# FWSA 2021 ROATAN Registration Form

# October 9 - October 16, 2021 (If using own air, you must arrive in Roatan on dates stated)

Please print clearly: The information you provide is for the exclusive use of FWSA and will not be sold for solicitation.					
Print LEGAL NAME as it appears on Passport:					
** It is MANDATORY to SEND a BLACK/WHITE COPY OF YOUR VALID PASSPORT - Valid thru April 16, 2022**					
Mailing Address:Nickname:					
City: State: Zip Code:					
PHONE: Home: ()					
Date of Birth: Mo DayYear Passport NumberExpiration					
Print E-Mail Address:					
Male Female I am a Scuba Diver / Non-Diver					
Divers Alert Network (DAN) Insurance #: Expiration Date:					
I am a MEMBER of Ski Club OR a FWSA DIRECT MEMBER					
FWSA Council (circle): Arizona, Bay Area, Central, Intermountain, Los Angeles, Orange, NBSWR, Northwest, San Diego, Sierra					
<u>EMERGENCY INFORMATION</u> Emergency Contact—Immediate Family member <u>NOT ON THIS TRIP</u> (required for all participants):					
Name: Relationship:					
Contact Number:Cell Number:					
List Food Allergies and/or drug allergies (optional):					
Medical Conditions (optional):					
List Over the Counter/prescription drugs taken regularly (optional):					
List any Special Dietary Needs:					
I have been advised that the FWSA trip package does not include travel insurance and I understand that I do have the					
option to purchase my own Travel Insurance. <u>FWSA DOES HIGHLY RECOMMEND TRAVEL INSURANCE.</u> (Travel Ins. details offered by our tour operator will be provided or you may purchase from your own provider)					
I understand that I am financially responsible for myself whether or not I purchase Travel Insurance.					
> I understand it is my responsibility to obtain all legal documents required for travel including passports & visas.					
I understand that my passport must be valid at least 6 months after return of trip (April 16, 2022)					
> I have been advised of the CANCELLATION Policy - the deposit is completely refundable until August 7, 2021. See					
complete CANCELLATION Policy and associated fees listed on the documents. NO REFUNDS after September 6, 2021 unless a compatible replacement is found. There may also be a transfer fee and associated vendor/supplier fees.					
> NO REFUNDS for Any NO-SHOWS					
I have received and read a copy of the FWSA Conduct Policy and agree to comply.					
> I understand that I must be a current member of a FWSA Club or a FWSA Direct member. I further certify that I'm a current FWSA Club or a FWSA Direct member and that the information I have provided on this form is accurate.					
<ul> <li>I understand that the culture of the place(s) I am visiting might not be what I am normally accustomed to in the</li> </ul>					
United States.					
> I am aware that FWSA may use images taken during this trip for marketing and promotional purposes. I authorize					
and hold harmless FWSA and its agents for the use of my image. I may choose to sign an exemption form to exclude t					
use of my pictures being used for this purpose.					
<u> </u>					
Participant Signature OR Parent/Legal Guardian for Minor Date CST #2036983-40					

## TRANSPORTATION OPTIONS – MARK AN "X"

Our goal is to travel effortlessly, seamlessly and use direct flight options when available. Please read all the options carefully before deciding on your transportation choice.

□ Option #1: FWSA Assisted Air departing fro	om:	Contact Randy Lew
Air pricing subject to change until tickets a	are actually issued. Must be <sub>l</sub>	paid in full to Roatan Charter

□ Option #2 – OWN Air Transportation & FWSA Transfers to/from resort and airport.

You must arrive in Roatan early afternoon on October 9, 2021 & provide a copy of your "Own Transportation" itinerary and notify trip leader of any/all changes that occur.

AND...If your flight is cancelled, delayed or you miss your "OWN AIR" flight, it is <u>Your Responsibility and Cost</u> in arranging your own ground transfer to your hotel.

[Please inform Randy Lew if such situations occur - call or text 530-304-0802]

## **Travel & Divers Alert Network Insurance**

FWSA highly recommends that you purchase travel insurance. Roatan Charters offers trip insurance on their website at <a href="https://roatancharter.com/pages/tripinsurance">https://roatancharter.com/pages/tripinsurance</a>. Additional travel insurance vendors can be found on FWSA website at <a href="http://www.fwsa.org/Travel/insurance.html">http://www.fwsa.org/Travel/insurance.html</a>. In addition, all <a href="scuba divers will be required">scuba divers will be required</a> to have diving accident insurance through Divers Alert Network (DAN), the premier dive insurance. You can get their insurance info at <a href="http://www.diversalertnetwork.org/">http://www.diversalertnetwork.org/</a>

# <u>FULL TRIP – 7 Nights</u> DIVE TRIP & LODGING OPTIONS – MARK AN "X"

We are offering Anthony's Key Resort, October 9 - October 16 for the 2021 Roatan Dive Trip.

