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Eight Inns That Bring Out the Best of an Island

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The diminutive size, steep topography or far-flung nature of many Caribbean locales tend to limit resort sprawl. Whether by circumstance or by design, the following new and improved inns — ranging from budget-friendly bunks to guest-spoiling splurges — are the sort of distinctive properties that promise a memorable stay.

HIGH END



JEAN-PHILIPPE PETER

Belle Mont Farm, St. Kitts

Opening in December in the 400-acre Kittitian Hill development in northern St. Kitts, Belle Mont Farm promises a refined stay in a rustic setting. Modeled on traditional wood-framed island cottages, 84 one-bedroom guesthouses and seven four-bedroom ones feature large decks, plunge pools, outdoor showers and bathtubs and, indoors, tablet computers loaded with movies. Guests can take loaner bicycles down to the nearby beach, foraging en route for mangoes and soursops labeled "Pick me." Edible plants carpet the property, including the 18-hole golf course, and supply provisions for the farm-to-table restaurant, the Table. Rooms from \$2,250 per double, including meals, airport transfers, golf and spa; bellemontfarm.com.