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NEW SERVICE

• Gator Air, a small Fort Lauderdale-based airline, began flying nine-passenger Piper Cherokee Chieftans to Marathon and Key West last month. Flights to Marathon depart Fort Lauderdale at 7:50 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., flights to Key West at 10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m. 888-359-4286 or www.flygatorair.com. One way to Marathon is \$68.45, to Key West \$129.45.

• Virgin Blue, Australia's second-largest airline, has announced a new budget service between Sydney and Los Angeles. The new flights, under the title of V Australia, are expected to begin in mid-December and be up to 16 percent cheaper than existing services, the company said. www.vaustralia.com.

DEALS

• A Family Spring Fling package at Marina Inn at Grande Dunes in Myrtle Beach, S.C., is available through April 30. For \$697, including tax, a family of four receives a two-bedroom suite for two nights, breakfast, four tickets to Brookgreen Gardens and four tickets to a choice of attractions, including NASCAR SpeedPark. Priced separately, the deal would cost about \$870. Two-night minimum. 877-913-1333, www.marinainnatgrandedunes.com.

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