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GUIDE TO THE BAHAMAS

Have a magical time at David Copperfield's Musha Cay



The Bahamas is experiencing a resurgence, reminiscent to its heyday in the 1960s when it accidentally became a hotspot due to the 1961 US embargo on Cuba, which meant affluent tourists shifted their planes and plans toward these islands. Today, it is a first-choice destination. After all, there is gem-quality, clean water and an archipelago of more than 100,000 square miles, or about 700 islands. There may very well be a spot for every personality. These islands have come a long way since Christopher Columbus bumped into them in 1492, and thinking they are simply a stopover for cruise ships is a faux pas. From swimming alongside Exuma's swimming pigs, exploring the blue holes of Andros and posing on Eleuthera's pink-sand beaches, the Bahamas is a blend of Bahamian and cosmopolitan experiences with miles of beaches to lounge on and transparent water to indulge in.

by Lola Thélin



TOP BOUTIQUE HOTELS

Pink Sands

Sometimes island life calls for a quaint ocean cottage or perhaps a gorgeous seaside estate. Either way, Pink Sands has them both, surrounded by pink sands and sublime serenity. Located on Harbour Island, each of the 25 guest rooms is stocked with modern amenities. Established in 1951, Pink Sands effortlessly blends romance and seclusion into a tropical background. pinksandsresort.com

Grand Isle Resort & Spa

The Exuma is made up of 365 cays, and on Great Exuma lies the stunning Grand Isle Resort & Spa. Its 78 oceanfront villas are elaborate and vary from one-bedroom, garden-view villas to four-bedroom penthouses, all appointed with modern conveniences, and most importantly, all come with a golf cart. Guests have access to a Greg Norman championship golf course, the SeaStar Spa, watersports and the opportunity to swim with Exuma's most famous local residents, the swimming pigs.

grandisleresort.com

The Island House

First came the Mahogany House restaurant in 2010; then came the 30-room The Island House in 2015. Located in western Nassau, the hotel sets the dramatic stage with its lobby's striking Bahamian art installations and high ceilings. Its apartments command views of both the ocean and the southern expanse of the island while its cottages sit poolside. Its most distinctive amenities are the 48-seat luxurious cinema, its wellness offerings including a movement studio and squash courts and three unique dining options.

the-island-house.com