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Mandarin Oriental to expand branded residences to Caribbean

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Rendering of The Residences at Mandarin Oriental, Grand Cayman, expected to open in 2025. Image courtesy of Mandarin Oriental

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Hospitality brand Mandarin Oriental is bringing its Residences to the Caribbean for the first time.

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The Residences at Mandarin Oriental, Grand Cayman has launched sales for the upcoming property, expected to be completed in 2025. Located on Grand Cayman's southern-most coast, St. James Point, the project is a joint effort by codevelopers Melkonian Capital Management (Melkonian) and RAL Development Services (RAL).

"We are so excited to bring the first Residences at Mandarin Oriental to the Caribbean and could not have found a better location in the Cayman Islands for this stunning property," said Paul Massot, chief development officer at [Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group](#), in a statement.

"We look forward to extending Mandarin Oriental's exceptional service and amenities to owners who will enjoy a five-star lifestyle in this prestigious destination."

Tropical living

The Grand Cayman project will have residences spanning from two-bedroom homes to five-bedroom penthouses. Owners will also have access to private transportation services, daily housekeeping and other enhanced benefits through the Residences Elite Program.

The first phase of sales includes 20 residences, with prices starting at \$4 million. These residences will be located in the top four and five levels of the two hotel towers, and each will have a terrace with oceanfront views.



Each penthouse will have a private pool. Image courtesy of Mandarin Oriental

Penthouses also offer plunge pools and fully equipped outdoor kitchens. The homes' design will reflect the tropical setting, with floor-to-ceiling windows and hardwood flooring that integrates the indoors and outdoors.

"The Residences at Mandarin Oriental, Grand Cayman will lead the way for the luxury sector in the Caribbean," said Robert Levine, president/CEO of RAL, in a statement. "Given the ever-growing demand for luxury, the current market boom on the island, and the incredible benefits of owning on Grand Cayman, we expect these curated residences will be highly coveted."

The project is expected to break ground later this year. Other resort amenities will include a walking trail system, gardens, lagoon pools, a spa, fitness facility and five restaurants.

Mandarin Oriental's presence in the Caribbean is limited. In 2017, the hotelier rebranded and began managing a hotel on Canouan Island in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, marking its entry into the Caribbean ([see story](#)).

The brand's Grand Cayman property was originally announced in 2018 ([see story](#)). Development was delayed during the COVID-19 pandemic.

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