

**CLARK'S GUIDE TO BLUEWATER KEY RV RESORT & KEY WEST
PRE-ARRIVAL PLANNING: GETTING HERE & THINGS TO RESERVE AHEAD**

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WELCOME! We're delighted that you will spend some time at our "little piece of paradise!"

[Bluewater Key RV Ownership Resort](#) is the newest RV Park in the Florida Keys. Sites are individually owned. Each owner arranges for the care and rental of his own site. Let us know if you find anything that needs our attention! This will offer information that may help you plan your stay. Please – drop us a note, email, or call with any suggested changes to these notes!

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Please read this paragraph even if you don't read ANYTHING else in this information sheet: We want you to have a wonderful stay in Paradise at Clarks' RV lots in Bluewater Key. Like many other ownership RV parks, there are some deed restrictions that we must observe. To quote directly, *"...It is the specific intent of these restrictive covenants to maintain the RV Park as an exclusive luxury resort to be used **solely for recreational vehicles having their own bath, toilet and kitchen facilities...The following uses and activities shall be prohibited....any on the ground camping or outdoor overnight sleeping in a tent or pop up trailer that is not a self contained recreational vehicle capable of and ready to be hooked up to the existing lot electric, water, and sewer facilities.**"* There is also a requirement that your rig be clean and in good repair, and a **limit of two household pets** per RV.

Now, on to things to help you find us and enjoy Paradise in your RV at Bluewater Key!

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE YOU ARRIVE

I. HOW TO FIND THE PARK

Lot Number and Arrival Dates: Please review your attached bill and confirm your arrival date and check out date. ***Please look carefully – there are sometimes problems with the terms last night/check out date.*** Normally, we will plan to meet you at the gate upon arrival. We will ask you to call us several times as you approach Bluewater so that we can be at the gate when you arrive.

It is very important that you print out these directions as we are ***extremely*** difficult to spot from the road, especially when you approach after dark.

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GETTING HERE

Address: Bluewater Key RV Resort, Lot _____, 2950 US Hwy 1, Key West 33040 (near MM 14)

IMPORTANT: PLEASE do not use a computerized program or navigation system to reach us. They seem to place us down near the Key West airport, in a neighborhood where you **CANNOT** turn around in a big rig. In the Keys, US Highway 1, also known as the Overseas Highway, is our "Main Street". The best way to get around is to know the Mile Marker (MM) of your destination. These little green signs that dot our highway every mile begin in Key West at MM 0 (zero) and end in Florida City with MM 120, so you will "work your way down" to us at Mile Marker 14.3 (**14 point 3** – not one hundred forty three).

Getting to Bluewater Key from the North - The Florida Turnpike Extension ends in Florida City (near Homestead), where it flows onto US Highway 1 Southbound. From this point, you have 113 miles to go. Do **not** count on making 113 miles in two hours. Plan on 3+ hours for the trip from Florida City to Bluewater Key. **Warning:** If dark is approaching, consider stopping on the mainland. There is a stretch where "Key Deer" are protected. The speed limit there is 35 after dark and is **strictly enforced**. Numerous RV/Key deer wrecks occur each season, and repairs (and tickets) can be costly. And, the drive is beautiful, with vistas from bridges that one should not miss! Also, it is not easy to get situated at our park after dark. The park features "low level" lighting. No one complains about bright lights bothering their sleep, but it is not great for setting up your rig after dark.

Stopping spots on the mainland, near end of turnpike: Southern Comfort RV Resort, 345 E Palm Dr, Homestead, Florida - phone (305) 248-6909 - is OK - just OK - for an overnight. They can sometimes offer a pull through so you do not need to disconnect tow vehicles. Wal-Mart Supercenter, reached by exiting the turnpike just BEFORE the end, at exit 1B, 33501 So. Dixie Hwy., Florida City - IMPORTANT - call (305) 242-4447 to be sure they allow rigs overnight; local rules have changed several times. If you don't mind going a few miles off the turnpike, I highly recommend Miami Everglades Campground www.miamicamp.com – their phone is 800-917-4923. Note - it is NOT easy to find Miami Everglades, and you will NOT believe you are getting there, as you pass through residential neighborhoods and finally enter an agricultural area where they grow landscape trees and plants. Get GOOD directions to find this park.

