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# coconut grove

Established in 1873, the Atlantic community of Coconut Grove, situated along the Biscayne Bay coast southwest of Miami, has been dubbed a "VILLAGE WITH A RHYTHM ALL ITS OWN".

It's a destination known for its international sailing regattas, lush canopy, wandering peacocks and circling parrots. The pedestrian and cycle friendly village center is filled with sidewalk cafes, galleries and boutiques, all within walking distance of eight area hotels.

**The See & Do...**Coconut Grove's Village Center is a great place to start self-exploration. As visitors stroll along brick sidewalks they immediately find themselves immersed by a diverse collection of shops and cafes. As night falls on the center, buskers and artists take to the streets to perform and display their talents.

**Celebrations...**January starts off with Great Taste of the Grove, the Chamber's signature, two-day outdoor food and music festival featuring the culinary diversity of the Grove's restaurants.

In February, Coconut Grove is home of the world-renowned Coconut Grove Arts Festival, the largest street art festival in the country, which traditionally takes place over Presidents' Day Weekend. The Goombay Festival & Junkanoo is a tribute to the Bahamian settlers that helped found Coconut Grove. On July 4th, the Grove pulls out its red white and blue bunting and celebrates Independence Day with an all-village event that begins with an old-fash-



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ioned picnic at the historic Barnacle grounds and continues throughout the business district, and ends with a bang or dynamic fireworks at Peacock Park.

Each fall, the Grove also serves as backdrop to the Madhatter's Art Festival and the France Cinema Florida Film Festival/Coconut Grove.

The year would not be complete without the Grove's legendary King Mango Strut, an irreverent parade held on the last Sunday of the year.

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