

## *Barbados west coast beachfront 6 bedroom\* villa in 2 acres of tropical gardens with 50' pool for rent*

*\*Has 3 additional bedrooms by special arrangement*



### *Nelson Gay - Upgraded throughout for 2011*

Located on the favoured and exclusive west coast, Nelson Gay's garden gate opens straight on to a stunning crescent of perfect coral sand. The clear, sheltered water is roped-off for safe swimming and is ideal for all water sports. There's also a coral reef with excellent snorkelling. Nelson Gay is just perfect for family holidays.



This elegant coral stone Palladian mansion is set in a lush tropical estate of nearly two acres. Built for a U.S. Ambassador over 50 years ago, the timeless good taste this property offers is hard to find in more recent properties. However, it has been kept up to date with modern amenities. The surrounding gardens reflect the sure touch of the original designer and have matured to become some of the best on the island. The focal point of the garden is a 50' heated pool which can be fenced off if required.

### *Nelson Gay - Excellent value*

*From \$2,200 a night, a fully staffed house of this size and quality on the best beach in Barbados offers unbeatable value.*

## *Barbados - A perfect island for a special Caribbean holiday*

### *The best weather in the Caribbean*

Barbados is sunnier and drier than many other islands in the Caribbean. The steady trade winds create the most comfortable of tropical climates. The year-round average of 75-85° F. (mid 20s C.) could hardly be bettered for relaxing holidays.

December to June is the dry season. The so-called “wet” season (July - November) mostly means brief showers to cool things down nicely before the sun comes out again. Barbados averages at least 8-9 hours of sunshine daily, year-round.



### *Friendly and relaxed*

Some Caribbean islands are not so friendly to overseas visitors perhaps because of an unhappy colonial history. By contrast, Barbados, the world's third parliamentary democracy with 97% literacy, historically has enjoyed great stability. Whatever the reason, the warmth of the “Bajan” welcome and the friendly, relaxed approach to overseas visitors is one the great pleasures of a holiday in Barbados.

### *Perfect for holiday sports*

**Golf** Barbados offers some of the best golf courses in the Caribbean and has become a favourite with the golfing jet set. Designers like Tom Fazio have made the most of the lush tropical vegetation and ocean views to create some of the most beautiful courses in the world. As a result, Sandy Lane was chosen to host the World Golf Championships World Cup in 2006. Nearby Nelson Gay are four fine courses: the Royal Westmoreland (18 holes), Sandy Lane (18 and 9 holes) and Club Rockley (9 holes).

**Tennis Courts** may be booked next door at Cobbler's Cove Hotel where there is also an excellent gym. In addition, there is a new David Lloyd Tennis Centre.

**Horse riding** There are several stables and riding schools within easy reach. These offer both lessons and guided rides either along the beach or in the green valleys.

**Cricket** The national sport of Barbados, it is played everywhere at the weekends. Watching some of the best amateurs in the world playing on a tropical seaside pitch is a rare delight.

**Polo** The Barbados Polo Club was formed over a hundred years ago and the sport is played at international level on the island's four polo fields. There are many polo events for visitors to enjoy throughout the year

### *A paradise for marine sports*

With one of Barbados' best beaches just through the garden gate, Nelson Gay is perfectly situated for water sports. On the sheltered, western “Platinum Coast” pristine white sand, calm, clear water and coral reefs make an ideal natural playground. Take your pick from windsurfing, surfing, sailing, parasailing, scuba diving, water skiing, jet skiing, snorkeling and deep sea fishing. The beach at Nelson Gay is roped-off with buoys so swimmers can enjoy the water safely. Snorkeling equipment is available in the house, scuba equipment is available through the house manager and other activities can be arranged through Cobblers Cove Hotel, just next door.

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### *Magical days out*

No matter how long your holiday in Barbados, you won't run out of things to do on this magical island. These are our favourites and should not be missed: Harrison Cave with stalactites, stalagmites and underground waterfalls; Welchman Hall, a deep ravine with many rare trees and spices; Farley Hill National Park, The Flower Forest and Andromeda Gardens where you can walk among amazing tropical plants and brilliant flowers. There are also many relaxing day cruises if you want to get out on the water.



### *Many excellent restaurants*

While our chef can provide delicious meals at Nelson Gay, some of the best eating-out in the Caribbean can be found on Barbados. Bajan cooking makes the most of fresh fish and seafood with flying fish a local favourite. However, there are also many excellent restaurants offering a wide choice of the world's best cuisines.