## 1st, Choose your trip Land Package - Please select one of the following:

□ Option DP1: Dive Package – (6 days; 20 boat dives) \* \$1,534 pp (dbl occ)
 □ Option SP1: Snorkel Package – (10 boat snorkels) \*\* \$1,419 pp (dbl occ)

□ Option NDP1: Non-Dive Package \$1,304 pp (dbl occ)

2nd, Choose your Lodging / Upgrade Options – MARK AN "X"

□ Option S1: Single Room Supplement \$257

NO room upgrades available

### **Anthony's Key Resort Includes:**

7 nights Key Deluxe Room (double occupancy)

3 meals daily (buffet & Specialty Restaurants)

Comp Wifi (public areas only)

Admission to Roatan Museum

Kayaks and stand-up paddleboards

Day excursion to Maya Key

Ground transfers from Roatan Airport

Resort fees and taxes (staff & dive gratuities not included)

## In Addition, the Dive Package \* includes:

6 days of 3 tank boat dives, including 2 single tank night dives

Buoyancy control workshop

Shore diving during dive shop hours

## In Addition, the Snorkel Package \*\* includes:

5 days of 2 boat snorkels including guide

1 night boat snorkel

Underwater fish ID card

Slide show and 1 Dolphin Encounter

Key Deluxe bungalows are the most spacious bungalows, and you'll find them dispersed along the perimeter of the key. These overwater bungalows feature wood floors, Honduran hardwood furnishings, natural stone counter-tops, air-conditioning, and high visibility glass windows for spectacular ocean views. Each bungalow has an adjoined private covered deck, inviting you to unwind after a day of diving and rest in a cozy hammock while embracing the tranquility after a day full of adventure. Access to the key is by island taxi boat, traveling back and forth in the lagoon, between the key and the main island upon request.

# LODGING/ROOMMATE

□ I HAVE A ROOMMATE		YOUR NAME: ROOMMATE:
		ROUNINIATE:
		☐ I Need a Female Roommate
		☐ I Need a Male Roommate
	DO NOT HAVE A	Are you a Smoker?YesNo
	OMMATE:	Do you Snore <b>excessively</b> ? YesNo
		Describe your personality
		[Ex. Outgoing, quiet, adventuresome, reserved, diver, non-diver]
	□[for office use only]	Assigned roommate:
	PAY	MENT METHOD Information
X	trip deposit. Subsequent personal check, cashier che your spot will not be reser	ompleted registration forms & waiver, along with a check for your payments may be made online by credit card or by mailing a eck, or money order. Your registration will not be complete, and wed, until you have submitted your documents (including passport) and have paid your initial deposit.
		redit card, instructions to the online payment system will be ng statement, for subsequent payments once we have received you
	Please mark one of the follow	wing for making future payments:
		ents by check, cashier check or money order. ents by PayPal and/or Credit Card via online payment method. Do
	send me the information in ord	der to pay online.
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	· ·	ns, Trip & Transportation Options, Waiver, Lodging
·		legible <u>BLACK &amp; WHITE</u> photocopy of your Valid
passp	ort (good through April 16	5, 2022), and Check Payment to:
	Randy L	ew
	829 SE 11 <sup>t</sup>	
	Battle Gro	ound, WA 98604
	Cell: (530)	·
	E-mail: <u>Fv</u>	vsa13randy@telis.org
Make c	heck payable to <b>FWSA</b> . <i>Pleas</i>	se note "FWSA 2021 Roatan Trip on each check".
There wi	ill be a charge of \$25.00 for return ch	necks from your bank.
Deposi	t Payment Amount: \$	Check # Other:

# FWSA Assisted Air Transportation & Lodging Packages Payment and Cancellation Schedules

# **Anthony's Key Resort**

# **Option DP1 - Dive Package**

# Option DP1: Standard Dive Package - Payment Schedule & Cancellation Policy

<u>Payments</u>	<u>DUE DATE</u>	FWSA Assisted Air <u>Payment</u>	Land Pkg. Payment	Total Payment DUE	*Cancel. Fees	Cancel. Date
Initial Deposit	Due Now!	۸	\$500.00	\$500.00	No Penalty up to	August 7, 2021
2 <sup>nd</sup> Payment	July 1, 2021		\$500.00	\$500.00	\$225.00	Between August 8, 2021 – August 22, 2021
3 <sup>rd</sup> Payment	•			0	\$385.00	Between August 23, 2021 – September 6, 2021
*FINAL PAYMENT  *A \$100.00 late fee may be applied if payment not made by due date.	August 31, 2021		BALANCE of Land Pkg.	Balance Due	Full Penalty – NO Refund*	After September 6, 2021

^ Assisted Air - Non-refundable, Cancellation fees 100% after purchase

(Substitutions may be made with associated change fees applied – details will be on a case by case basis)

<sup>\*</sup>Cancellation Policy is based on the Standard Dive package and fees for the upgrades will vary according to package price.

Such penalty fees are subject to additional vendor or supplier charges.

