

Best / Shortest Southern Route to Naples Florida

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Travel to Ft Myers or Naples, FL from the Larkspur, CO area is about 2,000 miles. There are two main routes that are virtually identical in distance: (1) The shortest route by 20 miles is the North Route through Kansas, Missouri and Tennessee down Rt 75 through FL; and (2) the Southern Route through Texas, going southeast to FL. We use #2 because of less chance for severe winter weather.

The trip averages about 350 miles per day traveling for 6 days.

Day	Travel Itinerary	Best Campground Options
1	Travel ~400 mi (6.5 hrs) to Amarillo, TX. Note: You lose an hour into TX.	Big Texan Ranch RV Park 1414 Sunrise Dr Amarillo, TX 79104-4324 (806) 373-4962 Amarillo KOA
2	Travel to Central TX area (about 380 miles, 6 hrs). We recommend avoiding Dallas-Ft Worth highways with an RV. So staying north through Sherman, TX is best.	No great options around here after trying a few. For larger RVs, try- Hidden Grove RV Resort 19300 U.S. 82 Honey Grove, TX 75446 (877) 778-2683 Lazy L RV Park 310 W Wilson Ave Sherman, TX 75090-9010 (903) 870-7772 82 RV Park 10382 W US Hwy 82 Savoy, TX 75479 (903) 965-0115
3	Travel 325 mi, 5.5 hrs to Delhi, LA	Poverty Point Reservoir State Park – Beautiful state park off Rt 20 1500 Poverty Point Pkwy Delhi, LA 71232-5700 (800) 474-0392
4	Travel 278 mi, 5 hrs to Meaher State Park at Spanish Fort, AL	Meaher State Park Campground – A very nice state park on an island in Mobile Bay 5200 Battleship Pkwy. E. Spanish Fort, AL 36527 (251) 626-5529
5	Travel 342 miles, 6 hrs across FL on Rt 10 to Lake City, FL	Casey Jones RV Park – Inexpensive and convenient 185 SW Arrowhead Ter Lake City, FL 32024-0343 (386) 755-0471
6	Travel about 300 miles, 5 hrs, down Rt 75 to Ft Myers, FL or about 350 miles, 5½ hrs, to Naples, FL.	Your Destination. Ideas for campgrounds – ▪ Koreshan State Park, Bonita Springs ▪ Pelican Lake Motorcoach Resort ▪ Bonita Lake RV Resort, Bonita Springs

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