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The Itinerary

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By Jessica Mackin-Cipro

It's time for some sun. Here's our itinerary for a weekend trip to Miami.

Thursday: Check In

3 PM: Check into Gale South Beach. We love this historic, boutique hotel — a creation of architect L. Murry Dixon during the Tropical Art Deco movement — originally built in 1941. Today, it offers the perfect home base for a trip to Miami, in the heart of it all.

8 PM: Dinner at The Bazaar by José Andrés for an extraordinary culinary experience by the Michelin-starred chef. Andrés is also the founder of World Central Kitchen, which provides meals in response to humanitarian, climate, and community crises.

Friday: Brickell, Downtown & Little Havana

10 AM: We're off to enjoy a visit to Vizcaya Museum and Gardens. The 1916 waterfront estate home is a National Historic Landmark which offers 32 decorated rooms and 10 acres of gardens.

12 PM: We're going to the heart of Miami's Cuban Community to visit "La Ventanita" @ Versailles. The Cuban bakery has a to-go window that serves coffee and pastries.

2 PM: Explore The Underline, one of Miami's new urban development projects, inspired by New York City's The High Line. The Underline is transforming the land beneath Miami's Metrorail into a 10-mile park

as an urban trail and public art space.

5 PM: Drinks at SAAM at SLS Brickell, an intimate vintage cocktail lounge that offers a mix of specially-concocted libations, Italian bites, and a DJ in its indoor/outdoor space.

7 PM: Dinner at CVI.CHI 105 Downtown. The Peruvian restaurant is known for creative fresh ceviches as well as other traditional dishes by chef and owner Juan Chipoco.

10 PM: Continue the party at Mama Tried, a chill cocktail joint that turns up late into the night. The lounge is owned by a group of "bartenders, librarians, construction workers, filmmakers, DJs, teachers, bowling enthusiasts, snowcone peddlers, and water polo coaches" to create this neighborhood bar with fantastic cocktails.

Saturday: South Beach & Miami Beach

10 AM: Start with coffee and a bite at Bebito's, a neighborhood staple. Think bistro classics and divine pastries.

11 AM: Head to Faena Bazaar, a shopping center with the concept that "discovery is around every corner." It's a treasure trove of emerging designers. Then stop for lunch at Los Fuegos by Francis Mallmann.

5 PM: A cocktail at Matador Bar at Miami Beach EDITION. At Matador Bar, sit surrounded by photographs from French photographer Lucien Clergue's Matador series. The bar pays tribute to the classic cocktail experience.



Photo by Ronny Rondon

7 PM: Dinner at Dolce Italian, located at Gale South Beach, it's been a favorite for years. The locale captures the spirit of Fellini's 1960s Rome, bringing "la dolce vita" to life. Enjoy freshly made pastas, meatballs over creamy polenta, and specialty Neapolitan pizzas, handcrafted by Executive Chef Paolo Dorigato.

Sunday: Wynwood and Miami Design District

12 PM: Brunch at Little Hen, an English-inspired breakfast and brunch boutique. Enjoy the space filled with soft pastels while enjoying the cuisine that includes classics like eggs Benedict or buttermilk pancakes.

2 PM: Shopping in Wynwood. Nomad Tribe Shop supports sustainable brands — it's committed to conscious clothing for a more sustainable future. Frangipani is one of the original tenants in the neighborhood. The independently owned boutique and concept store offers unique products sourced from across the globe. Find handmade, sustainable, and artistic items.

4 PM: After shopping, treat yourself to an ice cream from Dasher & Crank, a craft ice cream shop is in the heart of Wynwood. It's all artisan flavors and made from scratch using premium ingredients sourced locally.

7 PM: A drink at Dante's HiFi.

It's Miami's first vinyl listening bar, dedicated to analog audiophile music culture.

9 PM: Dinner at Swan. In Miami's Design District, Swan offers an indoor/outdoor dining spot, created by David Grutman and Pharrell Williams. The menu focuses on seasonal and market-driven ingredients.

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Alexia Echevarria

From Miami to Montauk

By Jessica Mackin-Cipro



Photo by Gerardo Briceno

Alexia Echevarria has made a big splash with her return to “The Real Housewives of Miami” on Peacock, sharing her life with viewers after the show’s eight-year hiatus. She recently married Todd Nepola and has been busy at work with her latest business venture Alexia + Frankie’s Beauty Bar in Surfside Beach.

We caught up with Alexia to learn

more about the wedding, the business, the return to Real Housewives, and the group’s trip to Montauk this season.

