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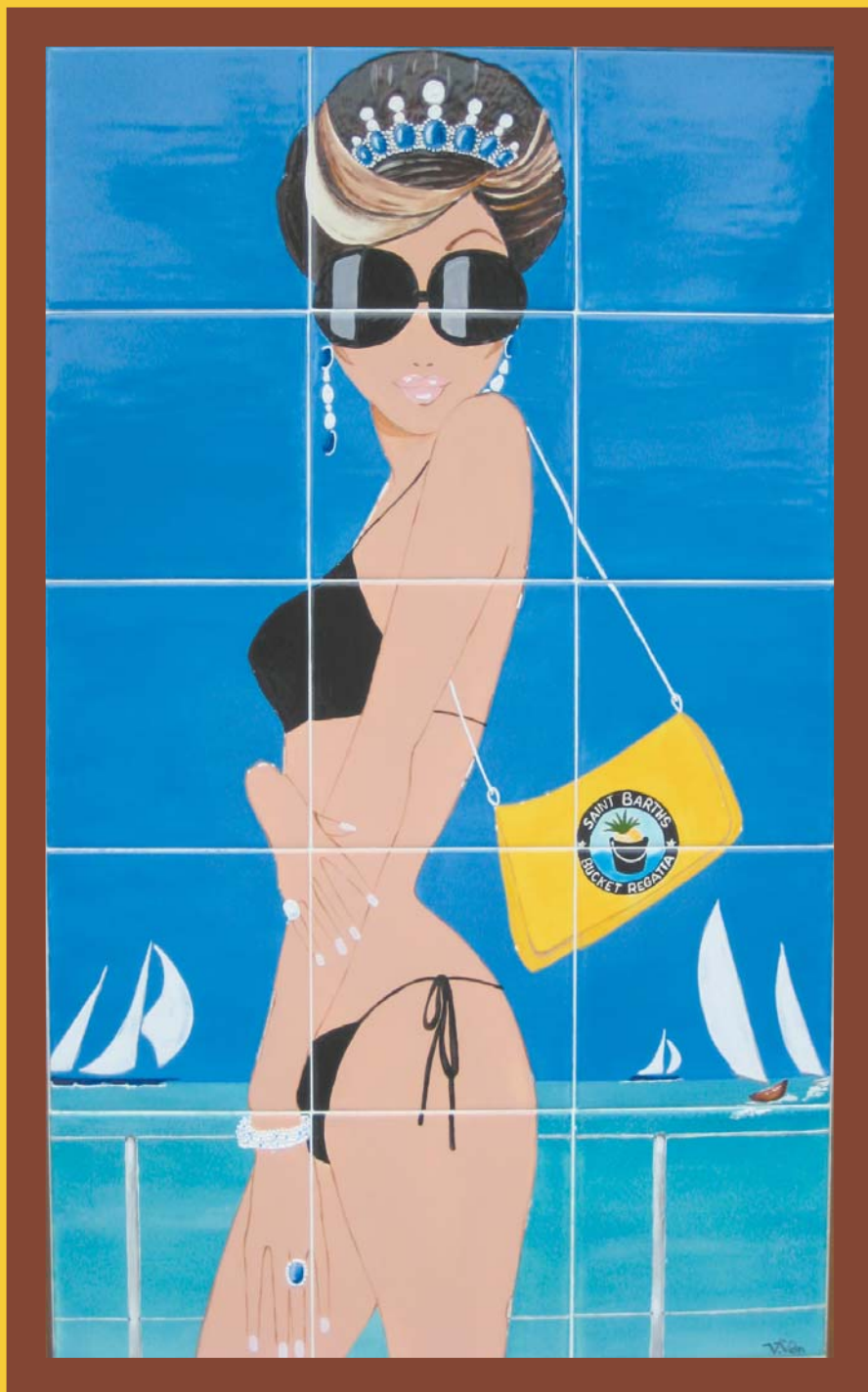
# St-Barth WEEKLY

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On view at Gallery Porta 34 in Gustavia through April 4 is a special ceramic tile created by artist Véronique VanderNoot, for the 2008 edition of the Bucket.



# 13th Edition of the Saint Barth Bucket This Weekend

**T**he 13th edition of the Saint Barth Bucket takes place this weekend—March 28-30—with another flotilla of fabulous sailboats, from the smallest, Wild Horses at 76', to the 163' Perseus, one of the four Perini Navi yachts in the race. By mid-week, the mega-motor-yachts usually anchored at the main docks in Gustavia had ceded their berths to the fleet of 29 sailboats taking part in this year's Bucket, which kicked off with the captains' briefing at 5pm on Thursday. Later that day, a welcome cocktail was held for the owners and participants of the Bucket.

## *Around The Island On Friday*

All of the boats were ready to go by 9:30am on Friday, as they headed to the starting line for first race in the waters off Corossol for an around-the-island regatta in a counter-clockwise direction. The staggered starts began at 11am with all

boats expected back to the dock before 5pm. On Saturday, March 29, the second race follows an Olympic triangular course around the little islands to the north of Saint Barth. The final race on Sunday, March 30, is a clockwise tour around the island. The starts are staggered based on the handicaps given to the boats, the heaviest—therefore the slowest—go first; the fastest ones go last.

As far as the weather is concerned, the website Wind Guru predicts winds from the East-Northeast at 25 to 30 knots over the three days of the race with swells from the North expected to create waves up to nine feet on Friday, with seas a little calmer on Saturday and Sunday.

Thanks to the hard work of race organizers Melanie Smith, Hank Halsted, Tim Laughridge, and Ian Craddock, in collaboration with the Saint Barth Yacht Club, the Collectivity of Saint-Barth, and the Port of Gustavia, this event has become one of the top nautical events of the year in Saint Barth.

## A Charitable Regatta

Every year the organizers donate between 3,000 and 7,000 euros to the Saint Barth Yacht Club to help the development of sailing in Saint Barthélemy. This year, they will also make a donation to the SNSM rescue station, whose new boat will provide safety services during the Bucket. In collaboration with other partners, they will also organize a collection of funds from the participants of the Bucket. These monies will be donated to FEMUR, (Saint Barth's Foundation for Emergency Medical Equipment), which is marking its 25th anniversary in 2008.

### TICKETS TO BENEFIT FEMUR

The St. Barths Bucket committee will auction off 2 sets of tickets to this Saturday's owners party of the St. Barths Bucket. The silent auction will take place under the tents on the dock this Thursday from 1- 4:30 and Friday 3 to 7 pm.

All proceeds of the auction will go to FEMUR, the local charity which purchases medical equipment for the hospital.

