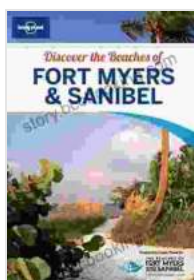


Escape to Paradise: Discover the Enchanting Beaches of Fort Myers & Sanibel with Lonely Planet

Unwind amidst the serene beauty of Fort Myers and Sanibel, where pristine beaches beckon travelers to a world of tranquility and adventure. With Lonely Planet's expert guidance, embark on a coastal journey like no other, uncovering the hidden gems and secluded coves that make this destination a beach lover's paradise.



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Fort Myers: A Beachfront Oasis

Begin your journey in the vibrant city of Fort Myers, where the Caloosahatchee River meets the Gulf of Mexico. Immerse yourself in the laid-back atmosphere of Fort Myers Beach, renowned for its expansive white-sand shores and gentle waves. Swim, sunbathe, or take a leisurely stroll along the promenade, enveloped by the refreshing ocean breeze.



Venture beyond the city limits to discover the secluded beaches of Estero Island. Bowman's Beach Park offers a tranquil haven, perfect for picnicking, fishing, and kayaking. Continue your exploration at Lovers Key State Park, where two idyllic islands await with secluded coves and a mangrove forest teeming with wildlife.

Sanibel: A Shell Seeker's Paradise

Cross the Sanibel Causeway and enter the realm of Sanibel Island, a sanctuary for nature lovers and shell collectors. Renowned for its abundance of colorful seashells, Sanibel's beaches offer an endless treasure hunt for visitors of all ages.



Sanibel Island, a shell seeker's paradise where nature's treasures wash ashore.

Discover the pristine shores of Bowman's Beach, where gentle waves lap against the soft sand. Search for rare shells along the water's edge or take a guided shelling tour to enhance your collection. Captiva Island, connected to Sanibel by a short bridge, invites you to explore its secluded beaches, including the secluded Turner Beach and the picturesque Blind Pass Beach.

Beyond the Beaches: Coastal Adventures

Embrace the diverse coastal experiences that Fort Myers and Sanibel offer. Embark on a dolphin-watching cruise, where playful dolphins leap alongside the boat. Explore the tranquil waters of Estero Bay by kayak,

