



## HAWKS CAY RESORT FACT SHEET

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**DESCRIPTION**

Hawks Cay Resort is a one-of-a-kind destination on Duck Key in the Florida Keys, roughly halfway between Key Largo and Key West at mile marker 61. A member of the Preferred Hotel Group Lifestyle Collection, this 60-acre tropical retreat is accessible by car, boat, or plane, yet feels worlds away from everyday life. Set along the aquamarine waters of the Atlantic Ocean, the resort offers a range of activities, including offshore, flats, and backcountry fishing; diving; kayaking and paddleboarding programs; a Cliff Drysdale tennis program; and the only resort-based Dolphin Connection program with complimentary daily viewings in the continental U.S.

Hawks Cay Resort features 177 guestrooms and 200 two-, three-, and four-bedroom villas, a full-service marina, five dining venues—including Salt + Ash, led by Michelin-starred chef Jeremy Ford—a saltwater lagoon, five swimming pools, a kids' club, and the Calm Waters Spa. For groups and events, the resort offers multiple indoor and outdoor venues and 20,000 square feet of oceanfront meeting and event space.

## ACCOMMODATIONS

The main hotel has 177 guestrooms, each equipped with wireless internet access, large flat-panel 55" LCD TVs and oversized tumbled marble showers and baths. Guestrooms incorporate a modern style to an island ambiance with soft hues and tropical accents throughout. Natural elements celebrate the resort's island location with inspiration from the ocean and lifestyle that surrounds Duck Key.

Guests can choose from a variety of accommodations suited to their travel needs—from a cozy retreat for two to spacious options for a family of five. With views of the resort's tropical landscape, swaying palms, and the Keys' aquamarine waters, these refreshed accommodations provide a picture-perfect home base. Families and groups looking for even more space can opt for Hawks Cay's residential-style villas, which offer two-, three-, and four-bedroom layouts with full kitchens and include access to all of the wonderful resort amenities.

## DINING

Hawks Cay offers a variety of dining options, all showcasing a variety of flavors unique to South Florida.

- Salt + Ash is celebrity chef Jeremy Ford's first concept in the island chain, and serves as the culinary centerpiece of the iconic resort, offering elevated farm-to-table and fresh-from-the-sea American cuisine. Emphasizing freshness and sustainability, the menu showcases Ford's innovative approach to coastal cuisine, featuring seafood sourced from nearby waterways and seasonal produce cultivated from Ford's Farm, chef's five-and-a-half acre eco-friendly plot in South Miami's Redlands. Salt + Ash's snacks and starters include Truffle Jalapeño Fritters, Cacio e Pepe Puffs, and Crunchy Truffle Bravas. The entrées section features Crispy Local Snapper, Steak Frites, and Olive Oil Poached Swordfish. To complement the meal, Crispy Polenta Bites, Whole Charred Cauliflower, and Jerk Carrots are signature side dishes. The Raw Bar program showcases the freshest seafood with grand plateaus featuring oysters, Key West shrimp, and tuna-coconut ceviche. The wood-fired pizza bar offers creative combinations such as Charred Maitake with king trumpet and oyster mushrooms and Florida Clam & Farm Zucchini with andouille sausage. The dessert menu highlights Ford's Key Lime Pie and decadent Chocolate Lava Cake.
- Angler & Ale, overlooking Hawks Cay Marina, is the resort's casual, Keys-style dining outlet. The menu concept pays tribute to its Florida Keys home by focusing on the quality and freshness of its locally sourced ingredients. Menu favorites include the Whole Fried Snapper, Sea Scallops, ceviche of the day, and Tuna Nachos. Guests also have the option to 'Hook N Cook'

where they can bring in their fresh catch of the day and have the chef prepare it that evening. A Florida Keys dining experience is not complete without a drink, and Angler & Ale delivers an impressive craft cocktail menu with an extensive beer selection that includes a signature Angler's Ale brew. Enhance your Angler & Ale experience with Sunday Brunch featuring an indulgent Castaway Mary, elevated Mimosa Flight, Fried Chicken & Waffles with bacon ice cream and bourbon maple syrup, and Keys-inspired Crab Cake Benedict with key lime hollandaise sauce.

- Pilar Bar is the resort's Hemingway-inspired bar located near the adults-only Oasis Cay and has expanded into an outdoor dining destination serving tropical asian fusion bites and cocktails inspired by Ernest Hemingway's adventures from the Keys to the Caribbean.
- The Cafe at Hawks Cay Resort is home to Hawks Cay's Starbucks outpost. Guests can purchase breakfast items, pre-made grab-and go meals, boxed lunches, and more.
- Tiki Grill services Tiki Beach, the saltwater lagoon and main pool, and features a raw bar alongside its tropical cocktails, flavorful sandwiches, and fresh salads, available poolside, at the bar or in a lounge chair.
- Coral Grill, located at Coral Cay Activities & Adventure, provides quick snacks and drinks for the whole family.

## **WATERSPORTS**

From the full-service marina, Hawks Cay Resort offers guests access to some of the world's finest watersports and eco adventures on both the ocean and bay sides.

## **DOLPHIN CONNECTION**

The on-site Dolphin Connection is the only resort-based program of its kind where guests can interact and swim with dolphins in their natural environment and it is the only facility in the mainland U.S. that offers free public viewing of trained dolphins. Guests can enter the water, interact from the dock, or spend the entire day getting an up-close perspective and understanding of the dolphin and trainer relationship.

