



The Season Begins!

is the season and Saint Barth seems really ready to roll... One of the big attractions of the island is the restaurant scene, with over 80 restaurants currently open and a few new ones on the horizon, some with some really big names that will add to the sexiness of the island's culinary fare!

There are also more star chefs on the island, as we noted last week, Jean Imbert is at Cheval Blanc, and Jean-Georges Vongerichten continues to sign the menus at Eden Rock's Sand Bar. Le Toiny's Jarad McCarrroll has been voted best chef in Saint Barth and chef of the year 2020 by Gault & Millau. He's such a rock star that the hotel has named their restaurant after him: Jarad at Le Toiny. And Le Sereno has changed the name of their restaurant to Al Mare, with executive chef Raffaele Lenzi leading their team.

The holiday season can also be celebrated on the dock in Gustavia where the island's Christmas Village is now open and has a schedule of special events for kids and adults as well as stalls with goods for sale. In addition, Chanukah will be celebrated on the dock on Sunday, December 29 with candle lighting at sunset.

Art is also a fun feature of the holiday season, and one exhibit not to be missed is the pottery by Lindy Shuttleworth at Les Artisans, opening on December 13. Read the Q&A with the artist in this issue as she talks about the styles she uses and the inspiration for her wonderful work. And who doesn't love a new teapot!

Tis the season, so please be jolly!

Ellen Lampert-Gréaux

News Briefs

Gift Exchange with The Dumont d'Urville





Liza Kieffer of the Dumont d'Urville, a ship from the luxury cruise line Ponant, and Ernest Brin, director of the port.

On Friday, November 29, in keeping with maritime tradition, gifts were exchanged between Ernest Brin, director of the Port of Gustavia, and Liza Kieffer, representing the commandant of the cruise ship, the Dumont D'Urville Ludovic Provost. Run by the French luxury cruise line Ponant, this 131.46-meter boat flying the flag of Wallis and Futuna, which transports 113 passengers and has a crew of 116.

New Restaurants in Gustavia

For a small island, Saint Barth has a big restaurant scene, with close to 80 eateries currently operational. Next to open: Fouquet's at the newly renovated Carl Gustaf, part of the Barrière Group, scheduled to open its doors in February 2020; the international Japanese restaurant, Kinugawa, has announced a location on the far side of the port; and a Joel Robuchon Atelier is expected to open this season, in spite of the death of the acclaimed French chef in 2018. With a touch of zest, the Rum Festival, Gourmet Festival, and Gault & Millau award ceremony, all of which took place in November, added to the strong culinary kickoff for the season. This got things going well before Thanksgiving, a holiday period in the United States when many Americans head to the Caribbean (60% of all tourists in St Barth come from North America). The 2019-2020 season is off to such a good start it could result in a 15% increase compared to 2016, which was a record year.

An Island Floating Between The Sea And The Sky

A new exhibit opens on Wednesday, December 18 at the Wall House Museum, tracing the history of Saint Barth by sea and by air, from 1493 to the present. The piece de resistance is a replica of Rémy de Haenen's favorite airplane, which will be unveiled at the same time.

territorial museum has a new exhibit, "The Discovery Of Saint Barth By Sea and By Air," which opens on Wednesday, December 18, highlighting the history of the island. In a chronological manner from 1493 to the present, the exhibit traces the opening up of the island to the outside world, by way of sailors and aviators. "The idea is to pay tribute to the pioneers who helped create the Saint Barth of today," explains Elodie Laplace, president of the island's cultural commission. "They took risks and succeeded in doing something exceptional with next to nothing. I am thinking about Remy de Haenen, as well as others." Six portraits of men from the island who developed air routes are on display.

The opening reception for the exhibit also includes the revealing of the main attraction: a replica of the first airplane that landed on the island in February 1946, Cucaracha, with Remy de Haenen as pilot. The sculpture, created by Silvio Dias, will be shown on the plaza in front of the museum, before being transported to its definitive home,



sent a great deal of time spent on historic

research, retrieving information and documents "

In addition to the staff of the Collectivité, president Bruno Magras, former mayor Daniel Blanchard, and the directors of the port and airport worked on this exhibit (presented in French and English), which should interest locals as well as tourists and students, for whom a booklet will be prepared. The exhibit runs through March 4, 2020.

close to the runway at the airport, by the little parking lot across from the Galeries du Commerce, "We worked with Tristan de Haenen, Remy's grandson, to design a commemorative plaque to put on the base." The redesigned plaza in front of the museum will also be inaugurated December 18.

