

The Beyond Borders Collective

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30A, Florida
Girl's Trip Itinerary – April 2022

Summary Information

Transportation	
Airport	Destin (VPS) or Panama City (ECP), 30A is almost dead center, so depending on the town you are staying in, one may make more sense than another.
Transportation	We opted not to rent a car and took a taxi directly from VPS. For 6 passengers it was about \$120 to our Airbnb in Seagrove.

Accommodations	
Airbnb	There are several VRBO and Airbnb options available. Check out my complete guide to 30A to determine which area is best for your stay. We opted for the centrally located Seagrove Beach. Our Airbnb .

Important Things to Note Regarding this Itinerary	
<p>This itinerary This itinerary was created with a girl's trip in mind but can easily be modified to fit your group.</p> <p>The weather ended up being unseasonably cold (and windy!) when we were there in April 2022, so we did not get as much beach time as we wanted. However, typically it is warm and lovely in April.</p>	

Detailed Itinerary

Day 1: Arrive & Explore Seaside		
Morning		
Travel Day - Arrive and get settled into your Airbnb		
Afternoon		
Activity	Explore Seaside	Start your trip by heading to Seaside, the town that put 30A on the radar! There are shops to explore and lots of restaurants in the area.

Evening		
Dinner	Bud & Alleys \$\$ 2236 E County Rd 30A Seaside, FL	NOTE: If you have a party of 6 or more, they only seat you at 5:30 or 7:30. However, there is a bar upstairs that doesn't require reservations where you can spend time before your table is ready. This place is right on the water and perfect to catch the sunset!
Grocery run	Publix 110 Watercolor Way Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459	Largest grocery store in 30A. Open daily 7AM – 10PM.
Day 2: Explore Blue Mountain Beach, Grayton Beach and Watercolor		
Morning		
Brunch	Blue Mabel \$\$ 2260 W. Co Hwy 30A Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459 Located in Blue Mountain	Make a reservation, especially for a larger party. Everything was delicious and we really enjoyed the bottomless mimosas! Grab ice cream at nearby Blue Mountain beach Creamery if you want a sweet treat!
Activity	Explore Grayton Beach & shop in Watercolor	On the way back towards our Airbnb, we stopped in Grayton Beach to check it out as well as in Watercolor to do some shopping. There are some really cute & trendy boutiques in Watercolor.
Afternoon		
Activity	Beach Day we opted for a public beach so we could bring our own things.	Depending on where you are staying, this will vary, but below are 2 popular public beach access spots. Santa Clara Regional Beach Access: 3468 E County Hwy 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459 Van Ness Butler Jr. Regional Beach Access 1931 E County Hwy 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459 - This access point has public bathrooms, free parking and showers to rinse off
Evening		
Dinner	Surfing Deer \$\$\$ 2743 County Highway 30A Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459	Reservations are highly encouraged and a credit card is required to hold the spot.
Day 3: Alys Beach & Rosemary Beach		
Morning		
Brunch	The Citizen \$\$ 20 Mark Twain Ln,	Do not take reservations, so arrive early.

	Alys Beach, FL 32461	
Activity	Explore Aly's Beach/ Rosemary Beach Area	Spend time exploring the shops in both Alys and Rosemary's Beach. There are several women's boutiques. 30A Farmer's Market, 9AM-1PM (only on Sunday). 28 N. Barrett Square Rosemary Beach, FL. 32461
Afternoon		
Lunch	Cowgirl Kitchen\$\$ 54 Main St, Rosemary Beach, FL 32461	Kind of an eclectic menu – mostly southwestern style bites, but they also have pizza. Do not take reservations.
Drinks	Havana Rooftop Bar at The Pearl Hotel 63 Main St, Rosemary Beach, FL 32461	Enjoy a rooftop cocktail with the ocean in the backdrop. Do not take reservations for the rooftop.
Evening		
Activity	Beach Bonfire with Light Me Up Beach Bonfire	If possible, I highly recommend scheduling the bonfire for sunset. We did the Light Me Up Package from 4PM – 7PM. Full disclosure, this is an expensive experience, but it was worth every penny. We paid \$405.53 for 3 hours. You can bring food and drink to enjoy.
Dinner	Café 30A \$\$\$ 3899 E Scenic Hwy 30A Seagrove Beach, FL 32459	Popular spot and reservations are highly encouraged. NOTE: We opted to cancel our reservations here and instead ordered pizza to the beach! It was the best decision.
Day 4: Depart		
Morning		
Breakfast	Beach Bean Coffee Co.	Grab a quick coffee and breakfast to go at this adorable joint. There is plenty of seating, both indoors and outside. They also have super cute 30A t-shirts and sweatshirts – I came home with one!
Check out & head to airport		Depending on the season you go in, there can definitely be traffic jams as there is only one main road. Make sure to give yourself enough time to get to the airport.

Travel Tip #1: Plan ahead

Book well in advance if you plan to travel during high season, which is May – September. Options become limited and expensive during this time.

We went in April and found it to be a good time to beat the crowd!

Travel Tip #2: Bring Layers

Depending on the season you go in, the evenings do get chilly and so does driving around on the open golf cart. Be sure to bring a light jacket!

Travel Tip #3: Head to the beach at night

Sure it is fun to enjoy the beach during the day, but it is a different kind of beautiful to soak it in at night. Grab a blanket and head to the beach for some stargazing!