

Bees --- 90,000 of them --- check into Seaport Hotel

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Guests at the Seaport Hotel could soon be bunking with 90,000 bees, which will be pampered on the premises as long-term residents.

There will be no free lunch for the bees: Their honey will be used by the hotel's restaurant chefs to whip up special recipes and dishes, the hotel said.

According to the hotel, the new specially constructed hives where the bees will live are part of the Seaport's sustainability effort.

"The hope is the effort will help create a safe environment for the bees, will help boost the bee population which has recently been threatened by Colony Collapse Disorder, and will produce some sweet honey for special recipes in Aura restaurant and TAMO bar," the Seaport Hotel said in a press release.

To ensure that hive occupants are treated as well as hotel guests, several staffers have been trained as beekeepers, the Seaport said.