# FWSA Assisted Air Transportation & Lodging Packages Payment and Cancellation Schedules

# **Anthony's Key Resort**

# **Option SP1- Snorkel Package**

# Option SP1: Standard Snorkel Package - Payment Schedule & Cancellation Policy

Payments Payments	DUE DATE	FWSA Assisted Air <u>Payment</u>	Land Pkg. Payment	Total Payment DUE	*Cancel. Fees	Cancel. Date
Initial Deposit	Due Now!	^	\$500.00	\$500.00	No Penalty up to	August 7, 2021
2 <sup>nd</sup> Payment	July 1, 2021		\$500.00	\$500.00	\$225.00	Between August 8 2021 – August 22, 2021
3 <sup>rd</sup> Payment				0	\$355.00	Between August 23, 2021 – September 6, 2021
*FINAL PAYMENT  *A \$100.00 late fee may be applied if payment not made by due date.	August 31, 2021		BALANCE of Land Pkg.	Balance Due	Full Penalty – NO Refund*	After September 6, 2021

^ Assisted Air - Non-refundable, Cancellation fees 100% after purchase

<sup>\*</sup>Cancellation Policy is based on the Standard Snorkel package and fees for the upgrades will vary according to package price. Such penalty fees are subject to additional vendor or supplier charges.

(Substitutions may be made with associated change fees applied – details will be on a case by case basis)

# FWSA Assisted Air Transportation & Lodging Packages Payment and Cancellation Schedules

# **Anthony's Key Resort**

# Option NDP1- Non-Dive Package

# Option NDP1: Standard Non-Dive Package - Payment Schedule & Cancellation Policy

Payments Payments	DUE DATE	FWSA Assisted Air <u>Payment</u>	Land Pkg. Payment	Total Payment DUE	*Cancel. Fees	Cancel. Date
Initial Deposit	Due Now!	^	\$500.00	\$500.00	No Penalty up to	August 7, 2021
2 <sup>nd</sup> Payment	July 1, 2021		\$500.00	\$500.00	\$225.00	Between August 8 2021 – August 22, 2021
3 <sup>rd</sup> Payment				0	\$330.00	Between August 23, 2021 – September 6, 2021
*FINAL PAYMENT  *A \$100.00 late fee may be applied if payment not made by due date.	August 31, 2021		BALANCE of Land Pkg.	Balance Due	Full Penalty – NO Refund*	After September 6, 2021

^ Assisted Air – Non-refundable, Cancellation fees 100% after purchase

<sup>\*</sup>Cancellation Policy is based on the Standard Non-Dive package and fees for the upgrades will vary according to package price. Such penalty fees are subject to additional vendor or supplier charges.

(Substitutions may be made with associated change fees applied – details will be on a case by case basis)

## **FWSA TRIP CONDUCT POLICY**

This policy applies to all persons participating on a Far West Ski Association ski week or trip. It is intended to maximize the enjoyment for all trip participants and provide guidelines for the FWSA Travel Staff, Council Trip Leaders, and assigned Trip Assistants. All trip participants are requested to observe common courtesy and generally accepted standards of social and moral behavior.

In accordance with Federal and State laws, the Far West Ski Association will enforce a "Zero Tolerance Policy" on illegal drug use at any FWSA sponsored event or trip. Failure to observe this policy will automatically remove you from participation in future FWSA events.

Participants shall adhere to the requirements of FWSA trip packages and participants agree not to transfer, resell, or barter all or portions of that package. Only FWSA, or the issuing agency may compensate the participant for the unused portion or permit transfer. Failure to comply may result in exclusion from future FWSA events.

Alcohol and tobacco use is allowed in moderation and where permitted by law. FWSA Travel Staff, Council Trip Leaders, or assigned Trip Assistants, will ask a participant to cease any loud, obnoxious, or offensive behavior. Participants who refuse to cooperate will be reported to local security or local police.

Far West Ski Association maintains a strict policy prohibiting sexual harassment and harassment because of race, religion, color, national origin, ancestry, disability, medical condition, marital status, sexual orientation, age, or any other basis made unlawful by any applicable law or ordinance or regulation. Prohibited harassment in any form, including verbal, physical and visual conduct, threats, demands, and retaliation is unlawful and will not be tolerated. If, after a request to refrain from this behavior, the participant continues, FWSA Travel Staff, Council Trip Leaders, and assigned Trip Assistants may contact local security or local police. Please stop the offensive behavior if asked by another participant, FWSA Travel Staff, Council Trip Leader, or assigned Trip Assistant.

Parents/Legal Guardians of minor children under the age of 18 are responsible for the supervision and behavior of their children. Children under12 years will be under the direct supervision of their parents/legal guardians at all FWSA events. Parents/Legal Guardians are responsible for providing supervision of their children under 12 years of age during the time that they are attending a FWSA function without their children (e.g., children under 12 will not be left alone in the lodging rooms).

FWSA Travel Staff, Trip Leaders, assigned Trip Assistants, and/or FWSA Board of Directors will attempt to resolve problems in a mutually beneficial manner. When resolution cannot be achieved, FWSA Travel Staff, Trip Leaders, and assigned Trip Assistants have the authority to call on-site security or local police to resolve the problem. Participants may be excluded from a trip at their own expense and without reimbursement of trip expenses.

## FWSA 2021 ROATAN SCUBA DIVE TRIP October 9 – 16, 2021

PARTICIPANT RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS, EXPRESS ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT.
Please read and be certain you understand the implications of signing.