Alexia and Todd tied the knot in December at the Eden Rock hotel in St. Barths, following a few canceled attempts. The wedding was first canceled because of Covid-19 shutdowns. Then sadly, her mom tragically died from Covid on what would have been the wedding day on August

25. A few months later Todd’s father suffered a stroke. So they decided to elope a few months later.

“We promised each other that we wanted to be married by the end of the year. We decided to elope and go to St. Barths,” she said.

She wore a Muse by Berta dress, paired with a one-of-a-kind, hand-crafted Marielena headpiece, and walked down the aisle at sunset, meeting her groom. One of her fa-

vorite moments, “was when I closed my eyes, kissed and tossed my flower bouquet into the ocean while thinking of my mom and dad. They both loved flowers and the ocean. I could feel both of them right by my side.”

During the wedding, she said, “A beautiful tortoise came up, which is a very lucky sign.”

“We needed that moment, we had so many obstacles,” she continued. “It was a really tough year for us with a

lot of loss and a lot of sadness. That’s why we wanted to just finish the year with something happy.”

This season, “RHOM” follows the cast to Montauk, when Larsa Pippen rented a house to launch her jewelry line. “We were excited to be there ... I was happy that it was showcased because the Hamptons is beautiful,” she said.

“The first time I came to the Hamptons was for a wedding many, many years ago and I fell in love,” she continued, noting that she also came for a July 4th weekend one year with co-star Marysol Patton and spent time with New York Housewives Jill Zarin and Luann de Lesseps.

The show also chronicles Alexia’s beauty business. When the owner of a nail salon that she frequented was looking to sell, Alexia + Frankie’s Beauty Bar was born. She bought it as a business she could run with her son Frankie, who suffers from brain injury sustained in a car accident in 2011. The business started with nails, and now offers spray tans, blowouts, facials, massages, lashes — it’s an all service beauty bar.

She calls the spa her “little haven.” And while she has had a tough past few years, her secret, she said, is to, “Always be busy, mentally and physically... So I don’t have time to feel sorry for myself or get depressed. My life is really fulfilled and I love every part of it, even the lows.”

She wanted to create a self-care space for busy women on-the-go to feel gorgeous and confident. “Self care is super important,” she said. “I feel so strongly about it.”

When it comes to philanthropic endeavors, she shows support for organizations related to epilepsy, which her son Peter suffers from, and brain injury, including Holtz Children’s Hospital, which treated her son Frankie.

“We need to give back,” she said. “I’ve been so fortunate in my life.”

Alexia holds the pulse of Miami’s Latin culture and loves to spend time at her Miami Beach home.

A few of her top recommendations to go out in Miami include Seaspace, Carbone, Prime 112, Jaya at the Setai, Zuma, Novikov, and the Champagne Bar at Surf Club at the Four Seasons Surfside.

Miami Art Week

Fylí Hosts Miami Art Week VIP Closing Cocktail Reception at Soho Beach House Alongside Bumble, Nova Impact, James Lane Post, & Barcode

On Sunday, December 5, Fylí mastermind hosted a VIP Miami Art Week closing cocktail reception at the iconic Soho Beach House alongside partners Bumble, Drink Barcode, Nova Impact, and James Lane Post.

The evening consisted of an immersive performance, art directed by designer Katharine Story, which included Cuban American musician Solange Sarria and a dance performance by All Out Dance troupe choreographed by Kamille Walker. Performers included Sarria, guitarist Maria Kali, saxophonist Benny Rubin Jr., dancers Ronney Pimentel, Keyth Wilson, Stephany Amador, and Cyles Barnes.

Fylí (pronounced FEE-LEE), which stands for “tribe” is a female mastermind membership commu-

nity focused on educational master classes, accountability, peer-to-peer mentorship, leadership advancement, and funding opportunities for early stage female founders. This business was started by co-founders Jaclynn Brennan and Summer Yani Li out of a personal need to help create a network of resources, education, and 360 lifestyle support for female entrepreneurs.

“Our goal was to bring together dreamers and doers in an authentic way to establish relationships and new connections that can lead to impactful partnerships, collaborations, and support for early stage female founders,” said a statement from Fylí Co-Founders Jaclynn Brennan and Summer Yani Li.

Fylí dedicated this event to creating funding and networking opportunities for their founders while

providing a platform for diverse leaders to have access and a voice. Guests enjoyed cocktails featuring Barcode performance coconut water, tasted delicious bites from Ceconis, and posed for photos in the Bumble photo booth.

Bumble, the women-first dating and social networking app, was founded by CEO Whitney Wolfe Herd in 2014. Bumble connects people across dating (Bumble Date), friendship (Bumble BFF) and professional networking (Bumble Bizz). No matter the type of relationship, women make the first move on Bumble.

