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## **Independence Day Getaway at Hilton Sandestin Beach** *Waterslide, Pool Games, Sunny the Sea Turtle Provide Family Fun*

DESTIN, Fla. (June 13, 2012) – Hilton Sandestin Beach Golf Resort & Spa, the largest full-service beachfront resort on Northwest Florida’s Gulf Coast, is inviting guests to escape to Destin, Fla. for a family-fun-filled July 4th vacation. The resort’s “Independence Day Getaway” rates begin at \$419\* a night with a three- night consecutive stay any time between June 29 and July 8, 2012. The package includes three-night accommodations, daily complimentary breakfast for two (2) adults at Sandcastles Restaurant, and access to daily resort events, including hula-hoop contests, water games, and poolside face-painting and balloon entertainer. At the peak of the week-long celebration, resort guests will also enjoy access to a giant inflatable waterslide\*\* (July 2-4), an All-American poolside cookout (July 4) complete with hamburgers, hot dogs, honey glazed baby back ribs, BBQ shrimp, and more, and a spectacular waterfront fireworks show on July 4th.

In addition, every child checking into the resort will receive their own colorful Sunny the Sea Turtle cut out to keep with them during their stay. Guests are encouraged to include Sunny in photographs of their vacation experience at Hilton Sandestin Beach, and then email their favorite pictures of Sunny, along with a description, to [Sunny@hiltonseaturtle.com](mailto:Sunny@hiltonseaturtle.com) before the end of their stay. Each week, judges select their favorite photo to be posted on the resort’s Facebook page and in the Kids Krew children’s club at the resort. Weekly winners receive an ice cream cone from the resort’s own Picnix restaurant, and are entered to win the Grand Prize – a three-day/two-night family vacation for four at Hilton Sandestin Beach Golf Resort & Spa\*\*\*. As well as being in pictures, Sunny’s job is to advocate the protection of marine life, especially endangered sea turtles along the Gulf’s shoreline. Sunny shares information about protecting mother turtles as they lay their eggs, the process of hatchlings making it back to the Gulf, and Hilton Sandestin Beach’s efforts to protect sea turtles through turtle-safe lighting.

For additional information and to book a stay, call Hilton Sandestin Beach toll-free at 1 (800) 559-1805 or direct at (850) 267-9500, or visit [www.sandestinbeachhilton.com](http://www.sandestinbeachhilton.com).

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**About Hilton Sandestin Beach Golf Resort & Spa**

Hilton Sandestin Beach Golf Resort & Spa, managed by Sandcastle Resorts & Hotels, is located on the sugar-white sands and emerald-green waters of Northwest Florida's Gulf Coast in Destin, Fla. Aside from its stunning location, Northwest Florida's largest full-service beachfront resort hotel boasts 598 spacious accommodations, more than 32,000 square feet of award-winning meeting space, a world-class spa and fitness center, six on-site dining venues – including a AAA Four-Diamond restaurant – abundant resort recreation options, access to championship golf courses, and close proximity to the area's best attractions. For more information on Destin's premier hotel, visit [www.HiltonSandestinBeach.com](http://www.HiltonSandestinBeach.com), or stay up-to-date with its latest news and promotions on its Blog, [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) or [YouTube](#).

\*The Independence Day Getaway Package is available from June 29-July 8, 2012; a three (3)-night minimum consecutive stay is required; limited availability; not applicable to existing reservations or contracted groups; the Hilton Sandestin Beach reserves the right to modify or discontinue this package at any time at its sole discretion.

\*\*This package includes two (2) wristbands per day for Monday (July 2), Tuesday (July 3) and Wednesday (July 4) for the waterslide activities; however, additional wristbands are available at an additional cost.

\*\*\*The Grand Prize winner will be selected by voters on Facebook by December 31, 2012.