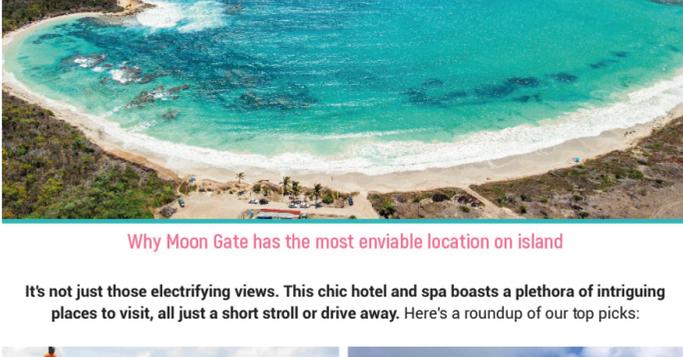


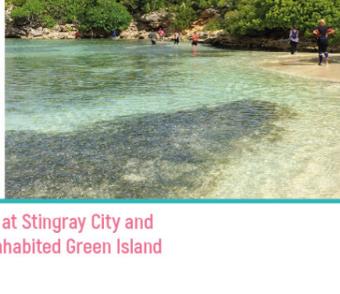
Our Name is a Symbol of Good Karma and the Youth Symphony Orchestra are Playing to Inspire

Know how Moon Gate got its name? The answer – along with some of the most interesting locations to be found in its vicinity – is in our latest newsletter. Also in this issue are the highlights of the social calendar which included an evening of musical excellence by the Antigua and Barbuda Youth Symphony Orchestra at the *Playing to Inspire* fourth annual event featuring the world-famous musical family, The Kanneh-Masons.



Why Moon Gate has the most enviable location on island

It's not just those electrifying views. This chic hotel and spa boasts a plethora of intriguing places to visit, all just a short stroll or drive away. Here's a roundup of our top picks:



Swim with the Rays at Stingray City and Hike around the uninhabited Green Island

- Feeling adventurous? **Get up close and personal with wild stingrays at Stingray City.** These captivating creatures are notoriously friendly, gentle and smart. Swimming with them is a unique and unforgettable experience.
- Channel your inner Robinson Crusoe with **a trip to beautiful uninhabited Green Island.** This tiny cay spans less than half a square kilometre and is a bird lover's paradise as a haven for ospreys, eagles and doves.
- You don't have to be an ocean denizen to appreciate sea moss, a type of red algae which grows along our coast and offers a bevy of health benefits. **Pay a visit to Caribbean Seamosm Farm in nearby Seatons** to learn all about how this organic, immunity-boosting superfood is farmed and harvested.
- You already know **Half Moon Bay beach is cherished for its breath-taking crescent shape and powder-soft sands.** But did you know that this **prized National Park** is also a favourite haunt for critically endangered sea turtles and vibrant pufferfish? Don't forget your snorkel.
- The **27-acre Half Moon Bay National Park is abundant with hiking trails** offering an exceptional brush with the area's rugged charm and panoramic views. A jaunt from Freetown down to the beach is just over five miles with an elevation of almost 300ft.
- Culture enthusiasts will love the **whimsical charm of St Philip's Anglican Church** in Ffryes which dates back to the early 19th Century. Over the years it's been lovingly restored and retains a number of original features.
- Immerse yourself in the history of the **19th century Montpelier sugar factory, purchased in 1944 by the Antigua Distillery** which makes our widely exported English Harbour Rum. Remnants of the factory's original machinery can still be seen.
- Sightseeing can be exhausting stuff. Top it off with a bite at **Beach Bums restaurant on the fringes of Half Moon Bay.** Wonderfully authentic, this no-frills eatery with wooden tables and friendly staff serves up a variety of fresh fish, seafood, salads and burgers.



Visit the charming St. Philip's Anglican Church or learn about Superfood farming at the Caribbean Seamosm Farm



A Moon Gate is a traditional architectural element in Chinese gardens

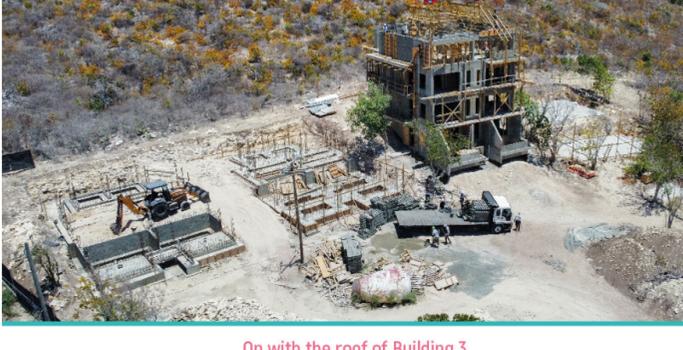
So, what's in a name?

A moon gate rises out of the earth, like the moon rises in the sky

A moon gate has its roots in ancient China. This circular architectural feature was usually incorporated into a garden wall, acting as a passageway. Years ago they were often built in the gardens of wealthy nobles and these days can be found across the US and UK. They are said to offer an auspicious welcome and good fortune to all those who pass through.

We look forward to welcoming you through our gate at Moon Gate Hotel & Spa soon!

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On with the roof of Building 3

Our dedicated construction team have had a busy and rewarding month on site at Moon Gate. We are celebrating in style, and happy to announce with proud Antigua & Barbuda flags flying high that we have reached the roof of building 3, another milestone achievement is that we are now underway with all seven of our guest buildings.

At **Building 1** we have cast the floors for the two premium plunge pools, next we'll be preparing for the ground floor slab to be cast.

On **Building 2**, the footings have been cast and we've begun building the ground floor block work.

Next door on **Building 3** we've hit the very top and are busy erecting the roof with the ridges, rafters, hips and ring beam now in place. Next we'll add the waterproof membrane and finally the cement roof tiles. The rooftop decking is also taking shape.

Moving on to **Building 4**, and we're forming the build's footings with concrete and steel reinforcement. These are an important element of foundation construction and prevent settling.

Lastly, a well-deserved round of applause for our construction team as they have begun excavations on **Buildings 5, 6 and 7.**

MOON GATE DEVELOPMENT

Investing in **Moon Gate Antigua** gives buyers the option to apply for citizenship and a passport through the **Antigua and Barbuda Citizenship by Investment Program.** **Make your love affair with Antigua and Barbuda permanent with CIP.**

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What's Up in Antigua & Barbuda



Playing to Inspire 4 - An Evening of Musical Excellence

The fourth edition of the annual flagship 'Playing to Inspire' by the Antigua and Barbuda Youth Symphony Orchestra (ABYSO) was a resounding success - The ABYSO which is committed to providing music education and mentorship opportunities to over 150 students weekly is a year-round after-school music programme serving young musicians across Antigua and Barbuda.



Sheku Kanneh-Mason with sister Mariatu Kanneh-Mason Antigua's very own steel pan maestro, Khan Cordice

In collaboration with the internationally renowned Kanneh-Masons – a musical ensemble of seven siblings of Antigua heritage – The *Playing to Inspire* event struck a chord with music lovers.

Performances were conducted by visiting conductor **Tom Fetherstonhaugh.**

Also featured was steel pannist **Khan Cordice** and visiting musicians **Cassie Lear, John Craig** from the USA and **Ashok and Leslie Klouda** from the UK.



Meanwhile, **Antigua Sailing Week** is just days away from kicking off after a two-year hiatus on April 30. The eagerly-anticipated event features a host of shoreside activities in addition to five days of racing, including the much-loved **Reggae in the Park** concert taking place on May 3.