The company is built on the importance of equitable relationships and how crucial they are to a healthy, happy life. They’ve built their platform around kindness, respect, and equality — and their community



Mi'a Callens, Olivia Dell, Summer Yani Li, Jaclynn Brennan, Chelsea Toler, Jessica Mackin-Cipro, Christine Prydatko, Catherine Syper. Photos by Madison McGaw/BFA.com

plays an important part in that. Bumble holds its users accountable for their actions and has zero tolerance for hate, aggression, or bullying.

James Lane Post, the media partner for the event, highlighted the launch of this travel section, which is committed to exploring key travel loca-

tions in an authentic way, accurately representing each community. JLP partners with community members to explore each location, finding ways that those visiting can give back while supporting local and mission-driven businesses and by highlighting community programs and non-profits.



Photos courtesy Gurney's

A Weekend At Gurney's Newport

A Ferry Ride Away

By Jessica Mackin-Cipro



It's an easy escape from the East End. Just jump on the Orient Point Cross Sound Ferry and once you dock, it's just an hour away — Gurney's Newport in Rhode Island. The hotel, which was born in Montauk but has garnered national recognition, offers everything you need for a spectacular weekend away.

Located on Goat Island, and just a hop away from the city's downtown business district, there are waterviews at every angle.

While at the resort, there is plenty to fill your time during this restful adventure. The Gurney's Newport skating rink is currently open for season. Why not join for the hotel's *Après Skate*? Bundle up to skate and later enjoy cocktails and DJs every weekend through March.

Cozy up in one of the Igloos located on the deck. Find cozy decor and blankets, warm up with the special menu that includes bruschetta grilled cheese with tomato bisque and house-made venison chili, while sipping a caramel espresso martini, Caribbean hot chocolate, or a golden apple cider.

The Seawater Spa at Gurney's can offer some much needed R&R. It's surrounded by the sea and the spa offers the antidote to the hustle and bustle, while providing a menu of therapeutic treatments, a private relaxation room, an indoor heated pool, and more. You will also find a fitness center and salon on premise.

Dinner at Showfish, the on-site restaurant, is a must for one-of-a-kind dishes and a wonderful dinner experience. Highlights include the tuna poke, roasted cauliflower, Atlantic salmon, and local oysters on the half shell.

Fan favorite, For Five Coffee, is located in the lobby at Gurney's for your morning pick-me-up, offering artisanal coffees and a grab-and-go menu with pastries, sandwiches, and more.

If you're joining during the warmer months, the resort is home to Newport's only outdoor hotel pool. This saltwater pool sits seaside and offers a private sun deck, lounge chairs, and

cabanas. There's also a marina featuring 22 slips, which can accommodate boats up to 240 feet. Marina guests also receive full resort privileges.

There's much to do while visiting the city of Newport. During your days, be sure to check out the famous Cliff Walk — while it's chilly in the winter, it's also nice to avoid the larger crowds. Visit some of the historic mansions that Newport

is known for. The Breakers offers a look into the opulence of the Gilded Age. It was the home of Commodore Cornelius Vanderbilt, and is the grandest of Newport's summer homes.

While downtown you may also come across Cardines Field, which you'll see while strolling the streets of this quaint city, a place that holds a lot of history. It's one of the oldest

ballparks in the country. Yogi Berra and Larry Doby once played there during World War II.

And of course, there are no shortage of restaurants and shops while strolling the streets of this quaint city. Try the tried-and-true spots like The Black Pearl, Pasta Beach, The Red Parrot, The Dining Room at The Vanderbilt, or go for a casual bite at Drift Café.





Après Ski

By Zachary Weiss

Whether it be a chunky knit or a loud and proud ski suit, there is, indeed, an art to après ski dressing. Here, we've selected a few of our favorite items that will have you feeling fresh when you're fresh off the slopes, and turning heads at your champagne-swilling sunset soirée.