Bluewater Key RV Resort is between MM 15 & 14, at **MM 14.3** Approaching from "up" the Keys, please follow these directions carefully:

1. **Leaving the mainland:** Please phone 305-744-0999 as you leave the "mainland". That is, when you get off the turnpike and pass through Florida City's last three blocks of fast food, gas stations, etc., call us - we will then have a general idea you will arrive in about 3 hours.

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2. **Marathon:** Please phone 305-744-0999 from Marathon. Your "alerts" that you are on Marathon are the Marathon Airport at about MM 52. If you miss the airport, then please call us when you reach the Seven Mile Bridge – you cannot miss that.
3. **Mile Marker 17:** Please phone 305-744-0999 as you pass through the blinking light at the Sugarloaf Lodge. At this point you're are about 2-1/2 miles away.
4. **IMPORTANT DIRECTIONS FROM MM 17:**
 - a. "Heads up" two miles after the Sugarloaf Lodge as you pass Baby's Coffee on your left <http://www.babyscoffee.com/> and then a small mini mart that has changed names a lot lately – at this point you have only **one short bridge to cross**. Watch the left side for Bluewater Key sign (blue letters on white background). **It is NOT easy to spot the sign.**
 - b. **Turn left** onto Bluewater Drive, just past the (lighted) bus bench--hard to spot the turn after dark. We try to meet you in a blue golf cart at the corner of Bluewater & US 1.
 - c. After turning left on Bluewater, take the left side of Bluewater Drive's "Y" for park entrance.
 - d. Immediately pull as far off the road as you can (right side, on gravel), near the newspaper racks, and call us at 305-744-0999; begin disconnecting tow car if you tow 4-wheels down; remove tow car if you tow on a dolly.
 - e. You will be led to the storage area if you need to drop a tow dolly, toy box, or boat, as only RV's and trucks/cars can be on your RV Lot; more info on toys/boats below on pages 3 and 4.
 - f. In the unusual situation of arrival when we cannot lead you to your site, you will be given a gate code and instructions to your site.

Warning: If you miss your left turn onto Bluewater Drive, you have to go a few miles to turn around. The closest left side turn around that will easily accommodate RV's with car in tow is the Circle K Market on the left at MM 11. If you do turn around, you are approaching from the Key West direction. Come 3 miles back from the Circle K, and make a right turn onto Bluewater Drive.

In case you must enter unescorted - Gate Code: _____ Unhook your tow vehicle **before you enter the park** and then enter the code at the pad on the right side of the entry. Enter only numbers; no # or * needed. Check out is 11 am, and check in is 3 pm, but we can sometimes let you arrive earlier if the prior guest has left your lot and landscaping is completed. ***Please call ahead if you hope to arrive before 3 pm.***

II. YOU FOUND THE PARK – NOW WHAT?

Tow Car/Dinghy/Boat/Toy Trailer Disconnect for RV's: If you are towing a car behind an RV, where you disconnect depends on whether you tow 4 wheels down or use a dolly.

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4 wheels down - *Please disconnect the tow car before* you enter the park. Best to do this by “swinging wide” on your left turn onto Bluewater Dr. Pull over in the wide area near the newspaper racks & sign out front, about **one hundred feet before** you get to the entry gate, and drop your tow car.

Tow dolly, toy trailer, or boat trailer - Absolutely no storage of boats, tow dollies, toy trailers, etc., on your RV lot. You will be led to the place where you should disconnect your extra trailer. You **MUST disconnect this in the park's storage area, where you will have to store the trailer/dolly. THERE WILL BE AN EXTRA CHARGE FOR USE OF THE STORAGE AREA** for boats, tow dollies, etc. You will be asked to sign a waiver for use of the storage area and you will be asked to agree to let the resort staff move your trailer as needed. Your trailer will then be placed in its assigned storage area by a member of the resort staff. If these terms are not OK with you, the following commercial storage areas may have room for your extras:

Pets: Two household pets per RV are welcome, with the usual rules: dogs must be leashed at all times; clean up properly after your pet; owners must insure that pets don't bother others, and pet owners assume full responsibility for pets. If your dog barks a lot, you may be asked to leave.

Parking on Lots 1 - 4, 6: All are on the right, as you enter. These are set up as “back in” only lots.

