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Key West is a tropical paradise at the southernmost tip of the Continental US, just a short two-hour drive from Miami. With its year-round warm weather and crystal clear waters, Key West is a popular seaport destination for many passenger cruise ships. Explore the scenic beaches, indulge in the diverse culinary scene, and stay in luxurious hotels with stunning views. The city is a perfect blend of natural beauty and vibrant culture, offering an abundance of exciting venues to explore and create unforgettable memories.

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Enjoy acres of spectacular beaches with powdery white sand and immerse yourself in the colorful flora. Swim with dolphins, shred frosty Atlantic Ocean waves by surfing, and immerse yourself in the perpetual warm waters by snorkeling or swimming. The endless activities will keep you entertained from morning till dusk with jet skiing, and Ferry trips to the Dry Tortuga National Park.

A maritime location, Key West also offers a historic seaport at Old Town Key West, with museums and historical knowledge. Visit President Harry Truman's Little White House, which was his premier summer residence, but now operates as a museum. For literature lovers, escape into the enigmatic book world of famous author Ernest Hemingway at his once official Key West vacation spot.

Join in the multi-ethnic restaurant experience and indulge both in delicious creations and in making friends with the locals. Don't leave without visiting Key West's prominent, larger-than-life buoy marker which claims the position of the Southernmost Point Marker in the Continental US, being only 90 miles away from Cuba.

DO & SEE



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When thinking about Key West City, the activities that come to mind are soaking in the sun on the shores of the multiple beaches and embarking in the multiple experiences the Atlantic Ocean has to offer. You can spend your days paddleboarding, sailing the crystal waters on beautiful boats, snorkeling with your family and viewing the vibrant ocean life below, graced with colorful reefs and corals.

You can also get in close contact with the dolphins in their natural habitat, take boat ferry rides to nearby attractions and escape on trolley tours to Old Town Key West, where whimsical local settings await you.

Don't forget to visit the many museums and galleries, dive into the variety of multicultural dishes and take long walks on the pier, all while enjoying the tropical climate and the palm leaves rustling above.

Southernmost Point, Key West



This landmark may be the most visited and photographed monument of Key West. It was created to bear a resemblance to a buoy

and is supposed to point out the southernmost

location in the continental U.S. It is only 90 miles to Cuba and if you squint you might actually catch sight of the island on a bright and sunny day.

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Address: Whitehead Street 1400, Key West, FL Internet: www.cityofkeywest-fl.gov/Facilities/Facility/Details/ Southernmost-Point-44

Old Town Trolley Tours



Sit down, lean back and relax on Key West's most comprehensive tour; the hop-on/hop-off trolleys. The local expert tour conductors will guide as

well as entertain you through the vivid Old Town of Key West with its over 100 points of interest.

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Address: 1 Whitehead Street, Naval Air Station Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 296 6688

Internet: www.trolleytours.com/key-west

More Info: The trolleys come by each stop at least every 30 minutes.

Florida Keys Eco-Discovery Center



The Florida Keys Eco-Discovery Center is a unique ecological phenomenon with a one-of-a-kind underwater ocean laboratory that will

take you to its depths. You will find the native flora and animals of the Keys and the spectacular and diverse ecosystem of this region. The living reef exhibit and the Center's theater give you easy access to information about both on-land and underwater life.

Photo: Pavel L Photo and Video/Shutterstock.com Address: 35 East Quay Road, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 293 5011 Internet: floridakeys.noaa.gov/eco_discovery.html Email: Emily.Kovacs@noaa.gov

Mallory Square



Representing the very heart of the city, Mallory Square gives you many options for shopping, flavorful food, exciting entertainment and

spectacular sunsets. Here, every night is a festival: two hours before the sun goes down the Sunset Celebration begins. You will encounter performers of various kinds ranging from aerial acrobats and stunt dogs to bagpipers and local musicians.

Photo: Joshua Lehew/shutterstock Address: 400 Wall Street, Key West, FL Internet: www.mallorysquare.com Email: psmith@historictours.com

Ernest Hemingway House & Museum



Located in the Old Town, this was the official Key West residence of Nobel Prize winning author Ernest Hemingway, as in 1968 it enjoyed the

distinction of becoming a U.S. National Historic Landmark. Tour the spectacular gardens, with an impressive variety of flowers and trees, and observe the 20,000-dollar swimming pool — an unusual opulence at that time. You'll also be able to visit the bookstore lined with the author's famous books and a plethora of other souvenirs.

