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Escape to Oceans Edge Resort in Key West for a Breezy Island Getaway

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Palm trees swaying. Sea salt in the air. And pie. Loads of sweet-tart key lime pie. When I think back on my recent visit to Key West, my senses come alive with memories. The best part? My vacation home-base offered plenty of dining, activities, and relaxation all at a single venue.

Oceans Edge Resort Hotel & Marina is the latest luxury resort in Key West. They have massive guest suites—all offering 100% ocean views—ranging from 382 to 575 square feet. My king suite was a dream come true with a separate living space and bar for entertaining in one room, then a master suite with a large private balcony. In opening those balcony doors, I had an immediate view of the pool area and wide-open ocean beyond the on-site marina. This was such an incredible view to wake up to each morning, and say goodnight to each evening.

The pool in front of my suite was one of six pools guests may use. The large patio area was perfect for lazing about under the sun, or sipping cocktails from the poolside bar. I loved the overall Caribbean vibe and Victorian influences in the resort architecture, and appreciated the subtle island and nautical decor accents within my suite.

All guest rooms face the water with generous balconies and porches, and a scenic harbor walk offers a nice opportunity for exploring this little slice of paradise. Oceans Edge Resort is in Key West's Stock Island neighborhood, a heartbeat away from downtown but tucked away within a peaceful nook so you feel like you're truly getting away from it all. When you feel like heading downtown, the resort offers hourly shuttles to and from Duval Street in downtown Key West.

Headed to Key West for a little boating? You'll find marina services right on site, along with access to fishing charters and snorkel tours. Oceans Edge Resort also provides complimentary one-hour rental of paddleboards and kayaks, along with bike rentals, so there's never a shortage of outdoor fun to be had.

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Additional perks include WiFi throughout the resort, secure parking, and easy access to **EYW airport**. Plus, Oceans Edge Resort has incredible on-site dining. The Oceans Edge Café serves Starbucks coffees and morning pastries, while in-room dining is available to fill cravings throughout the day. But the best seat in the house is at **Yellowfin Bar and Grill**, a beautiful open-air waterside establishment. I loved the fresh seafood range including Grouper, Yellowtail Snapper, and Mahi Mahi, along with crab cakes, conch chowder, and peel and eat shrimp. Land-lovers may be drawn to the Cuban Pork Chop, Caribbean Jerk Chicken, or juicy house-made burgers. Definitely save room for dessert! I devoured their signature key lime cheesecake.

My stay at **Oceans Edge Resort Hotel & Marina** was the perfect combination of relaxation and adventure. With such easy access to water sports, yet a cozy and serene environment for chilling by the pool, the resort was an ideal spot to call home during my Key West vacation.

Visiting Key West soon? For more travel planning ideas, visit the **Florida Keys Visitor Website** or **VisitFlorida.com**.

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