

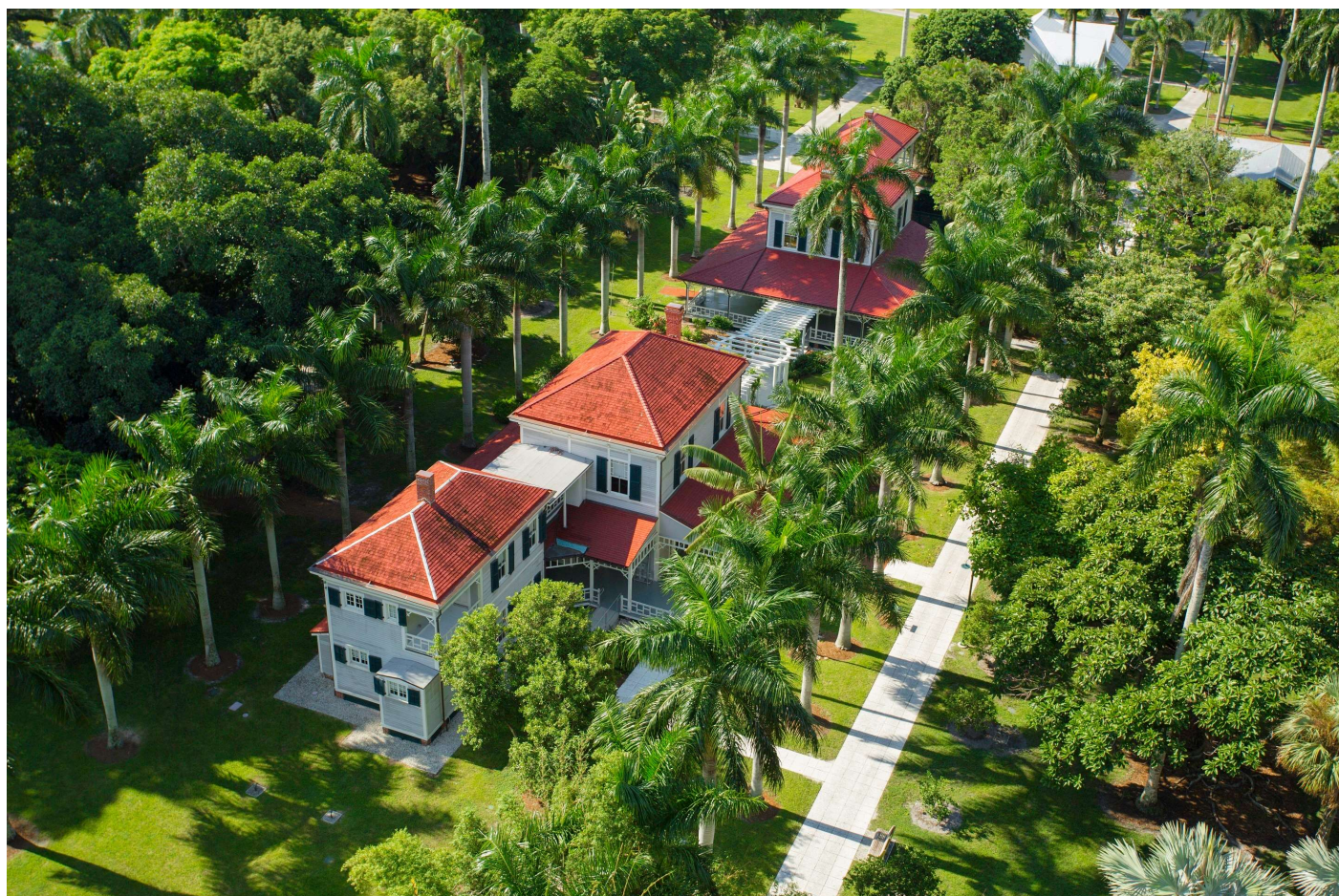
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PHOTO: Aerial photo of the Thomas Edison house roof in 2015.



**Preservation Work in Progress on Edison Main House Roof**

**FORT MYERS, Fla.** (April 28, 2025) -- To preserve the integrity of the historic structures, annual inspections are conducted to determine required maintenance work. The roofing material of Thomas Edison's winter home is 20 years old and has reached its life expectancy. To be proactive, the roofing materials are being replaced before the upcoming hurricane season. The contractor is Crowther Roofing of Fort Myers and they will be using historically accurate materials for the preservation work.

To keep visitors safe, the Edison main house will be inaccessible during the construction work. The remainder of the site, including the Edison guest house (a mirror architectural image of the main house), the Ford home, museum, and laboratory are unaffected and will remain open.

All admission tickets will be discounted \$5 during the project. To receive the discount, guests should purchase tickets at the ticket counter. For tour times or information about the site, visit [EdisonFord.org](http://EdisonFord.org).

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### **Edison and Ford Winter Estates**

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