



*The Sands*  
AT GRACE BAY

PROVIDENCIALES • TURKS & CAICOS ISLANDS • B.W.I.

## *what they're saying about us*

### **Our Traveler Reviews Speak for Themselves**


The Sands at Grace Bay is delighted to announce that 2014 was another record-breaking year in arrivals, as both new and returning guests traveled from around the world to enjoy our resort's location, spacious studio and suite accommodations, complimentary guest amenities, exceptional service, and our affordable rates and customizable packages.

Our 2014 traveler reviews speak for themselves – earning us a coveted “TripAdvisor Certificate of Excellence Award” for consistently receiving outstanding guest reviews on TripAdvisor.com, 5-star WeddingWire reviews by couples who celebrated their destination weddings at The Sands, and a 2014 “Family Vacation Critic Favorite Hotel” designation from TripAdvisor’s family travel site, Family Vacation Critic.

Our resort continues to be an increasingly popular choice for families looking for a luxurious yet affordable Turks & Caicos getaway – who find convenience in our spacious accommodations that feature all the comforts of home, complete with modern kitchens, dining and living room areas, screened-in balconies and much more.



We also received many positive reviews from guests who enjoyed using our complimentary resort amenities, including use of watersports equipment and bicycles, our Manager’s cocktail party, three swimming pools, a tennis/basketball court, and more.

Finally, our resort’s pristine location on world-famous Grace Bay Beach is consistently mentioned in our traveler reviews. Providenciales was named the Caribbean’s #1 Island by TripAdvisor’s 2014 Travelers’ Choice Awards. It simply can’t be beat. 



## the sands - a family favorite

### greetings from the general manager -

This past year we were delighted to receive local and international recognition for providing impeccable customer service, garnering outstanding traveler reviews, and appealing to a diverse range of travelers seeking an unforgettable Caribbean vacation.

We were named one of the, "Best Hotels and Resorts in the Atlantic and Caribbean: 2014 Gold List" by Condé Nast Traveler's Readers' Choice Awards; we were recognized for consistently receiving 5-star reviews on leading traveler review sites; and several of our dedicated staff members received prestigious Star Awards and Certificates of Recognition from the Turks & Caicos Hotel and Tourism Association for contributing to our guest experiences and the Turks & Caicos tourism industry.



We look forward to welcoming the growing number of guests who choose to spend their precious vacation time with us in 2015, and we hope to make this year even more successful and enjoyable for travelers..

Warm Regards,

Mona Beeson  
General Manager  
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### The Sands Named a "Family Favorite" Hotel By Family Vacation Critic



Our resort was named a 2014, "Family Vacation Critic Favorite Hotel" based on expert and consumer feedback from TripAdvisor's family travel site, Family Vacation Critic. To receive this designation, hotels must have been personally visited by a member of Family Vacation Critic's editorial team and must have been recommended by 75% or more families who have reviewed the property, with a four- or five-star editorial and traveler review rating.

### Family Portrait Discount Offered by Paradise Photography

The new Sands at Grace Bay website features a dedicated "Families" section, complete with local dining recommendations, family favorite island attractions, popular excursions, and a "Sands Portrait" special offer from Provo's award-winning Paradise Photography studio. This offer provides a terrific way for our resort guests to capture their memorable family vacation in Turks & Caicos. Choose from a one-hour daytime or sunset photography session that conveniently takes place on our resort grounds and along Grace Bay Beach, and includes a complimentary 15-minute bonus session. For more information, visit our Family tab: [www.thesandstc.com/families/introduction/](http://www.thesandstc.com/families/introduction/).

### Three Family Friendly Island Attractions on Providenciales

**Turks & Caicos National Environmental Centre** Located along Providenciales' Lower Bight Road, across from an excellent children's park, the museum is a fun and informative way for visitors to learn about indigenous fauna and flora, and the habitats and ecosystems that are found throughout the Turks & Caicos Islands. Admission is free. Open daily from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Cheshire Hall** A key historic attraction in Providenciales, this is the site of a former cotton plantation that dates back to the late 1700's. Located on a scenic hilltop, this site consists of preserved ruins that can be viewed along a trail leading to 15 points of interest, including the Great House, a cotton press base, kitchen, cistern, a well, a cannon and a reproduction of a slave cabin. Cheshire Hall is open on weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.



**Weekly Island Fish Fry** Located at the Bight Children's Park, this fun and family-friendly event allows guests to take in the incredible sights, tastes, sounds, and distinct culture of our island. Local entertainers perform, "Henry the Conch" makes an appearance, there is folkloric storytelling and skits, dancers bring the crowds to their feet and local restaurants serve up freshly caught fish and dishes bursting with island flavors. Every Thursday from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.



## excursions offer fun for all

We encourage you to visit our website's new "excursions" page to learn about the variety of activities, tours and excursions available to our resort guests. There are fantastic options for all ages and interests, ranging from horseback riding along the beach, snorkeling adventures, deep sea fishing, full-day boating or sailing trips, glow worm tours, kayak nature tours, caving in Middle Caicos, and more. Here's a sampling of three popular Providenciales excursions that are often enjoyed by resort guests and families staying at The Sands at Grace Bay:

**Dream Day Getaway** Caicos Dream Tours offers the perfect way to spend an entire day exploring the breathtaking island sights and vibrant underwater barrier reef ecosystem. Their Dream Day Getaway charter is offered every Thursday, from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. It begins with a scenic cruise via a power catamaran to Half Moon Bay Beach, a secluded island that is home to hundreds of native Turks & Caicos rock iguanas. The cruise continues to Provo's famous Leeward Reef and top-rated snorkeling destination, and continues with stops at Big Water Cay, Pine Cay, and Fort George Cay where a beach BBQ will be served. Following lunch, an afternoon of snorkeling at Provo's Pine Cay Reef awaits before returning to the resort.