### *Events calendar*

**January** - International Jazz Festival

**February** - Hometown Festival: this historic event includes music, dance, parades, markets & fairs.

**March/April** - Holders Hill Festival: music & opera with international artists on Holders Hill.

**April** - Oistins Fish Festival: celebrates the Bajan fisher folk who show off the skills of their trade.

**May** - GospelFest: a spiritual celebration through music of Barbados' African heritage.

**July/August** - "Crop Over" Carnival: music, dance, craft & food to mark the end of the harvest.

**October/November** - National Independence Festival of Creative Arts: celebrating music, dance, poetry, photography, painting, drawing, drama, creative writing, and craftwork.



## *One of Barbados' finest and most elegant properties*



Nelson Gay, right on Barbados' best beach, is discreetly screened by its own tropical gardens.

### *A fine colonial villa*

Built in the finest colonial style, Nelson Gay makes the most of probably the best location on the favoured west coast of Barbados. Nearby the celebrated Cobbler's Cove Hotel, on a half-mile crescent of pristine coral sand, this house is one of Barbados' best kept secrets.

### *A house with a fine pedigree*

Built in the 1960s for US Ambassador Robert M. Scotten, a personal friend of President F.D. Roosevelt, the house was designed by British architect Barbara Hill. Inspired by a book on life in the Windward Islands, she moved from England to Barbados in 1958. During her many years on the island, Ms Hill made a lasting contribution to her adopted country. She was an active member of the Barbados National Trust, author of "Historic Churches of Barbados" and a founding member of the local Institute of Architects. Nelson Gay is considered to be her best work and one of Barbados' finest and most elegant homes.



### *Mature landscaped tropical gardens*

The house is set in nearly two acres of mature, landscaped tropical gardens with many fine trees, fronting the immaculate Cobbler's Cove beach. An impressive 50' pool leads the eye naturally from the house to the beach. Tiled in Italian green mosaic, the swimming pool blends beautifully with the lush tropical vegetation. At the far end of the garden alongside the beach is an octagonal "Chinese" gazebo, a wonderful place for sunset cocktails and long, leisurely meals cooled by the ocean breeze. By night, the garden looks quite magical with lighting by renowned UK lighting designer Bruce Munro.

## *Formal or al fresco dining*

The elegant garden gazebo by the beach seats up to 14. It is equipped with a wet bar and fridge. A dining table on the partly covered terrace can seat up to 20. The coral stone formal dining room features a glass topped table by Oliver Messel and seats up to 12.

