

## **InterContinental Tampa At A Glance**

### **Enriching InterContinental Experience**

Located in the heart of a vibrant city, Tampa's InterContinental Hotel embodies a contemporary yet casual sense of elegance with the flair of Florida style and sophistication.

Touting all of the amenities that the InterContinental name commands, the hotel heralds the emergence of a long awaited luxury offering in one of Florida's most-loved cities. The hotel offers 17,000 square feet of flexible meeting space, complimentary wireless high-speed internet in guestrooms and public areas of the hotel, state-of-the-art fitness center, full-service concierge program, as well as a rooftop pool with spectacular views of the bay and city. The hotel also offers dining at the renowned Shula's Steak House, an extensive cocktail menu and appetizers at Shula's No Name Lounge, as well as gourmet Illy coffee at Caffé.

### **Contemporary Accommodations**

Embodied in each of the 323 rooms, 17 junior suites, a handful of which are business suites, and two presidential suites, guests will find award winning décor that captures the blue and white coastal palette that reflects the traditional and timeless colors of the seaside, seamlessly integrated into an urban oasis. Famously comfortable beds await with feather-top mattresses and luxe linens. Bathrooms feature a stunning contrast of sleek chrome and natural marble elements.

Setting the new standard in business and leisure travel, discerning guests enjoy all of these comforts while accessing high-tech accompaniments such as flat screen plasma televisions with jackpads for a variety of multi-media hook-ups, iPod docking stations, high-speed wireless internet, in-room safe, fully stocked mini-bar and ergonomically-designed workspaces. Sweet dreams cards with tidbits on Tampa sights such as Bayshore Boulevard and Hyde Park are also placed on pillows.

## **Meetings and Events**

With 17,000 square feet of meeting and event space the hotel is Tampa's premier destination for everything from weddings and bar/bat mitzvahs to intimate meetings and lavish affairs. A spacious and airy atrium venue offers an additional 7,000 square feet for a refreshing change of scenery. In total, 17 rooms are available for flexible function space. In addition, InterContinental Tampa offers the regions only meetings-specific amphitheatre with seating for 40. Most meetings spaces feature Herman Miller ergonomic seating.

Event planners will experience intimate, professional attention to detail, personalized business services and ergonomically designed meeting spaces resulting in the most memorable and productive events and meetings.

Meeting planners don't have to think twice about epicurean services while getting down to business at InterContinental Tampa. Conference services managers work closely with the catering team to provide intimate and professional attention to the needs of every attendee. While brainstorming the next big deal, meeting attendees can look forward to exploring global cuisine, recharging with healthy fare, or simply enjoying some satisfying comfort food on their much-needed breaks.

## **Fine Dining**

Bringing the finest in hotel cuisine to fruition, the InterContinental Tampa executive chef creates innovative menus with varied selections that will please all palates. With cuisine to match events ranging from glamorous black-tie galas to beach themed barbeques, no detail is overlooked by the experienced staff. To help brides-to-be put together the perfect menu from the cocktails to the cake, a wedding coordinator is also available to work hand-in-hand with the bride and catering staff.

Guests who want to eat fresh but still have a big appetite don't even have to venture outside the hotel to experience renowned dining. Shula's Steak House offers its award winning Shula Cuts, Premium Black Angus Beef brand steaks, fresh seafood and heavenly

desserts right inside InterContinental Tampa. Designed around the Miami Dolphins perfect season guests dine in a bright, sophisticated space with hard wood floors complementing deep leather accents. The steak house provides an atmosphere that is both warm and inviting. Hearty breakfast options are also served daily at Shula's for a truly unbeatable experience.

Those looking for a more casual but still stylish way to unwind can enjoy the extensive cocktail menu and light fare at Shula's No Name Lounge. And on the day of the big game there's no need to tailgate and fight the elements outside when you can tailgate in style and comfort in the lounge. The cocktail and appetizer options hit the spot while plasma TV's showcase the NFL Sunday Ticket and all the major sporting events year round.

Coffee connoisseurs and early birds alike can get their java fix at Caffé conveniently located in the lobby and serving Illy coffee products. An authentic Italian brand that has roasted coffee for generations, Illy brings coffee back to it's roots with a single perfect blend of coffee handpicked from nine different growing regions around the world. Founded in 1933 in Treiste, Italy, Illy has garnered a devoted following due to their dedication and pursuit of the finest coffee blend.

### **“In the Know”**

While staying at InterContinental Tampa, guests can expect anything but a generic experience. With its “In the Know” concierge program, the hotel provides guests with authentic and enriching local experiences within the vibrant city of Tampa. From “insiders only” restaurants and shopping gems, to the best sunset viewing spots and vintage wine shops selling hard-to-find wines, a trip to the concierge will leave guests feeling as if they own the city.

### **Location**

With an excellent location in Florida's largest business district, just three miles from Tampa International Airport, five miles from downtown and the Tampa Convention Center the InterContinental Tampa is in the heart of the upscale Westshore business district, near world class shopping, dining, beaches and area attractions.

**Temperature**

Average annual high: 82°F  
Average annual low: 63°F

**Attractions**

- Raymond James Stadium, home of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers
- George Steinbrenner (Legends) Field, spring training site of the New York Yankees
- St. Pete Times Forum, home of the Tampa Bay Lightning
- Busch Gardens
- Adventure Island
- The Florida Aquarium
- Lowry Park Zoo
- Tampa Museum of Art
- Championship golf and pristine gulf coast beaches just 20 minutes away

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