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## Unique Things to do in Florida • 24 Top Adventures



Planning a trip to the Sunshine State?

Look no further! I've been living in Florida for a few years now and have dedicated myself to finding the best things to do in Florida.

Florida is a fascinating state with many distinct and unique places to visit. When you think of Florida, most people think of the beach, Miami, and major theme parks.

Well, I am here to tell you that Florida has SO MUCH more to offer, and you will be amazed by some of these hidden gems that most tourists miss out on entirely.

## 6. FAIRCHILD TROPICAL BOTANIC GARDEN



My first visit to Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden was one of the catalysts that made me decide to move to Florida years ago. This tropical oasis whisked me away to another world that I realized I needed to be closer to...

<u>Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden</u> is truly one of the many wonders of Florida, created by a dedicated world-renowned botanist and famous plant explorer, David Fairchild (1869-1954).

In 1938, Dr. Fairchild and a few other retired botanists opened the doors to the **83-acre botanic garden** to the public for the first time. Since then, this stunning botanical garden has brought people from all over the world to see the incredible collection of rare and exotic plants.

Make sure you check out the **exotic butterfly exhibit!** With hundreds of butterflies from all over the world fluttering about, this is truly an unforgettable experience that the whole family will enjoy.

**PRO TIP:** This tropical oasis has multiple different habitats and collections that are best explored with a <u>tour guide</u> who can guide you through the rich history and ethnobotany behind the exhibits.

NOTE: A tour guide is by no means necessary. However, when I went, I had a tour guide, which made all the difference. I got an entirely different experience than I would have had I gone alone. I learned about the plants, where they came from, why they were growing where they were, ethnobotanical uses, and so much more. It's well worth it.

**PRICE:** Admission is \$24. However, that does not include the tour options. Tour prices change depending on how big the group is.