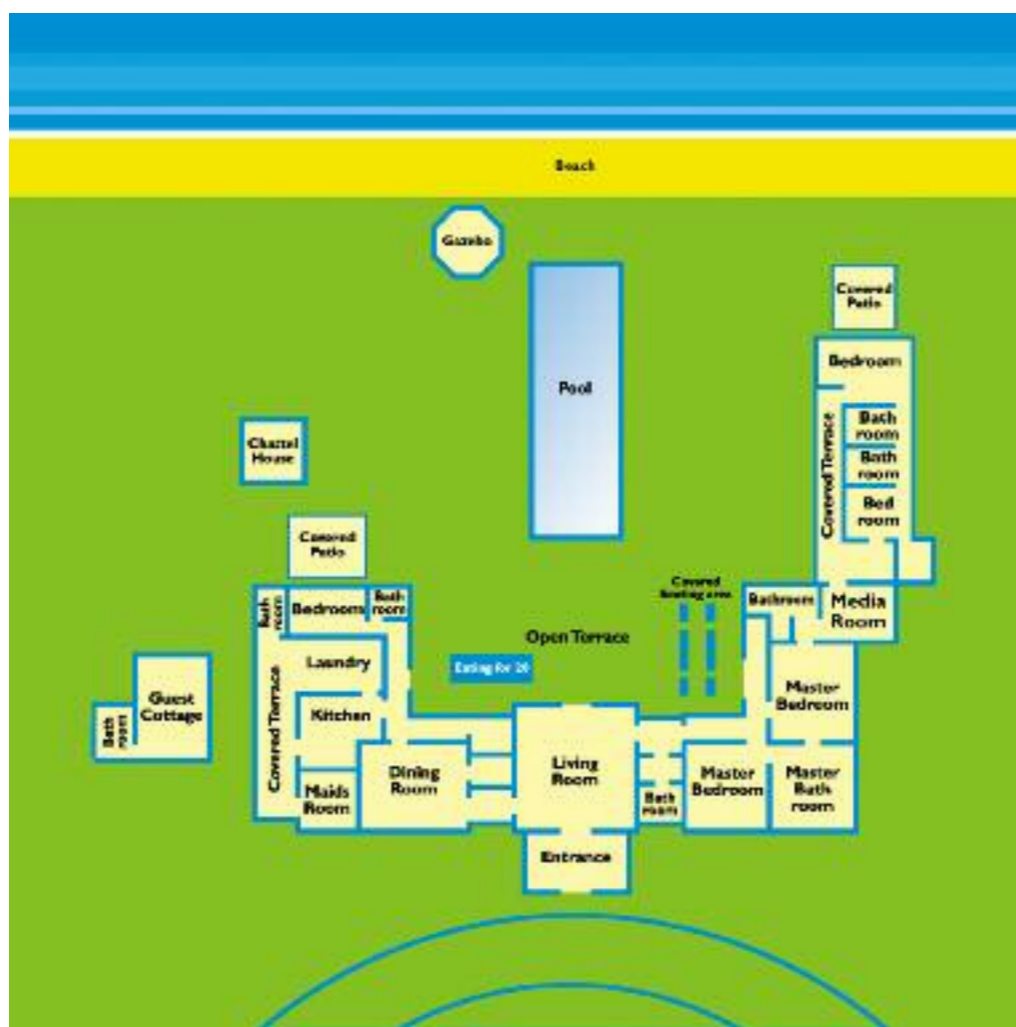


## *Restrained good taste*

Nelson Gay is impressive but never pretentious. A unique blend of elegance and good taste makes it a very special house for discerning guests. The dining table was designed by Oliver Messell with 12 French antique chairs and a large Messell mirror. There are 5 different place settings, including Wedgwood, Rosenthal and Mikasa. Dinner is by candle light and is served by your own uniformed butler, chef and maid.

The rooms are airy and mostly decorated in white with some green to complement the tropical surroundings. The beds are new and comfortable with 100% high count cotton sheets and soft hypoallergenic pillows. There are many antiques and works of art. In addition to the Erté mural there is a fine collection of Haitian paintings.





### *Nelson Gay at a glance*

#### **Accommodation**

- Main house: 5 bedrooms, Cottage: 1 bedroom
- 2 garden houses (Chattel Houses) each with two beds
- Media Room with day bed
- All with A/C and en suite bath or shower

#### **Amenities**

- Nearly two acres of mature tropical gardens right on Cobbler's beach
- 50ft x 12ft heated (on request) Italian mosaic tiled pool
- Beautiful gazebo, garden dining for 14
- Covered terrace, dining for up to 20
- Formal dining room seating 12
- Child friendly furniture, slip covered in Sunbrella
- Portable crib with mosquito net
- Defibrillator and medical kit
- Tennis, gym and spa at the next-door Cobblers Cove Hotel

#### **Entertainment**

- 60" flat screen TV in Media Room with surround sound, PS3 and cable TV with multi-standard DVD player
- About 400 DVDs and 160 CDs
- 42" plasma TVs in 2 master bedrooms (cable TV + DVD)
- 32" plasma in 3 other bedrooms (cable TV + DVD)
- DVD in 2 additional bedrooms
- Broadband, fax, 2 phone lines plus third with VOIP
- Fussball, snorkels, masks and numerous games

#### **Core Staff**

- Butler, chef, housekeeper, maid/laundress, 2 gardeners and night watchman, supervised and house managed by West Coast Villas (The staff levels can be varied to suit the number of guests and season).

### Bedrooms

There are 5 double bedrooms in the main house where there is also a day bed in the Media Room. In addition, there is a self-contained cottage which sleeps 3. Therefore total capacity in the house and cottage is 14. By special arrangement 4 more guests can be accommodated in the 2 self-contained Chattel Houses, making a maximum of 18. There is a portable crib for babies up to 9 months.

