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Grand Opening

When in Rome

Palazzo Dama (palazzodama.com) is no stranger to high society. The early-20th-century Roman villa on the edge of the Tiber River was the home of the Malaspina family, who hosted many a fashionable fete. Opened in January as a 30-room hotel, the property is now an elegant escape within the city, where historic marble mosaics and original art-nouveau doors pair with Loro Piana fabrics and midcentury Italian furnishings. Architect Antonio Girardi sourced rare curios from around the world for every nook and cranny, from antique Persian carpets in the restaurant to a rainfall of crystal chandeliers (sourced from New York's Plaza Hotel) in the lounge. Settle in like one of the Malaspinas with a leisurely afternoon by the estate's swimming pool, followed by a stroll through its flowering gardens and an *aperitivo* with a view on the rooftop terrace.

—SARA MAGRO



All In on Grenada

The English developer Peter de Savary has built private clubs and resorts from the South Carolina Lowcountry (Cherokee Plantation) to the Scottish Highlands (the Carnegie Club at Skibo Castle). Now, more than a half century

after his first visit to the island of Grenada, he is realizing his vision of nirvana in the Caribbean.

Why Grenada?

I first visited in 1952, when I holidayed for a month with my parents. When I returned in 2006, I was delighted to find that the magic remains. It is still largely undiscovered and full of opportunity, beauty, and charm, with a wonderful equatorial climate year round.

What's your development approach in such a special place?

Mount Cinnamon Resort and the maritime village of Port Louis are all about quality and not quantity. We don't want Florida in the Caribbean; it's more like Switzerland.

What's next for you in Grenada?

Continuing the development of Port Louis, including rebuilding the Islander Hotel [bombed during the U.S.-led invasion of Grenada in 1983]—which was once a magnet for the likes of James Mason, Joan Collins, and Harry Belafonte—into an exceptional international-standard resort property.



Mount Cinnamon Resort

A Sampling of de Savary's Ventures

Mount Cinnamon Resort • Opened in 2007, this collection of 23 villas and suites includes a private beach club and spa. Thirty-two additional suites are currently under construction. mountcinnamongrenadahotel.com

Port Louis • De Savary calls this maritime village in St. George's "the Portofino of the Caribbean." Though he sold the Port Louis marina to the yacht company Camper & Nicholsons in early 2009, he

is still actively involved in the area's development, including the rebuilding of the Islander Hotel, where he stayed on his first visit to Grenada. portlouisgrenada.com

Tufton Hall • Rivers, waterfalls, and swimming holes dot this historic plantation property high in the rain forest, where de Savary plans to open a safari-style resort in the coming years. tuftonhallgrenada.com —JEFF MILLS