Express Assumption of Risk Associated with Sp	port, Venue Use and Related Activities.	
I, do he associated with all activities of FWSA Roatan Scuba Dive including, but not limited to transportation of equipment re	•	keling, certain additional risks, dangers and hazards
hazards and risks include but are not limited to:	acted to the detivities, and havening to and normal	ouvity sites in which I am about to engage. Innerent
1. Risk of injury from the activity and equipment utilized other bodily injuries that my result in permanent disal		ones, severe injuries to the head, neck, and back or
<ol> <li>Possible exposure to and illness from infectious dise</li> <li>I willingly agree to comply with the stated and cust observe any unusual or significant hazard during my nearest official immediately.</li> </ol>	omary terms and conditions for participation as p	protection against infectious diseases. If, however, I
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<ol> <li>Exposure to the elements and temperature extremes</li> <li>Dangers associated with exposure to natural elemen wind, temperature and other weather conditions.</li> </ol>	•	•
<ol> <li>Accidents or illness occurring in remote places where</li> <li>Fatigue, exhaustion, chill, and/or dizziness, which ma</li> <li>Impact or collision with other athletes, spectators, fac</li> <li>"Acts of God" or other actions taken by governments any or all of the contracted services, may result in inj risks or event, and are not within FWSA's control.</li> </ol>	ay diminish my/our reaction time and increase the illity employees, pedestrians, motor vehicles, boat or their civil authorities, or common carriers that w	s, and cyclists. vould impede FWSA's delivering
14. I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASUME ALL SUCH R THE RELEASEES or others, and assume full responsible to the series of	nsibility for my participation.	
Release of Liability, Waiver of Claims and Inden	nity Agreement	
<ol> <li>In consideration for being permitted to participate in the at</li> <li>I HEREBY RELEASE AND HOLD HARMLESS WI person or property, WHETHER CAUSED BY NEGL Far West Ski Association (FWSA) and their direct directors and officers, and their successors and</li> </ol>	TH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, ILL IGENCE OR OTHERWISE, the following named ors and officers, FWSA Ski Councils and their	NESS, DISABILITY, DEATH, or loss or damage to persons or entities, herein referred to as releasees:
<ol> <li>To release the releasees, their officers, directors, er any claims or causes of action that I, my estate, hei arising from the above activities whether caused by a the releasees harmless and indemnify them in conju as a result of my engaging in the above activities.</li> </ol>	rs, survivors, executors, or assigns may have for active or passive negligence of the releasees or ot	personal injury, property damage, or wrongful death herwise. By executing this document, I agree to hold
By entering into this Agreement, I am not relying on this Agreement. FWSA is not responsible for trip info		nade by the releasees, other than what is set forth in
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Signature of Adult Participant	Name of Adult Participant (Please Print)	Date
FOR PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE: This is a do consent and agree not only to his/her release of all Rehis/her involvement in these programs for myself, my heir.	easees, but also to release and indemnify the Rel	

Name of Parent or Adult Legal Guardian (Print Clearly)

Date

Signature of Parent or Adult Legal Guardian if Participant is a Minor



## **FWSA ROATAN SCUBA DIVE TRIP**



#### October 9 – 16, 2021

Anthony's Key Resort

Basic Cost excluding air travel:

7 Day (20 boat dives) Dive Package \* \$ 1,534 pp. Dbl. Occupancy
7 Day (12 boat snorkels) Snorkel Package \*\* \$ 1,419 pp. Dbl. Occupancy
Non-Dive Package \$ 1,304 pp. Dbl. Occupancy

Single Supplement (Key Deluxe Room) \$ 257 additional

#### Price Includes:

7 nights at Anthony's Key Resort – based on 2 per room in a Key Deluxe Room

3 meals daily

Use of paddle boards, kayaks, and snorkeling

Day excursion to Maya Key and admission to Roatan Museum

Airport transfers from Roatan Airport to resort

Complimentary Wi-Fi

Resort taxes (gratuities not included)

\* In Addition, the Dive Package includes:

6 days of 3 tank boat dives and 2 single tank night dives

Buoyancy control workshop

Shore diving during shop hours

\*\* In Addition, the Snorkel Package includes:

2 snorkels daily by boat with guide and 1 night boat snorkel

Underwater fish ID card

Slide show and 1 Dolphin Encounter

#### Room Upgrades Not Available:

### Payment Schedule – Land:

Initial deposit Immediately \$ 500 per person 2<sup>nd</sup> payment July 1, 2021 \$ 500 per person

Final payment August 31, 2021 \$ balance

## Cancellation Penalties:

Prior to August 7, 2021 \$ 0 per person August 8, 2021 – August 22, 202 \$ 225 per person

August 23, 2021 – September 6, 2021 \$ 330 – \$385 per person

September 7, 2021 – departure date no refunds

Travel on this FWSA trip to Roatan requires a valid Passport. Your Passport must be valid until April 16, 2022 (six months after your return). It is your responsibility to ensure your required travel documents are in order and with you.