## List of Entries

- Altair (Fife) 125'
- Andromeda La Dea (Perini Navi) 154'
- Antara (Perini Navi) 154'
- Avalon (Southern Pacific Yachts) 108'
- Axia (S & S) 124'
- Cyclos III (Royal Huisman) 139'
- Freedom (Picciotti) 124'
- Gliss (Royal Huisman) 105'
- Helios (Perini Navi) 148'
- Hyperion (Royal Huisman) 156'
- Kaori (Palmer Johnson) 118'
- Leopard 3 (Farr Design) 100'
- Mystere (Vitters Shipyard) 145'
- Paraiso (Alloy Yachts) 108'
- Patient Falcon (Able Marine) 93'
- Perseus (Perini Navi) 163'
- Ranger (J Boat) 137'
- Rebecca (Pendennis) 141'
- Salperton (Dubois/Fitzroy Yachts) 144'
- Sea Quell (Alloy Yachts) 112'
- Sojana (Custom Farr Ketch) 115'
- Symmetry (Yachting Development) 96'
- Tenacious (Trident Shipworks) 115'
- Visione (Baltic) 148'
- Whitehawk (O. Lie Nielson) 105'
- Wild Horses (Brooklin Boat Yard) 76'
- Windcrest (Hodgdon Yachts) 98'
- Windrose (Holland Jachtbouw) 152'
- Zanzibar (Treadhard) 103'



# GALERIE ASIE ANTIQUITES

"...We could as well be in Paris, New York, or London, but we prefer to be here!" After more than thirty years tra-

velling all around Asia, and the world, Jean-Pierre Hennequet has opened his second "GalerieAsie" in Gustavia, St-Barths, at the back of the harbour. His first one was opened on Paris'left bank in the mid-seventies, after he visited China as early as 1972.

In Galerie Asie, some visitors feel

like being in a Museum, discovering a very personal and eclectic choice, ranging from Papua New Guinea to

Tibetan religious pieces. Jean-Pierre also shows an impressive selection of Khmer sand-stone sculptures, and many smaller objects from almost every single asian country. As well as a few truly exceptional "Museum pieces", including some from...Africa!

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# Three days of racing

## • FRIDAY, March 28th •

11 am : First Gun / First Race: "Around the Island Race" Course

Leaving Les Saintes to PORT, head SOUTH around the Island, leaving :

- Ile Coco to PORT
- Roches Rouges to PORT
- Les Grenadiers to PORT
- Ile Chevreau to PORT – leaving Ile Fregate to STARBOARD
- Pass Ile Fourche to PORT
- To FINISH - passing Le Boeuf either side.

## • SATURDAY, March 29th •

11 am : First Gun / Second Race

"The Wiggley Course" Course:

Heading NORTH, leaving:

- Ile de la Pointe to STARBOARD and Le Boeuf to PORT
- Ile de Boulanger and Ile Pele to STARBOARD
- Ile Fregate to STARBOARD, then BETWEEN Ile Chevreau and Fregate
- Ile Fourche to PORT
- To FINISH, leaving Le Boeuf, either side

## • SUNDAY, March 30th •

11 am : First Gun / Third Race

"Around the Island Clockwise"

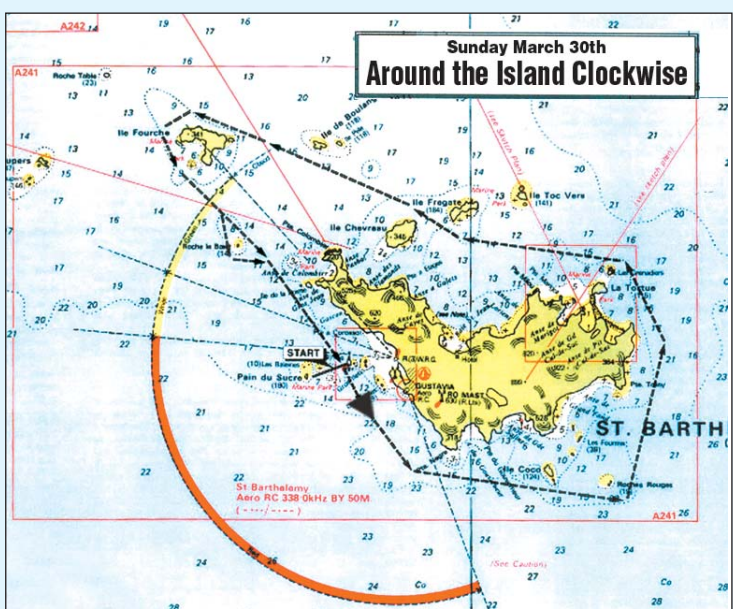
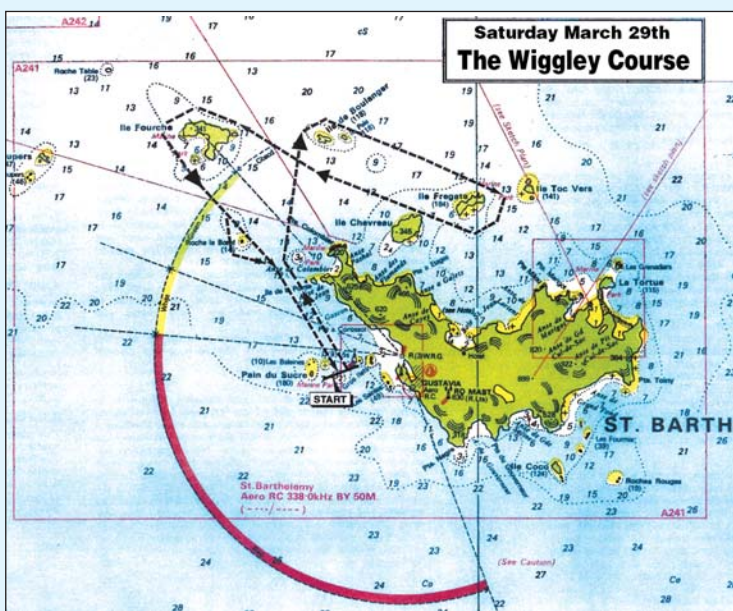
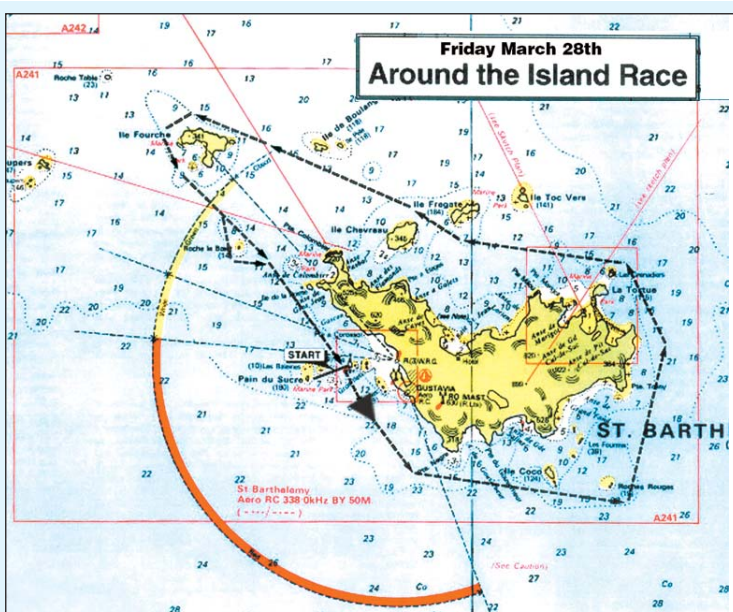
## WHERE TO WATCH THE REGATTAS

Some of the best spots on the island to watch the Bucket are at the top of Gustavia, Lurin, Grand Fond, Pointe Milou, and Anse des Cayes (the road to Colombier), as well as at the lighthouse above Gustavia, and the lookout point in Colombier.

