

Visit Central Florida – At a Glance

Central Florida's Polk County offers visitors the opportunity to "Choose Everything" on their next Florida Vacation. Conveniently located in the heart of Florida, between Orlando and Tampa, Polk County offers quick access to the Gulf and Atlantic Beaches and Florida's major attractions, including **LEGOLAND® Florida Resort**. An assortment of unique experiences and attractions await visitors, including **Frank Lloyd Wright's "Child of the Sun" architecture collection at Florida Southern College** and the historic **Bok Tower Gardens**. You can tour an orange grove and pick fresh citrus straight from the trees, spot alligators as you zip across sparkling lakes during an adventurous airboat eco-tour, ride camels and feed lemurs at **Safari Wilderness Ranch**, cheer on real Florida cowboys in the championship rodeo at **Westgate River Ranch Resort** and tee up at **Streamsong Resort**, home to three critically-acclaimed golf courses. To see it all, www.VisitCentralFlorida.org.

- 1) **LEGOLAND Florida Resort** (and the seasonal **LEGOLAND Water Park**)
 - Opened March 27, 2019: **THE LEGO® MOVIE™ WORLD** attraction (inspired by the Blockbuster Movie)
 - Opening Spring 2020: **Pirate Island Hotel** – the first LEGO® Pirate Hotel in North America
 - www.legoland.com/florida/about-us/press/information
- 2) **Safari Wilderness Ranch**: Named one of the "10 Best Safaris in the U.S." by Fodors.com
 - Safari Tours: options include Vehicle, Camel back and Kayak tours
 - Hand-feed Lemurs as an add-on experience (there is nothing like a lemur licking grape juice off your hand)
 - www.SafariWilderness.com
- 3) **Bok Tower Gardens**: Voted "Florida's Best Garden", this Historic Landmark features a 205-foot Art Deco "Singing Tower" carillon atop one of Florida's highest points.
 - **Hammock Hollow**: A recently dedicated three-acre children's garden with interactive play areas
 - www.BokTowerGardens.org
- 4) **Westgate River Ranch Resort and Rodeo**: The Largest Dude Ranch East of the Mississippi
 - Glamping (Glamour Camping): in Luxe Teepees and Glamping Tents
 - Championship Rodeo every Saturday night
 - www.wgriverranch.com
- 5) **Frank Lloyd Wright's "Child of the Sun" architecture collection at Florida Southern College**
 - The largest One-Site collection of Wright's works, in the World (13 completed structures)
 - www.FLSouthern.edu/flwctr
- 6) **Streamsong Resort and Spa**: A 216-room lodge and spa, built on reclaimed phosphate mining land
 - Features three internationally acclaimed golf courses (Streamsong Red, Blue and Black) designed by four world-renowned course architects (Gil Hanse, Tom Doak, Bill Coore and Ben Crenshaw).
 - www.streamsongresort.com

Top Annual Events

SUN 'n FUN International Fly-In and Expo

This massive, week-long event takes place every April, in Lakeland, FL. The 45th installment (April 2-7) featured the U.S. Navy Blue Angels. SUN 'n FUN, Florida's largest annual convention, is the second largest event of its kind in the world – and attracts more than 200,000 pilots and aviation enthusiasts to Central Florida from around the globe annually. www.flysnf.org

Detroit Tigers Spring Training in Lakeland: closest team to the Atlanta Braves training facility in Kissimmee, FL.

The Detroit Tigers just concluded their 83rd Spring Training season at TigerTown in Lakeland, extending **the longest-standing relationship between a major league team and a current Spring Training host city**. The 2019 spring season marks the club's 54th consecutive season of exhibition play at Publix Field at Joker Marchant Stadium.