Photo: Mathew Risley/shutterstock Address: 907 Whitehead Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 294 1136 Internet: www.hemingwayhome.com Email: info@hemingwayhome.com

Duval Street



Duval is the most famous and most visited street in Key West. It stretches out from shore to shore, from the Gulf of Mexico to the Atlantic Ocean, with a

multitude of restaurants, pubs and shopping opportunities unfolding before you. Duval Street is not only home to Ernest Hemingway's favorite pub Sloppy Joe's, but also to a rich nightlife. Several times a year the street attracts crowds to take part in diverse festivals that celebrate art, lifestyle, history and culture.

Photo: xbrchx/shutterstock Address: Duval Street, Key West, FL

Audubon House & Tropical Garden



Considered a gem of historical interior design, the Audubon House is a restoration project which is furnished as a replica of a prosperous 1800s

Key West home. The constructor and first owner of the house was one of the ten most affluent men in the Florida Keys during this time. Both the house and its tropical garden give the you a glimpse of everyday life in a rich man's home of the mid-19th century. It has a cookhouse, a gift shop and a herb garden alongside 200 blooming orchids.

Photo: j loveland/shutterstock Address: 205 Whitehead Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 294 2116 Internet: www.audubonhouse.org Email: audubonhouse@audubonhouse.org

Ferry to Dry Tortugas & Fort Jefferson



A ferry trip to Dry Tortugas is a full-day affair that is worth embarking on. This spacious ocean vessel offers comfort and

relaxation as you drift along on the open blue waters. Explore the 19th-century fort and learn about this great piece of history. You can also enjoy snorkeling in the surrounding island waters. This 100-square-mile park is also a sanctuary for endangered species.

Photo: Chris LaBasco/shutterstock Address: 100 Grinnell Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 800 634 0939 Internet: www.drytortugas.com Email: reservations@yankeefreedom.com

Key West Lighthouse & Keeper's Quarters Museum



The Key West Lighthouse stands tall even after facing hurricanes, wars and urban construction. It housed the brave and dedicated Keepers who

kept the light of the tower burning no matter what, and who have left footprints for you to marvel over as you find their belongings, photographs and lives put on display in the museum.

Photo: Sabrap59/pixabay Address: 938 Whitehead Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 294 0012 Internet: www.kwahs.org/museums/lighthouse-keepers-quarters/visit Email: kwahs@kwahs.org

Fort Zachary Taylor State Park Beach



Fort Zachary Taylor Park features one of the most famous beaches in Key West, situated in the park of Fort Zachary Taylor. With 87 acres of delicate

sand, bask in the sun, take the time to read your favorite book, and peek up to watch the brilliant cruise ships enter and exit the harbor. Go for a swim or snorkel in the turquoise waters. For a small fee, this beach also offers grilling amenities and access to picnic tables.

Photo: Simon Dannhauer/shutterstock Address: 601 Howard England Way, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 295 0037 Internet: www.fortzacharytaylor.com

Fury Water Adventures



Fury Water Adventures offers a variety of experiences: jet ski and glass bottom boat rides, catamaran cruises, parasailing, paddleboard

rentals, snorkeling opportunities, dolphin tours and more, all to be enjoyed surrounded by crystal blue waters and local marine life.

Photo: eriyalim/shutterstock Address: 2 Duval Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 888 976 0899 Internet: www.furycat.com

Vandenberg Wreck



Located 7 miles off the shore of Key West, this is an artificial reef made of a former military ship that was intentionally sunk in 2009. The ship is

also a former movie star, since it appeared in the

movie Virus in 1996. Today, the sunken ship is the second-largest artificial reef in the world and bucket-list dive for many experienced divers.

Photo: Peter Leahy/shutterstock Address: 125 Ann Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 296 8865 Internet: www.captainscorner.com Email: info@captainscorner.com

Key West Shipwreck Museum



The Key West Shipwreck Museum, built as a recreation of a 19th-century warehouse, has live actors telling stories of shipwrecks and

their salvages that go as far as 400 years back. Artifacts and engaging videos will further educate you on this piece of Key West's history.

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Truman Little White House



This house on Front Street was President Harry S. Truman's winter retreat and the location for many important presidential decisions.

The landmark was converted into a museum in 1974. You can sort through photo and video galleries, and enjoy the museum store filled with memorabilia from the 33rd President's days of rule.

