

Day 1 - Welcome to Miami

Ocean Drive and Beach

With only one day to see Miami, you'll want to have a large coffee to fuel up for a busy day ahead. Start your day by taking a stroll along the infamous Ocean Drive. Admire the art-deco buildings as your make your way down toward Lummus Park. Stop at a spot like Havana 1957 or similar for a drink and some people watching. Then head over to the beach to sunbathe or just admire the beautiful views and lifeguard towers.

Wynwood or Little Havana

- Miami isn't just South Beach, so I recommend venturing off to one of the interesting neighborhoods nearby. If you want to check out some cool wall murals and a more hip industrial side of town, head over to Wynwood. Make a stop at Wynwood Walls and then have lunch at Kush for the best burger of your life, low-key places like Taco Stand or Wynwood Marketplace, or a more upscale lunch place like Astra Rooftop.
- If you prefer a more cultural vibe, head over to Little Havana, a Cuban area of town to explore Calle Ocho. Stop at Dominoes Park, Ball and Chain for live music and salsa, Cubaocho Museum for a mojito and admiring the beautiful space, Azucar for some ice cream, Cigar Factory, or Guantanamera for a cigar, and all the various shops along the way. For lunch, head over to Versailles a famous diner, El Rey De Las Fritas or Sanguich De Miami for a good Cuban sandwich.

South Beach Strolls

■ Lincoln Road Mall will be your first stop for the evening. Although it's a shopping street, it has a lively vibe and the pedestrian-only zone makes it a nice place to take a stroll. Stop at one of the bars to enjoy a drink.

Dinner

Española Way, is another small touristy street, that has some nice dinner options. My personal pick is Pane Vino but other good places in that spot include Havana 1957 or Hosteria Romana.

• Nightcap Drink

It was a busy day and I'm sure you're ready to head back but it's Miami so I recommend heading back to Ocean Drive to observe the nightlife of the area.