

# A day of discovery ...



## Discover Myakka River State Park

by hopping aboard one of the world's largest airboats for a **scenic cruise** on Upper Myakka Lake. As the air-powered vessel ventures into shallow, grassy areas you'll hear intriguing stories about the alligator, anhinga, sandhill crane and become acquainted with a variety of creatures that make their home in the Myakka. The leisurely ride is safe and smooth and you'll have no problem taking photographs.

Next we'll take a **"Tram Safari"** into the back country of the park to find out what life in old Florida was like without ever leaving your seat. Pass through shady hammocks, pine flatwoods, fertile marshes and sunny prairies to gain an understanding of the intricate workings of a natural ecosystem in progress.



60 passenger airboat

An excellent way to see the "inside" of Myakka River State Park

60 passenger tram



There will be time for lunch in between the cruise and the tram ride. If you'd like to bring your own lunch that is just fine or you can purchase items like a sandwich, soup, soft drinks, ice cream or snacks from the Myakka Outpost just steps away from the cruise and tram loading area. Picnic areas are available but may have limited space.

After discovering one of Florida's largest and most diverse natural areas we make our way to Arcadia where Kay & Leonard Higley have captured the elegance of times past. The Historic Parker House was built in the late 1890's by Jasper Newton Parker, one of Florida's original cattle barons. Not only will you discover authentic antique furnishings and Victorian décor but you are about to enjoy a "yard party" similar to those of bygone days. Your hosts have prepared a chicken barbeque and all the trimmings that you won't forget.



## The Historic Parker House in Arcadia



The only thing not unusual on this special day is the modern motorcoach that will transport you from your park or community and return you safely home. Gather your friends and neighbors and plan to make this a special day of memories.

**Price per person: \$59.00**

Based on a minimum of 35 - maximum of 55

Includes park admission, airboat & tram, Chicken barbeque and motorcoach transportation

Per person price is based on minimum of 35 passengers. Prices based on pick-up locations within 25 mile radius of Punta Gorda. Prices may vary depending on departure location. September 2008 Disclaimer: Fuel surcharges may be added if necessitated by inflated fuel cost.