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Right: The main community pool at the new Encantada resort.

New Resorts Near Disney Like villas but with hotel style facilities

During the month of September we photographed a couple of new resorts. This is always refreshing and it gives us a sneak peek into how things are changing.

One of these resorts is on Highway 192 not far from Disney. It's a resort consisting of town homes with all the facilities and comfort of a villa, but in a resort style setting with a posh clubhouse and fabulous community pool (Above).

With this new resort all the town homes are privately owned but managed and rented out by E-Management for Encantada.

Unlike the private homes on nearby highway 27, these homes are consistent in their furnishings as the owners choose from a selection of packages presented to them. This would make things easier when describing the standard of the town home in a brochure.

We did a full shoot of the resort over two days and fortunately got some good skies to

enhance that sunshine feel.

The resort is managed by Joel Ibanez who is also the sales contact





Left and Below: A private villa shoot in Barbados for a Canadian client in the hills above Speightstown.



Across the Caribbean to Barbados

By Trenz Pruca

I am writing this section from our hotel room in Barbados. It sounds good, but the only reason I'm actually in my room in Barbados is because it's raining outside. That means I can't shoot hotels!

For October we built up a shoot in Barbados. It all started from one client who was ready for a shoot of his private villa (above) and with an email sent out to a few of you, it seems you needed stuff shooting down here, so here we are. To build a shoot in this way works well for everybody as it spreads and reduces the cost to any one client. We will definitely be doing more of this in the future to select destinations, so you may receive the odd email here and there from us asking if you need anything.

Barbados is looking good currently, hotel occupancy is lower than the same time last year, probably due to passengers avoiding hurricane season. But the Island is looking good, I've

noticed a lot of improvements to public areas over my 4 visits the past year and a half. Many hotels have renovated and a few new ones have come online. After our shoot I'll write a few lines next month about anything in particular that stands out.

Suggest a destination

If you have a destination in the Caribbean or the US that needs shooting let us know and we may be able to combine it with another client in the same area and reduce the shoot costs. It also enables us to stay a little longer which will give us a bigger window in the case of bad weather.

I certainly hope we have a big enough window for this shoot. 8 shooting days left, we'll do a sun dance!