## SECURITY NOTICE

□ For all Bucket spectators in boats: It is a wonderful and rare opportunity to be able to follow the progress of the Bucket fleet in your own boat. However, please be aware that these giant sailboats move at great speeds and their capacity to maneuver quickly in case of emergency during the regatta is extremely limited- that is to say, virtually impossible! Also, please be careful not get caught in their wake, do not pass in front of them, and be sure to leave a maximum of space for them to move freely. Do not put yourself in a dangerous position, for your own safety as well as those in the regatta.

□ Notice to the captains of all boats on moorings: During the weekend of the Saint Barth Bucket, March 28- 30, for security reasons, you are requested not to move your boat between 9am-11am and 2pm-5pm.





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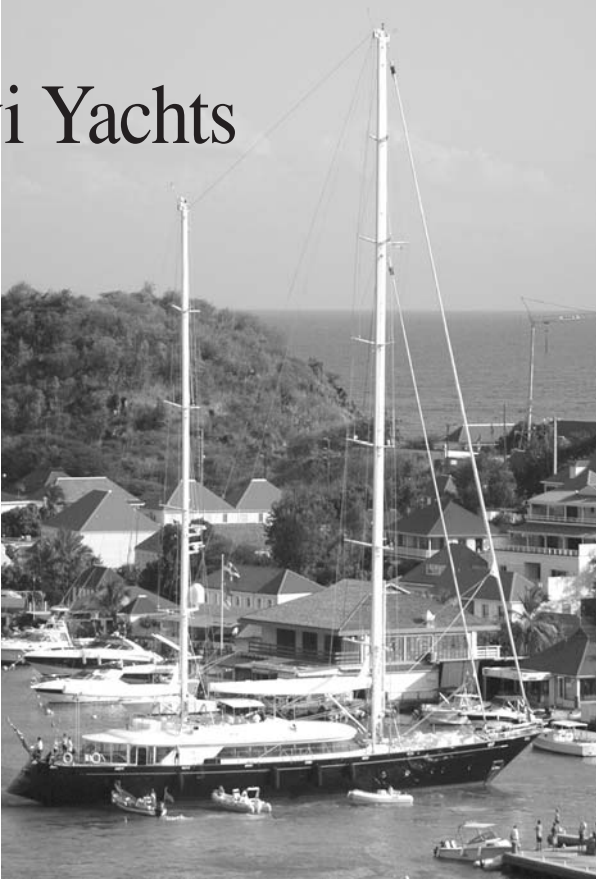
# Fabulous Perini Navi Yachts

## In The Saint Barth Bucket

Anyone watching the Saint Barth Bucket will be sure to notice the presence of the fabulous yachts built by Perini Navi, one of the sponsors of the 2008 Saint Barth Bucket. This year there are four extraordinary Perini Navi yachts in the fleet, ranging from the 148' Helios and 152' Antara to the 154' Andromeda and Perseus at 163'. The owner of each of these yachts will be aboard for the Bucket races.

Perini Navi was established in the early 1980s with the aim of creating large, comfortable sailing yachts,

capable of being handled by a single person. Today, the revolutionary control systems, designed and developed by Fabio Perini and his team, represent the state-of-the-art in sailing technology, and have become a worldwide standard in the shipbuilding industry. Currently, Perini Navi is the leading shipyard in the world to design, develop, and build its own sailing yachts. Perini Navi USA was established in Newport, Rhode Island, dedicated to brokerage and charter services for Perini Navi yachts



"If my memory serves me correctly, our first Saint

Barth Bucket was 1997, and I think we have only skipped one year since. My first "Bucket" was the 1992 Nantucket Bucket," says Bruce Brakenhoff, general manager of Perini Navi USA, who was born into the yachting world: "My father is a yacht broker. He was one of the two principals of Bartram & Brakenhoff, Inc. so I sort of just slid into the business as I grew up," he says. "I have been very lucky to work for Perini Navi: our boats, our people, our owners and our crew are the very best." When asked if he likes one boat the best, Brakenhoff replied: "I don't have a favorite Perini, I love them all for their own special reasons." In terms of racing, Brakenhoff notes: "We try and attend the Newport Bucket, the SuperYacht Cup, the Shipyard Cup, and of course The Perini Navi

Cup. This all depends on our owners wanting to participate too, and to date we have been very lucky as we have been able to participate in lots of regattas." He also points out that while Fabio Perini hasn't yet attended a Saint Barth Bucket, Mrs. Perini and their daughter Gulia are both attending for the third consecutive year in 2008.

"I think the owners, crew, and participants love the combination of the camaraderie and "competitive" racing as well as having the opportunity to be a part of such an incredible gathering of extraordinary boats and people," Brakenhoff notes about the Bucket. "Saint Barth has great scenery, lovely weather, and extremely friendly locals."

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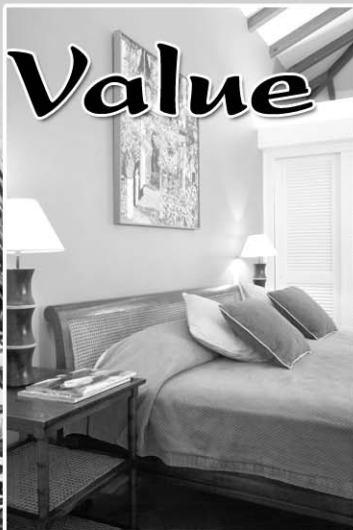
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## BUCKET 2008 SCHEDULE EVENTS

- **Friday, March 28th**  
 ⌚ 9am : Skipper's meeting at the marquee, start times distributed  
 ⌚ 11am : First Gun/ First Race "Around the Island Race"  
 ⌚ 7pm - 9 pm : Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres served aboard the yachts (private), stern to at the Quay (open to public).
- **Saturday, March 29th**  
 ⌚ 9am : Skipper's meeting at the marquee, start times distributed  
 ⌚ 11am : First Gun/Second Race - "The Wiggley Course"  
 ⌚ 7pm : Dock Party at the Quay.
- **Sunday, March 30th**  
 ⌚ 9am : Skipper's meeting at the marquee, start times distributed  
 ⌚ 11am : First Gun/ Third Race - «Around the Island Clockwise»  
 ⌚ 7pm : Awards Presentation and Cocktail Party at the Marquee.

