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The Gate Escape A Cigar-and-Rum-Laden Key West Bungalow



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T-minus 30 days until Memorial Day weekend.

And we don't see a single "poolside rum bar with pig-in-a-blanket delivery" on your calendar.

Relax. You've got *The Gates*. It's the new kid on the proverbial Key West hotel block. And though it's already soft-open, they're launching their food-and-beverage situation on May 1. ([Here's the slideshow](#) and a [look at the menus.](#))

Couple of things happening here. So we've taken the liberty of breaking it all down. Like so:

The Place: The Blind Pig.

The Situation: A permanent food truck. And it'll deliver your pigs in a blanket, braised-beef arepas and pulled-pork sliders to your room or bar seat in a handy to-go bag.

The Place: Rodriguez Cigar Lounge.

The Situation: A breezy, outdoor gazebo for hand-rolled stogies made in the traditional Cuban style, from the island's oldest operating cigar manufacturer.

The Place: Rum Row.

The Situation: A poolside rum bar for... drinking. Except here, you'll be doing it with live music and rum drinks using local stuff from First Legal Rum Distillery. Exhibit A: *Sloan's Key Lime Pie*. It's got lime juice, condensed milk, cardamom liqueur and a graham cracker/Cap'n Crunch rim.

That guy really gets around.







