

St. Pete Clearwater

TRAVEL GUIDE

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What you'll find:

In this guide you'll find the all around best places to stay beachside in Clearwater, where we dine when we visit, and MUST-SEE attractions with kids!





RECOMMENDED *accommodations*

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HYATT REGENCY CLEARWATER

This is where we stayed during this visit! We love it here! it has the best of everything you'll need! It's a short walk from the beach, has fantastic views, in room dining, on-site restaurants, & great service all around! Digital check-in is also available!

WYNDHAM GRAND CLEARWATER

An amazing lobby and fully covered valet area off of the busy street, gorgeous pool, short walk from the beach, 2 minute walk on the beach to Pier 60. Everything you'd expect from Wyndham and more!

OPAL SANDS RESORT

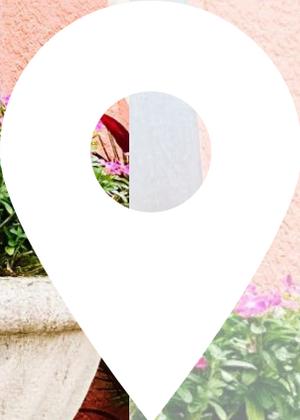
We absolutely LOVE this brand of resorts. Gorgeous exterior & interior, fantastic service, beachfront, first class accommodations, full service spa! Tiki Bar, beach rentals, water rentals, poolside dining,

SAND PEARL RESORT, OPAL

Another Opal resort! This one is RIGHT on the private beach but a tad farther from Pier 60, still only about a 12-15 minute walk! Fantastic zero entry, large lagoon style pool any kid would love! Beach rentals as well as water activities! (Also, Starbucks in the hotel!)



HYATT
REGENCY
CLEARWATER BEACH
RESORT & SPA



Hyatt Regency

CLEARWATER



Wyndham
GRAND



WHERE TO *get your grub on*



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Lunch Spots

BAREFOOT BEACH HOUSE
FRENCHY'S ROCKAWAY GRILL

Sweet Treats

PIER 60 ICE CREAM
BEVERLY'S ICE CREAM
BAREFOOT BEACH HOUSE

Dinner Spots

CRABBY'S DOCKSIDE
COLUMBIA HOUSE



GRAB A BITE FROM BAREFOOT BEACH
HOUSE AND EAT IN YOUR CABANA!



Frenchy's
ROCKAWAY GRILL





Beverly's
ICE
CREAM
BEACH, FL



Beverly's
ICE CREAM

MUST DO

activities with kids





CAPTAIN MEMO'S PIRATE CRUISE

THINGS TO KNOW:

What's included?

A pirate hat, gold doubloon, tattoo, gold bead necklace, candy treasure, pirate certificate, games, dance party, water, beer, wine & soft drinks!

What time should I book?

The earliest of the day! Currently 10AM launch time!

**Arrive 1 hour early for check-in!*

What should I bring?

Your phone or camera, and snacks if you don't have breakfast beforehand! They really kept the big boys pretty busy so, we had a light breakfast beforehand and they didn't complain of hunger once! I brought puff snacks along for Deck to keep him happy since he couldn't get down and crawl around!





How long is it?

The tour is 2 hours! You're constantly moving and the crew entertains the kids for the majority of the cruise!

Should I bring little kids?

Yes! Our toddler had a fantastic time! I would recommend this activity for toddlers through teens!

Should I bring a stroller?

I would leave the stroller behind and just carry the kids or hold their hand as you walk to the check-in kiosk!







MAKE TIME FOR THE BEACH

We absolutely love this beach on Florida's East Coast!

The boys love the soft, cool, bright white sand that covers the ground! We always pick up a new beach toy set from Barefoot Beach House after grabbing a snack or bite for lunch and spend the rest of the day soaking in the free Vitamin D!



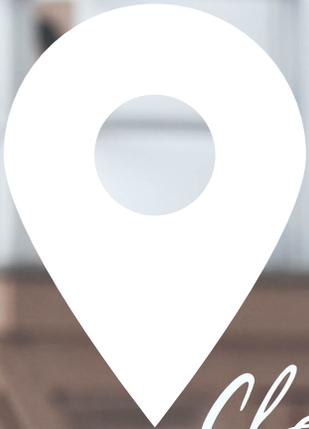
Should I rent a cabana?

