

Day 6 sand castles, boot camp, & dessert

a great beach day! Weather was good and we got some soccer in, tossing Reece up in the waves, and paddle ball. Reece got very interested in the planned kids activities that the Marriott provides. So she would ask about every five minutes what time it was. She had her heart set on winning an ice cream sundae but she would have to settle for a plastic gold medal! She tried the splash contest in the pool but she's just too tiny to make a big splash. So she did the sand castle contest with Drew and the staff couldn't decide a winner so they made me choose! So not fair to make me do that. I chose Reece just because she was just so into it and trying her little heart out. Drew did an awesome job too. A short rain shower came through so we broke down our beach camp and headed to the pool. Morgan didn't have much faith that it would stop so she went up to shower. Little did she know it was short lived and she could have stayed down with us much longer! Oh well she got some tv watching in. She's apparently addicted to the vampire diaries show that Emily Kate turned her on to at the sleepover last week.

After we all got showered we decided we better get to the homework the soccer coaches have been sending out. So Brian put them through a short boot camp as I just watched drinking my wine. Jake found a bike that wasn't chained up and took it for a short spin and a round of basketball too.

We had plans to go back to the sea pines area for dinner and it rained on our drive over. We had a reservation at Truffles. It's in an upscale shopping center area. The food was delicious, nice environment, good sangria and the best dessert. A cookie/blondie bar with ice cream and hot fudge and and Oreo ice cream pie with hot fudge. So yummy! Morgan and I had pre-scoped it out online beforehand so we saved room. The restaurant had an alligator sculpture out front that everyone was taking pictures by. I couldn't figure out what the deal was—a famous alligator or what!? I still don't know! Group after group came by to take pics. So I decided I better do it too just in case it was

After dinner we drove over to Harbour Town and there was a famous singer, Gregg Russell, there putting on a show under a giant tree. He's there most nights entertaining the kids. It reminded me so much of when I would take my kids to see "Mr. Stinky Feet" in KC. Back in the good 'old days when my kiddos were little. This guy draws a big crowd! I wished we would've gotten there earlier to see all the pretty yachts in the Harbour and there was a giant playground in the trees that looked very fun. I hate to sound like a total dork here, but the trees are gorgeous! They have sprawling trunks and Spanish moss hanging throughout and they're huge! We made it into a few shops before they closed and low and behold, Reece found that sequin changing dolphin she wanted. We need another stuffed animal like a hole in the head but we had to get it since we screwed up and let the other one slip through our hands the prior day. I was looking for a cozy sweatshirt but never found one and shops were closing. I also lost my very favorite Ray-Ban sunglasses earlier this week. Ugh...so mad about that!



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