Photo: Kim Lewis Photography/shutterstock Address: 111 Front Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 509 6139 Internet: www.trumanlittlewhitehouse.org

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Wild Dolphin Tours



At Wild Dolphin Tours, you'll be able to get up close and personal with these friendly marine mammals. Alternatively, you can enjoy the sun

setting over the ocean with their sunset charters.

Photo: Tetsuo Arada/shutterstock Address: 80001 Overseas Highway, Islamorada, FL Phone: +1 850 238 5998 Internet: www.wilddolphintours.com Email: info@wilddolphintours.com

USCGC Ingham Maritime Museum



USCGC Ingham is a floating museum that is dedicated to honoring those who served during the World War II and the Vietnam War. The U.S.

coast guard history comes alive with this intriguing ship which has cruised the ocean waters during 50 years of service. You will get to know the life aboard while either guided by experts or at your own pace, finding yourself passing through a time capsule with crucial maritime moments from back in the day.

Photo: Kent Weakley/shutterstock Address: Southard Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 292 5072 Internet: uscgcingham.org Email: info@uscgcingham.org

Key West Aquarium



Built in 1933 during The Great Depression to stimulate the economy, Key West Aquarium exhibits countless sea creatures, especially ones native to Key West. Kids will love the petting and feeding tanks with stingrays and horseshoe crabs. Themed exhibits are available too, featuring sharks, alligators and jellies.

Photo: majicphotos/shutterstock Address: 1 Whitehead Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 296 2051 Internet: www.keywestaquarium.com

Key West Butterfly & Nature Conservatory



An oasis with a spectrum of colors, here you can stroll through the climate-controlled exhibits with birds, plants, exotic flowers and

serene waterfalls. With over 60 butterfly species, this also acts as a learning activity, featuring facts and trivia about the lives of these fragile creatures.

Photo: Boris Smokrovic/unsplash Address: 1316 Duval Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 296 2988 Internet: keywestbutterfly.com Email: info@keywestbutterfly.com

Basilica of St. Mary Star of the Sea



The Basilica of St. Mary, made partly of limestone rock from the area, offers opportunities for quiet contemplation, a visit to the shrine or simply a

stroll in the garden nearby. Being the oldest Catholic church in South Florida, it has been given the title of 'basilica' in 2012 because of its historical significance, its spiritual weight and being an excellent example of the eclectic period of American Victorian architecture.

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Address: 1010 Windsor Lane, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 294 1018 Internet: stmarykeywest.com Email: stmary@stmarykeywest.com

Key West Garden Club & West Martello Tower



The Key West Garden Club is an old Civil War fort and National Historic site that offers a variety of tropical flowering plants and trees, along

with a lily pond and a small waterfall. They also offer services for wedding receptions.

This is one of the area's few tourist attractions with no admission charge, since the Key West Garden Club is a non-profit organization.

Photo: wasanajai/Shutterstock.com Address: 1100 Atlantic Boulevard, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 294 3210 Internet: keywestgardenclub.com Email: keywestgardenclub@gmail.com

DINING



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Key West is a melting pot of cultural diversity and different ethnic influences. Its dishes range widely from Italian pasta and Cuban Lechon Asado, to Caribbean BBQ shrimp and the more familiar American preparations.

El Meson de Pepe



A family owned restaurant that distinguishes itself by marrying two food cultures: the Floridan and the Cuban. This

combination is best represented by their Cayo Hueso Cuban Mix; Key West's version of the traditional Cuban sandwich. The menu includes other specialties such as the Vaca Frita, which is simmered, pulled beef, and the Lechon Asado, the traditional roasted pork.

Photo: Alexander Canas Arango/shutterstock Address: 410 Wall Street, Mallory Square, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 295 2620 Internet: www.elmesondepepe.com Email: elmesondepepe@aol.com

Mangia Mangia



Mangia Mangia is famous for its homemade pasta coming in many forms: linguine, pappardelle, fusilli and rigatoni. The menu accompanies them

with grilled seafood, sautéed chicken or zucchini ribbons. They also offer to-go options if you want to bring back home specialties such as their Picadillo Pasta.

Photo: marco mayer/Shutterstock.com Address: 900 Southard Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 294 2469 Internet: www.mangia-mangia.com Email: mangiamangiakeywest@gmail.com

Tikka Bar



Formerly known as Camille's Restaurant, Tikka Bar's bright pink front is well known among locals. Their menu rotates daily to feature

the new recipes they come up with. If you're up for some authentic Indian food in Key West, you have to stop by Tikka Bar.

