

WELCOME BACK HOLIDAY REPORTER READERS

Welcome to the fourth edition of the Holiday Reporter... summer is winding down, allowing us to reflect a bit on the exciting year we have had so far. We decided to sit down with some of the resort's key players to chat while savoring one of the new rums we will be serving at our Palm Bar. (Relaxing, after work hours of course)

BREAKING NEWS!

BEAUTY INSIDE AND OUT

Beautification Project

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"We have the most perfect location in Aruba, and now we have one of the most beautiful resorts inside and out too"
said Jorge Landa, General Manager of Holiday Inn Resort Aruba.

Aruba is known for its near perfect weather, gentle breezes and very little rain or humidity, so who doesn't want to be outside all the time? We believe that what surrounds our Resort is just as important as what is in it. We want our guests to be greeted by welcoming flowers and palm trees swaying in the Aruba breeze. Views from your guest room should be a manicured front lawn, stone paver pathways and shaded gazebos waiting for you to relax and enjoy the views.

Landscaping upgraded with color, texture and fragrance are just a few of the changes you will see as we enter the final phases of the beautification project here at the Resort.

In September we will start upgrading all the landscaping around the Resort, rebuilding our central courtyard to create magical spaces to enhance your experience. The exterior beautification plan will feature tai chi and yoga areas, perfectly located game tables for chess and checkers and best of all: hammocks.

Just imagine yourself surrounded by swaying royal palms, being cooled by the Aruba breeze while you are served hammock-side by our staff who remind you it is almost time to watch the famous Aruba sunset.

We look forward to the completion of our beautification project and welcoming you to enjoy new and beautiful memories of your vacation with us!

DINING & ENTERTAINMENT

Chef's Corner

MARSHMALLOW BROWNIES



Executive Chef **Imre Maraczi**, originally from Budapest with experience in Europe's finest culinary facilities.

- 1/2 cup butter
- 1 cup white sugar
- 2 eggs
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/3 cup unsweetened cocoa powder
- 1/2 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1 packet marshmallows
- Caramel sauce
- Whipped cream
- 1/4 teaspoon baking powder
- Frosting:**
- 3 tablespoons butter, softened
- 3 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder
- 1 tablespoon honey
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 cup confectioners' sugar
- Vanilla ice cream

DIRECTIONS:

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Grease and flour an 8-inch square pan.
2. In a large saucepan, melt 1/2 cup butter. Remove from heat, and stir in sugar, eggs, and 1 teaspoon vanilla. Beat in 1/3 cup cocoa, 1/2 cup flour, salt, and baking powder. Spread batter into prepared pan.
3. Bake in preheated oven for 25 to 30 minutes. Do not overcook.
4. To Make Frosting: Combine 3 tablespoons softened butter, 3 tablespoons cocoa, honey, 1 teaspoon vanilla extract, and 1 cup confectioners' sugar. Stir until smooth. Frost brownies while they are still warm.
5. Once frosting is done cut the marshmallows into smaller chunks, and cover the brownies with the pieces
6. Brush or spread melted dark chocolate on the marshmallows, (do not cover fully)
7. Leave to rest for 45 minutes
8. Portion them to your liking and serve with vanilla ice cream and caramel sauce.

Live Sounds

New shows and musicians

Do you love to sing and dance? Enjoy our Carnival show! A fun, musical journey through the most famous carnivals of the world, join us at the end for some samba! Do you love the circus? Enjoy amazing acrobatics at our circus show while you enjoy a delicious buffet dinner. In a romantic mood? Then listen to the sweet melodies of our live Saxophonist and Trumpeter while you watch the moon rise over the Caribbean sea with a good glass of wine.



ENTERTAINMENT

Zones



The activity zone is starting to become the main hub for the resort, we play pool volleyball, poolside trivia, Zumba, water aerobics and plenty of balloon toss games. However the real guest favorite is pool golf. Do you have what it takes to rise to the occasion; have all eyes on you and the Aruban breeze blowing? You can also enjoy scuba and snuba free demos twice a week, and experience a taste of the real thing.

Our activity center also has free bike rentals available for our guests. Nothing like cruising down the boulevard in the morning. **Reinier Bunnik** Front Office Manager: *"as a true Dutchman going by bike is like our national mode of transportation, here in Aruba it is even better. My suggestion?, grab your snorkeling gear get your cruiser bike and head over to Boca Catalina (15mins bike ride) you walk straight off the beach to a solid snorkeling hot spot, bring some food and drinks for a Caribbean picnic!"*

Renew and Relax



Visit us this fall and experience a revitalizing spa treatment at our brand new Etnika Spa - you might even want to try an outdoor massage. Breakfast comes with this package (for two adults) and of course - stay connected with our free Wi-Fi all over the resort. Three night minimum and other details apply.



Aruba Destination Wedding

Aruba was named one of the World's Top Honeymoon Destinations by Brides Magazine. Talk to us about having your dream wedding at the Holiday Inn Resort Aruba, contact Eliana Fun, Groups & Events Manager, our Wedding Specialist.

Contact information: 297-586-3600 ext. 441 - eliana.fun@ihg.com



SERVICES

Stay Connected

On the beach and in your room, plus it's free!



Wireless on the beach too? Yes – wireless is FREE everywhere in the Holiday Inn Resort Aruba. In your room, in the bars and restaurants, by the pool and even along our ¼ mile of beautiful beach.



Aruba's Drinking Water

...is Ranked Among The Best in the World

Aruba has a well-earned reputation for having one of the world's highest quality drinking water, even compared to the best bottled water brands.

Our tap water is a pure distilled product that has been treated in a modern re-mineralization process to absorb oxygen and important minerals. It is tested twice a month, at 21 strategic sites and maintains a high level of water purity, far exceeding the World Health Organization's health criteria.

MORE...

What's New in Aruba?

Aruba's International Airport has over 100 non-stop flights every week from 15 US gateways and one-stop connections from almost every major city in the USA and Canada. Aruba also enjoys international flights from European and Latin American countries including Holland, United Kingdom, Ecuador, Colombia, Venezuela, Peru, Argentina and Brazil to welcome every member of your group.

This happy island is easy to reach. Just four hours from New York City and two and a half from Miami!

Look for more updates about the Queen Beatrix Airport as it expands and improves to serve as the hub of the Caribbean.

Did you know?

Aruba is part of the Kingdom of the Netherlands. Aruba's population is approx. 100,000 and they are schooled with one of the highest standards of education in the Caribbean.



Try your Luck!

ARUBA Weather Forecast
August September October

Max 79°F / 90.3°F Min



Inside the Resort, you will find **Excelsior Casino** a full service casino offering the newest slot machines, poker, black jack, roulette and much more.

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