

An aerial photograph of a coastal city at sunset. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and blue. In the foreground, a large marina is filled with numerous white sailboats. To the right, several tall, modern skyscrapers are illuminated by the setting sun. The city extends into the distance, with more buildings and greenery visible. The overall scene is a vibrant urban landscape.

The Equus Hotel Green Initiatives

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Background



- **The Equus Hotel** is an elegant 67-room inn located on the West Side of Waikiki where there is an abundance of restaurants, walking distance access to one of the world's largest shopping malls and a quick stroll to the beach and gorgeous sunset views.
- The Equus Hotel is the **FIRST** hotel in Hawai'i to join Green Hotels Association, International and has been committed to being a green hotel since the early 1990s.



Sustainability



- With the GreenStar system, the air conditioning units are controlled when the guest inserts his room key into a master switch as they enter the room.
- The electrical devices are automatically defaulted to 76 degrees when the guest removes the card to leave the room. After 8 hours without use they will automatically shut off.
- This has resulted in a decrease of 20 percent annually in power costs.



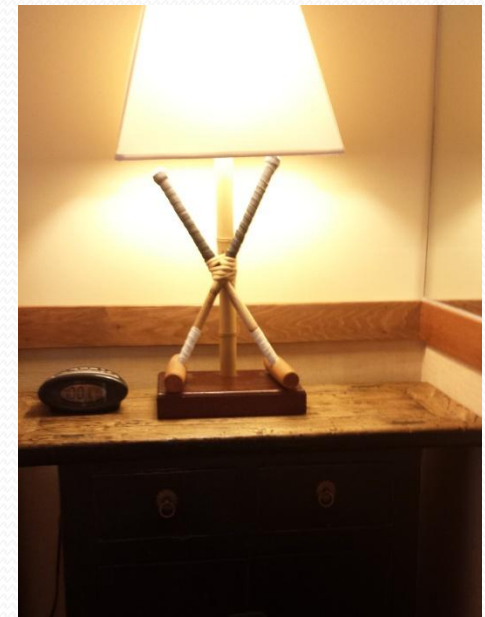
- All appliances are ENERGY STAR rated
- Room amenities are non-toxic and biodegradable
- Low-flush toilets and low-flow shower heads and sink faucets



- All lighting CFL with plans to convert to LED



- On-site furniture refurbishing/refinishing and green product (instead of purchasing entirely new products)





- Towel and Linen Re-use program (every 3 days unless requested)



- Rigorous recycling program
- Paper re-use and recycling program in place



- Reusable glassware for drinking
- Use USDA organic coffee for room amenities





- No irrigation system or sprinklers—landscaping is hand-watered
- No chemicals used on landscaping

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