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Tampa, FL

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The Dalí Museum

You don't even have to be inside this museum to be awed by its surrealism, as Dalí's signature melting style is mimicked by the building his work is housed in. Once inside, you'll find the world's largest collection of Dalí's work, including 1,300 photos and sculptures, 96 oil paintings and more than 100 watercolors and drawings.

1 Dali Blvd, St Petersburg;
727-823-3767; thedali.org

THE LIST

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The Refinery

Don't let this unassuming little bungalow fool you—this is a James Beard-nominated restaurant that's serious about food and its sources (all of which are organic and local). With a menu that changes weekly and uses only seasonal ingredients, foodies

will rejoice. 5137 N Florida Ave; 813-237-2000; thetamparefinery.com



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Hyde Park Village

Shop 'til you drop among the tree-lined streets that make this quiet residential neighborhood an upscale, open-air shopping district. Pop into Milagros for homemade, scented soap, grab a bite at Sophie's French Bakery & Café or find one-of-a-kind clothing at *jux•ta•pose*. 1621 W Snow Cir; 813-251-3500; hydeparkvillage.net



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Gasparilla Pirate Fest

Arrr you ready for Tampa's pirate invasion? Named after legendary West Florida pirate Jose Gaspar and going strong since 1904, thousands gather to watch this Mardi Gras-inspired parade, its floats and its swashbucklers. Jan. 28; Bayshore Blvd; 813-251-8844; gasparillapiratefest.com

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Ybor City

Now better known for its nightlife and upscale restaurants, this historic Latin community was once famous as the cigar capital of the world. Its history is alive in the brick-lined streets, and the cigar tradition carries on, too—you can still see *chincales* roll cigars right before your eyes. ybor.org



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Indaba Spa at Innisbrook

Get pampered African-style. Don't miss this themed spa's new African Adventure Signature Treatment, which includes a Moroccan argan oil scalp massage followed by a rich, tamanu shea butter massage and ootanga foot scrub. 36750 US Hwy 19 N, Palm Harbor; 727-942-5258; spaatinnisbrook.com

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Columbia Restaurant

For a bite of history, head to Ybor City, home to Florida's oldest restaurant, which has been feeding fans of Spanish tapas since 1905. Once a cantina for local cigar workers, it now spans 15 dining rooms and features live flamenco. 2117 E Seventh Ave; 813-248-4961; columbiarestaurant.com

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Indian Rocks Beach

Point yourself west and discover the perfect spot to soak in the rays or watch the sun set. Just 45 minutes from Tampa along the Gulf of Mexico, you'll find 35 miles of powder-white beaches and azure-blue waters. Don't miss this quiet haven, optimal for relaxation and sun worshipping. 1700 Gulf Blvd



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The Tampa Trio

This Tampa trifecta provides educational fun year-round. Visit the southeast's largest science museum at the Museum of Science & Industry; the Lowry Park Zoo, which was voted the country's best zoo by Parents magazine; and swim with 2,300 different fish at the Florida Aquarium. 4801 E Fowler Ave; 813-987-6000; mosi.org; 1101 West Sligh Ave; lowryparkzoo.com; 701 Channelside Dr; flaquarium.org

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Adventure Family Motorsports

The family that rides together, stays together. Take a motorized tour of Tampa and be the Brady Bunch of biker gangs. Rent Harleys, kid-friendly dirt bikes or wave runners and go where the mood takes you, be it the dolphin-filled Gulf of Mexico or Disney World. adventurefamilymotorsports.com —Susan Barnes

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