Parking on Lot 6: On the right, as you enter. This is a “back in” lot, and is somewhat tricky for parking. It is an especially beautiful and private lot, so it is worth the extra effort if your rig will fit here. ***Please read this carefully if you will be staying on lot 6*** – we don't want you to get here and find out your rig will not work on this lot. The owners of lot 6 have a lovely tiki hut at the rear (west) end of the lot, near the canal. They also have a second, large tiki hut that will be parallel to your RV when you are parked. The new second tiki will provide privacy and will shade the passenger side in much the same way that a very large awning would. *You will not be able to extend an awning on the passenger side, but you will not need one. Please see photos on the web.* Please note – if you have opposing slides (that is, slides on both driver's and passenger sides) your rig may **NOT** fit here. We **have** had 40 ft. quad slide RV's on this lot, but please call us NOW to let us know your rig's configuration. Also, if you have a large slideout on the driver's side and a mid door, your rig may be tight here.

Parking on Lot 16: This is the 16th lot on the right as you enter the park. There is a large area in front of the lot where you can line up to pull or back in to the lot. **There are full hookups on both sides of lot 16.** “Nose in” parking: The hookups for “head in” on 16 (RV coaches and short trailers/5th's) are on the south side (left side as you face the canal), hidden behind the big red bush. RV's usually prefer to pull in forward, with the “nose” facing the canal, hugging the south (left) side of the lot. Shorter trailers and fifth wheels have the option of “head in” parking, as the lot is deep. Some “skew” their rigs with awning near tiki,

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for privacy. **“Back in”** parking: Lot 16 hookups for “back in” parking are on the north (US1) side, about half way back.

Parking on Lot 54: A “piece of cake” pull in spot for RV’s. Continue southward after entering the park; lots will count up on you right; as you pass Lot 23 or so, look left, and the site numbers will be counting down. 58, 57, 56, 55, 54! Just pull in! In the unusual event that a trailer or 5th wheel is set up to be on 54, please call for assistance so we can plan ahead for you.

Parking on Lots 69, 78, 79 for all but trailers, 5th wheels: All on the bay side. You will pass lots 1 - 15 on your right before you see any lots on your immediate left. You will “swing hard left” (a big “U” turn) at the wide space in front of lot 16, heading back north toward US1. To get an RV into 69 - 79, please go all the way to 80, circle around, head back south out of the circle, and approach with your back end toward US1. e plan.

Parking on Lots 80, 81: On the bay side. You will pass lots 1 - 15 on your right before you see any lots on your immediate left. You will “swing hard left” (nearly a “U” turn) at the wide space in front of lot 16, heading back toward US1. Lot 81 is a “straight shot” pull in for RV’s - the entire side of your rig will parallel the bay, giving you a view from every window. Lot 80 is a “back in” space for rigs.

Bugs & ants: Yes, this IS Florida and we do have assorted creatures that might “invade” your rig. Some people never have a problem; others find an ant the first day here. We suggest you spray or powder around all points that touch the ground as soon as you set up as preventive medicine. Everyone has his favorite anti-bug idea – I just use Raid.

Safety reminder: All outside electrical cords need to be grounded three prong plugs.

Tree/plant and tiki hut trimming: If you feel a palm frond or plant must be cut, please ask for help. These may look like they just grow naturally, but they are really quite sensitive, and we handle all trimming. The “fringe” of fronds on the tiki huts is natural and tikis should **NEVER** be trimmed.

Sewer - State law and park rules require that you use a sewer “doughnut” to avoid spillage. Doughnuts are rubber and fit tightly around the hard plastic end piece of your sewer hose. Doughnuts are usually available in the office if you do not have one, but you will probably need one at other FL parks before you get here. Monroe County can inspect, and **will** fine you if you have no doughnut. Sugarloaf KOA, MM 20, sells these if you need one.

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Boats – Important - study charts of the area for information about shallow/deep draft boats. Although our canal and bayfront is deep, the water between Bluewater Key and the ocean/back country is very shallow, and lots of people, even locals, end up with prop or boat damage.

Barbecues -- You will need to provide your own barbeque. If you are a long term guest and wish to have a BBQ, Home Depot, Sears, and K-Mart all have stores in the area where you may purchase your grill. DO NOT assume these stores will stock exactly what your stores elsewhere stock – if it is important to you to have a specific BBQ, bring it or ship it ahead to yourself. Please **do not plan to use any barbeque underneath a tiki hut**. The grease can ruin the palm frond ceiling, and the roofs of the tikis are HIGHLY flammable. Links for online ordering www.homedepot.com www.sears.com www.kmart.com www.walmart.com

Cable TV - Located on the utilities post on each lot. Please bring your own cable. Please read/bring the manual for your TV, if you are new to RV use. The TV will have to be “re-set” to recognize the local channels. Most remotes have such a button, but some can be tricky.

