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Deep Water Cay

Often referred to as the “Granddaddy of Bonefish Lodges,” the only thing that has aged at Deep Water Cay is the lodge’s legacy. Since 1959, Deep Water Cay has hosted some of the most famous names in fly-fishing. Joe Brooks, A.J. McLane, Curt Gowdy, Ted Williams, Flip Pallot, and Lefty Kreh are some of the legends who have enjoyed the island’s 250 square miles of bonefish and permit flats.

Probably the reason that makes the 2.2 square-mile Deep Water Cay such a bonefish mecca is that it lies on an east/west tack, just below an archipelago of moderate-sized cays. A series of channels connects the southern and northern fisheries, making Deep Water Cay a close run to any of them. Wake up, enjoy a delicious breakfast, walk to the floating docks, get on your Hell’s Bay flats skiff, and go fishing. No driving, no waiting, just cruising the flats in search of the bones and permit.

As you cruise along the mangrove edges, you’ll see that the ocean water runs far beyond the root tangles. It runs into a variety of saltwater lakes and creates the building blocks of an outstanding fishery: lots of bait. There are always shrimp and crabs on which to feast—which are what the bonefish and permit crave—and that’s a big reason you’ll find them here. The average size of Deep Water Cay bonefish is between five and seven pounds. The club record is set at 14 pounds, 10 ounces.

Much of the fishing will be out of one of the 10 new Marquesa and Professional skiffs from the Hell’s Bay Boatworks, brand new for 2011. The fleet of Dolphin skiffs has all been overhauled and refurbished, with new outboards to reconditioned gel coat. One of the fringe benefits of fishing at Deep Water Cay, though, is the opportunity to climb overboard and wade fish. The hard-packed white-sand flats are rimmed by channel edges, thereby making for easy walking and sight-fishing. Wade carefully and you’ll find the fish come into easy casting range.

March, April, and May are peak Bahamian bonefishing months, and they are terrific for both numbers and size of fish. The summer months of June, July, and August are largely perceived as



too hot to fish, but that’s not true. The annual temperature swing is very minimal when compared to areas farther north of the equator. January’s average temperature is 69 degrees, while July and August both average 83 degrees. The average temperature in Boston, MA in July is 82 degrees. You’ll see big schools of bonefish up to about eight pounds in the summer, and then the bigger fish return in the fall.

PRIVATE AIRSTRIP

Travel to the island is simple. The club’s private 4,200-ft paved jet airstrip, along with the ability to clear Bahamian Customs and Immigration on island, make Deep Water Cay Club readily accessible for those arriving by private aircraft.

AIR STRIP CODE NAME: MYGD

UNICOM: Monitor channel 122.8

RUNWAY INFORMATION:

4,200 feet long
65 feet wide at each end for 400 feet
(paved 75’ total)
41 feet wide at middle
111 feet from brush edge to brush edge

LATITUDE:

26 degrees, 38 minutes NORTH

LONGITUDE:

77 degrees, 56 minutes WEST

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It just doesn't get any better than this.



After a full day of casting to bonefish and permit, what's better than sitting on the oceanfront porch of one of Deep Water Cay's cottages? Not much. 250 square miles of flats. Excellent guides. Well-appointed cottages. Infinity pool. Tennis court. Blue holes. Kayaks. Tranquility and privacy with plenty of fishing. Come on down to Deep Water Cay. We always make time for "one last cast." Call now to book your reservation.



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