Things to Do & Places to See in Jacksonville, Florida

Attractions around town:

- Downtown Jacksonville: Take a ride on the water taxi, stroll the Riverwalk by foot, or take the <u>JTA Skyway</u> to explore the <u>Jacksonville Landing</u>, <u>Friendship Fountain</u>, <u>River City Brewing Company</u>, and <u>EverBank Field</u>-home to the Jacksonville Jaguars football team, the Jacksonville Suns baseball team, among other <u>sports</u>. Enjoy several <u>dining and nightlife</u> hotspots! (Click each link to find out more about locations and hours of operation.)
- <u>Riverside and Avondale</u>: One of Jacksonville's oldest and coolest neighborhoods with a unique mix of history, culture, charm, and modern design. Learn more by exploring the <u>Riverside Avondale Preservation Society</u>. Jump aboard the <u>Riverside Avondale Night Trolley</u> to show you around the town Friday and Saturday 6pm–2am!
- The Jacksonville Zoo: Discover more than 1,400 rare and exotic animals and 1,000 varieties of plants. (Monday–Friday 9am–5pm; Saturday & Sunday 9am–6pm)
- **Budweiser Brewery:** Tour offers a behind-the-scene look at brewing with samples from the finishing tank and gifts. (Daily 10am–5pm)

The Beaches:

- Jacksonville Beach, Neptune Beach, and Atlantic Beach, plus the historic fishing village of Mayport to the north: Visit dozens of locally owned shops and boutiques, restaurants, bars, and more! Jump aboard the Beaches Trolley to explore all the beach neighborhoods and attractions for only \$1.50. (Click each link to learn more about the beaches and what each one has to offer while you're in town!)
- <u>Ponte Vedra Beach</u>: Enjoy the 40-foot sand dunes, among the highest in Florida, plus miles of fresh-water streams, creeks and lagoons surrounding the natural area. Elegant shopping and fine dining are also easy to find in this area!
- <u>St. Augustine Historic District</u>: Venture out to St. Augustine to experience its outstanding beaches, art, architecture and history, and golf. Attractions include the <u>St. Augustine Alligator Farm</u>, the Fountain of Youth, <u>Ripley's Believe It or Not Museum</u>, the <u>Castillo de San Marcos</u>, <u>St. Augustine Lighthouse & Museum</u>, the <u>Lightner Museum</u> and the <u>Oldest Wooden School House</u>. The <u>St. Augustine Sightseeing</u> Train and horse-drawn carriage guides offer city tours while several boats offer sight-seeing trips around the harbor. After taking a tour of the city, enjoy some wonderful food and wine tasting!

Games, activities, dining and more:

- <u>Alhambra Dinner Theater</u>: Watch an exceptional live show while enjoying a delicious meal simultaneously. Please visit the website for more information about show times.
- BestBet Poker Room: Enjoy Vegas style wagering with Jacksonville style hospitality. (Friday & Saturday 24 hours; Sunday–Thursday 10am–4 am)
- Adventure Landing: The Flagship Park, Adventure Landing and Shipwreck Island Water Park is the largest Family Entertainment Center in northeast Florida offering individual family fun for all ages. A mini theme park with a water park, game room, go carts, putt-putt golf course, and more! (Monday–Thursday 10am–10pm; Friday & Saturday 10am–Midnight; Sunday 10am–10pm*Waterpark hours may vary, see website for more information.)
- Dave and Busters: Eat, drink, play and watch sports all under one roof! You're sure to have fun at this place! (Sunday–Thursday 11am–Midnight; Friday & Saturday 11am–1am)
- <u>The Comedy Zone</u>: Offers a variety of comedy entertainment from local Jacksonville comics through nationally touring comedians and celebrity performances. (Hours dependent upon shows available. Click the link to learn more.)
- <u>Comedy Club of Jacksonville</u>: Offers top national touring comics every week. (Hours dependent upon shows available. Click the link to learn more.)
- <u>Autobahn Indoor Speedway</u>: Experience a thrill like no other in an 80,000 square feet state-of-the-art facility that offers European style indoor gokarting for all you speed-lovers! (Monday–Thursday 11am–10pm; Friday 11am–Midnight; Saturday 10am–Midnight; Sunday 10am–10pm)

