



# 9 Ways to Have the Best Ever Visit to Fort Lauderdale

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Dreaming of sun, sand and seafood? A Fort Lauderdale weekend is calling your name.

This town has it all: [waterfront restaurants](#) and bars, [fabulous resorts](#), lots to do and a gorgeous stretch of golden-sand beach.

If you're looking for a list of fun things to do to have the best weekend ever, we've got you covered.

Here's how to spend the best Fort Lauderdale weekend ever.

**1. Hang out at The Ritz-Carlton pool and make an underwater video about it.**



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No one will question your VIP status when you whip out a room key for the Ritz-Carlton, Fort Lauderdale -- one of the hotels offering the Vacation Like a VIP Package.

- Courtesy of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Convention and Visitors Bureau

**2. Go to the beach and soak up the sunshine. Then send photos to all your friends and make them envious.**



Fort Lauderdale Beach  
- Richard Hartstein

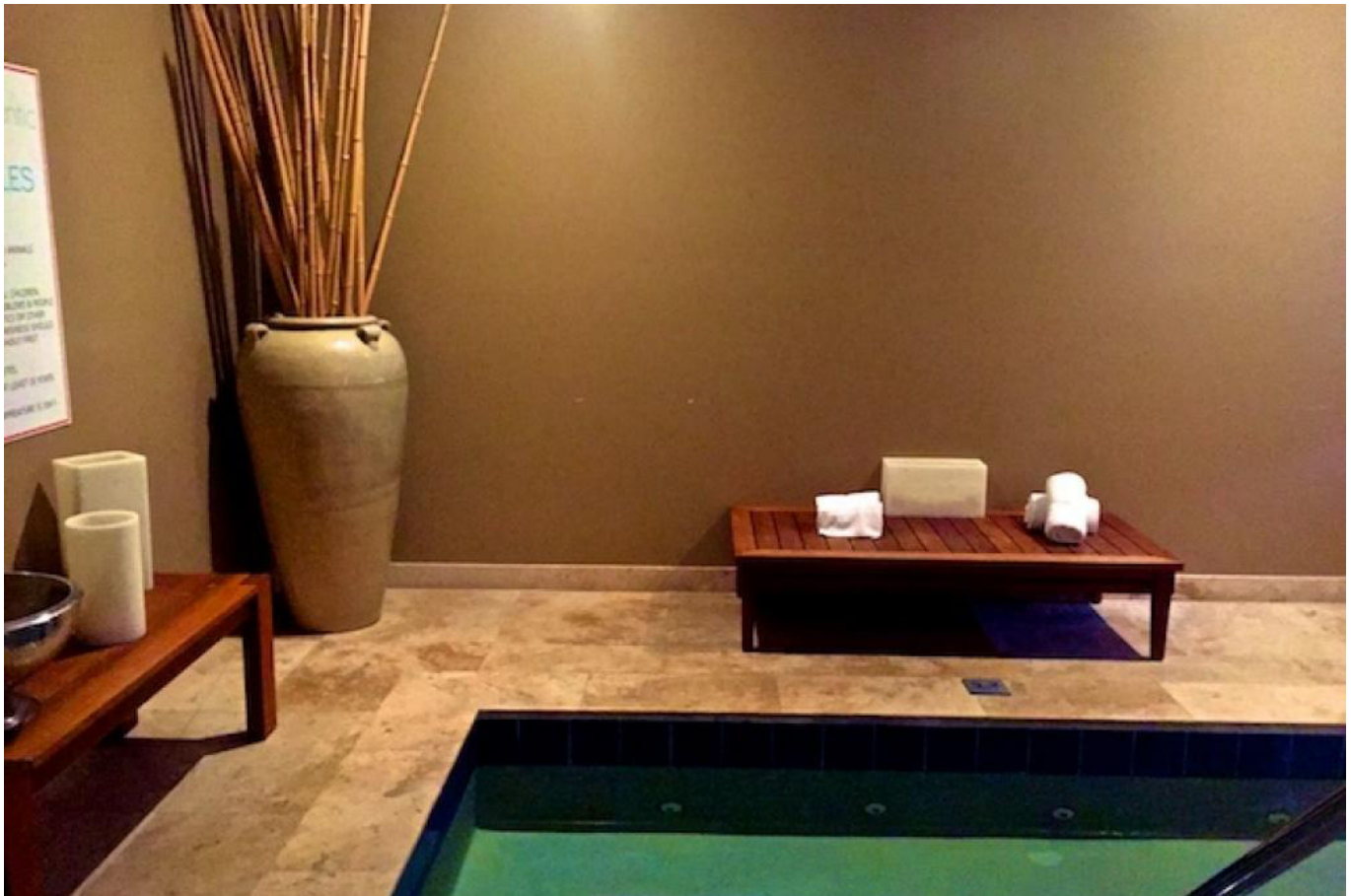
### 3. Detox at the spa at The Atlantic Hotel & Spa. You know you need it.



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#### 4. Pour your own beer at American Social Bar & Restaurant on Las Olas Boulevard.



#### 5. Stop everything and admire the ocean views.



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At Fort Lauderdale Marriott Harbor Beach Resort and Spa, the Atlantic Ocean views are enormous. The prices? Not so much.  
- *Courtesy of Diamond Public Relations*

**6. Go bar-hopping on the Water Taxi. Bonus: they'll tell you where all the celebrities live in the neighborhood.**



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**7. Drink a gigantic chalice of sangria and listen to live music at Rock Bar. The beach boulevard strip is lined with live music venues.**



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Around Skipper's, visitors will find hand-painted murals, concert posters, framed pictures and florescent-lit beer signs. "It looks like flotsam and jetsam," the owner says.

- Lara Cerri for VISIT FLORIDA

**8. Dine at Steak 954 overlooking the ocean on A1A. I mean, really, every time you go out to eat, make sure you get a water view.**





**9. Watch the sunrise over the Atlantic Ocean and plot a way to move here because you just can't get enough Florida sunshine.**



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