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Where to stay in Barbados

With its powder-soft beaches, warm Caribbean waters and famously relaxed pace of life, Barbados is home to some of the finest hotels in the West Indies. From intimate boutique retreats to sprawling luxury resorts with world-class spas and exceptional dining, there's something here to suit every traveller. Whether you're seeking romance, family fun or simply a sun lounger with an ocean view, you're sure to find your perfect island escape.





O2 BEACH CLUB & SPA

Christ Church, Barbados

Bathed by the crystal-clear waters of the Caribbean and blessed with one of the finest stretches of sand on Barbados' south coast, O2 Beach Club & Spa is a stylish all-inclusive retreat where contemporary luxury meets laid-back island living. Whether you're seeking lazy beach days, exceptional dining or simply a chance to switch off and recharge, this elegant resort delivers in abundance.

By Holly Cannon

Set directly on beautiful Dover Beach, O2 Beach Club & Spa immediately impresses with its bright, modern design and wonderfully relaxed atmosphere.

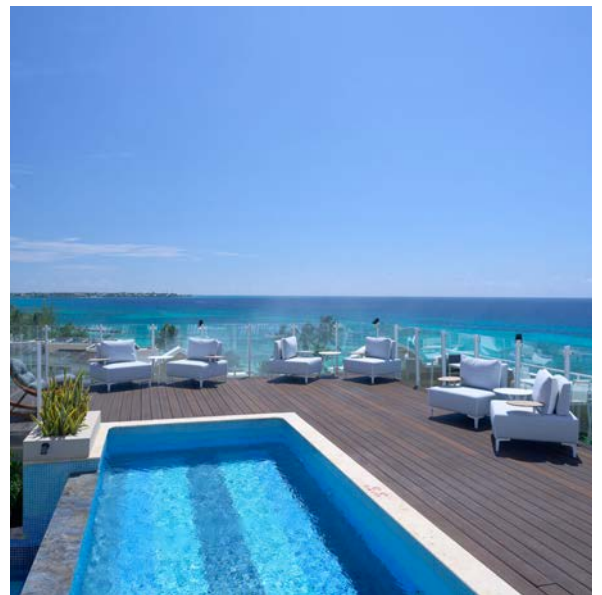
Floor-to-ceiling windows frame endless ocean views, while the warm Bajan welcome makes you feel at home from the moment you arrive. We spent our days drifting between the beach and pool before retreating to the elegant Oasis Lounge, where a couple of beautifully crafted cocktails quickly became our favourite pre-dinner ritual. As the sun dipped below the horizon each evening, casting golden light across the sea, it became clear that this is the kind of resort where slowing down comes naturally.

The Rooms

We stayed in an Oceanfront Junior Suite and struggled to find a reason to leave it. Throw open the curtains each morning and you're greeted by nothing but turquoise water, swaying palms and the soothing soundtrack of waves breaking gently on the shore below. The suite itself was spacious, contemporary and beautifully appointed, with a supremely comfortable bed, stylish furnishings and a generous bathroom stocked with premium toiletries. Every modern convenience was present, including air conditioning, a smart TV and fast Wi-Fi, while the private balcony proved the perfect place to savour an early morning coffee or a quiet evening drink overlooking the Caribbean Sea.

Dining

Dining was one of the standout highlights of our stay. Breakfast was served each morning at Elements, where the generous buffet featured everything from tropical fruit and freshly baked pastries to cooked favourites and delicious made-to-order omelettes that set us up perfectly for the day ahead. Dinner at Bluefin combined fresh flavours with a wonderfully relaxed beachfront setting, but the culinary highlight came at the resort's rooftop fine dining restaurant, Oro. Against a backdrop of panoramic sea views, we sampled Barbados' famous flying fish, cooked to perfection and beautifully presented. The knowledgeable sommelier expertly guided us through a series of excellent wine pairings that elevated every course, while the attentive service struck just the right balance between polished and personable. To round off a memorable evening, we enjoyed a smooth glass of Cane Rock Rum – a fitting Caribbean nightcap that provided the perfect finish to an exceptional dining experience.



OUR VERDICT

Stylish yet unpretentious, O2 Beach Club & Spa captures everything that's wonderful about a luxury escape to Barbados. Spacious oceanfront suites, excellent restaurants, handcrafted cocktails at Oasis Lounge and genuinely warm hospitality combine to create a resort that's easy to fall in love with. Add in its superb beachfront location and unforgettable sunsets, and you'll find yourself wishing you had booked just a few extra days.





SEA BREEZE BEACH HOUSE

Christ Church, Barbados

Set on a glorious stretch of white sand where the Caribbean Sea sparkles in every shade of blue imaginable, Sea Breeze Beach House is a boutique all-inclusive resort that perfectly captures the easy-going spirit of Barbados. Stylish yet wonderfully unpretentious, it's a place where barefoot luxury, warm hospitality and exceptional dining come together to create an unforgettable island escape.

By Holly Cannon

Occupying three acres of prime beachfront on Barbados' picturesque south coast, Sea Breeze Beach House immediately feels more intimate than many of the island's larger resorts.

Lush tropical gardens, swaying palms and three inviting swimming pools create a wonderfully relaxed atmosphere, while the beautiful beach is just steps away. We quickly settled into the rhythm of island life, dividing our days between the sun lounger and the sea before cooling off with a refreshing handcrafted cocktail overlooking the Caribbean. It's the sort of place that encourages you to slow down, switch off and savour every moment, all while enjoying the warm and genuine Bajan hospitality that makes Barbados so special.

The Room

We stayed in one of the resort's elegant Luxury Collection rooms and were instantly impressed by its bright, contemporary design and calming coastal colour palette. Spacious and beautifully furnished, the room blended modern comfort with understated Caribbean style, creating a welcoming retreat after a day in the sun. A private balcony provided the perfect spot to enjoy the warm evening breeze, while inside there was a wonderfully comfortable king-sized bed, quality linens and a generous bathroom complete with premium toiletries. Every modern convenience was catered for too, including air conditioning, a smart TV, fast Wi-Fi and a well-stocked minibar, making it easy to settle in from the moment we arrived.

Dining

The dining offering proved to be one of the highlights of our stay. One evening we enjoyed a relaxed alfresco dinner at Aqua Terra on the Sunset Deck, where delicious food was complemented by spectacular sea views and the gentle sound of the waves below. For laid-back lunches, The Flying Fish Beach Bar was hard to beat, serving fresh salads and generously filled club sandwiches that tasted even better when paired with an ice-cold Banks Beer just steps from the sand. The culinary star of the resort, however, is undoubtedly Cerulean Restaurant & Bar. Set in an elegant oceanfront location, it delivered one memorable dish after another, with the beautifully prepared Blackened Mahi Mahi and the incredibly tender Three Hour Sous Vide Bajan Style Pork standing out as particular highlights. We somehow managed to save room for dessert, and the creamy Coconut Cheesecake proved every bit as indulgent as it sounds. Combined with polished yet friendly service, it was a dining experience that showcased the very best of contemporary Caribbean cuisine.



OUR VERDICT

Sea Breeze Beach House perfectly captures the relaxed elegance that makes Barbados such a special destination. With its beautiful beachfront setting, stylish accommodation, outstanding restaurants and genuinely warm service, every aspect of the resort feels carefully considered. Add in the intimate atmosphere and excellent all-inclusive offering, and you have one of the island's most enjoyable places to stay.