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→ And other things you need to know about **KEY WEST**

**T**here's something called Keys Disease, a mysterious affliction that leads people to quit their jobs, sell their homes, and decamp for this tiny island 150 miles southwest of Miami. Key West is a genuine escape—a place where you can be yourself, or be somebody else.

## THE HOTEL

The recently opened **Gates Hotel** channels the laid-back Key West vibe without sacrificing creature comforts (like cozy Turkish cotton robes and towels) or going overboard on the nautical theme. If you can pull yourself away from the poolside bar, the Gates offers a fleet of chic blue bikes for exploring the rest of the island (a necessity, since the hotel is a few miles from the heart of the city and there's no guest shuttle service). **3824 North Roosevelt Boulevard; from \$249.**

## THE FUN

**HIGHBROW:** The **Ernest Hemingway Home & Museum** is a must-see. Take the 30-minute guided tour of his Key West hideaway, and you'll probably catch one or two descendants of his famed polydactyl (six-toed) cats lounging in the shade.

**OFF-THE-BEATEN-PATH:** Drag shows are a mainstay of Key West nightlife. You can catch performances every night at **Aqua** and **801 Bourbon Bar**, located just a few blocks apart on Duval Street.

**OUTDOORS:** **Fort Zachary Taylor Historic State Park** is Key West's only proper beach. Even though its shores are man-made (Key West is surrounded in part by a coral reef, which means no big waves and few natural dunes), it's worth a visit just to marvel at the beautiful blue-green water.

## THE FOOD

**HIGH-END:** **Nine One Five** is a welcome



From top: A suite at the Gates Hotel; Duval Street in Key West.

respite from the endless succession of raucous bars on Duval Street. The menu is eclectic, with an emphasis on island cuisine: grouper ceviche, smoked ahi tuna with saffron aioli, crispy whole yellowtail. But the fries are also to die for.

**BRUNCH:** Snowbirds and locals alike rave about brunch at **Sarabeth's**, a New American spot with a lovely patio for outdoor dining.

**WHERE THE LOCALS GO:** **Sandy's Cafe** is a venerated hole-in-the-wall serving authentic Cuban fare—including probably the best, sloppiest Cuban sandwich in town. Order one with everything on it and grab a seat at the outdoor counter. Mind the roosters. —*Chelsea Edgar*