Photo: Daniel Korzeniewski/Shutterstock.com Address: 503 Greene Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 296 4811 Internet: www.camillesfl.com

Antonia's Restaurant



Located in Old Town Key West, Antonia's offers homemade pasta dishes like linguine with Key West pink shrimp and meat-based delights like

the sautéed veal scallopini. These can be then accompanied by your pick from their Wine Spectator award-winning wine list or dessert offerings, which include traditional gelato and tiramisu.

Photo: AS Food studio/Shutterstock.com Address: 615 Duval Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 294 6565 Internet: www.antoniaskeywest.com Email: restaurant@antoniaskeywest.com

Two Friends Patio Restaurant



With an outdoor patio facing Duval Street, from which you can enjoy live music performances, this restaurant was repeatedly nominated for

the best Bloody Mary in Key West. Among their

dishes you can find seafood like their broiled lobster tails, but also char-grilled Angus steaks.

Photo: P Maxwell Photography/Shutterstock.com Address: 512 Front Street, Key West, FL Opening hours: Daily from 8am Phone: +1 305 296 3124 Internet: www.twofriends.com Email: info@twofriends.com

Cafe Sole



Cafe Sole offers a dinner menu filled with Caribbean and European offerings, with a special twist given by the French chef. You can order their

rack of lamb with 'herbes de Provence,' or try their award winning dish — the hog snapper fillet. Together with their salads, vegetarian customers can also find another menu made tailored just for them.

Photo: Sebastian Coman/unsplash Address: 1029 Southard Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 294 0230 Email: cafesole@gmail.com

Blue Heaven



Located inside Bahama Village, Blue Heaven is regarded as a landmark in Key West for Caribbean cuisine. The menu features Jamaican

jerk chicken, Cajun Caribbean BBQ shrimp and also vegetarian options such as miso baked eggplant. On Sundays, a brunch menu is available, as well as specials like their Florida pink shrimp omelette.

Photo: PRESSLAB/Shutterstock.com Address: 729 Thomas Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 296 8666 Internet: www.blueheavenkw.com Email: blueheaven729@gmail.com

Prime Steakhouse



Despite the name, this restaurant doesn't only offer steak, like their signature bone-in rib eye, their menu also features lobster tails, pasta and

salads for the vegetarian customers. All their dishes can be enjoyed either on the terrace or inside one of their dining rooms, accompanied by one of the house's wines and their special side, truffled mac and cheese.

Photo: hlphoto/Shutterstock.com Address: 951 Caroline Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 296 4000 Internet: www.primekeywest.com Email: aaron@primekeywest.com

La Trattoria Old Town



In this bistro, it is customary to start off your dinner with a martini, at a reduced price during their Martini Mondays. You'll then be

able to choose one of the dishes on offer, be it Italian-style pasta, locally fished hogfish and snapper or grilled lamb chops. They have another location called 'La Trattoria Oceanside,' not far from Poinciana Plaza.

Photo: Igor Normann/Shutterstock.com Address: 524 Duval Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 296 1075 Internet: www.latrattoria.us Email: latrattoriakeywest@yahoo.com

Santiago's Bodega



The interior of Santiagio's Bodega features art by Robert Henry Thompson lining the bright yellow walls and furniture made with reclaimed wood. The

menu includes various soups and salads, but the main draw are the Spanish tapas, which can be enjoyed either hot or cold.

Photo: Takin' Shotz/Shutterstock.com Address: 207 Petronia Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 296 7691 Internet: www.santiagosbodega.com/location/santiagos-bode ga-key-west Email: santiagosbodega@gmail.com

Azur Restaurant



The Azur Restaurant menu is rich with gnocchi-based dishes — a kind of pasta in the form of dough dumplings, coupled with tomato,

mushrooms and cheese. The meat offerings include Angus rib-eye steak and yellowtail snapper, while vegetarians can select among the different options for salads. You can also have lunch under their terrace, beside a waterfall.

Photo: zi3000/Shutterstock.com Address: 425 Grinnell Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 292 2987 Internet: www.azurkeywest.com

The Flaming Buoy Filet Co.



A bistro that caught the eye of The New York Times, The Flaming Buoy offers seating both on a porch and surrounded by their orange-tinted walls. Its cuisine is multi-ethnic, featuring local ingredients and Cuban recipes, among which you can find their lobster mac and cheese and The Filet Co. Three Way, made of ground beef chili.

