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Road Map Travel Guide

Florida State Highway #997 "Florida City to Miramar (Junction of U. S. Highway # 27)"

MILE	KM	ITEM	SUMMARY	MILE	KM
0.0	0.0		Welcome to Florida	35.7	57.5
0.0	0.0	Junction of highway # 1 (The Florida Keys Scenic Highway)	Community of Florida City, Florida. South to cities of Key Largo, Florida, Islamorada, Florida, Marathon, Florida, Key West, Florida. South to John Pennekamp Corral Reef State Park Campground. John Pennekamp Coral Reef State Park has two manmade beaches, each with its own distinct personality. Cannon beach is the parks primary snorkeling beach, where you will find the remnants of an early Spanish shipwreck approximately 100 feet offshore. Far beach, with itâ€™s palm trees is a relaxing place to swim, or just sit and enjoy the sun. Any swimming or snorkeling done outside of the designated swimming areas is prohibited, unless a diver down flag is properly displayed. Our campgrounds offer 47 full-facility camping sites for both tents and RV campers. Restrooms, with hot showers, are available as are laundry facilities. Reservations are recommended well in advance. Campers can register at the park entrance. Pets are not allowed in the campground. The park maintains two nature trails each in a uniquely different environment. The Wild Tamarind Trail winds through the parks beautiful tropical hardwood hammocks, allowing visitors to view many of the areas native hardwood species.	35.7	57.5
2.4	3.9	City of Homestead, Florida (Mowery Drive)	Access to Campground R V Park, south side of highway. The City of Homestead is the second oldest city in Miami-Dade county. The South Dade area opened to homesteaders in 1898. At the time the only way in and out of the area was through a path called the 'Homesteaders Trail'. In 1904 Henry Flagler decided to extend the railroad to Key West from Miami. Farmers of the local area were now able to transport their fruits and vegetables to Miami and other parts of the state. Many of the workers who helped build the railroad stayed in the area and became the founding founders of our city. In 1912 the Overseas Railroad was completed and in 1913 the City of Homestead was incorporated.	33.3	53.6
2.4	3.9	Photo view of Everglades National Park	Access to highway 9336, east to Everglades National Park. Spanning the southern tip of the Florida peninsula and most of Florida Bay, Everglades National Park is the only subtropical preserve in North America. It contains both temperate and tropical plant communities, including sawgrass prairies, mangrove and cypress swamps, pinelands, and hardwood hammocks, as well as marine and estuarine environments. The park is known for its rich bird life, particularly large wading birds, such as the roseate spoonbill, wood stork, great blue heron and a variety of egrets. It is also the only place in the world where alligators and crocodiles exist side by side.	33.3	53.6
2.4	3.9	Photo view of one of the local residents of the Everglades National Park	Access to highway #9336, east to Everglades National Park, Long Pine Key & Flamingo Campgrounds. Long Pine Key Campground Located seven miles (11 km) from the main entrance, just off the main road. It has 108 drive up sites for tents and RVs, including one group site. There are rest rooms, water, and a sewer dump station with fresh water fill, but no showers or hookups. A picnic area is nearby, with fire grates and rest rooms. There is also a pond for fishing, an amphitheater for winter programs, and several hiking trails in the area. Flamingo Campground, located at the end of the main park road in Flamingo. It has 234 drive-in sites, including 55 with a view of the water and three group sites, and 40 walk-up sites (6 on the water's edge). It also provides cold water showers, two dump stations, picnic tables, grills, and an amphitheater for winter programs. There is an observation platform at Eco Pond, located adjacent to the campground area. Flamingo has several hiking trails and canoe trails, and opportunities for saltwater fishing are plentiful. Limited groceries and camping supplies are available at the Flamingo Marina store.	33.3	53.6
2.5	4.0	View from highway	Business district of Homestead, Florida.	33.2	53.5
2.7	4.3	N.E. 4th Street		33.1	53.2
2.9	4.7	Campbell Drive	Access to Florida's Turnpike, east of highway.	32.8	52.8

