



# Cheval Blanc St-Barth Isle de France

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**9/10**  
Telegraph expert rating

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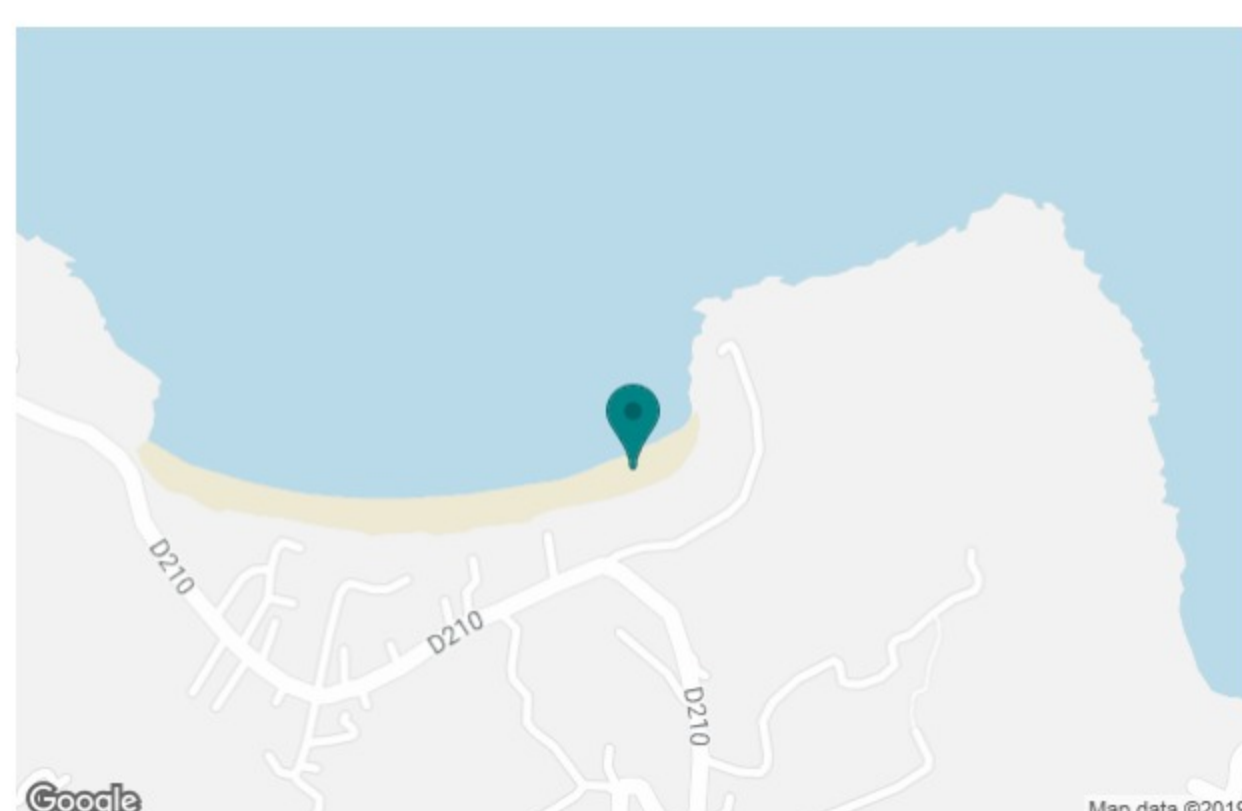
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By **Nicole Trillivas**, TRAVEL WRITER

## 10/10 Location

With tangles of palms and flowering vines slinking out onto the powdery sands of Flamands, this spilled-sugar beach crescent is one of the island's best, though there are hardly the crowds to prove it. Just a 10-minute drive from the bijou airstrip (sans high-season traffic), the maison's location at the bottom of a scenic slope makes for an ideal starting point for coastal walks or visits to a handful of nearby eateries.



## 10/10 Style & character

No building on St Barth is allowed to be over two storeys, and the maison follows suit with low-slung colonial bungalows and cottages spread out across the hillside and beachfront. Open-air, whitewashed communal areas – decks and summery verandas – are sparse but romantic, thanks to the sultry island landscaping and a custom Guerlain fragrance that pongs of tranquillising white flowers, ylang-ylang, and sandalwood. With blazing bougainvillea, whimsical traveller's palms, and skittering lizards, the exotic gardens (by the legendary Madison Cox of the famed Majorelle Garden in Marrakesh), feel at once feral and considered.



## 9/10 Service & facilities

With a petite Guerlain Spa, dreamy yoga pavilion, ice-blue pool, and fleet of brightly coloured Moke jeeps available to rent, it's easy to both stay busy and relax here. Lunchtimes are marked by casual, beachwear fashion shows courtesy of the maison's kaftan-filled boutique. Leaning on its French heritage (and a team of butlers called 'majordomes'), the service is sans défaut.

- ✔ Bar
- ✔ Fitness centre
- ✔ Parking
- ✔ Restaurant
- ✔ Sauna
- ✔ Wi-Fi
- ✔ Beach
- ✔ Laundry
- ✔ Pool
- ✔ Room service
- ✔ Spa

## 9/10 Rooms

The maison's 61 rooms, suites, and villas come with private outdoor space (and some with pools) are bedecked in sandblasted, semi-bleached wood; summery rattan and wicker; and splashes of bohemian modernism via printed fabrics and eclectic objets d'art sourced from around the world. Bathrooms are blue-tiled sanctuaries with rain showers, free-standing tubs, and custom-scented Leonor Greyl products.

## 9/10 Food & drink

There's currently one main restaurant and one bar, but another beach restaurant is opening soon. The all-day, open-air La Case de l'Isle has an Italian/French Riviera ambiance and serves freshly caught mahi-mahi, lemons from Menton, and Provençal veal (rosé also features proximately-quelle surprise). Breakfast is a buffet banquet of house-made brioche and vanilla cakes or from-the-kitchen eggs with blankets of black truffle or crowns of caviar.

## 8/10 Value for money

Double rooms from €720 (£576) in low season; and from €1,125 (£886) in high, which includes breakfast, Wi-Fi, and round-trip transfers from the airport. St Barth is notoriously expensive and this is no exception, though most would say it's worth it for the added discretion, refinement, and curated in-room trimmings – like custom candles, fancy bath accouterments, and bottles of house-made vanilla rum left bedside.

### Access for guests with disabilities?

Between the sand and the stairs, the maison is not well suited for those with mobility issues.

### Family-friendly?

Yes, especially during holidays like Easter where they put on activities like treasure hunts.

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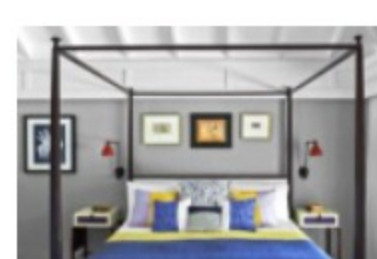


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