# The Bucket History

The first Bucket regatta was organized in Nantucket in August, 1986 by Roger Janes, Captain of "Volodor", John Clyde Smith, Captain of "Mandalay" and Peter Goldstein, owner-Captain of the yacht "Flying Goose". After an evening that evolved into a copious Mount Gay Rum debate, the stage was set for bragging rights. Seven yachts sailed the first Nantucket Bucket, a fifteen mile course in Nantucket Sound that was handicapped by staggered starting times. Recollections are vague as to exactly which yacht won, but

records clearly indicate that no yacht finished worse than seventh. A popular event since the first sailing, the Nantucket Bucket Regatta expanded over the years, along with the size of yachts in the fleet.

Between 1986 and 2001, the Nantucket Bucket flourished, becoming a premier Mega Yacht regatta that invites owners and crews of the world's largest sailing yachts to sail to peak performance in a safe venue, in the spirit of wholesome competition. The concept of the staggered start, where each yacht is assigned its own starting time, creates a great safety net in allowing the starting area to be clear for maneuvering.

## FIRST ST BARTHS BUCKET IN 1995

The first St. Barth's Bucket was launched in 1995, organized and supported by Captain Timothy Laughridge and Isam Kabbani, owner of "Sariyah", Captain Mike Fireband, team "Gleam" and Captain Ian Craddock, team "Mandalay". In the spirit of Bucket tradition, all owners, captains and crews enjoyed cocktails and canapés while the starting positions for the following day's race were negotiated. Each night a different vessel vied for the right to host a cocktail party for all participants. Rumor has it that this may have influenced the race committee's decision for the vessel's starting time the next day...

## FROM NANTUCKET TO NEWPORT

Following the announcement that 2001 was to be the last Nantucket Bucket, the founders passed the torch to the present Bucket Race Committee: Hank Halsted, Ian Craddock and Timothy Laughridge. The summer



venue was shifted in 2002, to Newport, RI, by the Newport Shipyard.

The St. Barth's Bucket has evolved into a stellar event as well, with fully 29 yachts in attendance for the 2008 event. Indeed, the St. Barth's Bucket has become a celebration for the entire Island, from the Capitainerie to the St. Barth's Yacht Club to the Mayor's office; we have benefited from their full participation.

As the Bucket Regattas have evolved, the organizers have kept a tight focus on maintaining the original, non-commercial flavor of the event. Although the cost of producing a regatta of this magnitude is not insubstantial, those costs have been controlled and subsidized by direct owner contributions and their hosting parties themselves, for their competition. The yachting industry has been generous in putting forward sponsorship for the event. As such, the Bucket maintains the feel of an event put on by owners, and by the businesses that are supported by those owners and their yachts. The Bucket Regattas have had additional support from a number of firms from outside the marine industry as well, but all in keeping with the low key, non-commercial flavor of the event.

The reason for the success of the Bucket Regattas is that they are primarily about having fun aboard the most spectacular sailing yachts ever launched, in the nicest cruising areas in the world. The Bucket provides a safe venue in which these yachts can sail to peak performance, with equal focus on winning the race - and winning the party.

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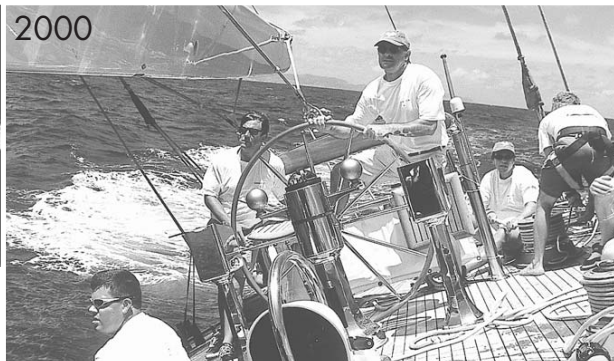
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1999  
4th edition of the Saint Barth Bucket, 1999: The crew of the 125' Mandalay (photo), comprised primarily of women, tied for first place with the 142', Andromeda.



2000  
Who won in 2000? Mischievous arrives first but because of its small size (just 65') it was not an official entry in the Bucket: at the end of the day it was Endeavour who won the Bucket 2000, the first in the new millennium.



2001: Saryiah wins! Left to right: Mark Del Guidice, skipper of Mischievous, Timothy Laughridge, co-organizer and then skipper of Saryiah, Assam Kabbani, the owner of Saryiah, and Ian Craddock, co-organizer.



2002  
2002: First appearance in the Bucket. First victory. The 112' yacht, Unfurled, at the time the lightest boat in the fleet. Photo Philippe Hochart

## PAST WINNERS



2003  
Sergio Ardrade and Clive Youtlen, respectively owner and skipper of Zingaro, a custom 112' S&S/Derecktor sloop that took top honors in 2003.



2004  
2004: The crew with Carlo Falcone, owner of the 80' ketch Mariella, celebrating with joy after winning the 9th edition.



2005  
Freedom of Flight, winner in 2005, participated for the first time.



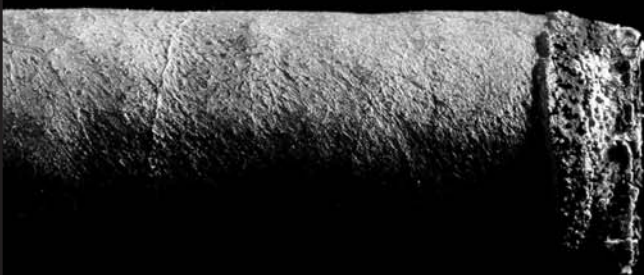
2006  
2006: No wind, no races: all three days were cancelled. Since there was no winner, the trophy was awarded in the memory of Tommy Taylor, co-founder of the Nantucket Bucket and owner of Avalon, who was tragically killed in a snowmobile accident in mid-February that year.

2007  
2007: Kaori, the 125' Palmer Johnson-Chuck Paine yacht (formerly Mandalay, winner of the 1999 edition) was once again the winner last year in one of the best regattas since the Bucket was launched in 1996.





