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The Road to Key West is an adventurous/humorous sojourn that cavorts its way through the 1970s Caribbean, from Key West and the Bahamas, to Cuba and Central America.

In August of 1971, Kansas Stamps and Will Bell set out to become nothing more than commercial divers in the Florida Keys, but adventure, or misadventure, seems to dog them at every turn. They encounter a parade of bizarre characters, from part-time pirates and heartless larcenists, to Voodoo bokors, a wacky Jamaican soothsayer, and a handful of drug smugglers. Adding even more flavor to this Caribbean brew is a complicated romance, a lost Spanish treasure, and a pre antediluvian artifact created by a distant congregation who truly understood the term, "pyramid power."

Pour yourself a margarita, sit back, and slide into the '70s for a while as you follow Kansas and Will through this cocktail of madcap adventures – on The Road To Key West.

IF YOU ENJOY THIS NOVEL BE SURE TO READ THE SEQUEL, "BACK ON THE ROAD TO KEY WEST" (To be released in late August or early September, 2013)

"Jimmy Buffett should set this tropical tale to music! The best Key West stories can only be written by those who have lived here, and Reisig expertly captures the steamy, seedy, beautiful allure of the islands. "The Road to Key West" takes readers on a hysterical journey through the humidity and humanity that only exists in the lower latitudes. And much like the Keys in the 1970s, it's a hell of a trip.

—Mandy Bolen, The Key West Citizen

"The Road to Key West" combines the dry cleverness of Lewis Grizzard, the wit of Dave Barry, and Reisig's impeccable sense of timing. It's an action-packed, romantic, charming, hilarious take on the '70s and its generation. A must-read!

—John Archibald, Ouachita Life Magazine

The Road to Key West Details

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Ronnie Thomas says

I loved this book. I will be seeking out the rest of the series as well. I thought it was well written and I loved the adventure.

Tracy says

Reading this book was so much fun. I read this on my way to and from Key West, making it even more relatable. The story takes place in the 70's. The author has a way of taking you right back to that time. The two main characters are a real hoot. The crazy things that happen to them and the people they get involved with had me laughing out loud !! I would compare his writing to Bob Morris and Carl Hiaasen. The author should make a movie from this story - with the right director and actors it would make one hell of a comedy! We all could use more really good comedic movies.

Karen Kearns says

As told in the 1st person (from Kansas Stamps viewpoint), we follow Kansas and his buddy, Will Bell, to Key West following their college graduation. What starts as a desire to take a break and chill following college, turns into an adventurous life style starting with capturing exotic tropical fish and evolves into adventure after meeting up with a mystic Rasterman, Rufus, who intrigues these pals into adventures inspired by the Curious and often bored creators of the universe.

This book is slow reading at the beginning, but is well worth hanging in there for the humor and "mis"adventures!

Gail Weiner says

Fine American literature? No! But a fun read.

Sometimes one simply wants a silly, relaxing-in-the-sun read, with fun-loving, creative characters living lives none of us mere mortals will ever experience. This is it.

John Cunningham says

Just finished The Road to Key West. Very fun road, indeed. Kansas and Will were creative and fearless, and the many antagonists whom continuously tormented them all came together in an exciting conclusion on Fort Jefferson in the Dry Tortugas.

The many different adventures the boys either pursued or found themselves embroiled in produced a string

of vignettes that tightened into a Gordian knot of excitement. The plot was a combination of Buffett's Where is Joe Merchant? and Hiaasen's early character-driven stories that kept readers gripping their paperbacks with white knuckles.

Hard to catch a breath between adventures as Kansas and Will ricocheted from the Florida Keys, to Costa Rica, to Cuba, and many other settings in between. Very entertaining and a special joy to anyone who, like me, was lucky enough to live in the Keys in the 70's, which is when and where the story was set. Well done, and I look forward to reading more from this author.

RONALD EVANS says

Lighthearted beach reading, fun to read.

Rema says

the entire series is great.
humorous, deep, well done

Lenny says

A lot more than I expected

Let me start by saying at first I was very unimpressed with the narration, I am sorry but it just was not my cup of tea. BUT as the book went on and the story became more engaging, It sort of grew on me. Now I hope the second book uses the same man to narrate. Go figure This is sort of a coming of age story, 2 guys, Key west transplants and lots of adventures, how could it go wrong? The answer is it can't. The characters the stories the pace all were perfect. Some of it a bit unbelievable., but so much fun. The story is about 2 guys, best friends ; Kansas Stamps and Will Bell and it begins in 1971 and it's a romp through the early part of the decade. I highly recommend this book

Marcella says

Great read!!

The passage in the bridge with the trailer had me laughing so hard, I was crying. Wildly out there... A full-on Florida madness as only Florida can have... You're going to love this book... I promise.

Misbah says

Enjoyed the lighthearted humor and the breezy flow of the story. It definitely fit well with the backdrop of

the Florida Keys.

Will and Kansas wacky adventures had me itching to go out and discover the world.

The ending was a little too convenient for me. The part where Kansas gets the perfect girl had me rolling my eyes.

A good first book for sure. I think it would be nice to read more about these two characters.

Pat says

Good start

Interesting start for a Florida Keys focused series of books. A little ambitious with a large number of characters that could have been pared down. Has potential.

Michelle Kaeding says

Extremely entertaining

If you can suspend your disbelief, this book is a rollicking good time and I couldn't put it down till the finish.

Cyndi Goff says

If you can get past the ridiculous, it's quite funny. Those familiar with the Florida Keys will appreciate the setting.

Mike Poe says

A very enjoyable and very funny novel about the adventures of two free-spirited young men living in the Florida Keys in the 1970s. The book is quite entertaining provided that you don't expect their adventures to be believable. The book is somewhat informative about the craziness that is South Florida and the Keys, but it is not as well-written, cynical, or as much of a social commentary as any novel written by Carl Hiaasen or even Tim Dorsey.

That being said, this is the first book in a series about the Keys by Reisig and I will read more books in the series just because of their humor and entertainment values.

Pjak says

Absolutely a "blast" to read! True, it does stretch the imagination with some of the tales but, that makes it exciting. The humor used describing the incredible adventures just makes this fun to read - I was laughing aloud. The descriptions of the Keys of the past just ring true as do the attempts to capture the beauty of the

sand and sea in words. Read it!
