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KEY LARGO MARRIOTT

KEY LARGO, Fla. – Only an hour’s drive from Miami, yet a world away, lies Key Largo, the northernmost island in the Florida Keys island chain, which is home to Key Largo Marriott Bay Resort.

With 153 tropically appointed guest rooms, including 24 suites, this waterfront resort is a “private island of paradise.” Guest rooms include a separate vanity and dressing area, in-room safe, complimentary premium cable channels, and most rooms have island or bay views and balconies. Guests can spend their time enjoying complimentary chaise lounges and towel service while lying on the private sunning beach or next to the heated pool. Flipper’s Poolside Tiki Bar, which is open daily from 11 AM to dusk, allows guests to kick back and relax as they enjoy snacks, lunch and their favorite tropical drinks.

For the more adventurous guests, IT’S A DIVE Watersports offers dive instruction, specialty certifications, daily dive and snorkel trips to the coral reef and marine sanctuary, wave runners, parasailing, aqua cycle, kayaks, boat rentals, deep sea and back country sport fishing, private charters and sunset cruises.

Key Largo is a diving and snorkeling paradise. Because of its marine conservation beginning in 1960, the area offers viewers much to see including the Statue of Christ of the Abyss, a bronze statue; Spiegel Grove, a 510-foot Navy ship purposely sunk in June 2002; Molasses Reef, full of coral and tropical marine life; Benwood Wreck, a shipwreck from World War II; the Elbow, offering visitors face-to-face encounters with moray eels and barracuda; and Bibb and Duane, twin 327-foot

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U.S. Coast Guard ships purposely sunk in 1987. Key Largo boasts two state parks, a national park, a national marine sanctuary and beautiful botanical scenery.

Guests have plenty to do ashore as well including beach volleyball, fitness facilities, a full service day spa and an outside activities area including shuffle board, foosball, air hockey and table tennis. After a full day of fun in the sun, guests have two additional dining options on-site, Gus' Grille and Breezer's Bar and Grille. Offering a casual atmosphere and island music, Gus' Grille, open daily from 7 AM – 11 PM, offers "Floribbean" specialties made of only the freshest ingredients as well as an incredible homemade dessert selection. Located on the north end of the resort, just over the walking, suspension bridge from Gus' Grille is Breezer's Bar and Grille offering guests the ultimate open-air dining experience. While enjoying views of the bay, beach and incredible sunsets, guests can enjoy the Key's best frozen-drinks. Breezer's Bar and Grille is open daily and features island music and a happy hour.

For the adults who want to try their hand at gambling, Key Largo Bay Resort – Marriott offers its guests a complimentary water shuttle to and from the SunCruz Casino Boat, which is located three miles off shore in international waters. The shuttle runs from 2 PM – 1 AM.

Key Largo Marriott Bay Resort is the perfect destination for events, whether it is a private function or a business conference. The new function space, "The Largo Key Conference Center," boasts more than 5,000 square feet of flexible event space directly on the water. The resort has more than 15,000 square feet of flexible function space in six rooms, many of which have waterfront views. There are also outdoor beachfront areas that are available for events and meetings. For guests' business needs, audio/visual equipment is available as well as complimentary wireless Internet.

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