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# Three "Cats" From Saint Barth in Rolex Cup Regatta

Following the Heineken Regatta in early March, three 18' catamarans will race in the colors of Saint Barth during the International Rolex Regatta, which is celebrating its 35th anniversary in St. Thomas on March 28-30, the same weekend as the St Barth Bucket. The winner of each class—there are a total of seven—receives Rolex watches. As of Monday, four days before the first race, 79 boats were set to participate in the Rolex, including the three from Saint Barth. Two are Nacra "cats" — Naccra Steph, with Stéphane Geoffroy at the helm with Ronan as crew, and Nacré Saint Barth, with Jeff Lédée and Vincent Jordi aboard (They hope to win the Beach Cats



category). The third Saint Barth entry is a Cirrus F18, Ness, with skipper Thierry Lhinares and crewmember Anabella De Jesus Silva. They all flew to St. Thomas on Wednesday, March 26 to

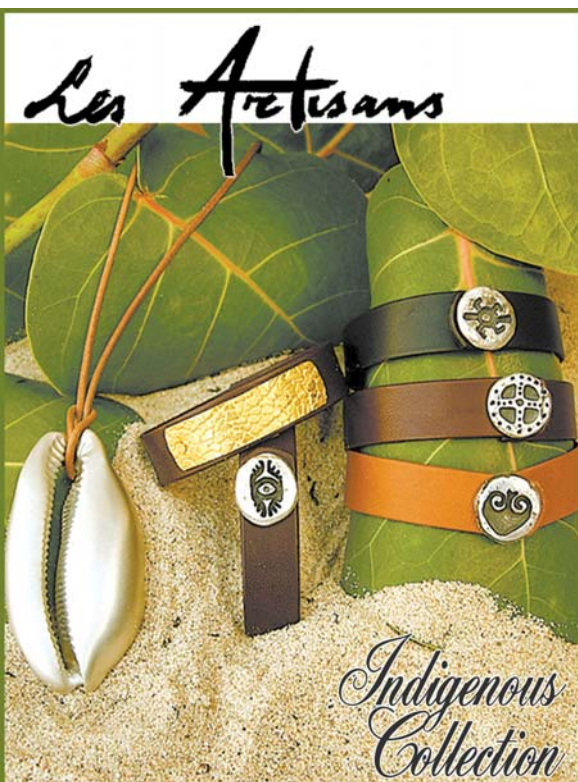
get their boats ready for the first race on Friday. In order to take part in this regatta, the three "cats" were sent by sea container a week ago, sponsored by Tropical Shipping. Four of the six sailors have already taken part in this regatta on several occasions, but it is the first time they have taken three boats: "Before, we raced on Prindle," explains Geoffroy. "But the other competitors from the French and Dutch West Indies decided to race from now on with 18-footers in order to avoid ratings and really race the same boats." Team Saint Barth hopes that the Rolex Regatta will allow them to race against the American counterparts they rarely have occasion to see, and to meet the top names on the circuit, such as Puerto Rican Enrique Figueroa, who at 44 remains one of the leaders in the field.

After the Rolex, the three teams will race again in the le trio Captain Oliver's Carib Beer Regatta on May 19, followed by the Quiksilver SXM Challenge from

June 20-23, 2008. These two events take place in St Martin, with the first setting sail from Oyster Pond and the second, at Orient Bay, is also open to windsurfers and kites surfers. In 2009, they hope to be on the starting line during the Schoelcher nautical week in Martinique, but have sworn not to go back to the Heineken Regatta, which did not leave them with positive memories: "The buoys were invisibles. It was extremely dangerous," say the sailors, who were also obliged to navigate between the bigger boats.

## RENAISSANCE OF THE CATACUP?

Held in Saint Barth from 1992 until hurricane Luis took place in 1995, the CataCup, (a race for catamarans as the name indicates) could rise from its ashes. That is the hope for the 18' team from Saint Barth who plans to work on the project once they are back from St. Thomas. Stay tuned to the Weekly for more information.

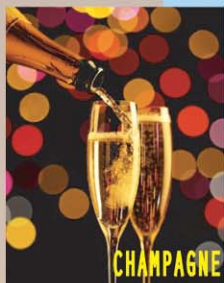


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# More Bark Than Bite

The boardwalk in Gustavia broke in a few places. The concrete boat slip in Corossol split in two. The deck at Nikki Beach was in splinters. A fishing boat overturned in the port. That's the worst of the damage caused by high waves that battered the coast of Saint Barth from Tuesday,

*The boardwalk in Gustavia broke in a few places.*

island's beaches, the Northern Islands were placed on a red alert from Tuesday evening through Friday morning. During this period, swimming and all other nautical activities were suspended. The Port of Gustavia and the commercial port in Public were closed as well, from Wednesday noon until Satur-

de Mer, which was lifted up and broken at several points. In Public, the campers who didn't abandon their traditional Easter campsite were able to resist the waves. But it wasn't easy: first thing Wednesday morning they spent a few hours digging a breakwater to hold back the water. They were obliged to reinforce the breakwater during the night of Wednesday to Thursday, at the height of it all, and use plywood as to reinforce the sand. In Flamands, the waves "ate" the sand and the beach pretty much disappeared, but should return soon, while more sand was deposited at the Petite Anse. In Saint-Jean, the restaurant, La Plage, found itself ankle-deep in water but overall the waves brought more sand to this part of the beach, which is currently wider than before. This is not the case

on the eastern side of the bay. As of Tuesday evening, the beach near Nikki Beach had disappeared. The deck at the restaurant was damaged and as of this week the level of the sand is extremely low. In Lorient, the sea was very rough, with strong currents making it very dangerous. Two imprudent swimmers ignored the warnings not to go into the water and almost lost their lives (see opposite page).

That was the story for the most exposed shorelines... yet the waves caused joy for the surfers—even though some were disappointed that the swells were not stronger still—with the best surfers taking advantage of the big waves at Kawabonga (the Ninja cry used as the name of one of the surf spots at Grand Fond) and the others hanging ten at Toiny.

## TWO MEN SAVED FROM DROWNING IN LORIENT

More scared than anything else, two men were saved from drowning while swimming off the coast of Lorient. They owe their good fortune to those who helped them: two fishermen in the first case and a surfer in the second instance. The two men, one 43 and the other 81, ignored the prohibition of all nautical activities that was in effect between Tuesday and Saturday morning due to strong swells from the North generated by a large storm 2500 kilometers north of the Antilles. The 43 year-old man required aid at approximately 12:30pm last Friday. Used to swimming in Lorient, he dove in as usual during his lunch break. But a strong current pulled him

more than 300 meters from the coast, according to witnesses who called for help. While awaiting the arrival of the firemen, Jocelyn, a fisherman from Lorient, and his cousin René, provided assistance. They got their fishing boat from its mooring and braved the unusually high waves to reach the hapless swimmer.

The second incident took place close to 4:30pm the same day. The 81 year-old man went into the ocean in spite of the bad weather conditions. This time, a surfer provided the rescue. Both of these incidents could have been avoided if the two swimmers involved had respected the instructions not to go into the water!

March 18 through Saturday, March 22. This was an unexpected phenomenon—in terms of the calendar—as swells like this usually develop from November through February, and in terms of force—with waves averaging 18 feet, and the height of the biggest waves topping 21 feet at approximately 3:00am during the night of Wednesday to Thursday, according to the wave meter at the Grande Vigie in Guadeloupe. The cause was a large storm off of the North American coast, rare for this time of year.

