fort Clinch](#), taking a tour of the [Amelia Island Lighthouse](#), and seeing the island from an islander's viewpoint. We will be treated to a delightful lunch under a spacious tent at the [Pippi Longstocking House](#) (along our route), prepared by Bike Florida's Food Coordinator. After the ride, enjoy some down time back at the hotel or explore the [historic Fernandina Beach downtown](#) for some retail therapy, ice cream or coffee.

6:00pm – 10:00pm | Dinner – this will be an 'on your own' evening. There are so many good restaurants to enjoy, we don't want to curb your enthusiasm for a cuisine you might prefer! Some recommendations: [Salty Pelican](#), [Ciao](#), [Hola](#), [Espana](#), [Burlingame](#). For a full list, head to [TripAdvisor](#) to see more!

Day Three Route: TBD (~25 miles)

8:30pm | Return to hotel – last night!

DAY FOUR

Sunday, October 20, 2024

7:00am – 8:30am | Breakfast in the hotel lobby

8:30am | Have your luggage down in lobby for storage or for loading in your vehicle.

9:00am – 11:30am | Morning Ride to the Talbot Islands – Big Talbot Island for a shorter Ride & Small Talbot Island for a good stretch before your car ride home - and back (along the same route as Day One) Munch on some goodies provided by Bike Florida before heading back to the hotel and leaving for wherever you call home.
