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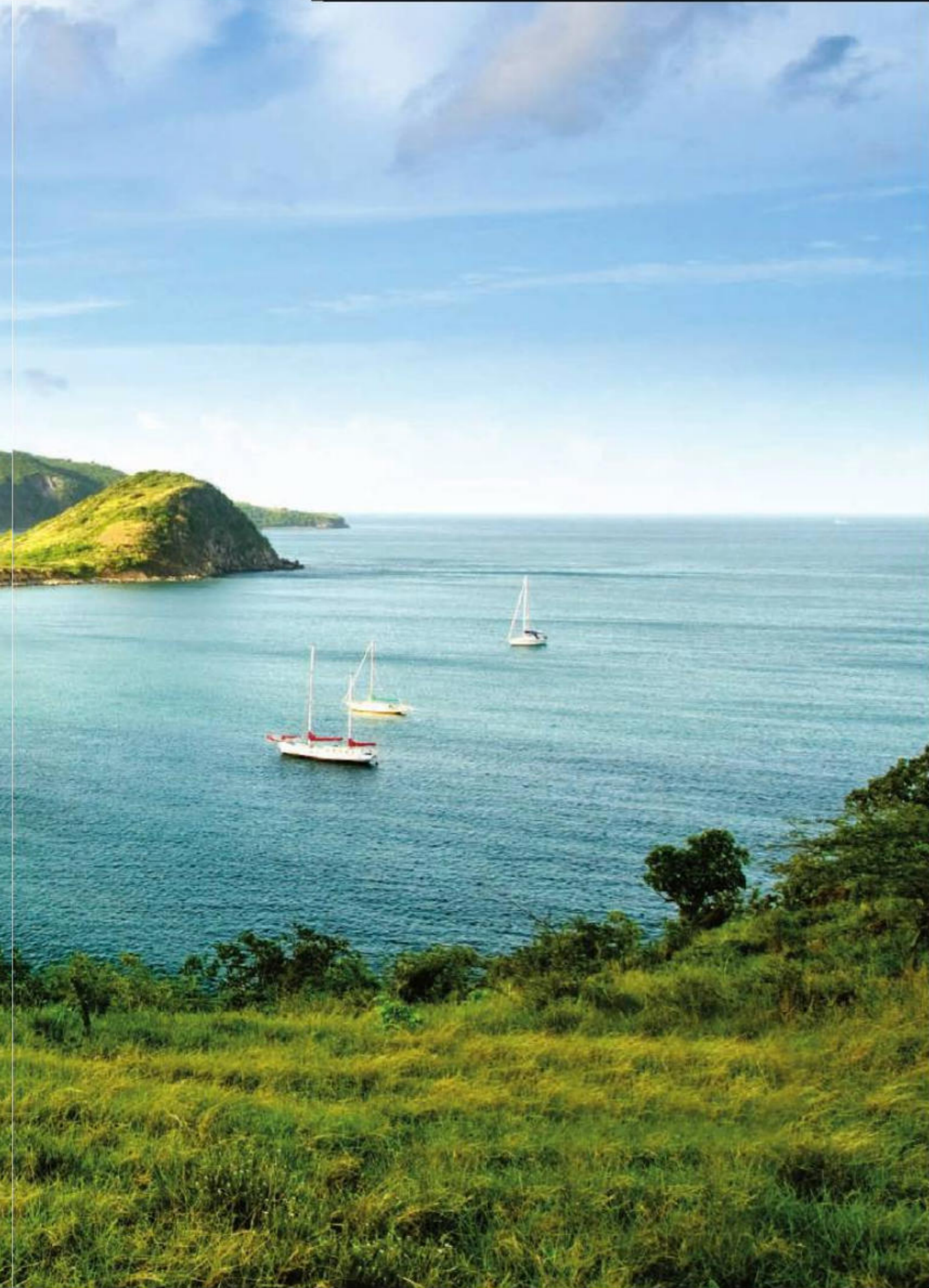
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THE TOP 20 OCEANFRONT DEVELOPMENTS



Oceanfront living has different meanings for different people. To some, the truest oceanfront pleasure is realized the moment you step onto your boat and motor out to the high seas. To others, the consummate coastal experience is playing a round of golf where craggy cliffs meet the crashing sea in awestruck splendor. Some simply satisfy their innermost coastal connections by living amongst the pristine nature of a low-density development where the main amenity is Mother Nature's raw beauty.

