

# Hot in 2016

WHERE TO CHECK IN ... AND WHAT TO CHECK OUT.

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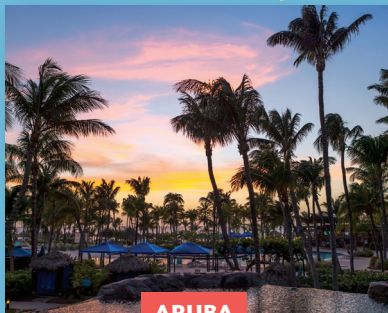
ST. KITTS

Once it pops up later this year along Banana Bay's beaches, the 126-room **Park Hyatt St. Kitts** will offer perks like private rooftop pools and jaw-dropping views of sister island Nevis.



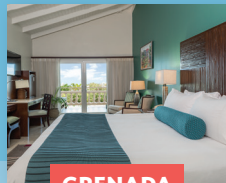
ANGUILLA

The spring 2016 debut of 73-room **Zemi Beach House Resort & Spa**, on Shoal Bay East, unveiled amenities like a spa with a *hammam*, small-batch rums at Rhum Bar and a beachfront yoga deck.



ARUBA

Palm Beach newcomer **Hilton Aruba Caribbean Resort & Casino** premiered in summer 2015 with 15 acres, 355 rooms (all with balconies) and five eateries — the Friday Night Fish Market is a must.



GRENADA

At the new **Grenada Chocolate Festival**, activities include a bean-to-bar tour of a local estate. Get some rest in one of **Spice Island Beach Resort's** newly renovated Oleander Superior suites.

CLOCKWISE FROM BOTTOM LEFT: HILTON ARUBA CARIBBEAN RESORT & CASINO, PARK HYATT ST. KITTS, ZEMI BEACH; SPICE ISLAND BEACH RESORT; MAP ILLUSTRATION BY IKER AYESTARAN



# WHAT'S NEW



## MEXICO

Injecting urban glam into this former fishing village, **Thompson Playa del Carmen**, open since fall 2015, flaunts a 30,000-square-foot rooftop infinity pool with 360-degree views.



## DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

The DR renewed its lease on luxe in December 2015 with **Eden Roc at Cap Cana's** new suites, poolside detox beverages at the infinity pool at Eden Roc Beach Club, and outdoor massage beds.



## BAHAMAS

The adults-only, all-inclusive **Warwick Paradise Island** debuts later this year with splashy hues and natural materials like driftwood, mirroring its "harbourside" locale. Sip tropical 'tails at the Hog Bar.



## JAMAICA

Come November, check into five new overwater-bungalow suites at **Sandals Royal Caribbean** — on a private offshore island in Montego Bay — each with an infinity pool and windowed floors.



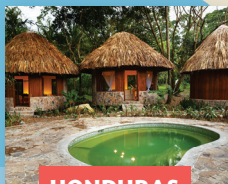
## PUERTO RICO

**Wyndham Grand Rio Mar Beach Resort & Spa** now offers an all-inclusive package (the isle's first!). On its 500 acres are nine dining options, two golf courses, a casino and a mile of private sand.



## CAYMAN BRAC

There are new digs at **Le Soleil d'Or**: the apartment-style Beach Studio, three-bedroom Farm Lodge and four-suite Boutique Hotel — all stocked with farm-fresh produce grown on property.



## HONDURAS

Massages at **The Lodge at Pico Bonito's** organic spa, opened January 2016, are in cabins on stilts. There's also a plunge pool and a Maya *temazcal* sweat lodge with two aromatherapy treatments.



CLOCKWISE FROM TOP LEFT: MANUEL PADILLA; TIM MAREY FOR EDEN ROC AT CAP CANA; WARWICK PARADISE ISLAND BAHAMAS; VICTOR ELIAS FOR WYNDHAM GRAND RIO MAR BEACH RESORT & SPA; MATT ADGOCK; LE SOLEIL D'OR; SANDALS RESORTS