HAWKS CAY 
BUCKET 
LIST

ENJOY YOUR SPECTACULAR TRIP DOWN THE BEAUTIFUL ISLAND CHAINS OF THE FLORIDA KEYS, AND RELISH IN ALL OF THE SIGHTS AS YOUR ADVENTURE BEGINS. ENJOY OUR BUCKET LIST AND CHECK A FEW MUST-SEE’S OFF YOUR LIST!
FACT: MIAMI OFFICIALLY BECAME A CITY IN 1896 THROUGH THE HELP OF A LOCAL BUSINESSWOMEN’S ENCOURAGEMENT OF RAILROAD EXPANSION, MAKING THIS THE ONLY MAJOR U.S. CITY TO BE FOUNDED BY A WOMAN.

Did you know, Burger King was founded in 1954 in Miami? While you may be drooling over a Cheeseburger in Paradise if you have time and a passion for burgers, check out the Burger Museum – America’s only museum dedicated to burgers & comfort food.

Encouraging you to “think beyond the grape” enjoy several wonderful wines made out of tropical fruits, such as avocado, lychee, and passion fruit. The tropical gardens, waterfalls, all set a beautiful scene, and located on site, a fantastic brewery that offers craft beer tastings!

HOMESTEAD & FLORIDA CITY

FACT: SOUTH FLORIDA IS THE ONLY PLACE IN THE WORLD WHERE ALLIGATORS AND CROCODILES COEXIST!

This is South Florida’s oldest alligator farm, with over 2,000 Alligators onsite! Take part in the daily shows or experience the Everglades with an airboat ride, it is 20-25 minutes well spent!

A family run exotic fruit stand! Here you can try a variety of tropical fruits, such as the Sugar Apple, Jackfruit, or the Miracle Fruit (it makes everything sweet!) A Key Lime Smoothie for the road is a must!

CAN YOU FIND IT?
TAKE A PIC OF LAKE SURPRISE!!!
DID YOU KNOW IT WAS NAMED LAKE SURPRISE DURING THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE HIGHWAY AS THEY DID NOT KNOW IT EXISTED!

Enjoy the beauty of the Florida Everglades that starts your trip to paradise. The Overseas Highway is the only road in the nation that encompasses a living coral reef, and one of the most scenic drives in America.
KEY LARGO

FACT: KEY LARGO, 33 MILES LONG, IS THE LARGEST KEY AND ORIGINALLY NAMED: “CAYO LARGO” WHICH MEANS LONG ISLAND IN SPANISH.

THE CARIBBEAN CLUB
Duration: 20-45 minutes
104080 Overseas HWY
Key Largo, FL 33037

Our first must see in Key Largo is the Caribbean Club which is Key Largo’s oldest bar, originating back to 1938. This bar was the inspiration for the film, Key Largo, and today you can see one of the last remaining old Mile Marker posts in the back of the building while taking in the million dollar views.

KEY LARGO CHOCOLATES
Duration: 15-25 minutes
104070 Overseas HWY
Key Largo, FL 33037

Sample some of the best chocolates in the world, or pick up an edible souvenir. Enjoy several varieties of chocolate, including Key Lime flavored chocolates, fudge, even handmade ice cream. This is a sweet spot to check out! WATCH THEM MAKE CHOCOLATE AT THE ONSITE CHOCOLATE FACTORY!

THE AFRICAN QUEEN
Duration: 20 minutes – 2 hours
99701 Overseas HWY
Key Largo, FL 33037

FACT: ORIGINALLY NAMED THE S.L. LIVINGSTONE, THE AFRICAN QUEEN WAS RENAMED AFTER HER STARRING ROLE!
Feel as though you are stepping back in time, or onto a movie set. The African Queen, made famous by the 1951 movie resides completely restored in Key Largo, FL. Originally constructed in 1912, you can take a historic ride down the canal in this very famous boat!

THE PILOT HOUSE
Duration: 45 minutes-1 hour
13 Seagate BLVD
Key Largo, FL 33037

One of the most interesting places to enjoy a drink would be a glass bottom bar! With 30 reinforced glass panels, you are sure to see the fish below your feet. The Pilot House has been welcoming tourists and locals since 1950, and recently had their Harvey Fish Sandwich, featured on the Food Network’s Diners, Drive-ins, and Dives.
FACT: THE FLORIDA STATE BIRD IS THE MOCKINGBIRD AND HAS THE ABILITY TO SING OVER 200 DIFFERENT SONGS.

Dedicated to the rescue, rehabilitation, and release of native & migratory birds. Permanent residents include owls, hawks, pelicans, even an Amazon parrot! Stroll down their boardwalk and view the various birds in a beautiful habitat.

FACT: ISLAMORADA WAS NAMED “PURPLE ISLE” BY SPANISH EXPLORERS HOWEVER PEOPLE STILL PONDER HOW THE ISLANDS GOT THEIR NAME!

You won’t be able to miss the largest lobster in the world. Standing 30 feet tall and 40 feet you will notice this roadside marvel on your right as you pass MM 86.7. Be sure to stop for a photo op and check out the Rain Barrel for unique handmade and local souvenirs. CAN YOU FIND IT? LOOK FOR THE WISHING WELL AMONG THE ARTISAN SHOPS & MAKE A WISH!

Discover limestone & coral reef originally used to build the Overseas Railroad while viewing the ancient coral of the quarry walls.

Embark on an adventure that spans over 4,000 years as you learn the history of Diving through several unique exhibits. From treasure, to innovative inventions, take time to learn the history of one of our favorite FL Keys excursions!

A memorial to those who lost their lives in the major hurricane of 1935. The obelisk stands 18 feet high and is the estimated height of the storm surge. Place a flower or leave a penny as a sign of respect.
ISLAMORADA

ROBBIES MARINA & INDIAN KEY
77522 Overseas HWY
Islamorada, FL 33036

Duration: 15 minutes-1.5 hours

Feed the Tarpon at Robbie’s - it’s a must! Take time to enjoy the unique shops, or for those that like adventure, take a kayak out to Indian Key on the Oceanside. The entire key is a ghost town, but was once a thriving port consisting of stores, warehouses, even a hotel!

DUCK KEY

YOU’RE HERE! WELCOME TO HAWKS CAY RESORT

You’ve seen a lot on your journey down the beautiful Florida Keys, but your adventure is just beginning. Hawks Cay Resort has an abundance of bucket list items to ensure you really experience the Keys; here are a few of our favorites. And, we would love to hear what your favorites were!

- Swim with the Dolphins
- Snorkel Coffins Patch
- Enjoy a cocktail at the firepit
- Cook your Catch
- Indulge in a Spa Treatment
- Go Deep Sea Fishing
- Scuba or Snuba
- Take a Sunset Cruise

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