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“VINEYARD VIP” (VERY IMPORTANT PUP) RESORT POLICY DEBUTS ON MARTHA’S VINEYARD

*Jet-Setting Pets Now Welcome at Harbor View Hotel and Kelley House Inn;
Hotels Share Top Recommendations for Island Exploring with Dogs*



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EDGARTOWN, Mass. – July 25, 2012 – Martha’s Vineyard’s top retreats, [Harbor View Hotel](#) and [Kelley House](#) inn, have rolled out the welcome mat for doggie travelers this summer, including a new **Vineyard VIP (Very Important Pup)** pet-friendly policy. Dogs are now welcome for an added charge of \$50 per night, per dog, available for up to two pups of any size. To celebrate the new policy, the hotels have created a special welcome amenity for furry friends, available for \$30 upon request with reservations.

The **Vineyard VIP welcome amenity** pack features a special dog tag with hotel contact information (lest a guest embarks on a “solo adventure”), a ship’s wheel rope toy for playtime, delectable all-natural cranberry treats, and biodegradable clean-up baggies housed in a fun mini-duffel carrier for convenient pick-up. In addition, the amenity pack includes a coupon for 10% off at Martha’s Vineyard’s premier pet goods store, [Good Dog Goods](#), located in nearby Oak Bluffs.

Bringing a dog to Martha’s Vineyard is easy for travelers, with access by both ferry and air. Situated in the heart of Edgartown, Harbor View and Kelley House are the perfect stepping stones

from which to explore the best of the island with a dog. Together with Good Dog Goods, they offer the following island recommendations:

- Fuller Street Beach and Lighthouse Beach in Edgartown, (both steps away from Harbor View and a five minute walk from Kelley House), are a great spot for dog walks. They offer calm waters for those prone to take a dip.
- State Forest offers mile after mile of trails for exploring. With plenty of temptations to run free in the forest (such as deer), keep dogs leashed unless they have strong re-call manners.
- The Land Bank Tradewinds Airport property in Oak Bluffs features a 70-acre “dog park” with open meadows and wooded walking trails – a favorite with island residents.

To book a trip with a pet, travelers may connect with a Harbor View or Kelley House reservations assistant by calling (800) 225-6005.

High-resolution photography is available upon request.

About Harbor View Hotel

A beloved fixture on the Vineyard since 1891, the Harbor View Hotel offers luxury guest rooms and suites in the heart of historic Edgartown. From its broad veranda, the hotel boasts spectacular views of Edgartown Harbor, the Vineyard’s premier sailing and yachting location, where guests can set sail on a variety of boating adventures arranged through Harbor View Hotel’s own waterfront concierge. In 2012 Harbor View Hotel was named one of the “Top 50 U.S. Resorts” in *Travel + Leisure’s* “World’s Best Awards” issue, “Best Hotel on the Vineyard” by *Martha’s Vineyard Magazine* and was named “Best Resort/Hotel” by *Cape Cod Magazine’s* Gold Awards. The Harbor View is a member of Historic Hotels of America® and is managed by Scout Hotel and Resort Management. For more information call (800) 225-6005 or visit www.harbor-view.com.

About Kelley House

Kelley House opened its doors as a tavern in 1742, providing respite for sailors throughout the Revolutionary War and whaling eras. Today, the popular Edgartown inn features 60 casually comfortable guest rooms, a pool, and a popular pub, *Newes from America*, just a short stroll from Memorial Wharf and the harbor. Kelley House is a member of Historic Hotels of America® and is managed by Scout Hotel and Resort Management. For more information call (800) 225-6005 or visit www.kelley-house.com.

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