### Two Days On Red Alert

Due to the strong swells during Easter week when the local population camps out in large numbers on the

day morning. As a result, all ferry service was interrupted for a few days. And the desalination plant stopped production as of late morning on Wednesday. Production started again on Saturday, once the waters had calmed down.

### Impact On The Island

The Port of Gustavia was especially exposed to the swells that came into the harbor, with high waves flooding the road near the new dock in front of Presqu'île. The strength of the waves was strong enough to move two cars and knock over a planter. In spite of the assault of the waves, the net result wasn't so bad. This was not the case for the boardwalk that runs parallel to the Rue du Bord





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# Christian Lacroix's Evian Haute Couture At Auction In Saint Barth

There are only 99 in existence and sold exclusively in the most select spots of the world. One of these glass bottles, created by Christian Lacroix for Haute Couture Evian (part of the Dannon Group) and hand-blown by meticulous Swiss artisans, will be sold at auction in Saint Barth at the end of a traveling exhibit organized by Segeco, the local distributor for Evian mineral water. The exhibit will be held in four hotels and restaurants on the island during the month of April. The monies collected will go to help finance the Ramsar Convention\*— for which Evian and the Dannon

group have been sponsors since 1998. Christian Lacroix, who celebrated his 20th anniversary in the world of high fashion, designed the Haute Couture Evian bottle in the shape of an ice queen. He gave it the silhouette of a princess, creating a sort of snow fairy dressed in couture with a crown of flowers, a crystal bottle for her dress, and a crystal shawl. The bottle can be seen in St. Barth from March 31-April 27. It will go to the winner in the month of May after the auctioneer confirms the highest bidder. The Manapany will have the bottle from March 31-April 6, then the Sereno



from April 7-13, Le Toiny from April 14-20, and finally Nikki Beach restaurant in St. Jean until April 27.

## About Ramsar Convention

Signed in 1971 and enacted in 1975, the Ramsar Convention is an intergovernmental treaty which provides the framework for national action and international cooperation for the conservation and wise use of wetlands and their resources. There are presently 158 countries signatory to the convention, compared to 119 in 2000, with 1722 wetland sites, totaling 160 million hectares, while in 2000 there were just 1021 sites. There were 18 countries that signed the convention in 1971.



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Thirty-six Swedes were welcomed to Saint Barth on Tuesday by Nils Dufau, a territorial council member who also represents ASBAS, the Saint Barth-Sweden Friendship Association. With an average age of 60, these visitors came to Saint Barth with Leif Hubertsson and his company, Caribbean Picture and Travel, which has organized trips to Saint Barth during

Easter vacation for the past 21 years. During a cocktail reception, Dufau briefly recapped the history of Saint Barthélemy during its Swedish area, and explained the island's recent political evolution. Next Friday the group will head to Saint Martin for the second part of its Caribbean vacation, with a week's stay punctuated by two days trips—to Saba and Anguilla.



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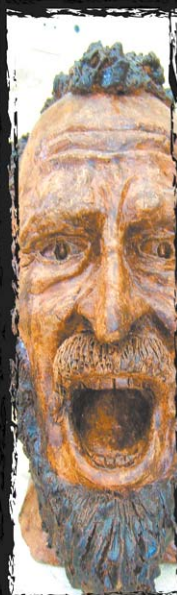
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## Will Cotton At the Eden Rock

Following shows by Terry O'Neill and Richard Prince, the Eden Rock hotel recently hosted a show by the well-known New York painter Will Cotton. After a three-week residency at the hotel over looking Saint Jean bay, the artist has gone back to New York but the work he did in Saint Barth can seen at Jane's Gallery for a few more days. Known for his sumptuous paintings brimming with candy, chocolate, and other sugary treats, as well as landscapes with nude women, Will Cotton did not change his style for his show in Saint Barth. With names such as Ribbon Candy and Candy Palm, the nine oils-on-paper presented at Jane's Gallery are an invitation into a world of voluptuous confections.

For the artist, this residency also allowed him the opportunity to expand his style: "While at the Eden Rock I had the chance to try out some techniques and ideas I'd been thinking about for some time. All the pieces I made there are essentially oil sketches on paper, several of them in full color, which was a new experiment for me. I continued working on the theme of adornment with four new pictures of models in various kinds of sweet hats," he says. "As a lot of the work I

make refers to specific landscapes, I went to St. Barth hoping to be inspired by the local terrain. What I found was that more than anything else, I kept looking up at the sky, and consequently I wound up making a study of clouds as dollops of whipped cream. I also became intrigued with the Eden aspect of palm trees and made



*Ribbon Candy 2008, oil on paper*

several versions of the trees as they might appear in Candy Land". Will Cotton is represented by Mary Boone Gallery in New York, and has exhibited throughout the United States and Europe. His work is currently included in the exhibition "Voyage A Giverny," on view at the Musee Marmottan Monet, Paris.

Will Cotton, Jane's Gallery,  
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► **Thursday**  
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- Caribbean Influence, Yacht Club, Gustavia  
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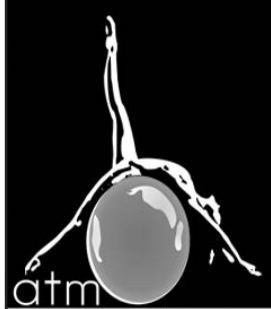
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- 9:30 pm, Fashion Show Ti St Barth, Pointe Milou

## Exhibitions

► **Through March 31**  
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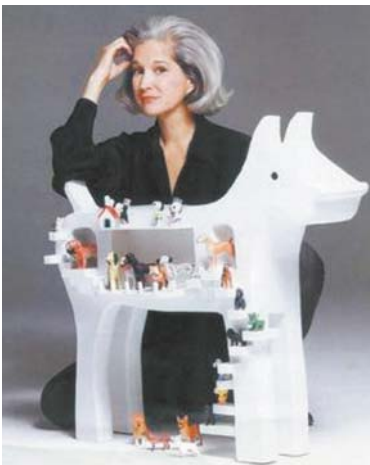
# Mia Fonssagrives-Solow's Jewellery

## At Swedish Design Centre in Saint Barth

**M**ia Fonssagrives-Solow has joined the collection of contemporary Swedish designers whose work is on display at the Swedish Design Centre of Saint Barth in Saint Jean ([www.swedishdesigncentre.com](http://www.swedishdesigncentre.com)). Launched by Nils and Susanna Passburg, the Swedish Design Centre offers an innovative and unique collection of contemporary and modern classic objects and accessories of Swedish design, heritage, and origin.