#### DIVE and TRAVEL INSURANCE

FWSA highly recommends that you purchase travel insurance. Roatan Charters offers trip insurance on their website at <a href="https://www.travelsafe.com/index.php?ref=ROAFL02">https://www.travelsafe.com/index.php?ref=ROAFL02</a>

Additional travel insurance vendors can be found on FWSA website at

http://www.fwsa.org/Travel/insurance.html
. In addition, all scuba divers will be required to have diving accident insurance through Divers Alert Network (DAN), the premier dive insurance. You can get their insurance info at <a href="http://www.diversalertnetwork.org/">http://www.diversalertnetwork.org/</a>

# **ABOUT ROATAN**

## Location/Geography

Honduras's largest island is 37 miles long by 3 miles wide and is completely surrounded by a large reef system, part of the Mesoamerican reef which has a large marine biodiversity.

#### Climate

The average temperature in Roatan year-round is 80° F with the trade winds providing a gentle breeze. The relative humidity averages 72%.

#### **Water Temperature**

Averaging between 78-81°F degrees.

### Currency

The Honduran Lempira, exchanged at the daily rate for U.S. Dollars. On the island, US Dollars are used as much as the local currency and most places have their prices in US dollars. It is best not to bring bills over \$20 as larger bills may not be accepted. Credit cards widely accepted.

#### **Electricity**

110-volt U.S. style plugs / 60 cycle

#### **Documents**

You need a passport that is valid for 6 months after your arrival. You will receive a 90-day tourist Visa when you arrive. You should check to see if there are any special requirements for citizens of your country but currently this is all that is required for USA, Canada, UK, and European Union. Your passport must be valid until April 16, 2022.

## **Airport Departure Fees**

There is an airport departure tax of US \$45.00/person for international flights and a domestic departure tax of L42.00/person or equivalent in US currency. Although most International carriers included it in your air ticket. For local flights, it must be paid in the airport after check-in Please note these fees must be paid in cash, either US Dollars or Lempiras.

#### **Time Zone**

USA Central Standard Time. Daylight savings time is not observed.

#### Language

Officially Spanish, but English is spoken commonly.

## **U.S. Embassy**

The US Embassy is located on the mainland in Tegucigalpa.

Avenida La Paz Tegucigalpa M.D.C.

Honduras

Phone: (504) 2236-9320 FAX: (504) 2236-9037

Roatán is one of the most popular places in Honduras for those looking for that perfect tropical vacation. There are direct <u>flights to Roatán</u> from Italy, Canada, and the United States, and those on holiday from the latter are happy to find that the primary language spoken is English. The island of <u>Roatan</u> is laden with white sandy beaches, and surrounded by coral reefs, which makes it a <u>diving</u> and snorkeling haven.

Roatan is the largest of the Bay Islands. It is a long, narrow, hilly island, almost 60 km long (about 37 miles) and only 5 km wide (3 miles) at its widest spot. It's rolling hills and mountains, with a maximum altitude above sea level of approximately 900 feet, makes every piece of property virtually a unique ocean view lot. The island is completely surrounded by a large reef system, part of the Mesoamerican reef which boasts the largest marine biodiversity in the world and is part of the second longest barrier reef in the World, extending itself from the Bay Islands in Honduras on the south end to the Mexican islands of Contoy, Isla Mujeres and Cozumel to the North.

The coastline of Roatan has outstanding white sand beaches, iron shore bluffs and mangrove forests surrounding the island. The combination is almost perfect and provides the best of all three worlds, tropical beaches, such as the one in West Bay is considered the best beach in Central America and one of the best in the world; The iron shore bluffs offer some of the best ocean front views on the island, and the mangrove swamps offer an insight to the tropical wetlands of the Caribbean and Central America.

In addition, the original vegetation of the island can still be seen on the eastern end of the island, here you will find the presence of the unique Caribbean Pine, a species of pine tree that has adapted itself to the hot, lowlands of the island, and that is unique to the Bay Islands of Roatan, Barbaretta and <a href="Guanaja">Guanaja</a>. This pine species can also be found in the Honduran mainland, specifically in coastal areas. The pine forests coexist with an oak forest that gave its name to one of the most important cities in Roatan: Oakridge.

Most of the island's communities have English names. This is due to the fact that the islands were part of the British Empire until they were ceded to the country of Honduras in 1859 – 1860 as part of the treaty of Comayagua. Since the original settlers were brits from the Cayman Islands, they named the different communities with English names, that have persisted to this day.

Names such as Coxen Hole, French Harbour, Oakridge, Calabash Bight, Politilly Bight, Sandy Bay, Flowers Bay, etc. are all proof of the above. The descendants of the original settlers all have English names, Bodden, McNab, Hyde, Jackson, McLaughlin are all common names on the island, and to this day, islanders prefer to speak English over Spanish, which is the official language of Honduras.

Roatan has two different private cruise ship terminals, an international airport and regularly scheduled passenger ferry service from the port city of <u>La Ceiba</u> in mainland Honduras. It has a main highway that serves as a backbone to the island, linking West End, the westernmost community on the island

to Camp Bay and Old Port Royal, the easternmost communities on Roatan. The majority of this road is paved, and the part that isn't paved is an all-weather dirt road that can be driven throughout the year. Many less important roads interconnect with the main road and lead to smaller villages as well as to modern resort developments on the island.