### Bathrooms

There are 7 en suite bathrooms in the main house and the cottage, (one bedroom has two bathrooms), and 1 powder room. Master bathrooms have showers only. The South Wing bedroom has his and hers bathrooms with showers. The cottage bathroom has a combination bath/shower. North Wing bathrooms have bath/showers. The 2 Chattel Houses have their own toilet/showers. Each sleeping accommodation is individually air-conditioned. All air conditioners in the bedrooms and study are quiet, split systems with remote temperature control./Shower



### Bedroom specifications

Bedroom	Approx Size (Feet)	Sleeps	Bed Size	En Suite Bathroom	A/C	CableTV /DVD
Master 1*	16.3 x 16.3	2	King	Yes/Shower	Yes	42"/DVD
Master 2	16.3 x 16.3	2	King 4 poster	Yes/Shower	Yes	42"/DVD
Erté Room*	10 x 13	2	Queen	Yes/Bath	Yes	Yes/Yes
Green Room* **	13 x 13	2	2 x Singles	Yes/Bath	Yes	Yes/Yes
South Wing* **	9.4 x 15	2	Queen	2 (His & Hers) /Shower	Yes	Yes/Yes
Cottage	13 x 16	3	Singles	Yes/Shower	Yes	No/Yes
Additional Accommodation						
Media Room	21.3 x 10.5	1	Day bed	Share	Yes	60"/DVD/PS3
Chattel House 1	14 x 13	2	Bunk	Yes/Shower	Yes	No/DVD
Chattel House 2***	18 x 18	2	Singles	Yes/Shower	Yes	No/DVD

\*Small fridge/mini bar \*\*Private covered porch 12 x 18 feet in purple heart each with loungers

\*\*\*Small en-suite kitchenette DVD: approximately 400 DVDs available



### Current Rates 2011/2012 in US\$

	Summer 2011	Winter 2011/12	Summer 2012
Nelson Gay	To 14 Dec 2011	Starts 15 Dec 2011	15 Apr - 14 Dec 2012
6 bedrooms	\$2,800 + 8.75% VAT	\$3,750 + 8.75% VAT	\$2,800 + 8.75% VAT
4 bedrooms	\$2,200 + 8.75% VAT	\$2,800 + 8.75% VAT	\$2,200 + 8.75% VAT

Rates quoted in US\$ per night excluding food, drink and 8.75% Value Added Tax (subject to change).

Any additional guests beyond 12 will incur an extra weekly staff charge of US\$200 per adult and US\$100 per child (no surcharge for infants).

The rates shown are for bookings of up to 2 weeks. Lower rates are possible for longer periods. CALL FOR SPECIAL OFFERS

### Booking options

1. Through the owners - email: [nelsongay.barbados@gmail.com](mailto:nelsongay.barbados@gmail.com)
  2. UK owners' representative: Martin Bird ++44 (0)7766117448 Email: [martin@spacottage.com](mailto:martin@spacottage.com)
- Nelson Gay may also be booked through leading travel agents in the UK, USA, Barbados and Europe

### Location

**Address:** Road View, St Peter, Barbados.  
Immediately north of Cobblers Cove Hotel.

**Distance from airport:** Approximately 40 minutes by taxi.

**Distance from Speightstown:** 5 minutes walk on the beach.

**Land area:** 1.6 acres on one of the best west coast beaches in Barbados. The house, all on one level, is approximately 5,000 sq.ft./500sq.m

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## *Happy memories of Nelson Gay from our Guest Book*

*"The Staff were outstanding. The service was brilliant and the food excellent. They really made our holiday, nothing was too much trouble."*

Gerry Packett (UK)

*"It was like stepping into a magical film set. Fabulous setting, decor, first class staff and service, best vacation ever!"*

Phil Ehrenkranz (Washington DC)

*"Great service, just wonderful"*

Benson family (UK)

*"Again, a wonderful family vacation for 3 generations"*

Doran family (UK)

*"Heaven on earth, quite spectacular!"*

Dawson family (UK)

*"Thanks for sharing paradise with us all"*

Mackins family (UK)

*"We returned from paradise last Saturday, today it is just a distant beautiful memory. Thank you so much, it was absolutely amazing. As I wrote in the visitors book: 'eleven of us arrived at Nelson Gay, died and went to heaven for a week!'"*

Hird family (UK)

*"The week passed all too quickly in a halcyon haze of al fresco lunches on the beach, delicious moonlit dinner parties and swims in the magnificent pool."*

Bob Sherman (UK)

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