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Marco Island Marriott Beach Resort Offers Savings on Destination Dining (\$200 Value)

Paradise Deliciously Escape Allows Travelers to Visit Resort's Five Restaurants for Choice of Two Meals per Person, per Night

Travelers Turned Bloggers Win \$50 Dining Credit for Return Visit

Marco Island, FL – August 1, 2008 – With five restaurants on property and menu options spanning from Caribbean specialties to Pan-Asian fusion, Marco Island Marriott Beach Resort invites travelers to taste their way through the resort with the Paradise Deliciously Escape. The decadent package includes overnight accommodations and choice of two meals per person, per night, totaling up to \$200 in added value each day. The Paradise Deliciously Escape is valid through December 19 and starts at \$349 per night, inclusive of meal tax and gratuities.*

It is often said that breakfast is the most important meal of the day. For those looking to start the day off right, Tropiks serves up morning favorites, as well as an American-style buffet, while Café San Marco offers lighter options. Guests looking for an afternoon delight can visit Tropiks, 400 Pazzi's, an indoor/outdoor brick-oven pizzeria featuring café-style seating overlooking the Gulf of Mexico, or feast on lunchtime favorites such as sandwiches and salads at Quinn's on the Beach – the only beachside restaurant on Marco Island. The perfect way to end a day in paradise is by tantalizing taste buds with a three-course dinner (appetizer, entrée and dessert) at 400 Pazzi's, Quinn's on the Beach or at the resort's signature fine-dining restaurant, Kurrents, a favorite destination among locals and visitors alike. All meals include one non-alcoholic beverage per person.

Diners are then encouraged to share their culinary experience with fellow travelers on the resort's blog www.paradiseexperiences.com. General manager of the Marco Island Marriott Beach Resort, Rick Medwedeff, monitors the blog monthly and the most captivating entry receives a complimentary \$50 dining credit for a return visit.

Once on property, guests tend to stay put. Marco Island Marriott Beach Resort offers an incredible three-mile stretch of white sand beaches and various activities; guests can experience the best of South Florida from a guided Waverunner tour of the Everglades to 18 holes on the Audubon-endorsed The Rookery at Marco Island golf course or a soothing Balinese massage at The Spa at Marco Island.

To book the Paradise Deliciously Package, please call (800) GET-HERE [800-438-4373] or visit www.marriott.com/mrkfl and enter promotional code BXR. For Marco Island Marriott Beach Resort information, please visit www.marcoislandmarriott.com.

Nestled on three miles of pristine southwest Florida white sand beaches, Marco Island Marriott Beach Resort is the perfect island within an island escape. Caressed by tropical breezes and inspired by a Balinese sense of harmony, balance and hospitality, this is simply, paradise found. From the magnificent new Quinn's Pool, surrounded by lush landscaping and outdoor dining and meeting spaces, to our elegant spa, private resort Rookery Golf Course, and our luxurious rooms and lanai suites that overlook the dazzling Gulf of Mexico, Marco Island Marriott Beach Resort is the sanctuary for relaxation, rejuvenation, discovery and play. Our attentive concierge service, choice of shopping, dining and recreational activities make Marco Island Marriott Beach Resort the choice for unforgettable family vacations and memorable business meetings.

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