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ADVENTURE TRAVEL

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SWIMMING WITH THE MANATEES

Crystal River, Florida

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SWIMMING WITH THE MANATEES

Crystal River, Florida

Crystal River offers the best location to see and interact with the Florida manatee, a subspecies of the West Indian manatee, also known as gentle giants. Unlike other areas of Florida, the Federal Government allows for "passive observation" in the water between manatees and people in Kings Bay. This allows face-to-face interaction with manatees. We provide pre-tour education on passive observation and how to get the best experience during the tour. This is a perfect trip for the entire family!

Swimming with the manatees and exploring the greater Kings Bay estuary and springs is extremely popular and we welcome both experienced divers as well as provide diving instruction. Manatee tour experiences are best done by snorkeling while wearing wet suits, making the interaction as silent as possible.

This way the manatees are more inclined to approach and get close. We maintain new suits and snorkel gear, all included in our manatee tours, as well as full-service facilities for changing, videos and pictures of your manatee experience and more.

There are two high seasons: Swimming with the Manatees and The Scalloping season

Swimming with the Manatees runs from November to beginning April.

The Scalloping Season runs from July 1 to the middle of August. (This activity is in high demand)









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FISHING

Crystal Rivers, Florida

It's always time for fishing in The Gulf of Mexico and on beautiful King's Bay!

Few places compare to Crystal River when it comes to salt or freshwater sport fishing. There really isn't a better place to cast out your lines to fish for an inshore slam of tarpon, redfish, and speckled trout. Offshore opportunities include grouper, a variety of snapper, smoker kingfish, and cobia. Pick the time of year and there will be a fishing season to enjoy with us!







ACCOMMODATIONS

Crystal Rivers, Florida

Our lodging accommodation is situated directly on the beautiful Crystal River and styled like an Old Southern plantation.

Double occupancy with a King bed, or up to 4 per room with two queen beds. For families with more than 4, we can accommodate you in adjoining rooms with a door which opens between (additional room will be added onto package cost).

Breakfast is included each day in our lovely dining room, boxed lunches are provided on the days you are out on the boat. There is a Tiki Bar and Grill surrounding the pool area for day and night enjoyment. There are many, many restaurants in the area to have dinner and most specialize in the locally caught seafood. You may also enjoy our own dining room for really delicious food. Dinner is not included.

There is a beautiful pool overlooking the river and a new splash pad for kids. There are oversized lawn games and a sand volleyball net.

There are 27 holes of golf including a championship course across the street from the lodge. Let us know if you are interested in golfing, we can give you more details.

The town of Crystal River is quaint and full of fun shopping. There are Nature preserves to explore all within a short distance.

DATES

All Year Around

Manatee High Season:

Nov – April

Scalloping High Season:

July – Mid August

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Breakfast each day, lunch when on the boat
- Accommodations including resort fees & taxes
- 2 days of half day fishing OR 1 full day fishing OR 1 half day fishing and 1 half day boat tour with our USCG Boat Captain
- Beverages while on the boat
- Fishing Licenses
- Equipment for fishing, lifejackets for boating, wetsuits. snorkel gear, if needed for the Manatee tour or the Scalloping Tour

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED

- Airfare to Tampa, Florida
- Dinner nightly and some lunches
- Liquor (can be purchased in the bar or at various locations near the lodge)
- Golf fees and cart rental
- Staff or guide gratuities
- Additional guided trips of area and rainy day activities

PRICE

\$2700

4 nights/5 days

(Double Occupancy)











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