By **Scott Kauffman**

THE KEY

- G** **GOLF** Great Abaco, Bahamas; La Paz, Mexico; Key Largo, Florida; Montego Bay, Jamaica
- M** **MARINA** St. Kitts; Herradura Bay, Costa Rica; Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands; Anacortes, Washington
- R** **RESORT** Kapalua, Maui, Hawaii; Punta Mita, Mexico; Willemstad, Curacao; Galveston, Texas
- E** **ECO-CENTRIC** Kiawah Island, South Carolina; Virgin Gorda, BVI; Bocas del Toro, Panama; Narragansett, Rhode Island
- P** **PRIVATE** New Providence, Bahamas; Kauai, Hawaii; Kona-Kohala Coast, Hawaii; Roatan, Honduras

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NEW PROVIDENCE, BAHAMAS

ALBANY Created by the partnership composed of the Tavistock Group and golf stars Tiger Woods and Ernie Els, Albany is nestled among 580 oceanfront acres just seven minutes from Nassau's international airport and two private airfields. Albany's name is inspired by the historic beachside mansion in the heart of the development that now houses a fine dining restaurant and oceanside lounge. Originally owned by French filmmaker and Inspector Gadget-cre-

ator Jean Chalopin, Albany House made history as the site of two movies, most notably the James Bond film "Casino Royale." Among the superb multi-generational amenities to be found are a mega-yacht marina, an 18-hole championship golf course designed by Els, a full-service spa and fitness center, casual and fine dining restaurants, seaside bars, a family water park, kids' clubhouse, and an adult pool and lounge. **\$1.5 to \$4 million, albanybahamas.com**

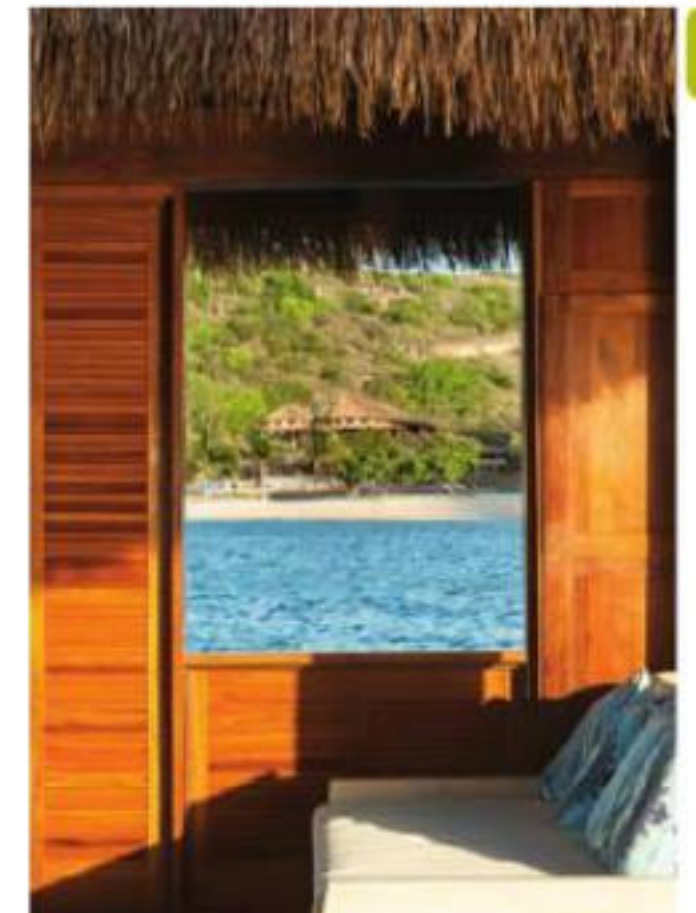
VIRGIN GORDA, BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS

OIL NUT BAY On the eastern tip of Virgin Gorda and accessible only by helicopter or boat, Oil Nut Bay is a 300-acre community offering freehold whole ownership for only 88 families. Oil Nut Bay is a low-density property committed to integrating environmentally sensitive practices, such as maintaining 50 percent open space, incorporating groundbreaking carbon-neutral elements and the use of electric cars. Currently in the first sales phase, debt-free Oil Nut offers a variety of lot and home options, including 27 estate lots ranging in size from 1.5 to 10 acres and in price from \$1.95 million to \$5 million. Oil Nut Bay is committed to environmental excellence and eco-progressive policies and foundations. A prime example is local regulations allowed up to 300 units on the 300-acre property, but Michigan-based Victor International will only build 88 units, maintaining its commitment and history of low-density developments and environmental integrity. Other eco-friendly initiatives include wind and solar power and an on-site desalination plant. **\$1.95 to \$9.95 million, oilnutbay.com**

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PUNTA MITA, MEXICO

PUNTA MITA Exclusive resort-style oasis situated along 9.5 miles of the Pacific Coast. Two Jack Nicklaus Signature Golf Courses. Home to a Four Seasons Resort, and now a new St. Regis Resort. Need we say more? The visionary behind this spear-shaped picturesque peninsula along western Mexico's rapidly developing Riviera Nayarit is the Mexico's premier real estate developer, DINE. Located 28 miles north of the romantic town of Puerto Vallarta, Punta Mita is surrounded on three sides by gorgeous white-sand beaches and dramatic coves thanks to Banderas Bay, Mexico's largest natural bay and second largest in the world. Punta Mita will offer approximately 1,000 residences at full buildout. Currently, a range of properties suiting the different tastes and needs of buyers is available, from traditional Mexican-style villas with terracotta tile roofs and palapasto condos with chic urban décors. **\$700,000 up to \$14 million, puntamita.com**

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