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## BEST OF PARADISE: THE TOP 12 GOLF COURSE COMMUNITIES IN THE CARIBBEAN



Your childlike wonder has reawakened since becoming a home owner in a Caribbean golf course community. Maybe this has something to do with your morning ritual of sipping freshly-squeezed passion fruit juice as you pull back the sliding glass door for the day's grand unveiling. Your heart leaps a bit as you step out on your deck, and gaze at this morning's version of the turquoise Caribbean Sea.

The juice, the view, and a quick shower are all you need before embarking on the activity that's the signature perk of your new residence. One of the reasons you chose this home, next to this golf course, on this island, is that golf carts are the preferred form of transportation. No rush hour, only friendly "hellos" from fellow island enthusiasts as you motor to the first tee box.

What's sublime about golf in the Caribbean is there's a chance you're playing 18 holes on a course designed by one of the game's most legendary names. Nicklaus, Norman, and Trent Jones have all staked a claim on this region of pristine beaches, palm trees, conch shell tee markers, pink flamingos, and Paspalum fairways. The question is, "If you love to golf, which island is best for your dream home?

## EMERALD REEF GOLF COURSE ON GREAT EXUMA

Greg Norman so loves picturesque Exuma, and his signature-designed Emerald Reef Golf Course, that he vacations there regularly. Great Exuma has gained fame as the prime locale for swimsuit issues, private island retreats, top-notch bonefishing, and Johnny Depp's most famous film series.

The source of the Great Exuma fuss is the surrounding high-octane water color. If turquoise is your favorite hue, then you'll delight in the fact that half of Emerald Reef's 18 holes hug the Caribbean Sea.

Five-star ownership possibilities are found on Emerald Reef's back nine as several golf holes wrap around the luxurious Grand Isle Resort. The resort is home to 78 ready-to-own villas. Imagine choosing from golf course views, ocean views, and in most cases, both. http://www.grandisleresort.com/