Photo: Brent Hofacker/Shutterstock.com Address: 424 Eaton Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 295 7970 Internet: www.theflamingbuoy.com Email: filetco@gmail.com

Hot Tin Roof Restaurant



A 3,000 square foot dining hall with indoor and outdoor seating overlooking Key West Harbor, Hot Tin Roof has a menu characterized by

Floridan cuisine enriched with Caribbean influences. Appropriately named, this place offers many choices for both meat lovers and vegans, and a sweeping view of the town.

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Seven Fish Restaurant



Located slightly off the beaten path, Seven Fish is a restaurant specializing in locally caught seafood. Their specials include the Thai

curry snapper and the 7 Fish meatloaf, while they also have many options for cocktails and wines.

Photo: Thunchit Wonghong/Shutterstock.com Address: 921 Truman Avenue, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 296 2777 Internet: www.7fish.com

Nine One Five Bistro and Wine Bar



Led by an award-winning chef, the Nine One Five features the New Island cuisine, born from Caribbean, Asian and French influences. The

dish options range from lobster ravioli and salmon tartare to Peking duck confit and grilled octopus, while you can choose between indoor seating or make use of their Victorian porch.

Photo: Nickola_Che/Shutterstock.com Address: 915 Duval Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 296 0669 Internet: www.915duval.com Email: info@keysrestaurantsgroup.com

Salute! On the Beach



Located at Higgs Beach, this restaurant stands out for the Caribbean twists they give to traditional Italian dishes, like with their house made pasta

with mussels, white wine and butter. You can then finish your meal with their ice cream sandwiches or Dan's cheesecake.

Photo: svariophoto/Shutterstock.com Address: 1000 Atlantic Boulevard, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 292 1117 Internet: www.saluteonthebeach.com Email: salutekeywest@gmail.com

Denny's



Open 24/7, Denny's is your typical American Diner. You'll be able to enjoy their hand-pressed 100% beef burgers, slow-cooked pot roast or

apple bourbon pancakes. This is only a fraction

of their menu based on home-styled dishes, which are available both for delivery and takeout.

Photo: vm2002/Shutterstock.com Address: 2710 North Roosevelt Boulevard, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 741 7990 Internet: www.locations.dennys.com/FL/KEY-WEST

CAFES



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All you will need is plenty of time to explore and enjoy the different variety of cafes available in Key West: from sandwich experts to organic-focused establishments, you'll most likely find something made just for you.

Keys Coffee Co.



All the food in Keys Coffee Co. is made to order with fresh, local ingredients, and can be both consumed indoors, in their blue and yellow

tinted interior, or be delivered to you. Sandwiches, tacos and wraps are available for both breakfast and lunch, and they can be coupled with either classic, Cuban or cold coffee.

Photo: YKTR/Shutterstock.com Address: 505 Southard Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 906 1205 Internet: www.keyscoffee.co Email: info@keyscoffee.co

Date & Thyme



Date & Thyme is an organic cafe and market located in a repurposed gas station, which is now aptly covered in a vibrant coat of green. The food

selection has vegan and gluten-free offerings, among other healthy options. Try their avocado toast, hummus wrap and Thai curry bowl with organic smoothies, juices or coffee on the side.

Photo: Foxys Forest Manufacture/Shutterstock.com Address: 829 Fleming Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 296 7766 Internet: www.dateandthyme.com Email: office@dateandthyme.com

Sandy's Café



This Cuban and Conch cafe is located at the M&M Laundry on White Street. At their two walk-up windows you'll be able to order specials

such the 'bucci,' eggs with Cuban toast and coffee. Alternatively, try their Authentic Cuban Sandwich, which includes roast pork, ham, salami and Swiss cheese. They also offer take-out and delivery options through their website.

Photo: Maridav/Shutterstock.com Address: 1026 White Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 296 4747 Internet: www.sandyscafe.com Email: info@sandyscafe.com

La Grignote



An artisan French cafe that offers a wide range of daily baked goods: from sweets like croissants, muffins and cookies to savory options

like sandwiches, croque-monsieurs, and even lobster soup. Free delivery of their dishes is also available.

