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## Quiet Luxury in The Out Islands of The Bahamas



*The Exumas, photo courtesy of The Bahamas Ministry of Tourism, Investments & Aviation*

In a destination already known for its pristine Caribbean beauty, the collection of Bahamian islands known as the “The Out Islands” are in a league of their own. These quieter, low-traffic islands offer visitors blissful seclusion and uncompromising privacy - two valuable resources often in short supply in today’s modern world. Flush with exciting activities and smaller (but no less luxurious) boutique properties, The Out Islands deserve to be at the top of the itinerary for travellers seeking an escape from...well, everything!

Read on for a profile of some of the incredible destinations in The Out Islands as we explore a few of the properties that have set a new standard for relaxation in the Caribbean.



*Valentines Resort & Marina, photo courtesy of The Out Islands Promotion Board*

### **Valentines Resort & Marina, Harbour Island**

Renowned as the “Nantucket of the Caribbean”, Harbour Island’s most arresting visual feature is the colourful New England-style architecture that dots its idyllic shores. At only 3.5 miles long and 1.5 miles wide, this island is both unquestionably tiny and undeniably world class: amongst its swaying palms, pink sand beaches, and outlying coral reefs, you’ll find accommodations that expertly blend historic character with modern luxuries.

One such property is Valentines Resort & Marina, an upscale boutique resort beloved by yachting and boating families for (you guessed it!) its attached marina. Far from being just a convenient place to stay, Valentines stuns with 39 luxury suites and an authentic colonial aesthetic. Suites are fully equipped with kitchens and balconies and furnished with all manner of rustic and nautical decor. The list of amenities is expansive, incorporating a saltwater pool, spa and fitness center, and some of the tastiest oceanfront dining found anywhere in The Bahamas. As you might expect from a property with its own marina, Valentines is an exceptional departure point for many of the aquatic excursions awaiting you in the Out Islands: snorkelling, deep-sea diving, sportfishing, and sailing are all just a short walk away from your room.



### **The Abaco Club on Winding Bay, The Abacos**

An island chain encompassing nearly 200km of alluring cays and caves, The Abacos have long been beloved by sailors, nature lovers, and golfers. The Abacos excel at providing a memorable experience tailored to the preferences of each guest, with a truly diverse offering in excursions, sightseeing, and accommodations. With so many choices, the keyword for any getaway to The Abacos is “freedom”, as visitors are wholly empowered to design the vacation of their dreams and experience it at their own pace.

The Abaco Club on Winding Bay is a sprawling property emblematic of the dynamic character of The Abacos. Situated on its own peninsula, this collection of villas, cottages, and massive luxury estates is supplemented by a Scottish-style golf course, world-class deep-sea fishing, tennis courts, spas, and much more. While the Abaco Club is primarily a collection of privately owned residences, there are properties of all types ready to rent to non-member guests: three and four-bedroom beachside beauties that stun with their elaborate furnishings and convenient proximity to everything the Club has to offer. They say many of the Club’s permanent residents started as guests before falling in love with the lifestyle of The Abacos...and you just might be next!



### **Hideaways at Palm Bay, The Exumas**

Recognized as the “Most Exotic” of the many Out Islands, the tiny, jewel-like islands of The Exumas are the destination of choice for those who want their getaway to really get away. Deep sapphire waters and shifting sandbars provide the perfect backdrop for profound relaxation, and much of the region’s aquatic wildlife is protected in an expansive marine park. Beyond the archipelago’s (relatively) bustling anchor of Great Exuma, you’ll find countless secluded cays - many of which are home to stars like Johnny Depp, Tyler Perry, and David Copperfield.

Staking its claim to a lengthy stretch of shoreline on Great Exuma, Hideaways at Palm Bay puts the “quiet” in “quiet luxury”, offering bespoke cottages and villas designed to help you realize a relaxed, indulgent vacation. Each unit is immaculately charming and exceedingly private, with 1, 2 and 3 bedroom configurations for groups of all sizes. Beyond the robust amenities and surpassing services you’d expect from any Bahamian property, Hideaways is notable for its enthusiastic and knowledgeable staff.

It’s easy to jump right into discovering the wonders of The Exumas on a guided bonefishing tour, a group kayaking session, or on a boat tour of the region’s most desirable cays.

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### **ABOUT THE BAHAMAS**

With over 700 islands and cays and 16 unique island destinations, The Bahamas lies just 50 miles off the coast of Florida, offering an easy fly away escape that transports travellers away from their everyday. The Islands of The Bahamas have world-class fishing, diving, boating and thousands of miles of the earth’s most spectacular water and beaches waiting for families, couples and adventurers. Explore all the islands have to offer at [www.bahamas.com](http://www.bahamas.com) or on [Facebook](#), [YouTube](#) or [Instagram](#) to see why It’s Better in The Bahamas.

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