If you have young kids and plan on spending the day at the beach, I highly recommend renting one of the cabanas!

Get there early to grab a good spot! We had three so we would have one for ourselves, on that Deck could play under in his Pop N Go tent, and one for the big boys to sit for snacks and to get out of the sun!

Do you bring your stroller since you walk from the hotel?

Yes! We did bring our stroller onto the beach and just pulled it behind us with all of our stuff on it! If you have a lot of kids and a lot of things, bring your wagon along for your trip!



Clearwater
BEACH



Pier 60



PIER 60

5 THINGS TO DO at **PIER 60 (CLEARWATER BEACH, FLORIDA)** WITH KIDS!

1 PLAY ON THE PLAYGROUND

2 GRAB AN ICE CREAM

3 CLAP YOUR HANDS FOR A PERFORMER

4 BUY A FRIENDSHIP BRACELET

5 COUNT THE BOATS THAT PASS BY





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CLEARWATER MARINE AQUARIUM

The Clearwater Marine Aquarium is a must do every time we visit! In the last few years, they've added on SO MANY new things and interactive stations throughout the center, making it a place that we spend half of our day exploring and keeping the boys occupied for several hours!

Clearwater Marine Aquarium is most famous for being the home to Winter, star of the original Dolphin Tale movie! Along with many of her marine cast mates, she can be seen at the center daily!

Visit Winter and some of her dolphin friends Hope, PJ, & Nicholas, as well as Bailey the rescued green sea turtle, Ricky (aka "Rufus") the pelican, and SO MANY MORE!



FUN FACTS:

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Winter the dolphin has had over 25 prosthetic tails in her lifetime so far!

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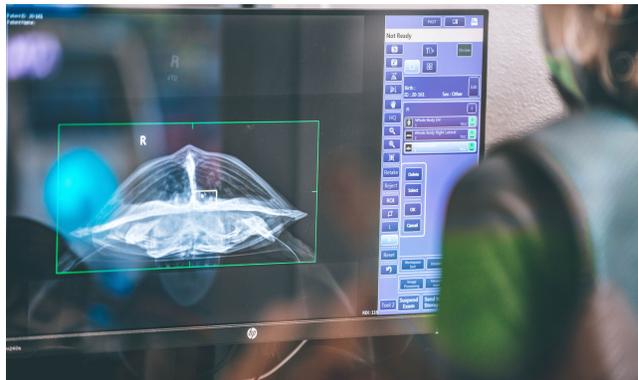
The Clearwater Marine Aquarium is currently home to 7 dolphins, over 20 rescued turtles, more than 5 pelicans, sharks, rays, and more!

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The team at the center also keeps tabs on the health and safety of the dolphins out in the nearby bay!

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Did you know that dolphins are always awake? Seriously! They sleep with one eye open and half of their brain awake on the opposite side! Pretty cool, right?!





Clearwater

MARINE AQUARIUM





Know before you go:

Before you embark on your day at The Clearwater Marine Aquarium, there are a few things to know! Like, what to pack, how much time to expect to spend, things to look for, where to park, questions to ask, and where to find a snack if you get hungry!

HOW LONG SHOULD WE EXPECT TO BE THERE?

If this is your first time, I would designate 3 hours or so to truly explore all that the center has to offer!

WHERE TO PARK

There is a designated parking garage for guests of the center located at
249 Windward Passage
Clearwater, FL 33767

Know before you go:

WHAT SHOULD WE PACK?

Bring your stroller for little ones, a copy of your tickets, a phone or camera, snacks for toddlers, good walking shoes/sandals, your face covering, souvenir money, & be ready for a fun time!

ARE THERE ANY "TOUCH TANKS"?

Yes!

We love the hands-on features to this facility, including the sting ray touch pool where kids can reach two fingers in and pet the rays as they swim by!

CAN WE BRING SNACKS?

Yes!

You can bring your own snacks as well as visit the concession area for pizza, nachos, sandwiches, popcorn and more!

IS IT ALL INSIDE?

No! The facility is indoor and outdoor! The large dolphin pool can be viewed from inside as well as outside! A dolphin presentation is done outdoors as well if you want to meet Rex and Rudolph *(I highly recommend making time for this)!





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