"This will be a lovely exhibit about our heritage, in keeping with our overall spirit of programming," Laplace. "We were criticized a little, as some people felt we had transformed the museum into an art galley, but we try to present a mix, with two or three heritage exhibits per year as well as contemporary art shows. The heritage exhibits repre-



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Usain Bolt Presents His Watches At Eden Rock



Photo (left to right): Usain Bolt, Richard Guadalupe (Hublot), and Pauline Moriceau (Eden Rock).

amaican sprinter Usain Bolt was at Eden Rock on Tuesday, December 3 to launch an ultra-limited series of two watches created by the Swiss brand Hublot, for which he serves as ambassador. Two big names have joined forces, with a giant personality as ambassador. That would be Jamaican sprinter Usain Bolt, multiple world champion, and Hublot watches. On Tuesday, December 3, the Remy Bar at Eden Rock hosted the world renowned sports superstar, as well as international journalists specialized in travel and luxury goods. Usain Bolt presented two new "classic fusion" watches from the Eden Being collection, created in partnership with the Oetker

Collection and the Swiss watchmaker Hublot.

Set With 36 Diamonds

"These are exclusive pieces made-to-order," explains an Eden Rock representative. "A 45mm chronograph version provides a view of the automatic movement and a second 38mm model sparkles with brilliant-cut diamonds. These are very limited series—only 25 pieces of each model—which can be engraved with the initials of their future owners."

The price of these watches, available at Eden Rock, was not communicated to us. But they would certainly make a great gift for the holidays!

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Road Closed In Lorient

The section of the road between Lorient and Petite Saline near the former Normandie Hotel will be closed until December 14, due to urgent work required to avoid the risk of a collapse of the rainwater canal, as noted by the technical services department of the Collectivité. The road will be closed in both directions and traffic will be obliged to follow a detour.

Construction Work: Mandatory Pause As Of December 15

The annual pause is about to begin: All jackhammers will be silenced across the island between December 25 and January 5, and in Gustavia from December 15 to January 15. In addition, their use is limited on the entire island from December 15-19 and January 6-March 31, when they can only be used Monday thru Friday from 9am to 12pm and 2pm to 6pm. As a reminder, the rest of the year jackhammers can be used from 7am to 12pm and 2pm to 6pm Monday thru Friday, and from 7am to 12pm on Saturday.

Dry Conditions Still Prevail

After eight months without rain, the rain that fell since the month of September was a welcome drink for the vegetation, yet the rain gauge remains well below average at the start of the winter season. In November, the lack of precipitation was "flagrant," according to Météo France Antilles Guyane. Even Guadeloupe is drier than usual. "The accumulation, overall, is inferior to 50% of that is usually expected in the month of November. You have to go back to 2009 or 1997 to see this kinds of rain conditions at this time of year." Since October, Petites Antilles, and especially the Northern Islands, have been placed on drought alert by the WHO (World Health Organization).

A Real Creole Christmas On Saturday

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After the arrival of Santa Claus last Sunday in his convertible BMW, the Christmas Village is open again this weekend with highlights on Saturday, December 14. Starting at 4pm, Santa Claus will be there for photo ops with kids and to accept their gift lists before December 25.

But for a real taste of a Creole Christmas, the time to be on the



main dock in Gustavia is 7:30pm, for a Chanté Nwel, or Creole Christmas carols, with the very local group, Nono's Band. Then from 9pm-11:30pm, the musical ambiance continues with the group Filao from Martinique, who will play songs from their new album "Nwel Prevensyon." These concerts are organized by ASCCO, who will offer typical St Barth cuisine: soup, galettes, bonbon blanchi, sweet potato pudding... and such specialties as accras, boudins, and Christmas hams to eat on the dock.

Additional events take place on Friday and Sunday, with the 30 stands open all weekend as of 5:30pm, with gift ideas for everyone (toys, bijoux, champagnes, souvenirs, and work by local artisans...) as well as food presented by different associations. The rugby men will be shucking oysters. For dessert, the kids from Rotary Interact, who are working on the fight to end diabetes, will sell cakes made with sugar alternatives, for enjoyment without guilt...

A Half-Marathon In February

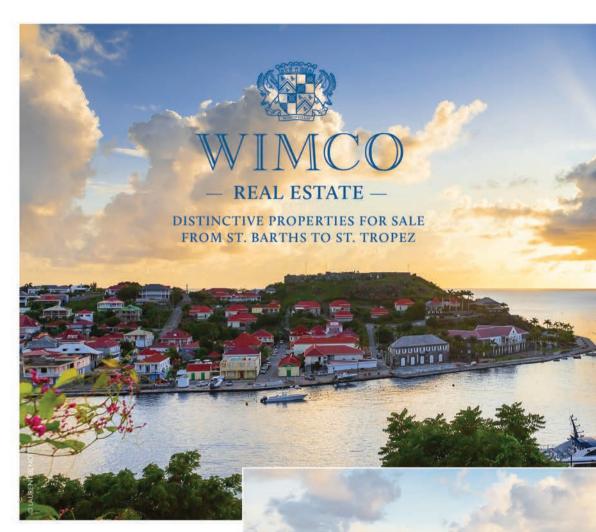
he Saint-Barth Triathlon is organizing the second edition of the Saint Barthélemy Half Marathon, which will take place on Sunday, February 23, 2020. In 2019, this event attracted close to 180 runners, locals and tourists. The event can be run individually or as a relay for three-person teams (3x7km).