Phone hookups - If you want a land line, you may order one. Bellsouth is the main carrier in the area and can be reached at 800-757-6500 or www.bellsouth.com. (Note – Bellsouth is now part of ATT, but as of this date still maintains separate web sites.) To order a land line for your lot, you will need the following information: The street address of the park is 2950 US Highway 1, Lot ____, Key West, Florida 33040. However, when the park was originally platted, the internal streets were named Park Place, Park Circle, etc. Many lots are in the Bellsouth computers as 16 Park Place (for lot 16) or ??? In order to help them find the correct place to “turn on” your land line, here are some recent phone numbers from various lots:

There will be a Marinco or RJ11 hookup on the electric pedestal. Please **bring your own phone** and connector for your coach. Marinco adapter may be available for deposit. Calls are local throughout the Keys, but Bellsouth also offers a reasonable unlimited long distance plan. At the time I was writing this, it was about \$25/mo plus tax for unlimited long distance.

Internet Access: Wi-fi (not secure) is available for free but it is NOT perfect. It is a good signal in the clubhouse, that (I think) is repeated throughout the park. Some people can receive perfectly inside their coaches; others on same lot in different coach cannot get a signal. If you MUST have internet access, we can only offer either the free service that you will have to go to the clubhouse to use or we can provide a private cable modem and a secured wi-fi hookup at an extra charge.

There are local dial-up numbers for most national carriers. Please check with your internet provider ahead to find a dial up number in Key West, Saddlebunch, Sugarloaf, Big Pine, Marathon, Key Largo, or Islamorada. **Sugarloaf or Big Pine** numbers usually get faster connections than Key West or Marathon numbers. Again, if you wish to use dial up instead

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of wi-fi, you will have to add a phone line.

Assistance with Hookups - If you are new to RV'ing and/or have a physical limitation that makes it hard for you to set up your RV, please let us know in advance that you may need assistance. Assistance is ***not*** normally available in the park, but we will do our best to try to find someone to help you. There is one firm, Spindrift RV, that can possibly help with setup. He charges between \$50 and \$75 in most cases to completely set up a fifth wheel or coach, ***but you must book this ahead.***

General Park Information: Please feel free to enjoy the park's facilities: the pool, clubhouse, & laundry near the south end of the park; the 100-foot dock in the common area; the central dog walk; and the boat ramp in the storage area. Unlike "KOA-type" parks you may have stayed in previously, ***every lot in Bluewater Key is privately owned***, "freehold" land. Each owner makes his own improvements, and the only shared facilities are those listed here. All lots are private property. You should use and enjoy the lot and tiki you rent, but please treat the other lots, tikis, and docks as someone else's private property.

PLEASE DO NOT ENTER ANOTHER LOT UNLESS INVITED BY OWNER OR GUEST WHO IS RENTING THAT SPECIFIC LOT.

iii. WHERE TO STOP OVERNIGHT IF IT GETS TOO LATE

RV Stopping Spots in Florida City & Homestead - If you get to the end of the Turnpike late in the day and wish to stop, here are some options for overnighting (skip to #3 for my favorite):

1. WalMart at next to last turnpike exit US1 North. The US 1 North exit ramp ends near an entrance to a **WalMart** 24-hour Supercenter. (Phone 305-242-4447). Good groceries here. Some owners and guests overnight here, but night crowd seems rough to me, and I don't like overnighting in *this* WalMart. ***I've also heard the local police will hassle RV'ers at night.***
2. There is a city park near the WalMart that guests have said is "OK". We have never stayed there. It looks rundown to me, but people who have stayed there say it is fine. **Florida City Campsite** (305) 248-7889. Take the WalMart exit - US 1 North - from the turnpike. Do NOT turn right on US1 at the bottom of the exit to go to WalMart. **Cross** US 1 at bottom of exit. The campground is a few blocks straight ahead of you. Full hookups. No reservations, but people say there are usually spots. Honor system after hours. Bonus: near **Farmers' Market**.
3. There is an RV Park, **Southern Comfort RV Resort**, that can be reached by exiting the turnpike at the end onto US 1 south; turn left (east) at the first light (Palm). After

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turning left onto Palm Drive, the park is on the right in a couple blocks. "Resort" does not mean the same thing as Bluewater Resort, but it is better than #2, above. You can specifically request a pull through space so you don't have to disconnect tow cars/5th wheels, and there are some pretty good restaurants and shopping within a block or two. Phone 305-248-6909. Web address: <http://www.gzinc.com/comfortrv/>