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3.5	5.6	Services fuel at highway	Gas diesel.	32.3	51.9
3.9	6.3	Avocado Drive		31.8	51.2
4.0	6.4	View from highway	Driving north.	31.8	51.1
4.3	7.0	Access to Florida's Turnpike	East side of highway.	31.4	50.5
4.5	7.3	View from highway	Driving north.	31.2	50.2
4.8	7.8	View from highway - Photo - Redland Florida highway sign	Welcome to Redland, Florida.	30.9	49.7
5.4	8.7	Services fuel at highway	Gas diesel, both sides of highway.	30.3	48.8
5.9	9.5	Bauer Drive		29.8	48.0
7.0	11.2	Services fuel at highway	Gas diesel, both sides of highway.	28.8	46.3
8.0	12.8	Silver Palm Road		27.8	44.7
8.9	14.4	Hainlin Road	Access to campground, east side of highway.	26.8	43.1
9.9	16.0	Junction of highway # 994 (Quail Roost Road)	Services fuel, gas diesel at highway west side. East to communities of Richmond Hights, Florida, Cutler Ridge, Florida, South Miami, Florida.	25.8	41.5
10.9	17.5	Access to Florida's Turnpike	East side of highway.	24.9	40.0
10.9	17.6	Eureka Drive	East access to Everglades National Park.	24.8	39.9
16.4	26.4	View from highway	Driving north.	19.3	31.1
17.3	27.8	Junction of highway # 94	Access to Florida's Turnpike, east of highway. East to communities of Kendall, Florida, Coral Gables, Florida. East to Bill Baggs Cape Florida State Recreation Area. Be ready to ascend the 109 steps to the lighthouse watchroom and enjoy the view of the beach, Miami and Biscayne Bay from the top. Picnicking with 18 covered pavilions provide shaded picnicking overlooking the Atlantic Ocean and Biscayne Bay. Fishing Some of the best shoreline fishing in the region is available from the seawall located along Biscayne Bay. Saltwater fishing licenses are required in Florida.	18.5	29.7
18.3	29.4	View from highway	Driving north.	17.5	28.1
19.6	31.6	Roadside turnout	Gravel, no services, west side of highway.	16.1	25.9
22.2	35.8	Junction of highway # 41 (The Tamiami Trail)	East to Cities of Miami, Florida, Miami Beach, Florida. West to the cities of Naples, Florida, Cape Coral, Florida, Fort Myers, Florida, Port Charlotte, Florida.	13.5	21.7
22.2	35.8	Junction of highway # 41 (The Tamiami Trail)	West access to The Everglades National Park & Big Cypress National Preserve. As you travel along the Tamiami Trail Scenic Highway, you will experience one of the largest remaining tropical wildernesses in the continental U.S., the Florida Everglades. A truly unique ecosystem, the everglades are home to an abundance of plant and animal life. Explore the many public lands on or accessed by the byway, including Big Cypress National Preserve, Everglades National Park, Ten Thousand Islands National Wildlife Refuge, Fakahatchee Strand State Preserve, and Collier Seminole State Parks.	13.5	21.7
22.2	35.8	Junction of highway # 41 (The Tamiami Trail)	West access to The Big Cypress National Preserve. The first National Preserve in the National Park System, Big Cypress has a mixture of pines, hardwoods, prairies, mangrove forests, cypress strands and domes. White-tailed deer, bear and Florida panther can be found here along with the more tropical linguus tree snail, royal palm and cigar orchid. This meeting place of temperate and tropical species is a hotbed of biological diversity. Hydrologically, the Preserve serves as a supply of fresh, clean water for the vital estuaries of the ten thousand islands area near Everglades City. Visitors will find a recreational paradise with camping, canoeing, kayaking, hiking and birdwatching opportunities.	13.5	21.7
35.7	57.5	Junction of highway # 27	Access to communities of Miramar, Florida, Pembroke Pines, Florida, Miami Gardens, Florida. North to communities of South Bay, Florida, Bean City, Florida, Belle Glade, Florida	0.0	0.0
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