The basic itinerary: start at the stadium in St Jean with a 2-km tour of St Jean before heading toward Lorient, the parking lot in Saline, a return to Lorient, and then La Tourmente, Public, Gustavia, the Collectivité, leave Gustavia by way of the dispensary, back by La Tourmente, St Jean, and the bridge at Eden Rock, to

arrive back at the stadium. In order to help you train, the itinerary will be indicated along the roads as of December 16.

Information and registration via email at:

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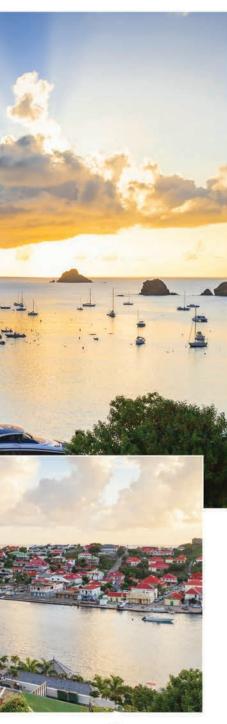


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Lindy Shuttleworth Pottery At Les Artisans

By Ellen Lampert-Gréaux

talented potter who hails from North America, Lindy Shuttleworth has called Saint Barthélemy her home for the past decade. Her first solo show on the island opens on Friday, December 13, at Les Artisans in Gustavia, and includes a varied collection of her beautiful pots, plates, boxes, and teapots in different styles. The Weekly chats with Shuttleworth about her work and inspiration as an artist.

The Weekly: How did you become interested in being a potter?

Lindy Shuttleworth: Starting at a very young age I was constantly collecting items from nature and crafting art from natural objects like pebbles, feathers, dried leaves, and flowers. As I got older and began studying art at a university, I really became infatuated with clay as a medium. Something about it being such a raw, natural material that was malleable and could take so many different forms really attracted me to it. As I dug deeper and deeper I also began to discover how many different methods existed for working with clay, many of which dated back to ancient civilizations all over the glove. This history made it even more interesting, so I continued my studies at a number of American arts and craft schools that really helped nourish my way as a clay artist.

TW: Can you describe some of the techniques you use?

LS: My work in clay originated on a pottery wheel and grew into what we call altered shapes. For instance, the clay boxes that I make begin on the potter's wheel as a round shape and are then



altered to be rectangular, square, or sometimes oval. Now here in my island studio I make use of a small electric kiln. The glazes are formulated to fit the temperatures for that type of firing. For example, there is an aspect of uncertainty with a firing process known as raku that really makes a successful piece a treasure. Removing the glazed pottery from the red-hot kiln and immersing it in combustibles (I use newspaper) creates a glaze crackling from the thermal shock. Most work is decorated with carving and tribal designs along with some pots decorated with sweeping strokes of color representing the Caribbean sky and sea. During my foraging trips to different beaches around the world, I have assembled a collection of bamboo sticks that have been tumbled in seawater and washed up on the shore to dry, creating a stained patina. Each stalk is cut and sanded for smoothness and a final sealing with beeswax and orange oil. These pieces of found wood make

for unusual handles and are a wonderful combination with the rustic raku work. I find myself savoring the traditional Japanese aesthetics of wabi sabi that finds beauty in the imperfect and transient.

TW: What pieces will be in the collection at Les Artisans?

LS: At Les Artisans many raku pieces will be presented, including large handmade decorative bowls, lidded boxes of several shapes and

sizes, and some with

bamboo handles.
Along with the raku work is a collection of functional pots such as bowls, cups, vases, and teapots. Included is an interesting new set of square and rectangular plates that has a speckled glaze that reminds me of sand with sea colored brush strokes.

TW: What do you like best about the art of being a potter?

LS: I am still in admiration with the idea of making a cup or bowl with my hands from a ball of clay. Drinking a morning coffee or tea and eating a meal from handmade pottery is a effortless way to bring a soulful experience into one's daily table rituals. For me there is value to be found in working in solitude with time for listening to music and contemplation about how to make and use beautiful pottery in my home and in the kitchens and homes of others.

Lindy Shuttleworth Pottery Les Artisans, Gustavia Opening reception Friday, December 13 6pm-8pm

FORAGING...

Raku pottery by Lindy Shuttleworth



Vernissage Vendredi 13/12 de 18h à 20h, avec le Bitin Brass Band de 18h à 19h!



