



TURTLE WALK GUIDELINES & WAIVER

COCONUT POINT PARK

3535 S. Hwy A1a, Melbourne Beach, Fl 32951

Sea turtle biology and conservation presentation: 9pm, please arrive: 8:55pm.

ABOUT THE EXPERIENCE

- ❖ During the presentation, scouts who are trained to locate a nesting female Loggerhead turtle will begin their search and communicate with the night walk leader when the specific female is located.
- ❖ There are restrooms available at our location and opportunities will be granted before or after nesting event.
- ❖ Guests will be led down to the beach to observe the nesting female! We could be walking for up to 45 minutes and the sand gets soft on these beaches. We recommend bringing a water bottle, and prepare for possible wet feet, shoes are good for protecting your feet from any sharp objects on the beach!
- ❖ We must stay together as a group, that means we walk down as a group and we walk back after observing the turtle as a group. We do not want to disturb any nesting turtles.
- ❖ Once the female turtle has returned to the ocean, our lead will take us back to Coconut Point Park and our walk is completed; hopefully around midnight, but could go later until 1am.
- ❖ We recommend wearing dark colored, lightweight comfortable clothing with sleeves/pants. Think bug protection, spray is also permitted!
- ❖ What not to bring or do: Leave flashlights, flash photography, (anything that flashes) at home. Smoking and cell phones are not permitted. You are on a guided walk and will be guided! This walk is at your own risk and please remember it is not suitable for small children, ages 7 & up are acceptable.
- ❖ We are so grateful for your non-refundable donation to join our walks. Please remember that the chances of seeing a turtle are great but this is not a zoo and it is not guaranteed. Walks will be held rain or shine, and can be delayed or cancelled for safety concerns due to thunderstorms without refund.
- ❖ You are agreeing to participate in a potentially dangerous activity and releasing Stella Maris Environmental Research from liability of any personal injury, property damage or loss resulting from the natural part of this activity. By agreeing to this waiver you are giving up your right to recover from any of the released parties in a lawsuit personal injury, property damage or loss resulting from the natural part of this activity and you are aware of the risks of being outside on the beach at night in the natural habitat of sea turtles.