Mia Fonssagrives-Solow's link to Sweden is through her mother, Lisa Fonssagrives, who was born in

Udevalla on the west coast of Sweden, and considered the world's first top model (she married famous photographers Fernand Fonssagrives and Irving Penn). The lines of Mia's work reflect the timeless simplicity of Swedish design while asymmetric shapes add a modern flair to some of the pieces. "We have just one part of her collection, with sterling silver necklaces,



overall collection includes gold and silver pins, pendants, earrings, cuffs, charm bracelets and charm necklaces. Her work has been seen from Palm Beach to The Hamptons, and she is included in the National Jewelry Institute's 2008 Designer Showcase, which will be seen in various US cities throughout the year. "We also have some of her more eclectic pieces," adds Susanna. "One is a very wide cuff bracelet in solid copper, covered with gold. Then she created the pattern of Sagittarius with small gems like the stars in the constellation." Another bracelet is also a cuff, this time an elephant. "Mia also does these exotic animals," Susanna notes. "At first it looks like a modern design but then you see the sculpted movement of the ears and trunk of the elephant. It's really very beautiful."

bracelets and earrings that are like the pieces of a puzzle pulled apart," says Susanna. "The interesting thing about Mia is that she has taken the formula of some of the great Scandinavian designers such as Georg Jensen and Sigurd Persson and translated it into something new and quite different." In the 1960s Mia Fonssagrives-Solow was in the fashion business in Paris and when she returned to the United States, she became a sculptor, making larger-than-life-size animals and large sculptures too big to fit in most art galleries. In 1984 she began making smaller versions of her work as jewelry and recreated her animal shapes including walking cats, swinging monkeys, butterflies with folded wings, lions' heads, and standing meerkats (African mongooses). Her

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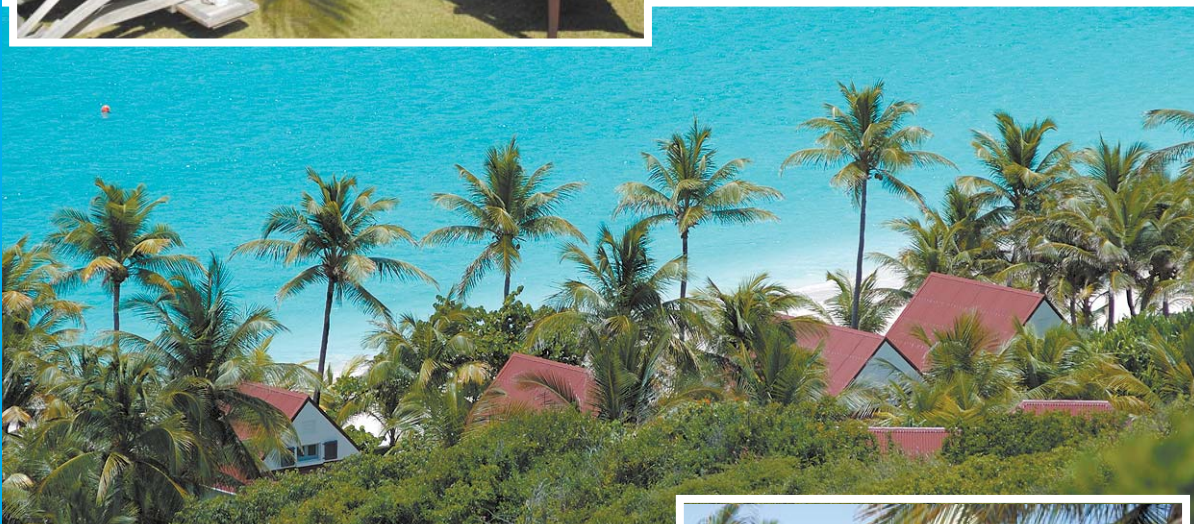


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High: 80° F / 27° C  
Wind East 20mph. / 32km/h.  
**Night** : Scattered Clouds  
Low: 77° F / 25° C.  
Wind ENE 20mph/32km/h

### Sunday

Partly Cloudy  
High: 80° F / 27° C  
Wind ENE 17 mph. / 28 km/h.  
**Night** : Scattered Clouds  
Low: 77° F / 25° C.  
Wind ENE 17mph / 28km/h

### Tuesday

Scattered Clouds  
High: 80° F / 27° C  
Wind ENE 22mph / 36 km/h  
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# Beautiful Signs To Mark Access To The Beaches

Ceramic signs marking access to the six principal beaches of Saint Barth should be put into place by the beginning of the summer. The island recently voted to commission Véronique VanderNoot, who initiated the project, to make the signs. She had the idea in noting that the access to the beaches was not well indicated. Véronique VanderNoot, an accomplished artist who has won the St. Barth painting competition and created the pottery studio Blue Gecko, decided to propose an artistic solution to the problem. Each sign—measuring 24 x 36”—will be made of 15 ceramic tiles on which the artist painted the various beaches. “The sign is a representation of what can be seen from the beach. They have the island or islands that can be seen from there as well as an element that has sig-



nificance for each beach. For Lorient, I added a turtle as they are frequently seen there. You can also recognize a piece of the surfers’ cabin. The name of the beach will always be in navy blue and the other colors are those of the water and the sand.” Once painted, the tiles will be fired for 24 hours then mounted in a marine wood frame that should withstand the exterior weather conditions. The beaches selected Saint Jean (airport side), Lorient, Salines, Gouverneur, Shell Beach, and Flamands. Using the same technique, Véronique designs similar ceramic signs for villas and recently completed a large-format sign—36 x 48”—for AJOE. Under construction is another one for the elementary school in Colombier, which Veronique is volunteering to make with the students.

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And thanks especially to St Barth Weekly, both the French and english editions, for their excellent coverage of our fundraiser. This indeed is not only a beautiful island, but a generous one, as well.”

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## Horoscope

**ARIES (March 21- April 19) :** Concentrate on yourself or your work. Changes in your domestic scene are evident. Reciprocate by offering helpful hints. Visit friends or relatives who have been confirmed.

**TAURUS (Apr. 21- may 21) :** Relationships will be erratic this week. Although up setting, changes in your domestic situation will be favorable. Your fight for those less fortunate is not likely to end in sweet victory. Look into real estate.

**GEMINI (May 22-June 21) :** Be careful if a friend asks you for advice. Based on your excitement, serious-minded individuals will be more than interested in backing your ideas. You are best to be discreet. You can get ahead if you present your ideas to superiors.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22) :**

You should spend your day trying to get things completed at work. Strengthen your position among your peers. Compromising could be on the agenda this week. Don't hesitate to present your unique ideas.

**LEO (July 23-Aug 22) :** You will profit from home improvement projects and real estate deals. Look after financial transactions this week. Don't overspend on luxury items. Time is money and you must be ready to take action in order to reach your highest potential.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23 -Sept. 23) :** Nagging has never been something that you could tolerate, and it's once again driving you into a lonely state of affairs. Someone you work with could try to undermine you. Keep an eye on your weight. Don't let anyone

take credit for a job you did.

