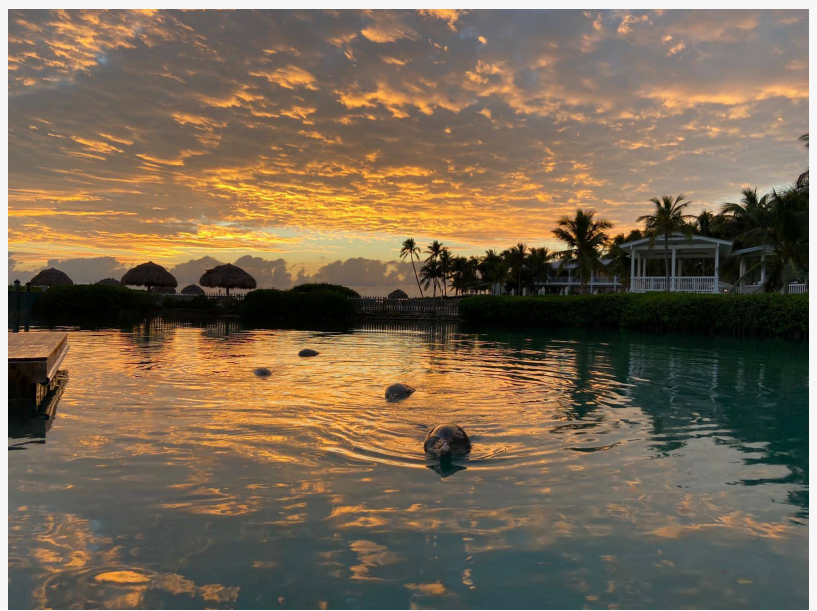


# DOLPHIN CONNECTION EARNS AMERICAN HUMANE CERTIFIED™ SEAL FOR EXCEPTIONAL ANIMAL WELFARE

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[/EINPresswire.com/](https://EINPresswire.com/) -- American Humane, the country's first national humane organization and the world's largest certifier of animal welfare practices, today announced that [Dolphin Connection](#) earned the American Humane Certified™ seal, demonstrating the exceptional welfare and treatment provided to animals in its care. The facility passed rigorous, expert third-party audits to join a growing number of leading zoological institutions that have earned the American Humane Certified™ designation.



Dolphin Connection Location

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“The Humane Certified seal of approval assures zoo and aquarium visitors that the facility meets the highest standards of animal care. Animals enrich our planet, and our lives, and humanity has a moral obligation to treat them with the respect they deserve. We commend Dolphin Connection for this great achievement”.

The Humane Conservation™ program is the first certification effort solely dedicated to helping verify the welfare and demonstrably humane treatment of animals living in zoos, aquariums and conservation centers across

the globe. The program enforces rigorous, science-based and comprehensive criteria for animal

welfare, developed by an independent Scientific Advisory Committee comprised of world-renowned leaders in the fields of animal science, animal behavior and animal ethics. The standards provide verification of good practices at deserving zoos and aquariums, and an assurance to visitors that the institution they are visiting is worthy of their support.

American Humane's certification process exhaustively verifies the many dimensions of animal welfare, with areas of evaluation including: excellent health and housing; positive social interactions within groups of animals, as well as between animals and handlers; safe and stimulating environments with concern for factors such as appropriate lighting, sound levels, air quality, and thermoregulation; and, evidence of thorough preparation and protocols established to prevent and manage medical or operational emergencies.

"Above the fog of the pandemic is a great future that shines brightly and at Dolphin Connection we are thrilled to embark upon the responsibility and honor of becoming American Humane Certified™. The care and welfare of the marvelous dolphins in our care is our number one priority", said Travis Burke, Executive Director of [The Dolphin Company](#) North America. "The certification is a testament to the selfless dedication and hard work of our specialists, educators, vets, support team and our General Manager as they strive to educate our guests on a daily basis and share the wonders of the marine world. Becoming American Humane Certified™ reflects the commitment we have, throughout our organization, to ensure the animals in our care are provided the best care and welfare possible. This certification is a vital cornerstone in supporting our strategic vision as a conservation-based aquarium dedicated to protecting species from extinction, educating the public, and exemplifying the highest levels of animal care and welfare. Being Humane Certified is a testament to the hard work, dedication and compassion of our care professionals".

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Dolphin Connection Specialist



Dolphin Connection Location Afternoon

have direct contact with [marine mammals](#), providing awareness and encouraging positive change on behalf of the environment, oceans and marine life. Located at Hawks Cay Resort, in the heart of the Florida Keys, Dolphin Connection provides opportunities for resort and non-resort guests alike to live out their dreams by meeting dolphins from in the water or on the dry docks. Through education and interaction, the facility can inspire a new generation to care about dolphins and marine mammal conservation.

Learn more about Humane Conservation™ at [www.humaneconservation.org](http://www.humaneconservation.org)

#### About Dolphin Connection:

Dolphin Connection opened in 1990, with a profound sense of care and love for dolphins. By providing an opportunity for guests to have direct contact with marine mammals, Dolphin Connection strives to inspire awareness and positive change on behalf of the environment, oceans, and marine life. For more information please visit <https://www.dolphinconnection.com> and follow us on Facebook and Instagram.

#### About American Humane:

American Humane is the country's first national humane organization. Founded in 1877, American Humane is committed to ensuring the safety, welfare and well-being of animals, and our leadership programs are first to serve in promoting and nurturing the bonds between animals and people. For more information or to support our work, please visit [www.americanhumane.org](http://www.americanhumane.org) and follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

#### About The Dolphin Company:

For more than 27 years, The Dolphin Company, the largest park operator in Latin America, has provided 'The experience of a lifetime' to more than 16 million visitors in its 32 parks, dolphin habitats and marinas around the world. With presence in Mexico, the Caribbean, the United States of America, Argentina and Italy, The Dolphin Company offers exciting activities that provide unique, memorable experiences, while raising awareness among its visitors about the importance of animal welfare and the preservation and care environment. For more information visit [www.thedolphinco.com](http://www.thedolphinco.com)

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