Moon Boot Icon Glance Boots. \$215



Perfect Moment Star Ski Suit Houndstooth Print. \$990



Perfect Moment Alpine Sweater. \$450



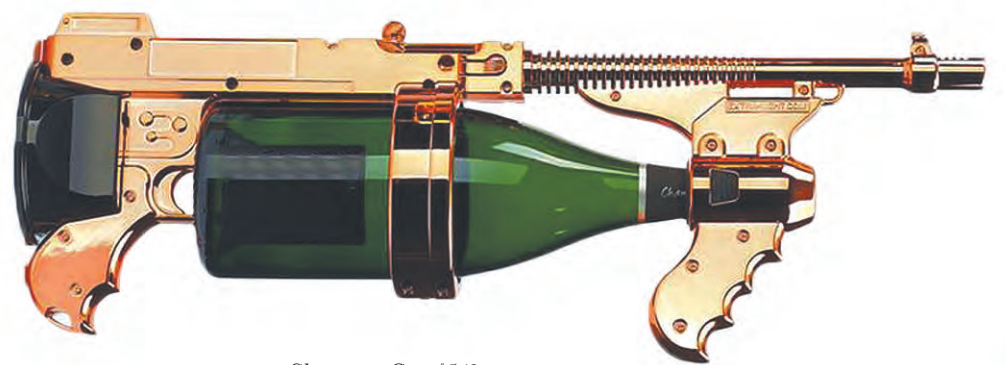
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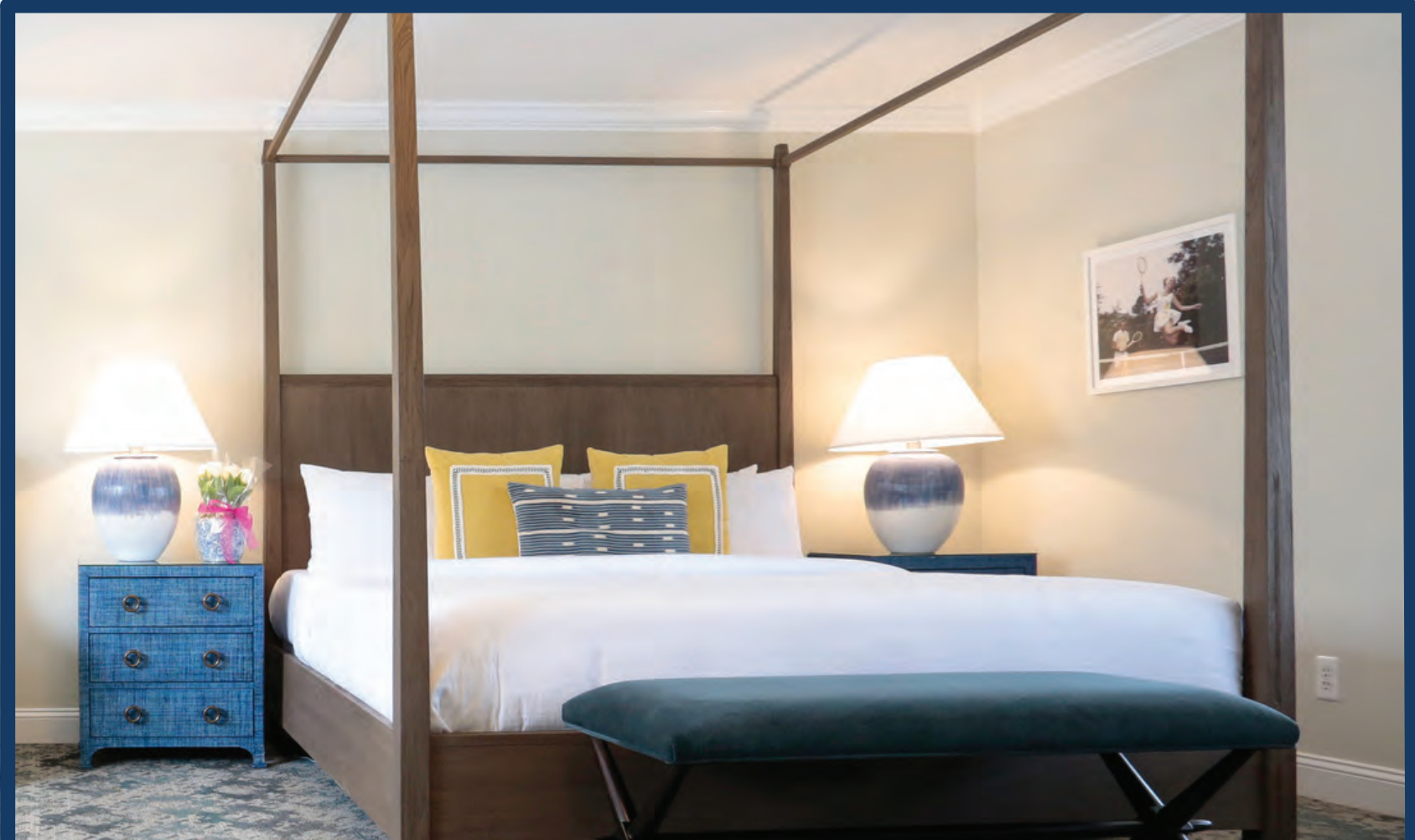
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