

# Florida Backroads Travel

## Melrose, Florida

*History of Melrose, Florida. pp. 20, 54, 55. "Melrose Florida Is A Victorian Village Near Gainesville". Florida Backroads Travel. Retrieved March 24,*

Melrose is an unincorporated community in Alachua, Bradford, Clay, and Putnam counties in the U.S. state of Florida. It lies on State Road 26, approximately 17 mi (27 km) east of Gainesville (straight-line distance) and approximately 50 mi (80 km) southwest of Jacksonville (straight-line distance). The town lies on Lake Santa Fe.

## Quincy, Florida

*2015. Retrieved June 22, 2013. "Quincy Florida: America's Coke Habit Made The Town Rich". Florida Backroads Travel. "Coke millions fortify a town Shareholders:*

Quincy is a city in and the county seat of Gadsden County, Florida, United States. Quincy is part of the Tallahassee, Florida Metropolitan Statistical Area. The population was 7,970 as of the 2020 census, almost even from 7,972 at the 2010 census.

## Haines City, Florida

*guide for Haines City, Florida. Wikimedia Commons has media related to Haines City, Florida. City of Haines City Official Site Florida Backroads Travel*

Haines City is a city in Polk County, Florida, United States. Its population was 26,669 at the 2020 census. It is part of the Lakeland–Winter Haven Metropolitan Statistical Area.

## Cocoa, Florida

*city, Florida". Census.gov. Retrieved July 20, 2022. Mike Miller (2016). "Cocoa Florida from the Civil War to the Space Age". Florida Backroads Travel. Retrieved*

Cocoa is a city in Brevard County, Florida, United States. Its population was 19,041 at the 2020 United States census, up from 17,140 at the 2010 census. It is part of the Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville, Florida Metropolitan Statistical Area.

## Greenville, Florida

*"GREENVILLE, FLORIDA HISTORY". www.florida-backroads-travel.com. "Homepage of Greenville, Florida: History". mygreenvillefl.com. "FLORIDA CITIES BY INCORPORATION*

Greenville is a town in Madison County, Florida, United States. The population was 746 at the 2020 census, down from 843 at the 2010 census.

## Orlando, Florida

*Arcadia Pub. pp. 24–25. ISBN 978-0-7385-2442-9. History of Orlando Florida Backroads Travel. Retrieved March 2, 2017. Dickinson, Joy Wallace (January 28, 2001)*

Orlando ( or-LAN-doh) is a city in and the county seat of Orange County, Florida, United States. Part of Central Florida, it is the fourth-most populous city in the state and its most populous inland city with a

population of 307,573 at the 2020 census, while the Orlando metropolitan area with over 2.94 million residents is the third-largest metropolitan area in Florida and 20th-largest in the United States.

Orlando is one of the most-visited cities in the world primarily due to tourism, major events, theme parks, and convention traffic. It is the fourth-most visited city in the U.S. after New York City, Miami, and Los Angeles, with over 3.5 million visitors as of 2023. Orlando International Airport is the 7th-busiest airport in the United States and the 18th-busiest in the world. The two largest and most internationally renowned tourist attractions in the Orlando area are the Walt Disney World resort, opened by the Walt Disney Company in 1971 and located about 21 miles (34 km) southwest of Orlando in Bay Lake, and the Universal Orlando resort, opened in 1990 as a major expansion of Universal Studios Florida and the only theme park inside Orlando city limits.

Apart from its theme parks, most major cultural sites such as Orlando Museum of Art and Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts, and nightlife, bars, and clubs are located in downtown Orlando. Other attractions like Orlando Eye at ICON Park are located along International Drive. The city is also one of the busiest American cities for conferences and conventions; Orange County Convention Center is the second-largest convention facility in the United States. Orlando is home to the University of Central Florida, one of the largest universities in the United States. The city's major league professional sports teams include Orlando City SC (MLS) and the Orlando Magic (NBA).

#### Everglades City, Florida

*Wikimedia Commons has media related to Everglades City, Florida. Official Website for the City of Everglades City Community website Florida Backroads Travel*

Everglades City is a city in Collier County, Florida, United States, of which it was once the county seat. It is part of the Naples–Marco Island Metropolitan Statistical Area, which is included in the Cape Coral-Fort Myers-Naples Combined Statistical Area. The Gulf Coast Visitor Center for Everglades National Park is located in Everglades City. As of the 2020 US census, the population was 352, down from 400 in the 2010 US census.

#### Mount Dora, Florida

*Florida &quot;U.S. Census website&quot;: United States Census Bureau. Retrieved January 31, 2008. &quot;History Of Mount Dora Florida&quot;: Florida Backroads Travel. Retrieved*

Mount Dora is a city in Lake County, Florida. It is part of the Orlando-Kissimmee, Florida, metropolitan statistical area. Founded in 1880, Mount Dora is known for its small-town southern charm. It has many antique shops in the downtown area. The downtown area overlooks Lake Dora. Mount Dora is home to one of three freshwater lighthouses in Florida. It hosts many monthly festivals and is known as the "Festival City". As of the 2020 census, it had a population of 16,341.

#### Florida Cracker Horse

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The Florida Cracker Horse is a critically endangered horse breed from the U.S. state of Florida. It is genetically and physically similar to many other Spanish-style horses, especially those from the Spanish Colonial horse group, including the Banker horse of North Carolina and the Carolina Marsh Tacky of South Carolina. The Florida Cracker Horse is a gaited breed known for its agility and speed.

The Spanish first brought horses to Florida with their expeditions in the early 16th century; as colonial settlement progressed, they used the horses for herding cattle. These horses developed into the Florida

Cracker type seen today and continued to be used by Florida cattlemen (known as "Florida crackers" or "cowhunters") until the 1930s. By this point, the breed was superseded by American Quarter Horses which were needed to work the larger cattle breeds brought to Florida during the Dust Bowl. As a result, the population of the Florida Cracker Horse declined precipitously. Through the efforts of several private families and the Florida government, the breed was saved from extinction, but there is still concern about its low numbers. Both The Livestock Conservancy and the Equus Survival Trust consider the breed endangered.

On July 1, 2008, the Florida House of Representatives declared the Florida Cracker Horse the official state horse. The Florida Cracker is also associated with the Seminole Tribe of Florida, a prominent group of Native Americans in the state, as well as the Chickasaw Nation, a tribe that originally lived in Alabama and Mississippi in the Southern United States.

Mims, Florida

*Brotmarkle, p. 22 "Mims, Florida"; Florida Backroads Travel. "Freedom Never Dies: The Legacy of Harry T. Moore"; PBS. p. Florida Terror: Who Killed Harry*

Mims is a census-designated place (CDP) holding the single zip code 32754 located within Brevard County, Florida, United States. The population was 7,336 at the 2020 census. It is part of the Palm Bay—Melbourne—Titusville Metropolitan Statistical Area.

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