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Throughout Florida, more and more communities have refocused their developments and turned their energy into making Main Street a viable and attractive area for visitors to enjoy.

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Main Street Winter Haven, a self-proclaimed "Chain of Lakes City," is nestled among 31 fresh water lakes, 14 of which are uniquely connected by a series of canals. Seeing the need to revitalize its downtown, the City partnered with the not for profit organization Main Street Winter Haven to develop unique businesses, retail stores, restaurants and special events - all while keeping the

area's pedestrian friendly commitment.

Today travelers can mingle with locals as they walk in the park, dine with friends at an outdoor sidewalk cafe, spend quiet time at the award-winning library, shop for that special someone in a one-of-a-kind boutique, or enjoy an exciting evening on the town. www.winterhavenfl.com

Main Street Fort Pierce, situated along Florida's Atlantic Coast, is a refreshing downtown area where small town charm is combined ideally with modern conveniences. In addition to the community's popular Saturday morning Farmer's Market, visitors can take advantage of numerous

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www.mainstreetfortpierce.org

Away from the Theme Park magic downtown **Kissimmee** is a welcome and refreshing breath of fresh air.

Whether it's a self-guided historic walking tour, a journey through the outdoor sculpture gallery or get in touch with Mother Nature on Lake Toho, renown for its large-mouth bass, travelers will find there is an abundance of activity to enjoy.

Visitors who enjoy mingling with the locals can savor the freshness of the Thursday morning Farmer's Market at Toho Square or dine along Main Street at one of the city's mouth watering restaurants. www.kissimmeemainstreet.com

Arcadia...

It's a day trip from just about anywhere in Florida. The community of Arcadia, considered one of the fastest growing antique towns in Florida, not only features a dizzying array of collectibles and rare treasures, it's renown for its convenient locale which makes it the perfect destination to meet that friend for tea or, take a day to meander along an authentic Main Street USA. While exploring this historic community, visitors are encouraged to make the most of this unique experience by touring a citrus grove, kayaking or canoeing down the Peace River, or attending an authentic rodeo. Animal lovers will enjoy the Peace River Refuge and Ranch, a non profit exotic animal sanctuary.

Arcadia Must Do Events!

Celebrate with local antique merchants on the 4th Saturday of each month as dealers display and sell their treasures on the sidewalks, in the park and in the parking lots of Historic Downtown Arcadia. During the monthly Antique Fair, visitors can peruse through numerous stores featuring a variety of charming and historic goods including furniture, art, pottery and jewelry. The fair starts at 8 a.m. For more information call 863-993-1838 or visit their Website www.arcadiaantiques.com.

On the 2nd Friday of each month, downtown Arcadia closes Main Street to traffic and vendors open their doors to car enthusiasts. With a disk jockey playing sounds of the 1950s, visitors can stroll among vintage cars on display among historical buildings which date back to the early 1900s. Raffles, trophy's and door

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Downtowns

Although not considered "historic" these downtown areas offer visitors a vibrant and unique blend of sleek skyscrapers, cultural and recreational attractions and large open spaces to socialize.

Delray Beach...

Visit Delray Beach, Florida's Arts Village - Delray Beach offers an appealing variety of guest accommodations for visitors staying for a few days, a few weeks or several months. Whether luxurious or quaint, historic or modern, visitors are sure to discover that perfect place to stay while visiting the beautiful "Village by the Sea."

Downtown Delray Beach is home to more than 250 restaurants, galleries and boutiques. Atlantic Avenue is the heart of Delray Beach's thriving downtown. Brick-paved sidewalks lined by live oaks, royal palm trees and decorative street lamps create the ambiance of a charming "Village by the Sea," conveniently located just south of Palm Beach and minutes off I-95 (exit 51A).

Downtown Delray Beach showcases the Famous 100-Foot Christmas Tree and First Night New Year's Eve Celebration. For many evenings each year, the streets of Downtown Delray Beach come alive with the sounds of music and the sights of art with events such as Art and Jazz, 5th Ave Jazz, July 4th Celebration, Delray Affair, GreenMarket and many more multi-cultural happenings. Delray Beach is home to professional golf facilities and host to various sporting events including International Tennis, USTA Davis and Fed Cup Tournaments at the City's World-Class Tennis Center.

Visitors and residents alike Delray Beach to enjoy its celebrated beaches, tropic ocean breezes and casual elegance. Visitors will find accommodations for every taste and budget. As a world-class destination, Delray Beach offers a wide range of options for your dining pleasure --- from numerous four- and five-star restaurants to family eateries. Savor fine dining along Atlantic Avenue, relax at brunch at an outdoor café or enjoy a light lunch on the beach.

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Located in the heart of historic downtown Delray Beach, the **Sundy House** is a boutique inn listed on the National Register of Historic Places. This secluded retreat is nestled

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