

THE WESTIN GRAND CAYMAN RESORT AND SPA



MORTY VALLDEJULI
VICE PRESIDENT AND MANAGING DIRECTOR



include the Beach House, a AAA Four Diamond restaurant; Ferdinand's for traditional and inventive Caribbean dishes; Tortuga Beach Grill and Bar for lighter fare, beach and pool-side; Catboat Bar for cozy drinks with an ocean view; and Cayman Coffee Exchange for specialty and creative coffee drinks, ice cream, and snacks; in addition to 24-hour in-room dining.

Recently, the hotel initiated a \$50 million program aimed at redesigning and renovating the entire property. According to Vice President and Managing Director Morty Valldejuli, the project has two phases. "Phase One completely demolished and re-imagined our lobby," he says. "The objective was to give a view of the water as soon as a guest walks into the lobby. We were able to accomplish that by removing all the obstacles between the point where you drive up to the hotel, to the edge of the ocean. To increase the height of the lobby, we moved all of the administrative offices, which were on the second floor, into a new building. In addition, we completely redesigned the pool facilities, the pool bar, and added outdoor restrooms and Sol Caribe, where the resort stages its pool and beach concierges, as well as towel services. We

