

Two New Game-Changing Caribbean Hotels: Hot List 2015

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Late afternoon in the lobby at Malliouhana.



Two of our editors' favorite new hotels in the Caribbean offer more than just beachside real estate: tasteful extravagance, delicious dining options, and a relaxed-yet-elegant vibe set them apart. For more of the year's best new hotels, check out the full [Hot List 2015](#).

[MALLIOUHANA \(AN AUBERGE RESORT\), ANGUILLA](#)

Go for the Aesthetic...

Anguilla is a very Anglo island, and Malliouhana was, for decades, one of its most staunchly traditional hotels. But then the quintessentially Californian Auberge Resorts (Auberge du Soleil; Calistoga Ranch) bought it, closing the doors for a three-year, multimillion-dollar renovation. When it reopened in November, Malliouhana reclaimed its

title as Anguilla's most elegant hotel. Now expect tasteful extravagance that channels Palm Springs by way of Morocco: lemon yellow and ice-blue walls, vibrant striped-cotton dhurries on the floors, ornate glass sconces hung from beveled mirrors.

...or Go for the Food

Everyone on Anguilla wants a table at Malliouhana's eponymous restaurant, overlooking Meads Bay. But it's not so much the views that are drawing crowds as chef Jeremy Bearman's flawless cuisine, from the house-made coconut yogurt at breakfast to the sesame-rum *poke* (tuna tartare) at dinner. —*Maria Shollenbarger*



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The lobby veranda at Belle Mont Farm overlooks the Caribbean.

BELLE MONT FARM ON KITTITIAN HILL, ST. KITTS

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This 400-acre sustainable organic farm, the vision of Trinidadian entrepreneur Val Kempadoo, has vast, windswept grassy dunes and chaise longues that telegraph Cape Cod. But Bill Bensley—one of the masters of tropical interior design—created guest rooms that are like a polished version of the Caribbean ideal, with dark hardwood floors, four-poster beds covered in Frette linens, open-air showers, and outdoor claw-foot tubs.

...or Go for the Food

Belle Mont Farm could rival your local farmers' market—the resort grows 100 varieties of mangoes alone—and guests are encouraged to head into the field to pick fresh lemongrass, cassava, garlic, and breadfruit. The haul you return with will be served alongside your snapper, lobster, or swordfish—caught about an hour before you sit down to eat it.—*John Wogan*



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The Great House pool at Belle Mont Farm.