

Beach Enclave

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“The idea was to offer the privacy and exclusivity of a private home, with the amenities of a resort, which hadn’t quite been done here before,” explains Vasco Borges, co-founder and CEO of Beach Enclave, luxury villas in Providenciales, Turks and Caicos that debuted last fall. The nine coastal homes, which sold in just one year from launch and are now available as luxury rentals, were designed to offer “barefoot beach living at it’s best”—each sits on an acre of land and is at least 6,000 square feet, with multiple outdoor living spaces, infinity edge pools, outdoor showers, and BBQ areas. Luxurious amenities range from personal chefs and butlers, to concierge services to create personal itineraries.

Borges tapped two local firms—SWA Architects and Domino Creative—to craft the villas, wanting collaborators who knew the island and would be respectful to the environment. Both teams worked together from day one, creating what Taylor Drotman, principal of Domino Creative, describes as a seamless design experience. “It is rare for a developer to treat a project as if it were his private residence, and have that kind of care about details that are not saleable,” she says. “[Vasco] wanted it done right.”

Drotman sourced stain resistant, outdoor fabrics for indoor upholstery, and infused a fairly neutral color palette inspired by the natural environment—“sand and that beautiful pale gray that comes from the coral and natural stone oxidizing,” she says. “You can have that beachy, relaxed state of mind (wet bums, sandy feet) and not be fearful about damaging things.”

SWA and Domino Creative are currently working on Beach Enclave’s next two developments in Turks and Caicos—five luxury villas currently being constructed on Long Bay Beach, as well as 10 villas planned for Grace Bay. And, it seems, there may be more coming. Borges hints that he may bring this concept to other islands, even other countries, but for now all he will say is that “there is interest and potential.”