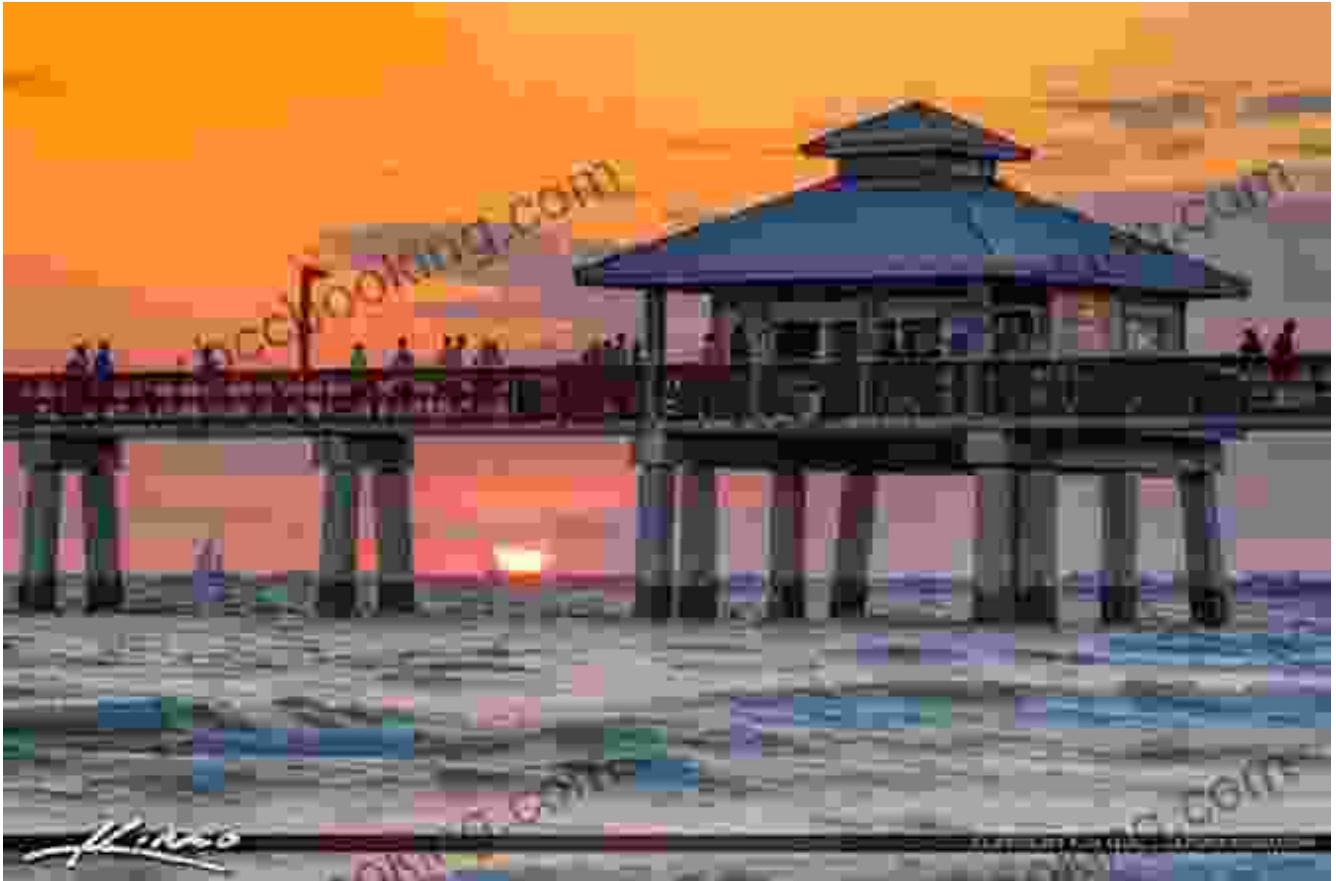
padding through mangrove tunnels and spotting marine life. For a unique perspective, try stand-up paddleboarding, gliding effortlessly over the calm waters.



Step into the lush interior at Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve, where a boardwalk leads you through a serene cypress forest. Spot alligators basking in the sun or embark on a swamp buggy tour for an adrenaline-pumping adventure.

Local Culture and Delights

Immerse yourself in the local culture and flavors of Fort Myers and Sanibel. Visit the Edison & Ford Winter Estates, where Thomas Edison and Henry Ford spent their winters, and explore their historic homes and gardens. Savor fresh seafood at one of the many waterfront restaurants, enjoying the sunset over the shimmering waters.



Experience the local culture and delights, from fresh seafood to captivating sunsets that paint the sky with vibrant hues.

Discover the vibrant art scene at local galleries and studios, where talented artists showcase their coastal-inspired creations. Attend one of the many festivals and events held throughout the year, celebrating the area's rich heritage and welcoming spirit.

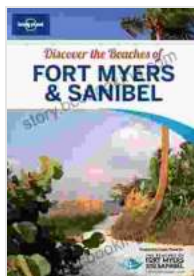
Your Essential Guide to Coastal Bliss

Lonely Planet's Discover The Beaches of Fort Myers & Sanibel is your indispensable travel companion, providing comprehensive information and insider tips to maximize your beach getaway. Find detailed descriptions of

each beach, along with practical advice on amenities, activities, and local attractions.

Detailed maps guide your exploration, ensuring you never miss a hidden gem. Immersive photography captures the essence of the beaches, inspiring you to embark on your own coastal adventure. Whether you're a seasoned beachcomber or seeking a tranquil escape, our guide empowers you to create a memorable and fulfilling vacation.

Escape to the enchanting beaches of Fort Myers and Sanibel, where pristine shores, abundant wildlife, and cultural experiences await your discovery. With Lonely Planet as your guide, immerse yourself in the coastal paradise that has captivated travelers for generations.



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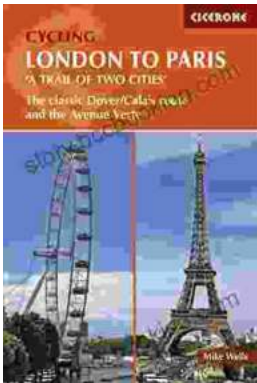
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