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Bienvenido a Miami

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Two Miami-nightlife insiders tell us their favorite spots to hit after the sun goes down.



Photo by PictureNet/Corbis Miami residents Eric

Horstmeyer and his wife Nicole Boswell-Horstmeyer are every bit the couple-about-town in the Magic City. Though they jointly run the high-end Blue Shore Grill Restaurant Group in the U.S. Virgin Islands, they are based out of Miami and are intimately familiar with its legendary nightlife scene. Here they tell us about a few of their favorite places to kick back, some of which are even boat-friendly. To paraphrase the imitable Will Smith, here's how to party in the city where the heat is on, all night on the beach 'til the break of dawn.

Soho Beach House

"This is definitely the hottest place in town right now," says Eric, describing the Miami branch of the exclusive London-based social club. "Cecconi's is the public restaurant there, but if you're a member or you're with a member you can go to the second floor where it's a club scene. There's always a lot of celebrities there because it's where the beautiful people hang out. A-Rod is there a lot. LeBron is there. It's something to do after the boat show at night when you're looking for that kind of scene."

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The Standard

“The Standard Hotel has a great place to dock your boat,” Eric affirms of the terminally hip Miami mainstay. “We were there on a 48-foot Intrepid a few months ago. It’s a very chill, low-key, relaxed atmosphere. They don’t play music, but the pool is heated and there’s a hot tub and a cold tub. No docking fees either.”

Nicole likes the hotel for its spa, which has a special day rate of \$40 Monday through Thursday and \$75 on the weekends. “It’s a great place for couples,” she says. “It’s got a very healthy, organic restaurant, and the sunsets there are gorgeous.”

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Monty’s South Beach

“This is the best place to pull your boat in and have stone crabs,” Eric says confidently of the fabled marina bar. “They’re every bit as good as Joe’s [Stone Crab] across the street, but much cheaper and there’s a much more casual atmosphere. Flip flops, swimsuits, anything goes. They’re also known for their conch chowder.” “And Painkillers!” Nicole volunteers gamely, referencing the popular rum-based cocktail, known for its, shall we say, palliative effects.

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Nikki Beach

“You can also dock at the marina at Monty’s and walk five minutes to Nikki Beach, which is very European. Champagne, Saint-Tropez, that sort of thing,” says Nicole. “There’s a lounge around the pool and the beach, and club music. It’s a party scene.”

Adds Eric, “Saturday and Sunday afternoon is when the party really gets going.”

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Zuma

“The hottest restaurant in Miami right now is Zuma at the Epic Hotel, which is right on the [Miami] River,” Eric confirms of the modern Japanese eatery. “You can pull your boat right up and it’s got a full-service marina.”

Nicole seconds the notion. “This is your get ‘dressed up, be fancy’ kind of night. But it’s also more of a downtown crowd, meaning it’s a bit more laid-back too.”

Top dishes? Eric recommends the sushi, while Nicole gushes, “Do not leave there without trying the sea bass and black cod pot stickers. Oh, and reservations are a must.”

270 Biscayne Boulevard Way
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Garcia’s Seafood Grill and Fish Market

Eric likes this no fuss establishment because, “It’s a real family run place. They started out just selling fresh fish, and now they’ve been in