Shopping:

- <u>St. John's Town Center Mall</u>: Shop and dine throughout the outdoor lifestyle mall located in the heart of Jacksonville. Home to more than 200 of the hottest stores, with many exclusive in the market and explore the diverse palate of exciting dining destination options. (Monday–Saturday 10am–9pm; Sunday 11am–6pm)
- <u>Avenues Mall</u>: Jacksonville's fashionable family shopping destination featuring a multi-level shopping center with more than 1.1 million square-feet of shopping. Home to five major department stores plus more than 150 of the most exciting stores around Northeast Florida. (Monday–Saturday 10am-9pm; Sunday 12pm–6pm)
- <u>St. Augustine Outlets</u>: The perfect shopping getaway located in the oldest city of St. Augustine, Florida. The St. Augustine Outlets is home to more than 75 authentic fashion brands where you'll find everyday savings of up to 65% off retail prices whether its apparel, home goods, luggage or gifts. (Monday–Saturday 9am–9pm; Sunday 10am–6pm)

Museums:

- <u>Cummer Museum of Art and Gardens</u>: One of the finest art collections in the Southeast with nearly 5,000 objects in its Permanent Collection. The museum has 2.5 acres of historic gardens featuring a variety of media. (Tuesday 10am–9pm; Wednesday 10am–4pm; Thursday–Saturday 10am–4pm; Sunday 12pm–5pm)
- Jacksonville Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA): See more than 750 works in an array of media, in one of the Southeast's largest museums of modern and contemporary art, a Cultural Institute of the University of North Florida. (Tuesday–Saturday 11am–5pm; Thursday 11am–9pm; Sunday 12pm–5pm)
- <u>Museum of Science and History (MOSH)</u>: View interactive science exhibits and northeast Florida history. (Monday–Thursday 10am–5pm; Friday 10am–8pm; Saturday 10am–6 pm; Sunday 12pm–5pm)
- <u>Beaches Museum & History Park</u>: Offers exhibits and archives in addition to featuring a restored 19th century house used by the Florida East Coast Railroad Section Foreman, a railroad depot moved from Mayport, and a 28-ton 1911 steam locomotive, and one of the oldest historical structures at the beaches-the Beaches Chapel (1887). (Tuesday–Saturday 10am–4pm; Sunday 12pm–4pm)

Local Movie Theaters:

- <u>Cinemark Tinseltown</u>: 4535 Southside Blvd, Jacksonville, FL 32216 (904) 998-2122
- <u>AMC Regency 24</u>: 9451 Regency Square Blvd., Jacksonville, FL 32225 (904) 725-0885

Golf Lovers:

- The Jacksonville Beach Golf Club: A great Jacksonville golf course with great rates and opened to all golfers. Please call the Golf Shop at (904) 247-6184 to book a tee-time reservation. (7am–Dark)
- <u>TPC/Sawgrass Golf Courses</u>: The world's headquarters of professional golf offers an unparalleled experience with two immaculately-maintained golf courses, both designed by the legendary Pete Dye. Please call (904) 273-3430 for tee-time reservations. (Hours vary)
- World Golf Village and the Golf Hall of Fame: Combines historic artifacts, personal memorabilia, and interactive exhibits to tell the stories of professional golfers and the history of the game. (Monday–Saturday 10am–6pm; Sunday 12pm–6pm)

Transportation Services:

- **EZ Airport Shuttle Service**: Book online or call (904) 741-3740 or (866) 722-0111.
- <u>Yellow Jacket Transportation</u>: Joel Ted Peeples (912) 467-1726
- <u>Jacksonville Transportation Authority (JTA)</u>: Bus schedules
- Super Shuttle: Go online or call (800) BLUE VAN (258-3826) for reservations (1-7 passengers one way \$70 or round trip \$113.20 or current pricing).
- <u>Checker Cab</u>: Offers airport transportation as well as cab services around Jacksonville. Book online or call 904.345.3333 (24 hours/7 days).
- Coastal Cab: Offers airport transportation as well as cab services around Jacksonville. Book online or call (904) 246-9999 (24 hours/7 days).
- *Click <u>here</u> for list of additional local cab services.

*Please be sure to check the attached links to find prices and more information for each listing.