Photo: Snoopytkd/Shutterstock.com Address: 1211 Duval Street, Key West,FL Phone: +1 305 916 5445 Internet: www.lagrignotecafebakery.com Email: contact@lagrignotecafe.com

Seaside Cafe at the Mansion



Located just beside the Atlantic Ocean, inside the Victorian Southernmost Mansion, the Seaside Café is famous for its signature dishes: the

Honey Butter Lobster Biscuits and their pizzas baked in a wood-fired oven, as well as their Mansion Mojitos in the drinks department.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com Address: 1400 Duval Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 340 8167 Internet: www.theseasidecafekw.com

The Cafe



Featuring walls decorated with art by a local artist, The Cafe offers gluten-free treats and focuses on vegetarian dishes. Try their Cafe

Veggie Burger and seasoned tofu, or order a plate of delicious grilled seafood. Here you'll have the options for dine-in, delivery and

take-out.

Photo: YuliiaHolovchenko/Shutterstock.com Address: 509 Southard Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 306 296 5515 Internet: www.thecafekw.com Email: TheCafeKW@gmail.com

Pepe's Café



Pepe's Cafe is one of the oldest restaurants in town, opening its doors circa 1909. With different menus for breakfast, lunch and dinner, you can

expect soft pancakes, 'build-your-own' omelets and fresh sandwiches, as well as their New York Strip steak and seafood entrees.

Photo: Stepanek Photography/Shutterstock.com Address: 806 Caroline Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 294 7192 Internet: www.pepeskeywest.com Email: info@pepeskeywest.com

Banana Cafe



This French bistro features menus made for breakfast, lunch and dinner, so you'll be able to find sweet and savory crepes, omelets and

croque-monsieurs, but also burgers and sandwiches.

Photo: Anna Nahabed/Shutterstock.com Address: 1215 Duval Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 294 7227 Email: bananacafe@comcast.net

La Crêperie French Café Key West



This creperie provides both savory and sweet options. You can choose between omelettes, croques and panini, but there are also crepes with

chocolate, Chantilly cream and assorted fruits, all of it ready to be enjoyed either inside or in their patio. The happy hour lasts from 1pm to 3pm, and delivery options are available, too.

Photo: Arina P Habich/Shutterstock.com Address: 300 Petronia Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 440 2240 Internet: www.lacreperiekeywest.com Email: team@lacreperiekeywest.com

Cuban Coffee Queen



Hot or iced, original or flavored, big or small here the Cuban coffee comes in all shapes and tastes. You can couple your cup with signature

Cuban mixes with fresh roasted Mojo pork, or their vegetarian options like the black bean veggie burger. Roasted coffee beans are also available to purchase if you want to brew a cup at home.

Photo: naito29/Shutterstock.com Address: 284 Margaret Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 292 4747 Internet: www.cubancoffeequeen.com

BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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Key West's evenings and late nights are rife with spectacular venues full of food, live music, and dancing. No matter your preferences, the local bars are so different from each other that you're bound to find what you're looking for. There are plenty of opportunities for club hopping or pub crawls, with the added chance of tasting domestic beers and wines, as well as Caribbean and Cuban-style drinks.

Sloppy Joe's Bar



Tourist or not, a visit to Earnest Hemingway's favorite bar in Key West is mandatory. With live entertainment, national record fish hanging in the

bar, the Hemingway look-alike contests in July and the original Sloppy Joe Sandwich, this bar lives up to its history, dating back to 1937.

Photo: Albina Bugarcheva/shutterstock Address: 201 Duval Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 294 5717 Internet: www.sloppyjoes.com

Schooner Wharf Bar



With its unique maritime decor, this bar and grill beckons locals and tourists with its view of the typical yachts of Key West's seaport and

waterfront. Voted Best Local's Bar six years in a row partly because of its food and drinks offering, you'll be able to find a variety of specialty cocktails, martinis, margaritas and mojitos. Also hosting live music with special guest musicians such as Mike McCloud, and legendary bluesmen Big Jack Johnson and Johnny Johnson.

Photo: Lukas Gojda/Shutterstock.com Address: 202 William Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 292 9520 Internet: www.schoonerwharf.com Email: schoonerwb@aol.com

Pickles Pub Key West



Sandbar Sports Grill bar is famous for dedicating different days to specific deals on their menu offering: taco Tuesday, chicken wing Wednesday

and bloody Mary Sunday are only some examples. Their cocktail menu is also worth exploring. Try their Hurricane Brittney; light or dark rom with mango puree and grenadine, or their Island Sunrise; coconut rum with mango puree, pineapple grenadine and orange juice.