TIME OUT

Where to go dancing? See an art exhibit? Listen to live music? Time Out keeps you up to date on local happenings. Let's party!

Live Music

- Devery Day
- DJ set @ Bonito St Barth.DJ Set for lunch @ Pearl
- Beach
- ▶ Thursday December 12
 Le Ti 54! Tribute to Studio 54 by the resident DJ
 Franck N. Performer show at 10pm during dinner.
 Fancy dress room. DJ after dinner party @ Ti St Barth.
 Sunset Lounge with DJ
- Set @ Christopher Hotel.

 Friday December 13

Village of Christmas from 5:30 pm

- "Crazy Ti!" Dinner and clubbing-style dance show. DJ after dinner party and fancy-dress room @ Ti St Barth
- Evening "For Her" (Ladies Night) music by Fabien Lanciano @ Bagatelle, Gustavia
- "Rose Fridays" Music by Patris Gero & Al Sax, 12 pm -7pm @ Nikki Beach - Friday Friendly Afterwork - Dj Set from 5pm @ Pearl Beach
- **▶** Saturday December 14

Village of Christmas from 5:30 pm

- Crazy Ti! Dinner and clubbing-style dance show (show at 10pm) DJ after dinner party and fancy dress room. @ Ti St Barth Evening BagaCella de Samedi (ambiance hippy chic) DJ Fabien Lanciano @ Bagatelle, Gustavia Bikini Day Grab you best Bikini and join the Party DJ set and Fashion show by Pop St Barth
- Village of Christmas from 5:30 pm

▶ Sunday December 15

@ Pearl Beach, Saint-Jean

- Amazing Sundays "Soda Shop" We're rockin' n rollin' today with our '50s style celebration! music by Patris Gero & Al Sax 12pm-7pm @Nikki Beach
- Monday December 16
 Italian Evening, Cucina
 E Vino from 7pm with
- Live music @ Christopher Hotel
 Tuesday December 17
- "The traditional cabaret show of Le Ti St Barth" Dinner-Cabaret Show DJ after dinner party and fancy-dress room @ Ti St Barth
- ▶ Wednesday December 18
 "The traditional cabaret show of Le Ti St Barth"
 Dinner-Cabaret Show. DJ after dinner party and fancy-dress room
- @ Ti St BarthEvening DolcenVita with live music by Jaya
- @ Le Barthélemy
 "Live Music by Carbo"
 from 7:30 pm
- @ Villa Marie, Colombier
- Christopher Cinema Club "A Star is Born" movie in VO @ 6pm @ Christopher
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 Thursday December 19
- "Le Ti 54: YOU make the show!" Special disco/nudisco/funky music by the resident DJ Franck N. @ Ti St Barth
- Art Day Christel Astakhoff – 12pm – 7pm. Event featuring local artists and their work @ Nikki Beach

Night Club

@ Modjo St-Jean@ Casa Night Club@ Tavern TiBar, Ti St Barth

Fashion Show Daily Fashion Shows

- Fashion Showy every lunch @ Pearl Beach

- Fashion Show every night (Closed on Sunday & Monday) @ Ti St Barth
- Fashion Show every lunch @ Nikki Beach
- Every day from 1:30pm-2pm @ Le Barthelemy

Exhibitions

Lindy Shuttleworth Pottery @ Les Artisans, Gustavia Opening reception Friday, December 13 6pm-8pm

- Group Show - featuring Victor Matthews, Hunt Slonem, Arno Elias, Dominique Rousserie, Giorgio Pasqualetti, Giuseppe Veneziano and Jean-Philippe Piter at Space

Dec. 18 - March 4 An Island Floating Between The Sea And The Sky

The exhibition traces the epic of St. Barts at sea and in the air, from 1493 to the present day. The centerpiece, a replica of Rémy de Haenen's plane, will be unveiled at the opening night Wednesday, December 18 at the Wall House Museum.

Gallery Gustavia.

- The Spirit of St Barth, photography by Sebastien Martinon by Space Gallery @ Barnes International.

- Bronze Sculptures @ The Collectivity



RENTAL: Villa Dasha is a 3-bedroom, 3-bath contemporary-style residence located at the top of Gouverneur. Dasha is only a few minutes from Gouverneur Beach, restaurants, shops, and Gustavia. The villa has a large living room, equipped with home cinema, large white sofas, and a gournet kitchen. Each bedroom offers views of the ocean, and is furnished with a queen-size bed, air-conditioning, Wi-Fi, TV, US satellite, DVD, bathroom with shower.

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Asking price 1 596 000€



The all-Italian team from the Michelin-Star restaurant at II Sereno Lago di Como has landed in St. Barth at Ristorante al Mare.

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