

First Caribbean Andaz to open in 2020

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Turks & Caicos' Grace Bay. Photo credit: Getty Images/Joao Barcelos



Hyatt Hotels Corporation revealed plans to develop the Andaz Turks & Caicos at Grace Bay, a hotel and residences development expected to open in 2020, marking the Andaz brand's first property in the Caribbean. The property will be developed by Vista Development of Pronet Capital, and will be spread across more than 5.5 acres on the archipelago's Grace Bay Beach.

The Andaz Turks & Caicos at Grace Bay will be situated on the western end of Grace Bay Beach, and will be designed by RAD Architecture, with interiors by Francisco Jove of Modus Operandi, designer of Andaz Mayakoba Resort Riviera Maya and Andaz Costa Rica Resort at Peninsula Papagayo.

According to Myles McGourty, SVP, Latin America & Caribbean at Hyatt, "We look forward to working with Vista Development to introduce the inspiring concept of this luxury lifestyle Hyatt brand to a world-class destination like Turks & Caicos' coveted Grace Bay."

The resort will be comprised of two buildings: a 59-key hotel and 74 branded residences, with co-located amenities. Andaz Turks & Caicos Residences at Grace Bay will include studios, one-, two- and three-bedroom units, as well as penthouses with four bedrooms. Plans call for residential owners to have the option to participate in a hotel-rental program, which will be managed by the hotel.

The property's master plan will offer guests and owners dining choices at four restaurants and bars, including an elevated venue with unobstructed panoramic views. Health and fitness amenities at the wellbeing facility will include an outdoor garden yoga studio and a full-service indoor and outdoor spa with luxury concierge services.

Matt McDonald, director of Vista Development, noted, "Through our more than 30 collective years of work in the Turks & Caicos' market, we've recognized the uniqueness of the location and the potential for an unparalleled offering. We look forward to seeing the project evolve with Hyatt and become part of the community and culture of Turks & Caicos."