



Cycle Tours through the Everglades

New brochures for cycle tours in south Florida have recently been developed for both on and off-road riding in the Everglades. These tours can be taken on your own or with organized group rides on the second Sunday of each month beginning **September 10**. The first scheduled ride will start at 9:00 a.m. at McLeod Park in Everglades City, proceed on SR 29 to US 41, continue along the Tamiami Trail through the Big Cypress National Preserve to H.P. Williams Roadside Park and return by the same route to Everglades City, for a total of 22 miles at a pace of 10-12 miles per hour. For more experienced cyclists who wish to bike farther or faster, there will be an opportunity for an additional 8 miles at a faster pace. Participants should wear a helmet, have experience riding on road shoulders, and bring your own drinks, snacks and extra tubes.

For brochures about the individual tours, visit website <https://evergladesrogg.org/events>. In addition to the Big Cypress, these tours will include trips through the Fakahatchee Strand, Loop Road, Oasis Center to Shark Valley, Bear Island, Fire Prairie Trail, Port of the Islands, Marco Island to Everglades City, Ave Maria / Immokalee, and historic Everglades City / Chokoloskee.

The Friends of the River of Grass Greenway has published these brochures and will be organizing the free monthly cycle tours as part of its mission to focus on safety and environmental education and stewardship for those hiking, walking, or cycling through south Florida and the Everglades. Also available online is the recently revised map/brochure listing the amenities along the Tamiami Trail (<https://evergladesrogg.org/tamiami-trail/>) and includes a column dedicated specifically to safety and the road conditions for different segments of US41. Printed copies are available on request.

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