



Relaxing Retreat, Orlando Emerald Island Resort & Local Attractions

Emerald Island Resort

Enjoy the beauty of Emerald Island Resort where you have free access to the resorts Facilities. Enjoy a game of tennis, exercise room, sauna, children's playground, beautiful pool, hiking on nature trails, walking, jogging, biking, or a picnic. You will also have free access to the Internet Cafe'. This Resort is one of the absolute closest areas to the Disney Parks. There are Free BBQ Grills available near the tennis courts or you can rent one for the house.

Emerald Island Resort is an exclusive gated resort community located in Kissimmee, Orlando, and just off the highway from the airport and 2 minutes from the 192 and Interstate 4. It offers luxury villas of highest standards in a secluded natural setting surrounded by conservation woodlands and a number of terrific golf courses, including Disney Golf, Greg Normans Champions Gate Golf Course and the David Leadbetter Golf Academy.

Emerald Island Resort is perfectly situated for your Disney vacation, being less than 3 miles to Disney Parks and is less than 30 minutes drive from Orlando International Airport. Our Emerald Island home is perfect vacation rentals for the best in holiday relaxation, close to the exciting center of Florida's family entertainment action.

Main Entrance and Gatehouse

The beautiful gated community of Emerald Island Resort with a grand entrance and a 24-hour manned guardhouse is surrounded by lush Florida vegetation. It is the latest resort to hit the Disney area to cater to all Orlando area visitors. The winding, palm-lined road that leads to the impressive colonnaded entry to the resort gives a taste of what is inside. Emerald Island Resort is located less than three miles from Disney, off Highway 192, making it one of the closest rental home communities to Disney.

Tennis Courts and Gazebo

There are two tennis courts with hard surface courts set in Emerald Island's typically tranquil surroundings located in very close proximity to our villa (less than 100 yards). Guests who would like to enjoy tennis during their vacation can even get tennis racquets and balls from the clubhouse for a small deposit.

Resort Swimming Pool and Tiki Bar

This is the main (large) community pool with hot tub, located next to the Club House, Children's Playground

and beach volleyball court. Our guests can also enjoy drinks by the newly opened Tiki Bar. Have a drink by the pool at the Tiki bar or enjoy the free Karaoke nights with the entire family.

Nature Trail

The scenic Nature Trail of Emerald Island Resort provides an enjoyable hike through the 11-acre Nature Preserve with abundant native foliage for our nature-loving or courageous guests.

Children's Playground and Volley Ball Court

Parents can enjoy a game of volley ball while kids can enjoy the Children's Playground located in the main section of the resort.

Game Room, Sauna and Exercise Room

The Game Room, Sauna and Exercise Room and adjoining pool provide guests a great way to keep the kids entertained while adults relax in the spa or stay in shape while they are on holiday at Emerald Island Resort.

Emerald Island Resort's Club House

The 4000 Sq Ft Club House contains the lounge (pictured) with big-screen TV, the Exercise Room, Sauna, Cyber Cafe, Game Room, Meeting rooms, business services with internet access and Concierge Service. The Club House is about a 5-minute walk from either of our homes and caters to your needs from 8.00am to 10.00pm.

Make sure you visit the club house not only to get some free coffee and tea but also to grab free coupon books for your dining and area attractions. Also, check out the schedule of free events and activities that are planned through-out the year for the entire family by the clubhouse staff. You can also borrow free DVDs if the collection we have in the villa is not sufficient. Also, the club-house hosts free movie nights with free popcorn every week.

Second Community Pool and Hot Tub

The second Community Pool and Hot Tub are located in the newest Townhouse community in Emerald Island Resort, where our townhouse is located. This pool is about one-minute walk from our townhome, "Mickey's Magic".

Basket Ball Court

Anyone for some hoops?

Please note that trucks, commercial vehicles, campers, mobile homes, recreational vehicles, motor homes, house trailers, trailers of every other description, boats, jet skis (or other similar watercraft) boat and other watercraft trailers, horse trailers or vans shall not be permitted to be parked or to be stored at any place on any property in the resort.



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East Coast Beaches

Beaches on the East Coast offer the best waves and are the best beaches to go to for surfing. Generally, the waves are better the further north you are and the Atlantic Coast water is a little cooler than at the other coastal beaches.

Cocoa Beach - This is the closest beach to Orlando. Driving time is approximately 45 minutes to one hour.

Daytona Beach - This is a wide, flat beach and is approximately a one hour drive from Orlando. You can drive your car onto the sand.

New Smyrna Beach - Also a wide, flat beach with vehicle access. Driving time is approximately 1.25 hours.

Melbourne Beach - This beach is easily reached from Emerald Island and is more popular with the locals. Driving time is approximately 1.25 hrs.

West Coast Beaches

Beaches on the west coast are warmer and calmer as these beaches are situated in the middle of the Gulf Stream. These beaches offer wonderful sunsets. St Petersburg and Clearwater are two of the most popular beaches. They are approximately a two hour drive from Orlando.

Other sites to view while visiting the West Coast beaches are the Historic Spanish Fort at Fort DeSoto (a 2.25 hr drive from Orlando). Driving further south and away from the crowds you can visit Longboat Key, Sarasota, Ft Myers, Naples and Marco Island (a 2.5 to a 4 hr drive from Orlando).

South East Beaches

The South East beaches of Florida have more of a metropolitan feel to them and are a hotspot for celebrities (Miami Beach – a 4 hr drive from Orlando)

Take in the many mansions of Palm Beach (a 3 hr drive from Orlando)

Key West is one of the best places in the world to go scuba diving (a 7 hr drive)

Panhandle Beaches

The beaches of the Florida Panhandle are quite similar to the West Coast beaches since the Panhandle is actually part of the West Coast but is located further north. The Panhandle offers more outdoor activities such as camping and fishing.

Destin (6.5 hour drive) Voted “Best Beach” by Parent magazine. Offers half-day and full-day fishing charters.

Panama City - 6 hr. drive from Orlando. There are 27 miles of white, sandy beach. If you enjoy diving you will see why this area is called “The Wreck Capital of the South.”

Golf Courses

There are over 100 golf courses in the Orlando area. Here is a listing of just a few of the local courses. Additional golf courses can be found at www.teebone.com

Kissimmee Oaks Golf Club

1500 Oaks Blvd., Kissimmee, FL

Directions: From 192 in Kissimmee, or the Beeline (528), or the Osceola Parkway or the 417 Greenway, go south on John Young Parkway 3 1/2 miles south of 192 on the left. From the airport, head south and catch the 417 west to John Young Parkway

Kissimmee Bay

2801 Kissimmee Bay Blvd., Kissimmee, FL

Consistently rated among Florida’s Top 50 by Golfweek and nominated by Golf Digest as one of “America’s Best New Courses.”

Visit this site to download your \$10 coupon:

www.orlandotouristinformationbureau.com/golf/golf_kissimmee_bay.htm

All the attractions are VERY close by...

- Disney World
- Universal Studio’s
- Sea World
- Waterparks
- Airboat Rides
- Horse trail rides
- Many, many Golf Clubs
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- Shops galore