RV Stopping Spots 5 - 8 hours away- If you are "dead heading" to Bluewater Key and simply want a safe stopping spot en route, here are a few that guests have recommended:

1. Clermont/Leesburg: Clerbrook about 8 hours away via turnpike

www.rvonthego.com/Clerbrook-Golf-and-RV-Resort-CL470-8.htm

This is on Highway 27 about a mile south of the Clermont/Leesburg exit from the turnpike and has some pull through spaces if you don't want to disconnect. 877-362-

2. Clermont/Winter Garden: _____ about 8 hours away via turnpike
3. Port St Lucie
4. Miccosoukee Indian Reservation about 5 hours
5. Ft Lauderdale/Hollywood area: Hard Rock casino - 4 hours via turnpike
- 6.

(Sorry - still in process; feel free to suggest additions)

RV Destinations that are more than "stopping spots"

1. Disney: Ft Wilderness about 8 hours away
2. Flagler Beach
3. Port St Lucie Outdoor Resort
- 4.

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III. STOPS YOU MIGHT NEED TO MAKE EN ROUTE, ALONG HWY 1

Gas/Diesel/Propane Stops between Homestead and Bluewater Key - The best plan is to **fill up with both on the "mainland"** – this will save you at least 10 cents per gallon. But if you need fuel, since it is sometimes hard to spot gas/diesel stations that accommodate large rigs, here are ones we have used for our rigs. Let me know if you find another for the list:

1. Key Largo – Shell – On your left heading south, MM 99.8. Diesel + gas.
2. Hess – On your left, heading south, in front of a small strip mall, just past the Shell in Key Largo; about MM 99.5 or so. Diesel + gas.
3. Big Pine – Paradise Petroleum, on your left, heading south, MM 30. This station has gas, diesel & propane, but is often **dirty and unfriendly ... use only if you must** get fuel immediately.
4. Summerland – Chevron, I think; left, heading south, MM 25. GAS ONLY, but good access.
5. Summerland - Dion's Quick Mart; on left, heading south, near MM 25. Diesel & gas. Nice people, not my preferred diesel spot; I have had "water in fuel" light twice after fueling here.
6. Dion's Mobil – MM 10.5, on right, as you head into Key West **This is past the entrance to Bluewater**. Diesel. Only diesel close to Bluewater.
7. Key Haven Shell – This is near MM 5, on right as you head into Key West. **This is past the entrance to Bluewater**. However, this is a large station, with room for a rig to maneuver, and has the fairest gasoline and propane prices in the lower Keys. No diesel. Propane discount (usually-depends on who is on register) if you say from Clarks at Bluewater Key.

Grocery Stops en route – For groceries en route, some choices, in "going southward" order:

1. **WalMart** at the end of the Turnpike is one excellent option. They generally have better fruit & veggies than we find down here, so stock up for a few days.
2. **Farmers' Market** in Florida City – corner Krome & Davis Hwy. Ask locals if not on your map.
3. We suggest you **pass by** the first Winn Dixie "up the Keys", at about MM 105 (not easy to get in/out of in RV, especially in winter).
4. The **Winn Dixie** MM 91.2 has "OK" access for RV—not great. McDonald's shares parking lot.
5. Another **Winn Dixie** is on the left, in Marathon, in a strip mall, MM 50.5. This center also has a McDonald's, a drug store, and a K-Mart. Big parking lot, easy access for RV.
6. Finally, for just a few things, **Murray' Market** on Summerland, MM 24.5, is on your left, heading south. Family run market with decent selection – some people say the best steaks in Keys. Parking usually OK parallel, on southbound side of US 1, simply

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pulled off on service road. Or, just come back in car after parking at BWK. This is about 15 minutes away from BWK.