Politically the island is divided in two municipalities: The Municipality of Roatan, with its seat of government in Coxen Hole, and the Municipality of Santos Guardiola, with its seat of government in Oakridge. There is no doubt that the most developed part of the island is in the municipality of Roatan. The airport, ferry terminal and both cruise ship terminals are within its limits. In addition, the most developed tourism center on the island, West Bay is also within its limits, and many of the most important projects are here: The Black Pearl Golf Club, Roatan's only golf course is a perfect example.

# ANTHONY'S KEY RESORT

Anthony's Key Resort is owned and managed by the Galindo family and has been in operation since 1970. Julio Galindo Sr. (Don Julio) was born and raised on Roatan and his accomplishments far exceed the well-run five-star dive resort that he has managed for more than 30 years. Don Julio and his family have been active in the political, environmental, and social aspects of the Bay Islands for many years.

Shortly after Don Julio began his involvement as manager of AKR, he was elected Mayor of Roatan, a position he served for four years. He took a break from politics after becoming sole owner of the resort and under his direction; the resort underwent several large expansions. One of these expansions included the establishment of the Roatan Institute for Marine Sciences in 1989. As a strong advocate for education, research, and conservation, Don Julio has said, "We can no longer take it for granted that our reefs, lagoons, forests, and the life they support can absorb without damage the development the island will inevitably experience. Opportunities for systematic study and research of our habitats should be offered. It is imperative that we preserve what we have." It is this active interest in the quality of life and environment that put Don Julio back in the political arena once again. In 1990 he was elected Senator of the Bay Islands and was also appointed as Chairman for the Development of the Bay Islands. In 2009 he ran and was elected for mayor and served a fouryear term. His wife, Cheryl Galindo, is also an active member of the community. With the guidance and expertise of the Honduran Institute of Anthropology, Cheryl created the Roatan Museum in 1992, which is housed in the RIMS facility. She served as head of the board of directors for the Bay Islands Conservation Association (BICA), a non-profit environmental organization and she is the founder of the Roatan Bilingual School in Coxen Hole. Managers of the resort and US office are Samir, Haydee, and Julito (May 26, 1966-November 13, 2007), Julio and Cheryl's sons and daughter. Assisting them is a dedicated staff of more than 200 office workers, groundskeepers, housekeepers, kitchen and wait-staff, dive staff, boat crew, repair crew, and security. The staff is extremely friendly and courteous and a great source of stories on island life

#### **ROOMS**

1 King Bed & 1 Full Bed

400 sq. ft

Key Deluxe bungalows are the most spacious bungalows, and you'll find them dispersed along the perimeter of the key. These overwater bungalows feature wood floors, Honduran hardwood furnishings, natural stone counter-tops, air-conditioning, and high visibility glass windows for spectacular ocean views. Each bungalow has an adjoined private covered deck, inviting you to unwind after a day of diving and rest in a cozy hammock while embracing the tranquility after a day

full of adventure. Access to the key is by island taxi boat, traveling back and forth in the lagoon, between the key and the main island upon request.

- Air Conditioning
- Ceiling Fan
- Wi-Fi
- Hardwood Floors
- Hot Shower
- In-room Safe
- Hair Dryer
- Coffee Maker
- Mini Refrigerator
- Alarm Clock
- Ixora Spa Bath Amenities
- Private Deck

## **LOCATION**



Anthony's Key is a small cay in the located off the coast of Roatan. Guests can choose between staying in one of our quiet hillside bungalows or enjoy ocean views in one of our gorgeous key-side accommodations.



Don't be surprised if you find that your favorite afternoon pastime during your stay is lazing in one of their hammocks, enjoying the sights and sounds of the water. However, if you're in the mood for some adventure, you'll find a variety of water-sports equipment on the key's small beach. Enjoy an afternoon dip in the swimming pool, or unwind with a luxurious massage at Ixora Spa.

Back on the main island of their Roatan resort, you'll find one of the most Instagram-worthy spots. With sweeping views, fiery sunsets, and tucked away in the palm-studded hillside, you'll enjoy

spending time in their restaurant and Frangipani Bar. Sip a refreshing cocktail and satisfy your appetite with delicious island fare.

On the dockside, you'll find the Scuba School, Seaside Gifts & Photos, Photo Roatan, AKR's Snack Shop, Dive Shop, and the dock with a fleet of state-of-the-art dive boats. A short walk will take you to the Roatan Museum and Roatan Institute of Marine Sciences. There you can sign-up for educational programs and activities with the dolphins at Bailey's Key.

#### **RESORT MAP & SERVICES**



#### **DIVING**

At Anthony's Key, they want everyone to experience the magical paradise that awaits below the water's surface. They are a PADI 5-Star Career Development Center and ranked as one of the world's top dive resorts for the last 50 years. Whether you're a newbie diver or returning regular, they have a course to match your skill level.

