

# ULTRATRAVEL

OUT OF THIS WORLD

SUPPLEMENT OF THE YEAR



## THE SHAPE OF THINGS TO COME

Where to go, what to see and the most dazzling places to stay in 2019

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## BEACH BOLTHOLES



### THE CARIBBEAN Back in business

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St Barts, Anguilla and the British Virgin Islands were devastated in September 2017 by Hurricane Irma, but they – and, in fact, the whole Caribbean – are firmly back on the map this winter season. Throughout the region, resorts are preparing to show off the results of top-to-tail rebuilds and renovations.

The biggest splash is the return of **Cap Juluca** on Anguilla (pictured), totally redone by Belmond. **CuisinArt** has also reopened, as have **Malliouhana** (under new ownership but still managed by Auberge) and the **Four Seasons**. Several of St Barts' stalwarts – **Villa Marie**, **Le Toiny** and **Le Sereno** – have reopened, while **Cheval Blanc Isle de France** and **Eden Rock** will be ready to welcome guests for Christmas. **Le Guanahani** and **Hotel Barrière** are on track to open at some point next year.

Barbuda was hit terribly, but curious castaways could try the new faux-rustic **Barbuda Belle**. On nearby Antigua, **Hodges Bay** has finally opened, and Oetker Collection's **Jumby Bay** is in magnificent form. **Silversands** on Grenada debuted this month, while **Mandarin Oriental** has brought a reliability to Canouan in the Grenadines. On Barbados, Fairmont's refurbished **Royal Pavilion** is a triumph.

The exception is the poor old BVI. Its waters are as beautiful as ever (so you could consider sailing), but on land only **Guana** and **Necker Island** have opened. Peter Island, Biras Creek and Rosewood's Little Dix Bay are now gunning for next winter or beyond. In the meantime, **Rosewood** fans can opt for its recently opened property in the Bahamas, which has some of the comfiest rooms in Nassau.

## SUNNY DAYS

*A new wave of idyllic seaside retreats, from luxury villas on the Med to a private island in Mozambique*

Extraordinarily, **Hotel Byblos** in Saint-Tropez has never had a private beach, until now. Opening in April, Byblos Beach Ramatuelle will feature a Mediterranean restaurant, bar and its own stretch of sand with sunbeds. [byblos.com](http://byblos.com) ● In Puglia, Rocco Forte Hotels has taken over the stunning 16th-century **Masseria Torre Maizza** (right) near Savalletri di Fasano and will reopen it in May with 10 new suites, a rooftop bar and a private beach club. [roccofortehotels.com](http://roccofortehotels.com) ● On the Greek island of Santorini the sleek-but-earthly, all-suite



**Andronis Arcadia** (left) will open in June on the edge of pretty Oia, with the island's most comprehensive spa and its largest pool. [andronisexclusive.com](http://andronisexclusive.com)

● Further afield, Six Senses launches in Cambodia this month with the opening of the all-pool villa resort **Six Senses Krabey Island** (below), which will feature an observatory. [sixsenses.com](http://sixsenses.com) ● On Mozambique's

Quirimbas archipelago, **Mogundula Private**

**Island**, an exclusive-use five-bedroom retreat by the owners of nearby Ibo Island Lodge, will open this summer. [iboisland.com](http://iboisland.com)



● Leonardo DiCaprio's **Blackadore Caye**

near Ambergris Caye in Belize is finally expected to launch sometime in 2019. Designed to meet the sustainability-minded Living Building Challenge, this restorative island development will be completely powered by renewable energy. [restorativeislands.com](http://restorativeislands.com)