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SHOPPING DINING LIFESTYLE

SECOND FABULOUS EDITION

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BIENVENIDOS A MIAMI! WHY, YOU'RE NOT IN AMERICA ANYMORE, DOROTHY. THIS PASTEL DECO AND CONDO WONDERLAND OF CELEBS N' POSEURS, HUSTLE N' MUSCLE, GOLDEN TANS, WHITE SANDS AND THE MAGNIFICENT BIG BLUE ABOVE AND BEYOND IS THE GATEWAY TO LATIN AMERICA AND THE DOORBITCH TO HEDONISM. BUT IT'S NOT ALL TOASTED HOOTERS AND CUBAN POLITICS, THE CITY OF THONG AND DANCE BOASTS AN ENVIABLE INTERNATIONAL ART SCENE, FAB VINTAGE SHOPPING AND JETSET FASHION. CARLA, GET YOUR KAFTAN...

OVERVIEW

TO THE WORLD, MIAMI IS THE ISLAND OF MIAMI BEACH, OR SOUTH BEACH (SOBE) SPECIFICALLY. SOBE IS THE SOUTHERN HALF OF MIAMI BEACH UP TO 23RD St. EMERGING DOWNTOWN AND BRICKELL FINANCIAL DISTRICT SIT ALONG BISCAYNE BAY. FROM HERE, LITTLE HAVANA IS WEST, ONCE-WAS-BOHO COCONUT GROVE AND GENTEEL CORAL GABLES EXTEND SOUTHWEST. EDGY-COOL WYNWOOD, THE DESIGN DISTRICT AND UPPER EAST SIDE EXTEND NORTH. VAMOS!

ACCOMMODATION

THE FAB **LUXE CITY GUIDES HOTEL & VILLA COLLECTION** OF HANDPICKED PROPERTIES CAN BE BOOKED DIRECTLY ONLINE AT LUXECITYGUIDES.COM

MIAMI IS ALL ABOUT HOTELS - SYBARITIC MOTHERSHIPS THAT SUCK GUESTS IN AND KEEP THEM IN. HERE ARE SOME POINTERS. POOL AND LOBBY SCENES RULE. TO SCORE A SUNBED, GET UP EARLY, BRIBE A POOL BOY, LOOK FAB, OR GET A NEW BODY. MIAMI'S LADIES DON'T DO LUNCH, THEY DO LOBBIES, DAY AND NIGHT. BEING A HOTEL GUEST DOESN'T GUARANTEE ACCESS TO ITS BARS, CLUBS AND RESTAURANTS - YOU'LL NEED YOUR CONCIERGE TO ENSURE ENTRY.

SOUTH BEACH SCENE

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FLORIDA-GEORGIAN STANDOUT CHANNELLING RAFFLES AND THE HAMPTONS, WITH COLUMNS, LOUVRES, PALMS AND LAVENDER AND OCHRE ACCENTS. FRETTE SHEETS, MALIN & GOETZ PRODUCTS, BATHROOMS WITH LCD TVs, PLUS ROOF DECK, GRAND PORCH, SPA, **BLT STEAK** AND **B BAR** = MWAH! TAKE SEA OR POOL VIEW ROOMS.

BARS

EVERY HOTEL WORTH ITS SEA SALT WILL HAVE A THRIVING LOBBY SCENE...

B BAR. PLUSH, HIDDEN FEMME FATALE BASEMENT COCOON WITH HAND-CUT PARISIAN CRYSTAL LAMPS AND ARTISANAL DRINKS. THE BETSY / 1440 OCEAN / SOBE / 305 531 6100 / 9PM-3AM WED-SAT / ENTRY BY INVITE OR GUEST LIST, SO BOOK AHEAD / BBARMIAMI.COM