There are endless opportunities to explore the natural treasures that call the waters of Roatan home. At Anthony's Key, they make it easy for you to take advantage of those opportunities. Their Dive Operation offers equipment rentals, a full-service Photo



Shop, PADI Continuing Education Programs, convenient dockside equipment storage, fresh-water showers, and rinse-tanks, dive and snorkel opportunities with the dolphins at the Roatan Institute for Marine Sciences, and an on-site Hyperbaric Chamber and Clinic.

They offer a full array of dive and snorkel gear available for rental on a weekly or daily basis. You'll have an ample stock of regulators, gauges, BC's, wetsuits, and computers to choose from, so there is no need to reserve equipment in advance or pay extra baggage fees to the airlines by bringing your own. Tanks, weights, and weight belts are included in all Dive Packages.

Nitrox: \$10.00 per tank or \$140.00 per week. All prices exclude 15% tax

Equipment Rental	USD
BCD Only (per day / per week)	\$ 15 / \$ 80
Regulator & Computer (per dive / per week)	\$ 22 / \$ 110
Wetsuit (per day / per week)	\$ 12 / \$ 60
Mask & Snorkel (per day / per week)	\$ 8 / \$ 35
Mask, Fins & Snorkel (per day / per week)	\$ 10 / \$ 50
Dive Computer (per day / per week)	\$ 12 / \$ 60



All AKR divers will appreciate the comfort and convenience of diving on their modern fleet of seven Pro 42' Custom Dive Boats, two Newton 46' Dive Specials, and four Pro 48' Custom Dive Boats. Along with a small number of fellow divers, you'll be whisked away to 35 different dive sites, located just 5 to 30 minutes away. Unrivaled in the Caribbean region, their fleet is comfortable, safe, and convenient.

#### **SNORKELING**

About 95% of marine life species in the Caribbean make their home among Roatan's reefs. From a lush underwater garden of pristine corals and sponges to other marine residents like Caribbean reef sharks and loggerhead turtles, the waters teem with vivid undersea wonders.

With guided snorkel trips offered twice a day, you'll have up-close encounters with diverse fish, coral, and other marine life. With our dedicated 46' flat-top snorkel boat, you'll be able to weave inside and outside the reef. You can also snorkel at your own pace around Bailey's Key or in the resort's backyard lagoon.

Our snorkel packages include a convenient Underwater Fish ID card to help you spot Roatan's indigenous organisms and sea life. You'll receive a Dolphin Beach Encounter and a Reef Ecology Lecture and Fish ID Slide Show when you book the 7-night Snorkel Package.

If you're a dolphin fan, why not snorkel with them? For an additional charge, you can enjoy a unique opportunity to snorkel with these playful and graceful creatures in the protected area of Bailey's Key. It's an amazing experience you won't soon forget!

#### **HEALTH & SAFETY PER AKR**

At Anthony's Key Resort, our priority is the overall health and safety of our guests and employees. As the Coronavirus remains a global public health concern, we want to let you know what we are doing to keep our resort as safe as possible.

We take hygiene and cleanliness very seriously and have always adhered to the highest standards. Now, we are taking additional steps to ensure the safety of our guests and staff. Our health and safety measures include everything from handwashing hygiene and cleaning product specifications, to guests' rooms and common area cleaning procedures.

Our protocols address a broad spectrum of viruses, including COVID-19. Specific additional steps we are taking include:

Employee Health, Safety, and Knowledge:

Resort employee's health, safety, and knowledge are essential to an effective cleaning program. Here are some ways we're supporting them:

- Hand Hygiene: Proper and frequent handwashing is vital to help combat the spread of viruses.
   In our staff meetings, we remind our team that cleanliness and stopping the spread of the infection starts with this simple act. We have handwashing signage placed in strategic areas for reinforcement and reminders.
- Respiratory Etiquette: Includes wearing masks where appropriate and covering coughs and sneezes. We ask that if an employee shows any cold or flu symptoms to let us know and not report to work until cleared by a physician.
- Ongoing Training: In addition to training on housekeeping and hygiene protocols, employees are also completing enhanced COVID-19 awareness training.

Cleaning Products and Protocols:

We use cleaning products and protocols which are effective against viruses, including:

- Guests' Rooms: We use cleaning and disinfecting protocols to clean rooms after guests depart
  and before the next guest arrives, with particular attention paid to high-touch items. We provide
  housekeepers with protective face masks and gloves to use while cleaning.
- Public Spaces: We have increased the frequency of cleaning and disinfecting in public spaces, with a focus on the counter at the front desk, door handles, public bathrooms, boat rails, handrails, even room keys. Alcohol-based hand sanitizer is available at the entrances of all high-volume public areas such as the front desk and dining room.
- Back of House: In the back of the house, we have increased the frequency of cleaning and focusing on high-touch areas like doorknobs, laundry rooms, storerooms, and staff offices.
- Dive Equipment Rentals: All rental equipment is adequately cleaned and disinfected so that transmissible pathogens are killed. Among the procedures we follow are:
  - Regulators and snorkels are washed in a separate basin from wetsuits and other equipment, using an antiseptic solution.
  - We use the recommended bleach solution of 1:100 dilution for disinfection, and the recommended submersion time of 30 minutes observed.