Photo: wavebreakmedia/shutterstock Address: 511 Greene Street, Key West, FL Internet: www.picklespubsandbar.com

Grand Vin Wine Bar



The Grand Vin opened its doors in 1997, and was actually the first wine bar of Key West. You can choose between red and white wine by the glass to

be coupled with cheese. If you're more of a beer person, it's also available. They provide font porch seating, facing Duval Street.

Photo: dotshock/Shutterstock.com Address: 1107 Duval Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 296 1020 Email: grandvin.keywest@gmail.com

Virgilio's



A cocktail bar located behind La Trattoria Restaurant, Virgilio's hosts live music every day of the week, with genres ranging from Jazz to Latin

 all in the lush embrace of their garden. It's also known for being the home to the traditional Martini Monday.

Photo: Africa Studio/Shutterstock.com Address: 524 Duval Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 296 1075

Rick's Bar



A major nightspot complex in Key West, Rick's is open seven days a week. It's equipped with dance floors at multiple levels and an

outdoor patio that hosts two more bars, in addition to the main one inside. The mood ranges from lounge to dance club and to live music. Address: 202 Duval Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 296 4890 Internet: www.ricksbarkeywest.com Email: info@ricksbarkeywest.com

Aqua Bar & Nightclub



This nightclub hosts Drag shows with an all-age option every Thursday, Friday and Saturday, starting from 7pm. Drinks can be ordered at the

nearby garden bar named Back Bar, just down Tabby Way.

Photo: Patrizia Tilly/Shutterstock.com Address: 711 Duval Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 294 0555 Internet: www.aquakeywest.com Email: aqua@aquakeywest.com

Green Parrot Bar



The Green Parrot Bar is a fine option for everyone who enjoys having music coupled with their drinks. Other than daily live music, you'll also find a

jukebox and monthly ukulele-based performances. Stop by for Monday night Bingo and check their website for more lively events.

Photo: santypan/shutterstock Address: 601 Whitehead Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 294 6133 Internet: www.greenparrot.com Email: info@greenparrot.com

SHOPPING



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Key West offers a plethora of stores that sell apparel, fancy jewelry and accessories. Spend entire afternoons in art galleries and seek out unique souvenirs. Among the popular items you can bring home are the famous Cuban-style cigars and leather sandals.

Duval Street



With a multitude of stores, restaurants and pubs, Duval Street is well known as one of the best places for shopping in Key West. Here you will

find locally produced as well as designer clothing, including perfumes, handbags, jewelry and watches.

Photo: Chuck Wagner/shutterstock Address: Duval Street, Key West, FL

The Original Key West Cigar Factory



This cigar factory located on Duval street first opened its doors in 1963, and its product lineup includes accessories such as humidors, lighters,

ashtrays and cutters, as well as branded t-shirts and hats. Online purchases are also available

through their website.

Photo: Jeff Wasserman/Shutterstock.com Address: 1218 Duval Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 998 9141 Internet: www.kwcigarfactory.com Email: info@kwcigarfactory.com

Key West Island Bookstore



Here you will find new, used and rare publications from many local and famous authors including the former island resident Ernest

Hemingway. They also accept trade-ins for store credit, while also hosting events such as book signings and announcements.

Photo: Clay Banks/unsplash Address: 513 Fleming Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 294 2904 Internet: www.keywestislandbooks.com Email: books@kwislandbooks.com

E11DROPS



E11DROPS sells artisanal creations that blend art and personal-care products. Their natural soaps carry ingredients and fragrances that allow

you to be one with the ocean and nature of Florida. Treat yourself to soothing herbal salves, refreshing shower steamers, sumptuous body butters and fragrant bath salts.

Photo: Sincerely Media/unsplash Address: 291 Front Street #112/113, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 240 2660 Internet: www.e11drops.com Email: mariam@kwsoaps.com

Clinton Square Market



The Clinton Square Market is housed in the historic structure that used to be a U.S. Navy coal depot back in the 1800s. In this oldest brick

building in Key West, you can see small boutiques with products ranging from homemade fudge and tropical wines to beachwear, branded sunglasses and fishing apparel. There are also a perfume outlet and a venture with activities for children and families.

Photo: MilanMarkovic78/shutterstock Address: 291 Front Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 296 6825

Kino Sandals



Kino Sandals still produce sandals in-house, right before your eyes, using local craftsmen techniques. The sandals are made of natural

leather and rubber, and come in several colors and designs. They also sell branded hats and t-shirts, as well as bags, wallets and caps.

