

## Kempinski's First Caribbean Resort Is Opening in October

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The most anticipated hotel opening of 2019 in the Caribbean is set for October.

Luxury hotel brand Kempinski has announced that its new hotel in Dominica will officially open its doors on Oct. 14 of this year.





The ultra-luxe Cabrits Resort and Spa Kempinski Dominica will be Kempinski's second hotel in the Caribbean along with the existing Gran Manzana in Havana, Cuba — and its first-ever resort in the Caribbean.

"Bringing this project to fruition is another remarkable milestone for Kempinski Hotels," said Michael Schoonewagen, General Manager, Cabrits Resort & Spa Kempinski Dominica. "We are especially proud of this property because it will give travelers the chance to experience Dominica like never before by bringing together the timeless opulence of Kempinski with the destination's pristine, untouched landscape to create a transcendent experience where luxury meets nature."



*A rendering of a room.*

The hotel will have a total of 151 rooms and suites, from mountain or ocean view rooms to large two-bedroom duplexes and a collection of villas.

The latter will be topped by the 4,585-square-foot Presidential Villa, which will feature butler service, two bedrooms, 2.5



bathrooms, a private spa room and a private pool, among other amenities.

Dining concepts at the hotel will include three eateries, highlighted by Cabrits Market, the hotel's signature restaurant with a Creole-themed dinner and international fare during the daytime hours.



*What a bathroom will look like at the new hotel.*

That's along with the Kweyol Beach Cafe, a traditional Creole beach bar, and the pan-Asian Bonsai restaurant, which will serve up sushi, sashimi, Thai curries and wok-sauteed dishes.

The hotel will also feature the Rumfire Bar, a rum and cigar bar led by a mix of cocktails featuring local rums and other spirits.

And yes, there will be a major spa, the 18,000-square-foot Kempinski Spa, with a range of indoor and outdoor wellness experiences.



*A look at the new spa.*

The Kempinski will additionally feature 8,000 square feet of event space.

The property, set on Douglas Bay Beach, is a major injection of luxury to what has long been one of the Caribbean's best-kept secrets.

It adds to what is a collection of largely boutique hotels in Dominica, led by the renowned Secret Bay, also in the north of the country.

The new Kempinski is the latest project by Range Developments in the Caribbean, best known for the Park Hyatt St Kitts.

For more, visit the [Kempinski Dominica](#).

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