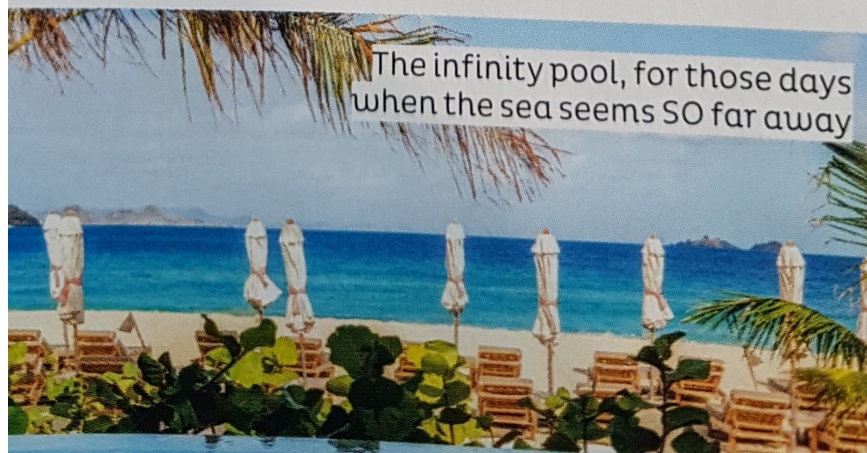


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ON BLINDING BEACHES

Cheval Blanc St- Barth Isle de France

ONE OF THE FRENCH WEST INDIES' BEST-KEPT SECRETS, LVMH's sun-dazed maison of sugar-white verandahs and boho bungalows nests among a tropical Garden of Eden that tumbles onto Flamands beach, one of the island's best. Laid-back afternoons can be spent twirling lobster linguine and slowly sipping dewy magnums of Miraval, or sunbasking on the silk-like sands and splashing in the ocean. There's also a whitewashed Guerlain spa to lose hours in (the four-handed couples' massage will change your life). Each Cheval Blanc property has its own colour and St-Barths' blush accents complement the Tiffany-blue sea to create the most photogenic landscape, while inside swirling ceiling fans toss beachy bossa nova versions of Édith Piaf and aromas of ylang-ylang and sandalwood throughout the airy space. *La Vie En Rose* indeed.

BOOK IT! A double room costs from £665 per night, B&B, including transfers; chevalblanc.com. Tradewind Aviation (flytradewind.com) offers flights throughout the Caribbean



The infinity pool, for those days when the sea seems SO far away