#### Onsite Medical Clinic:

The Cornerstone Hyperbaric Chamber and Medical Clinic are located on the property. The clinic is staff with three doctors, one pharmacist, two lab technicians, and 24/7 on-call medical personnel. We've ensured that the clinic is equipped to include the appropriate equipment and supplies needed to address new protocols.

Airport Transfers:

We use privately owned buses for transfers for all guests. We will reduce the number of guests transported to ensure proper social distancing. All buses will be supplied with sanitizer for use by each guest when boarding and vehicles will also be re-sanitized after every trip. Physical Distancing:

Anthony's Key has always been about natural surroundings. Guests enjoy plenty of space between them when staying in individual bungalows spread out on the 9-acre private Key. Our main dining room and bar is open-air and brings in fresh breezes from the ocean. And now, we're introducing new ways to encourage our guests to maintain safe social distancing while still providing a relaxing resort experience.

## Dining:

- Extended meal times.
- Safe distance table setups in our restaurant and bar.
- Reduced buffet service.
- No self-service at buffets.

#### Diving:

- Expanded dive boat departure times.
- Reduced divermaster to diver ratios.

#### Check-In:

• Guests can <u>check-in online</u>, letting them skip the Front Desk and go straight to their room upon arrival.

We hope this reassures you about the preventive action we take to reduce the spread of germs and to ensure our guests' health and safety when they are in our resort.

# **HISTORY**

The Bay Islands are located approximately 40 miles north of the coast of Honduras and offer a very different world from mainland Honduras. They consist of three main islands, Utila, Roatan and Guanaja, as well as numerous cays. Roatan is the largest, measuring 37 miles long and 3 miles wide. The islands' history, which includes many disputes between the Spaniards and the British during colonial times have given the islands a unique heritage.

The pre-Columbian indigenous peoples of the Bay Islands are believed to have been related to Paya, Maya, Lenca or Jicaque, which were the cultures present on the mainland. During the Maya reign in Central America (between the 4th and 10th centuries), the Paya Indians populated the Bay Islands. The Payas were a smaller and less advanced group than the Mayans. Their civilization was characterized by simpler housing and tools. Payan artifacts (pottery, jade, and shells) are often found in Island burial and ceremonial sites and are referred to by the locals as "yaba ding dings."

During the 13th and 14th centuries, Europeans discovered these islands. For almost 200 years Spanish conquistadores and British pirates battled for control of these islands, for the most part ignoring the Indians. In contesting with the Spanish for colonization of the Caribbean, the English occupied the Bay Islands on and off between 1550 and 1700. During this time, pirates found the vacated, mostly unprotected islands a haven for safe harbor and transport. English, French and Dutch pirates established settlements on the islands. They frequently raided Spanish cargo vessels carrying gold and other treasures from the New World to Spain. European pirates like Henry Morgan, Coxen, Morris and Van Horn used the island as a base for raiding Spanish ships beginning in the 1600s. They took refuge in the many hidden ports on Roatan, spending time hunting and fishing and lazing about in the tropical sun.

After the Spanish eventually left the islands, the Bay Islands were re-settled first by the Garifuna, who settled in Punta Gorda on Roatan, and later by British-descended settlers from the Cayman Islands, who set up colonies in Utila, Roatan and Guanaja. The Garifuna story began to unfold a thousand years ago when the Arawak, a South American tribe of hunters and gatherers, moved up the Orinoco River, through Honduras and into the Caribbean Sea, where they traded with the Caribs. The mixture of Carib and Arawak created a new people who came to be known as 'Island Caribs'.

The British eventually established control of the Bay Islands, until the early 1960's when control of the Islands was officially returned to Honduras.

You'll receive a warm greeting from our friendly, bilingual (English & Spanish) population whose ancestral origins are a combination of the eight separate cultures that both fought and flourished here during the past 400 years. In the 1970's divers discovered Roatan's pristine reef and the tourist industry was born. Over the past 15 years Roatan has experienced increased development that allows current visitors to enjoy paved roads, well-stocked supermarkets, medical clinics, phone and wireless internet access but the island is still a small, tropical paradise...and one of the best-kept secrets in the Caribbean.

The Islands have evolved into a microcosm of many cultures that is not easy to describe. In recent years, the number of North Americans and Europeans living in the Bay Islands, especially on Roatán, has grown dramatically. They have brought many changes, some good and some not so good. Once pristine beaches and verdant hillsides are now sites for homes, restaurants, resorts, and other developments. As this new development occurs, fresh water supplies are being strained, and the need for a modern infrastructure is apparent. RECO (Roatán Electric Cooperative) provides adequate electricity, but no sewage or water treatment plants exist. Telephones are difficult or impossible to get in most places. Ironically, cable television is widely available.

Created in response to the ecological risks facing the Islands, The Bay Islands Conservation Association (BICA) "is striving to establish a strong sense of awareness ... of the importance of conserving and protecting the islands' natural resources." [Cheryl Galindo, Introduction to "The Bay Islands: People and Nature"].