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Palm Desert: Get busy relaxing with JW Marriott golf-tennis-spa package



You'll be hard-pressed to squeeze in all the extras that come with a golf-tennis-spa summer deal at the JW Marriott Desert Springs Resort & Spa in [Palm Desert](#). The package starts at \$359 per night and also comes with ... a bag of potato chips? Not sure why, but maybe the salt will sustain you through the triple-digit heat as you motor through a game of tennis or a round of golf.

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The deal: "All That and a Bag of Chips" package includes:

- > Breakfast for two at the hotel's Lake View restaurant;
- > Dinner for two at Lake View or Mikado Japanese Steakhouse & Sushi Bar, another restaurant on the 450-acre site;
- > One 60-minute spa treatment — a choice of Swedish massage or deep-cleansing facial;
- > Unlimited golf for two at one of the two courses at the resort;
- > An hour on the tennis courts;
- > Resort fee, which includes parking and Internet access plus use of the fitness center, lawn games and a putting course; and
- > One bag of Classic Foods Kettle Chips.

Package rates start at \$359, plus tax, per room per night, based on double occupancy. Use the promotion code "SPU" when booking online or by phone.





When: The package is good for stays through Aug. 31.

Tested: To find this rate online, go to the [JW Marriott Desert Springs](#) home page, select "vacation packages" and click on "All That and a Bag of Chips."

In an online check of random dates, I found the \$359 rate available midweek; on a Saturday (Aug. 21), I found the package for \$40 more. You get a choice of a room with one king-sized bed or two queen beds. (Note that if you book online, you'll be charged the \$25 per night resort fee, but I am told it will be subtracted later from your bill.)

I recommend making a reservation by phone because you'll also need to make restaurant spa and golf reservations before your visit. It's hard to calculate how much you save because it really depends on how many rounds of golf you play and what selections you make for the meal. But when I did a quick estimate based on two rounds of golf, I came up with about 30% savings on the room, food and activities.

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