

# Walking Tour of Miami Beach, Florida: Look Up, America Series

Miami Beach is a vibrant and cosmopolitan city with a rich history and culture. From its stunning beaches and Art Deco architecture to its lively nightlife and world-renowned dining scene, there's something for everyone in this vibrant metropolis.



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One of the best ways to experience Miami Beach is on foot. A walking tour is a great way to see the city's most iconic landmarks, learn about its history, and soak up its unique atmosphere.

This walking tour will take you to some of Miami Beach's most popular attractions, including the Art Deco Historic District, the Versace Mansion, and the Miami Beach Botanical Garden. Along the way, you'll learn about the city's history, architecture, and culture.

## **Art Deco Historic District**

The Art Deco Historic District is one of Miami Beach's most iconic neighborhoods. This vibrant district is home to hundreds of Art Deco buildings, which were built in the 1920s and 1930s. These buildings are characterized by their pastel colors, geometric shapes, and streamlined designs.

Some of the most famous Art Deco buildings in Miami Beach include the Hotel Carlyle, the Colony Hotel, and the Park Central Hotel. These buildings are all listed on the National Register of Historic Places.



## **Versace Mansion**

The Versace Mansion is one of Miami Beach's most opulent and extravagant homes. This palatial mansion was built in 1930 by Italian fashion designer Gianni Versace. The mansion is known for its lavish interiors, which include a 24-karat gold-plated pool and a marble staircase.

Versace was murdered on the steps of his mansion in 1997. The mansion is now a hotel and restaurant.



### **Miami Beach Botanical Garden**

The Miami Beach Botanical Garden is a 5-acre oasis in the heart of Miami Beach. This tranquil garden is home to a wide variety of plants and flowers, including orchids, palms, and tropical fruit trees.

The garden is a great place to relax and escape the hustle and bustle of the city. It's also a popular spot for weddings and special events.



## **Other attractions**

In addition to the attractions listed above, there are many other things to see and do in Miami Beach. Here are a few other suggestions:

- Visit the Miami Beach Boardwalk, a 2.5-mile stretch of pedestrian walkway that runs along the beach.
- Explore the Lincoln Road Mall, an outdoor shopping and entertainment complex.
- Take a boat tour of Biscayne Bay.

- Visit the Wolfsonian Museum, which houses a collection of art and design from the 1880s to the 1950s.
- Attend a concert or show at the Fillmore Miami Beach.

## **Getting around**

Miami Beach is a very walkable city. However, you can also use the city's public transportation system, which includes buses and a trolley. You can also rent a bike or a scooter to get around.

## **Where to eat**

Miami Beach is a culinary destination, with a wide variety of restaurants to choose from. Here are a few of our favorites:

- Joe's Stone Crab: This iconic restaurant is known for its fresh seafood, especially its stone crabs.
- Versace Restaurant: This elegant restaurant is located in the Versace Mansion. It serves Italian cuisine in a beautiful setting.
- Nikki Beach: This beach club and restaurant is a great place to enjoy a meal and a cocktail while enjoying the ocean views.
- The Dutch: This restaurant serves modern American cuisine with a global flair.
- Zuma: This Japanese restaurant is known for its sushi and sashimi.

## **Where to stay**

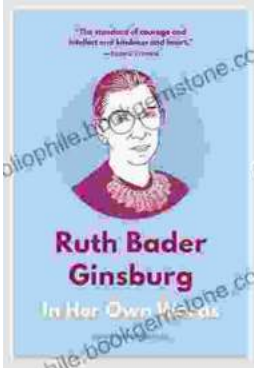
There are many hotels and resorts to choose from in Miami Beach. Here are a few of our favorites:



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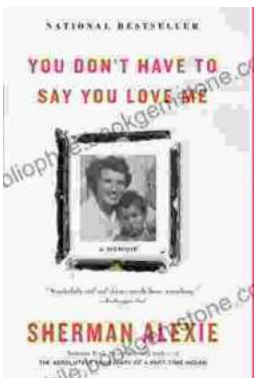
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