Fort Lauderdale: Port Everglades

The busiest departure port in South Florida, and one of the easiest to reach. Here is what the port itself publishes.

Facts checked against official sources on 24 September 2026

Port address	1850 Eller Drive, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316
Princess terminal	Cruise Terminal 2, 1801 SE 20th Street. The port says Terminal 2 "services Princess Cruises."
Terminals in total	Eight: 2, 4, 18, 19, 21, 25, 26 and 29
Distance from FLL airport	1.8 miles
Distance from Miami (MIA)	27 miles
Parking, daily maximum	$20, or $25 for oversized vehicles

Parking at the port

The port's own garages are the closest option, and the port publishes its rates: $4 for 0 to 1 hour, $8 for up to 5 hours, a $20 daily maximum, and a $25 daily maximum for oversized vehicles, meaning anything wider or taller than a standard space. Hours between the five-hour mark and the daily maximum vary by vehicle type, and that middle schedule is not published.

If you sail Princess from Terminal 2, your garage is the **Heron Parking Garage**: 1,818 spaces, a 7-foot clearance, and an air-conditioned bridge with moving sidewalks into Terminal 2 from the garage's 5th floor. The Palm Garage, 1,966 spaces, serves terminals 19, 21, 25, 26 and 29.

Two things to know before you drive down. The port **does not take reservations or pre-payment**: "The port does not accept reservations or pre-payment for parking." And you pay on site, with cash, credit or debit, at machines on the first floor of the garages.

Watch the clearance. Both garages publish a 7-foot clearance. A van with a roof box, or a raised wheelchair-accessible van, may not fit.

Book it from your phone

Sailing from Port Everglades: the bookings Granny uses, one scan away.

Point your phone camera at a code. Your phone opens the booking page. No camera app? Type the web address printed under the code.

Hotels near Port Everglades

Every hotel near the terminal on one map, plus Booking.com and Vrbo. Stay the night before.

HOTEL MAP
aicruisegranny.com/go/fort-lauderdale-hotels

Airport to the ship

A pre-booked ride from the airport to the cruise terminal, booked before you fly.

WELCOME PICKUPS
aicruisegranny.com/go/transfer

Bag storage on the way home

Late flight after you get off the ship? Leave your bags for a few hours and see the town.

RADICAL STORAGE
aicruisegranny.com/go/luggage-storage

Travel insurance

Compare cruise travel insurance plans side by side before final payment.

SQUAREMOUTH
aicruisegranny.com/go/insurance

Check the official source

Rules, prices and hours change. Scan to open the official page and confirm before you go. These are not paid links.

Parking rates
Port Everglades

Arriving and departing
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Disabled parking
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Parking off the port

Private lots and park-and-cruise hotels sit a few miles away and run a shuttle to the terminal. Most of them do not publish a rate on their own website; you only see it after you enter your dates. We have printed a price only where the business publishes one itself.

Lots that run their own shuttle

Park By The Ports	100 Fronton Blvd, Dania Beach. Rate not published on their site. Shuttle included for up to four passengers, $10 round trip for each extra passenger. Shuttle runs 7:00am to 2:00pm, roughly every 15 to 30 minutes going out. Booking online is recommended but not required, and they publish a full refund if you cancel at least 24 hours ahead.
Gold Coast Cruise & Fly Parking	312 SW 24th Street, Fort Lauderdale. Rate not published on their site. They state an air-conditioned shuttle takes you to your terminal and drops you at the curb. Frequency not published. Online booking, or 954-522-0665.
Park 'N Go Cruise (The Parking Spot)	1101 Eller Drive, the closest of these to the port. Rate not published. The location page lists shuttle service to the terminal and uncovered valet parking, but does not confirm cruise-terminal routing or timings, so ask before you book.

Park-and-cruise hotels

Rodeway Inn & Suites Fort Lauderdale Airport / Cruise Port	2440 W State Road 84. Their Park, Stay & Cruise package includes "up to 10 days of on-site complimentary parking" and a free shuttle that drops you in front of the terminal and collects you on return. Package price and shuttle times not published.
Holiday Inn Express Ft. Lauderdale Cruise-Airport	1500 SE 17th Street Causeway. Publishes overnight self-parking at $10.00 per night and says park-and-cruise packages are available, without publishing the package price. Their complimentary shuttle to the airport runs 5:00am to 11:45pm; a cruise terminal shuttle is not published on that page.