**Snorkel and Conch Cruise** Caicos Dream Tours' most popular excursion is a half-day snorkel and conch cruise that is loads of fun for all ages. This four-hour power catamaran excursion is offered 7 days a week and includes snorkeling stops at some of the most stunning barrier reef systems in the world that surround the island of Providenciales. This popular half-day adventure offers breathtaking sights both above and below water, and includes all snorkeling gear, transportation, a light lunch and refreshments.

**Guided Horseback Rides Along The Beach** Provo Ponies, a small and beloved horseback riding stable located close to The Sands at Grace Bay, leads popular guided horseback tours along quiet dirt roads and trails that lead to Long Bay Beach. The shallow waters of the Caicos Banks off the 4-mile secluded Long Bay Beach make it an ideal place to take your horse into the ocean. The stable offers two guided rides each day Monday through Friday, and welcomes all experience levels from ages 6 and up.

### Renovated PLS Airport

This past year we saw the opening of the newly renovated Providenciales International Airport. The facility is nearly double the size of the old terminal, and travelers from across the globe can now enjoy expanded check-in areas and self check-in facilities, an expanded arrivals area, more shops and restaurants including a food court and bar, and a larger international departure lounge.

### New Private Airport

Blue Heron Aviation by Signature Flight Support opened a new operation in January at PLS. This private airport provides discerning travelers with a spectacular and modern facility consisting of a spacious 6,800 square foot terminal, 11 acres of aircraft parking, a hangar, full ground handling and fueling.

### Direct Flight Options

Travelers may now conveniently find direct flights to PLS from a growing number of cities throughout North America and Canada, including New York, Boston, Atlanta, Charlotte, Philadelphia, Miami, Toronto and Montreal. There are also direct flights to PLS from London's Heathrow airport.

### The Sands' New Website

We recently unveiled an entirely new website offering new content including a dedicated "Families" section; a comprehensive Turks & Caicos Weddings Guide that assists couples in planning their dream destination wedding; and an enhanced "Excursions" tab featuring a vast array of optional island excursions.

### Get Social

We've expanded our social media presence by adding a resort Pinterest page and Instagram account (@thesandstc), in addition to our resort Facebook, Twitter, and Google+ pages. Our Pinterest and Instagram followers can peruse photos taken around our resort property and checkout some island sights from their computers or smartphones.

### Convenient Mobile App

Our mobile app offers a quick and easy format for booking reservations online and accessing resort information via your smart phone. Simply type thesandstc.com into your mobile web browsers to be redirected to the our mobile-optimized webpage - [m.thesandstc.com](http://m.thesandstc.com).

# your destination wedding at the sands



When it comes to intimate and affordable beach weddings in Turks & Caicos, it's not surprising that so many couples choose The Sands at Grace Bay. We offer customizable beach wedding packages with a variety of add-on options that allow couples to plan their dream destination wedding.

We invite you to explore our enhanced wedding website for more information on our affordable beach wedding packages, reception and rehearsal dinner options, photography packages, local entertainment, a Turks & Caicos wedding guide and more: [www.thesandstc.com/weddings/introduction/](http://www.thesandstc.com/weddings/introduction/).

Here are some excerpts from reviews of couples that shared their memorable destination wedding experience through WeddingWire:

"Our wedding was fabulous – simple and beautiful. It was exactly what we were looking for. The Sands at Grace Bay was a perfect venue for our wedding as well as a beautiful place for our guests to stay."

"All of our guests raved about the great service and hospitality they received at The Sands. I highly recommend using The Sands for your Turks & Caicos wedding."

"Wonderful service from everyone involved with our wedding planning from beginning to end. Would recommend to anyone looking for people who know what they are doing, are courteous, kind and above all professional."



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## 2015 rates and special offer

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Studio Courtyard \$ 285	Studio Courtyard \$ 195
Studio Gardenview \$ 375	Studio Gardenview \$ 250
Studio Oceanview \$ 425	Studio Oceanview \$ 300
Studio Oceanfront \$ 475	Studio Oceanfront \$ 350
One Bedroom Gardenview \$ 475	One Bedroom Gardenview \$ 365
One Bedroom Oceanview \$ 525	One Bedroom Oceanview \$ 415
One Bedroom Oceanfront \$ 625	One Bedroom Oceanfront \$ 515
One Bedroom Deluxe Oceanfront \$ 725	One Bedroom Deluxe Oceanfront \$ 565
Two Bedroom Gardenview \$ 575	Two Bedroom Gardenview \$ 465
Two Bedroom Oceanview \$ 625	Two Bedroom Oceanview \$ 515
Three Bedroom Oceanview \$1,000	Three Bedroom Oceanview \$ 675
Three Bedroom Oceanfront \$1,100	Three Bedroom Oceanfront \$ 775
Three Bedroom Deluxe Oceanfront \$1,300	Three Bedroom Deluxe Oceanfront \$ 875

## 4TH NIGHT FREE OFFER

Hurry to book our popular 4th Night Free special, valid on all room categories for stays started and completed between May 1st through December 19, 2015. During this enticing travel period you will also benefit from our affordable spring, summer and fall rates that start from only \$195 per night for Studio Courtyard accommodations. **Book Now!**

## reservations

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