Restaurants en route – We are not experts on this section, as we usually drive through to BWK. Here are a few good options that usually have RV parking in front or within a block:

1. **Lazy Days Oceanfront Bar & Grill– MM 79.9 - Best** restaurant we know “up” the Keys. Fabulous view, great fish. Need reservation in season. Parking not easy; but worth trying to find parking on opposite side alongside road, or even worth a disconnect/reconnect. 305-664-5256
2. **Hideaway Café at the Rainbow Bend Resort – MM 57.7** – Good kitchen, bad parking for RV’s. You may have to pull off to right side of US1 and walk a little – but worth it! <http://hideawaycafe.com/> 305- 289-1505
3. **Seven Mile Grill, just before 7-mile bridge at south end of Marathon** – Great fish & Key Lime Pie; not great RV parking. Shares lot with Porky’s rib joint–also good. On your right, heading south, about ½ mile after Fisherman’s Hospital – near MM 48. Probably not an option if you are “long”, in season. Parking may be OK out of season, as there are usually trucks towing boats in the lot.
4. **Boondock’s – MM 27.5, Ramrod Key. *GREAT place!*** On your right. Big tiki hut. Has parking lot that is a complete “U”, and the street behind leads back out to US 1 **when you turn left** leaving the park lot – not turning right. Lot can be crowded peak hours (even in summer–lots of locals here), but should have room for rigs to pull through to street behind. Very hard to see ahead of time. Start watching on your right as soon as you enter Ramrod Key. Slow down when passing Chevron station on your left. Enter the first drive, and pull through to the street behind, and **BE SURE TO turn left, not right on the street behind Boondock’s**, park parallel on the street. Worth the walk if you have to park a little down the street. If you miss the first entrance, both drives lead to the street behind. Just be sure you turn LEFT on the small street behind. It will lead you to another small street; left on small street leads back to US 1. <http://www.boondocks.us.com/> 305-872-4094
5. **Sugarloaf Lodge, MM 17 - Starved?** Want to eat ***just*** before getting to the park? Local “joint.” Good prime rib, nice fish, nice tiki bar. Almost always room for RV w/tow car to circle through, but might be crowded in high season. On your right when heading south, at the flashing light.
6. If eating just after arrival is the need, **update this with new deli info..** Phone 305-744-0070.

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Possible Traffic Jam Warning!!! Coming to BWK on Sat. or Sun., in "high season" (Dec. to April), there is often a traffic tie up on Big Pine for the Flea Market. Worst hours are about 7 a.m to 10 am and 2 pm to 4 pm. Just relax & crawl--no way around this. Usually about 10 min. of slow traffic.

A FEW MORE THINGS YOU MIGHT WANT TO DO BEFORE YOU COME

YOU MIGHT WANT TO CONSIDER MAKING RESERVATIONS AHEAD FOR...

Rental Cars: If you plan to rent a car while here, it is best to reserve ahead with **Enterprise** by calling the local office at **305-292-0220**. They will pick you up, and they often let you leave the vehicle here when you depart, so you may not have to rush into Key West before you go. Call the local Key West Enterprise, and let them know you will be arriving at Bluewater as Rita Clark's guest on lot _____. They are usually very helpful to my guests. Or, plan to pick up a vehicle in Marathon, at the airport, as you pass through Marathon. The airport was designed to allow bus traffic, so RV's usually do well here. Budget, Avis, and Enterprise are here. Note: There is an **airport surcharge** in Marathon, and they usually close between 5 pm or 6 pm.

Swim With The Dolphins: Several recent guests have done this, and loved it. Located on Grassy Key, at MM 59. (305) 289-0002 for reservations. <http://www.dolphins.org> There is another dolphins organization farther up the Keys; I just have no knowledge of it.

Flats Fishing: There are numerous flats fishing guides/flats boat charters available in the Keys. Important info about flats fishing: Guides can usually **only** take 2 guests for a true flats charter. This is a simple weight limit, as the boats must often travel in just a few inches of water. Please let me know as far ahead as possible if you would like flats charters, so I can "hook you up" with my favorite guides.

Group Dive/Snorkel Boats: Group boats that take you to Looe Key Reef or to a protected snorkel area + picnic, or to another reef off of Key West. Let us know if you want help with this.

Private boat charters: If you prefer to charter privately and direct your own "tour", we know several good captains who will take you fishing, snorkeling, diving, etc.

Offshore Fishing on Group Boats: There are lots of group boats on "Charter Boat Row," near downtown, that take groups of people out. Again, we also have our favorite Offshore Boats and captains. Try to let us know ahead if possible on this.

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I hope I have thought of most things you need to know. Now the "lawyer stuff": Neither Bluewater Key, the other Bluewater Key owners, nor the Clarks will be responsible for personal injuries or damage, loss, or theft of any personal property or vehicle. Guests must assume financial responsibility for any damage or injury caused by themselves, their children or their pets.

See you soon! Call or email if we can help further with your plans, and... Enjoy!