Booking sites

These are marketplaces. They resell space at hotel and private lots, and the price you see belongs to the marketplace, not to the lot.

Tropical Airport Parking	Lists hotel lots in Dania Beach and on Griffin Road from $6.00 a day at SpringHill Suites, with a three-day minimum charge, up to $12.00 a day valet at the Marriott with a five-day minimum. Each listing shows fixed shuttle departures to Port Everglades at 10:30am, 12:30pm and 1:30pm.
Book2Park	Lists Park By The Ports at $8.99 a day, self-park, with a free shuttle running 7:00am to 2:00pm. Some listings show as unavailable.
SpotHero	Lists nearby garages and hotel valet with "starting at" prices from about $14.70 to $39.91. **Their Port Everglades page does not mention a cruise shuttle at all**, so check how you would get from the space to the terminal before booking.

Match the shuttle to your boarding time. Fixed-departure shuttles and lots that stop running at 2:00pm do not suit a late check-in, and none of them will wait for you on the way back if the ship clears late. If your check-in is early afternoon, ask for the last outbound departure before you pay.

Getting there

Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International (FLL) is 1.8 miles away, and the port advises allowing 45 minutes to an hour for the transfer process. The published average taxi fare from FLL to the port is $18 to $21, with the port noting rates can change without notice. From Miami, allow 2 to 3 hours; from Palm Beach, 3 to 4. Princess describes the port as about 2 miles from FLL and reachable by rideshare, shuttle or Brightline rail.

Flying in the same day? The port asks for at least 45 minutes between your flight landing and your check-in time, just to claim luggage.

Arrival and boarding

The port's own instruction is blunt: "Follow cruise line's assigned check-in time. To alleviate delays, do not arrive prior to assigned time." Everyone 18 and over needs government-issued photo identification at the security checkpoint before entering the port, and your luggage needs the cruise line's tags attached before you hand it to a porter.

Coming home, the port says passengers typically get off the ship between 7 and 9am.

Accessibility

The port states that every terminal is air-conditioned, fully accessible, and has free Wi-Fi, restrooms and seating. Terminal 2 has two elevators and three escalators, and an air-conditioned elevated bridge with moving sidewalks connects it to the Heron Garage, entered from the garage's 5th floor or the elevators outside the terminal.

Parking fees are waived only in three published situations: a Florida Toll Exemption Permit, a vehicle modified with ramps, lifts or hand controls, or a Disabled Veteran licence plate from any state, on the car parked there at the time. The port states plainly that agents will not waive fees for any other reason. A standard disabled parking placard is not on that list.

Not published anywhere official: whether the port itself provides wheelchairs or pushers at the terminal, how to request one, accessible space counts per garage, and the exact rideshare pickup zones. The port only says taxis, rideshares and shuttles use "designated areas outside the cruise terminal," and that drivers collecting passengers can wait free in the cell phone lot.

Where these facts come from

- Port Everglades, Cruise Terminal 2 (https://www.porteverglades.net/cruise/terminals/terminal-2/)
- Port Everglades, parking rates (https://www.porteverglades.net/cruise/parking/parking-rates/)
- Port Everglades, parking (https://www.porteverglades.net/cruise/parking/)
- Port Everglades, disabled parking (https://www.porteverglades.net/cruise/parking/disabled-parking/)
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- Port Everglades, getting here (https://www.porteverglades.net/cruise/getting-here/)
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- Park By The Ports (https://www.parkbytheports.com/port-everglades-parking/)
- Park By The Ports, FAQ (https://www.parkbytheports.com/port-everglades-parking/pe-faq/)
- Gold Coast Cruise & Fly Parking (https://www.goldcoastcruiseandflyparking.com/cruise-parking/)
- The Parking Spot, Fort Lauderdale (https://www.theparkingspot.com/locations/fort-lauderdale)
- Rodeway Inn & Suites, park and cruise (https://hotelftlauderdale.net/park-and-cruise.html)
- Holiday Inn Express Ft. Lauderdale Cruise-Airport (https://www.ihg.com/holidayinnexpress/hotels/us/en/fort-lauderdale/fllcc/hoteldetail/directions)
- Tropical Airport Parking, Port Everglades (https://www.tropicalairportparking.com/porteverglades)
- Book2Park, Port Everglades (https://www.book2park.com/cruiseport/port-everglades-parking)
- SpotHero, Port Everglades (https://spothero.com/destination/fort-lauderdale/port-everglades-parking)

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