Photo: Giorgio Trovato/unsplash Address: 107 Fitzpatrick Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 294 5044 Internet: www.kinosandals.com Email: contact@kinosandals.com

TOURIST INFORMATION



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Key West International Airport (EYW)



Key West International Airport (EYW) is an international airport situated in Monroe County, just two miles east of Key West and only

minutes from many Key West accommodations, attractions and downtown Key West.

Transportation services available from and to the airport include rental cars, shuttles, taxis and bus services. See airport website for an exhaustive list of options and prices. Taxis and Key West Transit buses are conveniently situated curb side at the terminal. Rental cars counter is located right on-site.

Some of the prominent airlines operating at the airport include Delta, American Airlines, and United. These carriers provide convenient connections to various cities across the United States

Alternatively, you can also fly into Miami International Airport (MIA). It's approximately 2 hours north of Key West. Photo: codigo9films/shutterstock Address: 3491 South Roosevelt Boulevard, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 809 5200 Internet: www.eyw.com

Passport / Visa



Citizens of the Schengen countries, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Japan, South Korea,

Taiwan and the Kingdom of Brunei can visit the United States for up to 90 days without applying for a visa (as well as citizens of Andorra, Lichtenstein, Monaco and San Marino). Citizens of these countries must obtain an ESTA (Electronic System for Travel Authorization) before traveling. All other travelers must obtain a visa before visiting the United States. International travelers need a passport that is valid for at least 3 months after the end of their intended trip to enter the country.

Photo: maramade/shutterstock Internet: www.travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas.html

Best Time to Visit



Key West weather gives its winter season a warm temperature and a low chance of rain, which is why it is also the busiest period in terms of crowds

and the priciest with regard to accommodation. Summer and fall on the other hand, are mostly avoided by tourists because of the frequent rain, high humidity and the fact that they coincide with the hurricane season, but they also see the best bargains for hotel prices and the best time to visit the local beaches. From March to May, you can count on reasonable prices for accommodation and local attractions, as well as stable weather conditions.

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Public Transport



Key West offers extensive public bus service that can be used for getting around the area. There are four bus routes running within the city of

Key West, plus two additional routes that travel between Key West & Marathon. The schedules vary depending on the route, so a schedule map is recommended. When boarding the buss make sure you have the exact change.

Photo: Boris Edelmann/shutterstock Internet:

www.city of keywest-fl.gov/595/Schedules-and-Route-Maps

Taxi



Taxis can be hailed on the street or found at the airport and major hotels, with rates set by the city. Rideshare apps such as Uber and Lyft also

operate in Key West.

Photo: PV productions/shutterstock Phone: D.B. Taxi: +1 305 588 3200 Internet: www.db-taxi.com

Post



Sending parcels and letters in the US is a relatively straightforward process. The most common method is through the United States

Postal Service. The USPS offers a variety of services for sending mail, including First-Class Mail for letters and postcards, Priority Mail for packages, and Priority Mail Express for overnight delivery. To send a parcel or letter, you will need to take it to a USPS post office or use a USPS blue collection box. Use the USPS website to find the nearest post office or collection box to your location. Additionally, you can also use private couriers such as FedEx and UPS, which often provide a wider range of services and faster delivery times, but generally at a higher cost.

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Address: US Post Office: 400 Whitehead Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 294 9539 Internet: www.tools.usps.com/locations/details/1368972

Pharmacy



There are abundant locations of Walgreen's, CVS, Walmart, Target and various independent chain store retailers in Key West. Find the one

near you.

Photo: Busra Ispir/shutterstock Address: Walgreens Pharmacy: 527 Duval Street, Key West, FL Phone: +1 305 292 2979 Internet: www.walgreens.com

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Time Zone



Key West is in the Eastern Time Zone and all times reflect Eastern time.

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Phone



Country code: +1 Area code: 305

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Electricity



All power sockets in the United States provide a standard voltage of 110-120V with a standard frequency of 60Hz. Plug type A has two flat

parallel pins.

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Population 26,327 (2024)

Currency \$1USD = 100 cents

Opening hours Most shops open around 9am, while closing times range from 6pm to 9pm.

Internet www.fla-keys.com/key-west www.cityofkeywest-fl.gov

Newspapers The Key West Citizen: www.keysnews.com Miami Herald: www.miamiherald.com

Emergency numbers

911

Tourist information

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