

## El Galeón Visits Florida Ports During the Viva Florida 500 Voyage

On April 1, 2013, *El Galeón: The Viva Florida 500 Voyage*, set sail from San Juan Puerto Rico, embarking upon the same route which Ponce de León is believed to have followed in 1513 when he left Puerto Rico north bound, eventually reaching the lands he would name *La Florida*.

El Galeón is a 170 foot, 495 ton, authentic wooden replica of a galleon that was part of Spain's West Indies fleet. The Viva Florida 500 Voyage includes calls at ports in Miami, Fort Lauderdale, Cape Canaveral and St. Augustine now through June 9 and provides information about 16th and 17th century

European sailing techniques and technology, as well as an important Florida history exhibits that tells the 500 year story since the arrival of Juan Ponce de León on the eastern shore of Florida.

For more information including ticket prices and locations, click <u>here</u>.

See photos of the El Galeón on our Facebook page.

