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# Hotels With a Free Shuttle to the Port of Miami & the Miami Airport

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Few hotels offer free shuttles to both the Miami airport and port.

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The Port of Miami and Miami International Airport lie on opposite sides of the city, more than seven miles apart, making it unusual for hotels in the region to offer free shuttle service to both locations. The bustling port caters to approximately 4 million travelers each year, while the airport shuffles more than 38 million passengers through its terminals annually. Complimentary shuttle service helps travelers save money on such possible travel costs as taxi fare, car rentals or long-term parking.

# North of the Airport

Comfort Suites Miami Airport (comfortsuites.com) offers 102 all-suite accommodations, some of which include a private terrace equipped with a dining table. In addition to complimentary shuttle service to the airport and port, the hotel provides free overnight parking and a hot breakfast buffet each morning. Some special packages include a complimentary bottle of wine and cocktails in the hotel lounge. A number of sit-down restaurants sit adjacent to the hotel.

Days Inn Miami Airport North (daysinn.com) provides 24-hour shuttle service to the airport and a daily shuttle to the port. The hotel offers an on-site bar, coffee shop and Olympic-size swimming pool. The hotel features smoking and non-smoking rooms, but does not allow dogs.

# **East of the Airport**

La Quinta Inn & Suites Miami Airport East (lq.com) offers a complimentary daily airport shuttle from 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. and a daily one-way shuttle to the port. The hotel features more than 150 rooms and suites spread over four floors, some of which include refrigerators and microwaves. The hotel also

provides free parking for up to seven days and allows pets. Guests can walk to a number of nearby sit-down and fast food restaurants.

Some guest rooms at Red Roof Inn Miami Airport (redroof.com) feature microwaves and refrigerators. An airport shuttle runs every 30 minutes from 5 until 12:30 a.m. daily. The hotel also offers a one-way shuttle to the port from 1 to 2 p.m. On-site amenities include an ATM, coin-operated laundry facilities and gift shop. Guests must be 18 years or older to check-in.

### Near Downtown Miami/Coral Gables

Based in Downtown Miami, Hotel Learnington (learningtonhotel.com) provides complimentary shuttle service, including one-way transportation to the airport and twice-daily transportation to the port. The hotel includes 82 guest rooms, available for both long- and short-term stays. Guests receive free continental breakfast during their stay. Groups of 10 or more receive a 10 percent discount. Near Coral Gables, The Best Miami Hotel (thebestmiamihotel.com) features 117 guest rooms equipped with marble bathrooms and refrigerators. The hotel offers an ATM in the lobby and an outdoor swimming pool outfitted with a waterfall. A shopping district and metrorail station lie within walking distance of the hotel. Complimentary shuttle service transports guests to the airport, port, University of Miami campus and various area shopping malls.

## Near Charles B. Stafford Park

Three miles from the airport, Holiday Inn Miami-International Airport (holidayinn.com) lies less than one mile from Charles B. Stafford Park and provides free shuttle service to airport terminals and the Port of Miami. The nine-story hotel offers 218 guest rooms, a 24-hour gym, an outdoor swimming pool and barbecue grills. Early booking package deals include free breakfast while a "Park, Stay and Go" package includes a one-night stay and seven days of free on-site parking.

Runway Inn (runwayinn.com) provides free 24-hour transportation to and from the airport and, upon request, to the port. The hotel offers four- and seven-day packages, which includes free parking during your cruise. The hotel features a multi-lingual staff and free continental breakfast, but does not permit pets. The Runway Inn lies just five minutes on foot from Charles B. Stafford Park.

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