## **MARINA & FISHING**

Home to Discovery Channel's *Saltwater Experience*, one of the highest-rated television shows for outdoor and fishing enthusiasts, Hawks Cay Resort is an ideal destination for anglers of any skill level. The Hawks Cay Marina, the largest and deepest in the Florida Keys, is undergoing a multiphase renovation to transform into a vibrant, boardwalk-style destination featuring 85 boat slips. Guests can preview the transformation with the debut of Hawks Cay's Ship Store, an expansive retail space offering bait and tackle, fishing gear, clothing, and snacks. The full marina renovation is expected to be completed by fall 2025.

## **TENNIS & PICKLEBALL**

Featuring two lighted Har-Tru tennis courts, two lighted championship hard tennis courts, and eight lighted pickleball courts, the resort's Cliff Drysdale Tennis program offers guests a world-class experience with a dynamic synergy of learning, match play, game strategy, team competitions and camaraderie. The highly skilled team of racquet sports professionals, led by a Cliff Drysdale Tennis Pro, offers clinics, mixers, camps, and lessons for all ages and skill levels.

## **SPA**

Hawks Cay's Calm Waters Spa creates an ambiance of relaxation with head-to-toe rejuvenation in a gracious, unpretentious atmosphere. The 7,000 square foot spa has eight treatment rooms including two couple's suites, and three facial rooms. The spa menu features Elemis products. Additionally, the spa has a relaxation room, candlelit whirlpool, eucalyptus steam room and dry sauna.

## **FOR THE KIDS**

Named the #1 Family Resort by USA Today 10Best, Hawks Cay offers programming and activities for kids of all ages. Coral Cay is the activities and adventures center for younger guests, complete with a soccer field, basketball courts, and putting greens.

At Coral Cay Activities & Adventure, there's something for everyone in the family to do, even on rainy days. Coral Cay offers experiences not found anywhere else in the resort, like swimming with mermaids and hunting for hidden treasure with a gang of pirates. Stop by Coral Cay for board games, foosball contests, and more. Arts and crafts projects, interactive games, and other unique programs are scheduled for all resort guests to enjoy daily. There's also a wide variety of activities outside, including basketball, volleyball, soccer, and mini golf. For a full list of activities, visit the resort's website.

Camp Hawk (ages 5-12) is where kids get to enjoy Hawks Cay with guests their own age. *Travel + Leisure* named Camp Hawk one of its "Best Hotel Kids' Programs." Kids can have some big-time fun at our Florida Keys family resort, and parents can be certain knowing their children are safe, supervised by trained counselors, and having an absolute blast. Camp Hawk runs seasonally Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Kids Night Out is a great way for kids to meet other kids staying at our Florida Keys family resort. They have access to the entertainment room, which has a PlayStation, foosball table, and board games. Kids Night Out also includes a movie, pizza, and assorted beverages. Kids Night Out runs Friday and Saturday nights, from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

## **VACAY PUP PROGRAM**

The 'Vacay Pup' program is a new pet-friendly initiative that warmly welcomes dogs of all sizes to the resort for the first time. This innovative offering features a dedicated Pup Planner, exclusive pet-friendly dining options, and the exciting addition of Pup Paradise Park—an outdoor play area with pet-protected artificial turf and native shade trees. Pet owners can register their furry companions upon check-in, receiving a Pup Pass for access to various resort areas including the new Pup Cabanas. The amenity package includes a 'Pup Nap Time' door sign, in-room dog bowl, pup paradise relief bags, a special Vacay Pup play ball, and dog beds upon request.

Hawks Cay prioritizes pet health, requiring up-to-date vaccinations as part of the commitment to maintaining a healthy environment. For up to two pets, a nonrefundable fee of \$150 per night applies.

## **MEETINGS**

The sprawling resort is ideal for groups and delivers seamless meetings, weddings and family reunions. Hawks Cay Resort has one of the largest waterfront meeting spaces of any resort in the Florida Keys with 20,000 square feet of indoor and outdoor meeting and banquet space, accommodating up to 450 guests in the Dolphin Ballroom and 450 guests in the Overseas Ballroom. The combination of indoor waterfront meeting space, and a variety of outdoor venues ensures groups will never have to meet in the same space twice. State-of-the-art audio, video and modern technology capabilities are available, and an on-site technology director and dedicated event team ensure flawless operation.

## **WEDDINGS**

With a variety of venue options and an assortment of activities to keep wedding guests engaged throughout the weekend, Hawks Cay Resort makes a couple's special day an experience no one will ever forget. Venue options range from sunset celebrations alongside the water's edge to a luxurious waterfront ballroom, perfect for those couples looking to host a classic indoor reception without sacrificing the magnificent ocean views. From rehearsal dinner to bridesmaid and groomsmen lunches to farewell brunches, and more, the resort's dedicated wedding specialists assist in making tropical dream weddings a reality.

## **LOCATION**

Located at mile marker 61, Hawks Cay Resort is approximately 90 miles south of Miami International Airport and 60 miles north of Key West.

Marathon is just 15 minutes south and Islamorada is 15 minutes north, both offering shopping, dining, and Keys attractions.

**STORY ANGLES**

Family travel, multi-generational travel, romance, couples, weddings, meetings, fishing, eco-adventure, and more.

**SOCIAL MEDIA**

Social Handles: Instagram- @hawkscayresort, @hawkscaymarina, @saltandash.flakeys

Facebook – Hawks Cay Resort

Hashtags: #HawksCayVacay, #FindWhatLuresYou, #HookedatHawksCay (fishing), #HitchedatHawksCay (weddings), #ThePreferredLife

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