**LIBRA (Sept. 24 -Oct. 23) :** You should visit a friend or relative who hasn't been well. Be sure to organize events that will keep the children busy. This will not be the day to lend money to friends or family. Creative endeavors will give you somewhat of an outlet.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22) :** Don't let your jealousy be the reason for a decaying relationship. You can't do everything on your own. You may be confused regarding your love life. You will upset your partner if you have spent money on things that aren't necessary.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 -Dec. 21) :** Don't rely on others to do your work. Be prepared for an active but rewarding day. Be careful while traveling. Go out shopping this week.

**CAPRICORN (Dec 22.- Jan. 20) :**

Include friends and family members in your redecorating plans. You can make amends by taking them somewhere special. Someone you work with may be trying to make you look bad. Be prepared to encounter new friendships that will provide you with valuable information.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 -Feb. 19) :** Social activity with friends and relatives will be most successful. Deep discussions may only lead to friction. You will earn recognition for the work you are doing. You will have a little more energy than usual.

**PISCES (Feb. 20 - March 20) :** You need activity. This is a turning point. You're eager to learn. Refrain from arguing with your mate.

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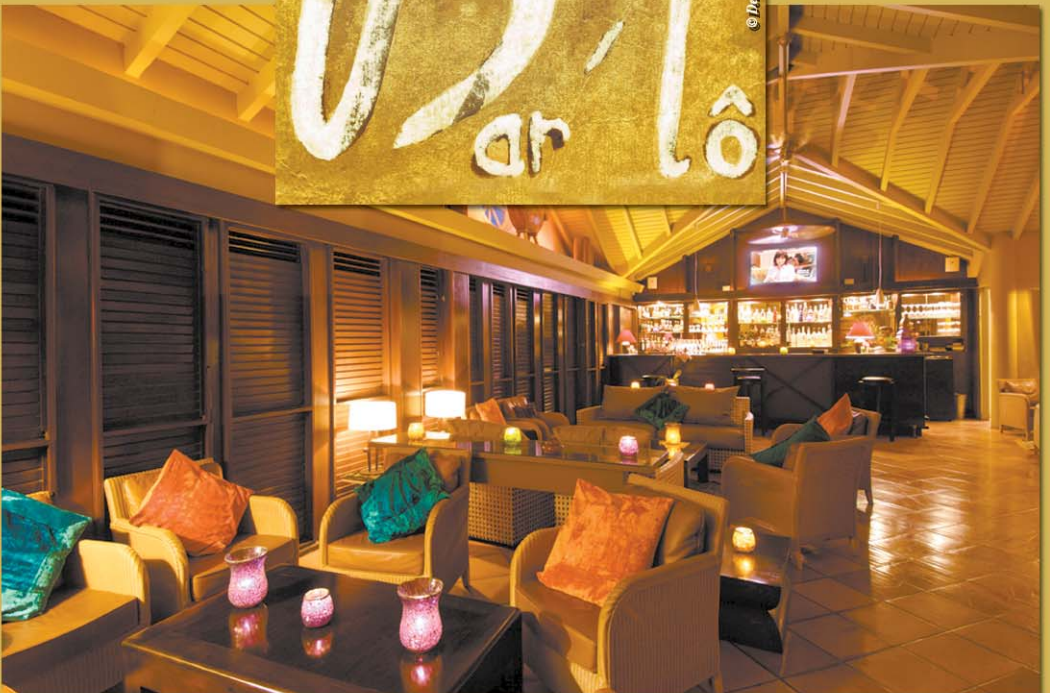
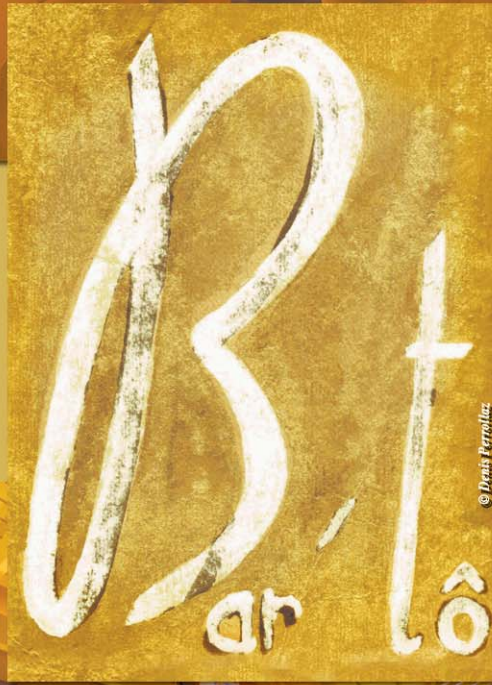
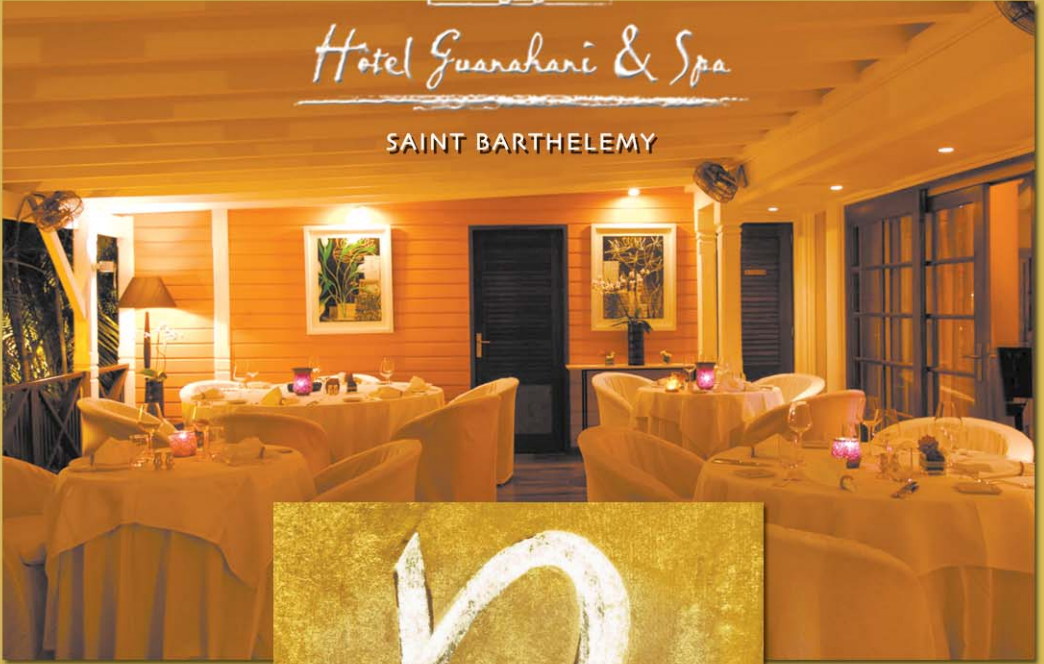






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