



David Pearson Associates

## **SANTA BARBARA PLANTATION**

### **FACT SHEET**

#### **Description**

Santa Barbara Plantation is a new residential and resort community taking shape on 1,500 acres of picturesque beachfront and rolling hills on the island of Curacao, in the Netherlands Antilles. Santa Barbara Plantation offers a wide variety of residential real estate products as well as a new championship 18-hole golf course designed by Pete Dye opening in 2009. Complementing the currently operational Seru Boca Marina will be recreational amenities such as restaurants and boutique retail shops.

Hyatt Hotel Corporation will operate the upscale 350-room Hyatt Regency Hotel at Santa Barbara Plantation, which will feature a Hyatt Pure Spa with large spa bungalow units and Hyatt's *Red Sail* beach rental and tour center.

In addition to the most modern and upscale amenities available, Santa Barbara Plantation is committed to safety and security with gated access points staffed by professionally trained security personnel and roving K-9 patrols 24/7. The property and its residences are readily accessible to police, fire and medical response agencies in the event of an emergency. St. Elizabeth's Hospital and other clinics are available to meet most medical needs.

#### **Location and Access**

Santa Barbara Plantation overlooks the Caribbean Sea and a natural harbor known as Spanish Water on the southeastern side of the island of Curacao, just 30 minutes from the island's international airport and 20 minutes from the historic capital city of Willemstad. The island is accessible through Hato International Airport served by major air carriers including American, Continental and Delta from the U.S. and KLM from Europe. Using Curacao's modern highways Santa Barbara Plantation is a scenic 30-minute drive from the airport and a brief 20-minute drive from the historic capital city of Willemstad. Because of its unique architecture and rich history, Willemstad was added to the list of World Heritage sites in 1997.

## **Residences at Santa Barbara Plantation**

### ❖ Custom Home Sites

Masterfully planned custom home and estate sites are spaciouly situated throughout Santa Barbara Plantation offering majestic water, landscape and fairway vistas. With lots beginning at \$400,000, sales are presently in progress with some completed homes already occupied.

### ❖ Terrace Homes

The Terrace Homes at Santa Barbara Plantation overlook the protected coastal inlet known as Spanish Water. The 3,000 square-foot Terrace Homes will incorporate unique design elements including hand crafted clay tile roofs. Santa Barbara Plantation offers 108 Terrace Homes starting at \$1.1 million with the first model home scheduled for completion in mid-2009.

### ❖ Marina Village

Surrounded by natural mangrove estuaries flocking with colorful birds and lush tropical flora, the Marina Village at Santa Barbara Plantation includes a private 120-slip marina accommodating vessels up to 80 feet in length. Twenty-seven single-family patio homes are available overlooking Spanish Water. Reminiscent of traditional Mediterranean architectural design with white exteriors, porcelain tile from Italy and clay roofs, the residences at Marina Village offer models ranging from 1,700 to 2,100 square feet with detached garages and separate guest quarters. With the Seru Boca Marina presently operational, residences at Marina Village are priced beginning at \$650,000 and sales are already in progress.

## **Amenities**

### Golf Course

Slated to open in 2009, Santa Barbara Plantation's championship 18-hole golf course designed by Pete Dye puts the natural landscape into play as it winds along the waterfront into gently rolling foothills. Challenging players of all skill levels, this eco-golf course embraces its natural surroundings and minimizes the environmental impact. The use of hearty, salt-tolerant Paspalum grass favored by seasoned golf pros enables watering of the course with reclaimed water and even brackish water.

The 18<sup>th</sup> green will overlook Seru Boca Marina and Spanish Water and will offer fine and casual dining, a private activity room, a fully stocked golf shop and spacious men's and women's locker rooms.

## Marina

The full-service Seru Boca Marina is presently in operation and provides residents with 120 slips available for docking vessels up to 80 feet in length and protected from rough seas by jetties and natural mangrove estuaries. Just minutes from the marina are world-class fishing, diving and cruising waters.

## Hyatt Regency Hotel

Hyatt Hotels will open the oceanfront Hyatt Regency Hotel at Santa Barbara Plantation fronting the new championship Pete Dye golf course in 2009. The 350-room resort will offer 20 private Hyatt *Pure Spa* bungalows overlooking the Caribbean Sea and featuring spacious accommodations with in-room signature spa treatments. Resembling traditional Mediterranean villas, the *Pure Spa* bungalows are designed with handmade Colombian clay tile roofs, imported Indonesian shutters and handmade Turkish wool rugs over limestone flooring, mined directly from quarries on the property.

The Hyatt Regency Hotel will include approximately 15,000 square feet of ballroom, meeting room, board room, pre-function and break-out space, business center services, a state-of-the-art spa and fitness center, white sand beach, outdoor swimming pool and tennis center. The Hyatt Regency will also offer an Indonesian open-kitchen style restaurant and poolside lounge and grill. The hotel's beach rental & tour center will serve the needs of guests looking for an island adventure with scuba diving, snorkeling, kayak and bicycle rentals, as well as eco-tours of the island and its diverse natural habitat.

## **Natural Attributes**

Curacao offers a rich natural environment with a variety of flora and fauna, and is becoming well-known for its fine diving in unpolluted crystal clear sea water and the most pristine coral reefs of the Caribbean. Santa Barbara plantation is located near the Curacao Underwater Park, a nationally protected marine sanctuary that is home to myriad species of sea life.

Santa Barbara Plantation's developers have made a firm commitment to the preservation and enhancement of the natural habitat, adhering to the highest standards of sustainable and conservation-oriented development.

Incorporating the natural surroundings of indigenous iguanas, rabbits, land crabs, cacti and a variety of bird species, Santa Barbara Plantation is flourishing with natural life that is embraced in the master plan of the community. The flourishing natural mangrove estuaries at Santa Barbara Plantation are an essential habitat for bird and marine life; recent research proved that these mangroves are of critical importance to marine algae containing compounds with promising medicinal properties.

Residents and guests who enjoy taking in the natural scenery will find miles of walking, jogging and bicycling trails snaking through the community.

## Developer

VIDA Group N.V. is a real estate development and consulting company that has committed to be the fee developer of Santa Barbara Plantation. During the past 35 years, VIDA has been working on premier resort and master planned community projects. VIDA's President, Jack Marshall, is a graduate of Stanford University. Mr. Marshall held his first position of significant resort management responsibility when he headed up the development of Elkhorn at Sun Valley, Idaho, a 3,000-acre master planned resort community. Following his tenure at Elkhorn, he was recruited to direct all the real estate and development activities for Pebble Beach Company in California. While serving in this position for many years, Mr. Marshall was responsible for expansion of the Pebble Beach Lodge, creation of the Poppy Hills Golf course, and design development of the Spanish Bay Resort, both in Pebble Beach. While at Pebble Beach, he also worked with Castle & Cooke to develop the preliminary master plan for the Island of Lanai in Hawaii. After Pebble Beach, Mr. Marshall became the President of Vail Associates, the largest and most highly regarded ski resort in the United States. While at Vail, he also served as the President of Beaver Creek during the conception and successful implementation of this resort community, a 3,000-acre year-round complex which has won awards as the best master planned resort in the United States.

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