# Nelson Gay

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The garden gates open onto Cobbler's beach – considered one of Barbados' finest, where excellent swimming, snorkelling and watersports are available











#### Nelson Gay A UNIQUE BEACHFRONT ESTATE



Living room • Dining room • Guest bathroom Media room • Kitchen • Laundry room • Staff room

Guest accommodation: Master bedroom suite with 2 bedrooms and 2 bathrooms 3 further bedrooms with en suite bathrooms Guest cottage 3 Guest chattel houses Air conditioning in all bedrooms

Mature tropical gardens · Gazebo · Heated pool Covered terrace · Pickleball court · Open-air gym

Nelson Gay sleeps up to 18 people.





# Plot plan and house layout

Total size of land 6,160.3m<sup>2</sup> House size: 465m<sup>2</sup>







#### Location















#### The Estate

Exuding old world charm, Nelson Gay is situated on the prestigious west coast, to the north of the Cobbler's Cove Hotel, on a half-mile crescent of pristine sandy beach.

Occupying an envious beachfront position (over 1.5 acres), the villa is surrounded by landscaped tropical gardens and mature trees. Built in the grand Palladian manner entirely of coral stone, this unique property covers 5,000 + square feet of living space (excluding gazebo and Chattel House). Many original features remain intact, thus preserving the panache and charm of a bygone era, including floors by Oliver Messel and a beautiful mural designed by the celebrated Art Deco artist Erté, during one of his many sojourns at the estate.

Constructed on one level, Nelson Gay is a graceful blend of elegance and practicality. At the heart is a grand, columned living room with a 14-foot ceiling which opens on to an 80foot, partially covered terrace with relaxed dining and sitting areas. The classical dining room lies to the south of the living room and adjoins a large, fully-equipped kitchen and pantry.

The spacious south and north guest wings include five en suite bedrooms, all individually air-conditioned, to which the owner has recently added two covered terraces to provide additional privacy and comfort. South of the main property lies a separate one bedroom guest cottage with bathroom. In addition, there is a charming one bedroom chattel house, with verandas on three sides, which was built for the Millennium celebrations. A second larger Chattel house, also with en suite, is at the entrance of the estate.





#### Gardens

Nelson Gay nestles in approximately over 1.5 acres of well-established gardens fronting the immaculate Cobbler's Cove beach. A large rectangular swimming pool (approximately 50ft x 12ft and 4.5ft deep) leads majestically from the house to the beach. Tiled completely in Italian green mosaic, it blends well with its garden setting. At the far end of the garden alongside the beach is an octagonal 'Chinese' gazebo, designed by Larry Warren. It is a wonderful location for sunset cocktails or a long, leisurely evening meal.











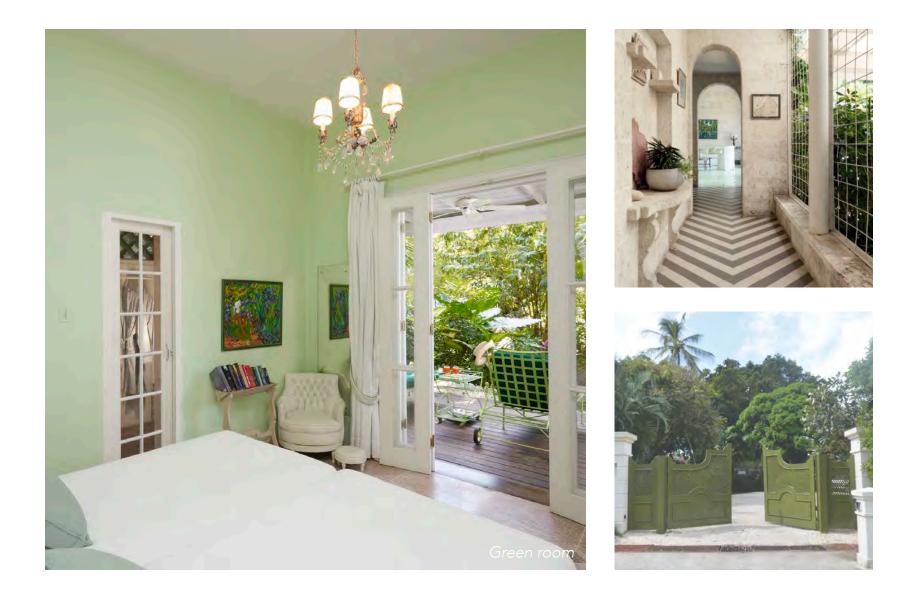
### Travel

Speightstown - 1 mile Grantley Adams International Airport - 10 miles Distances approximate

## History of the house

Nelson Gay was built in the 1960's for US Ambassador Robert M. Scotten, a personal friend of US President F. D. Roosevelt. The house was designed by UK born and trained Barbara Hill, a member of the Royal College of Architects. Beginning in 1958, she spent 24 years in Barbados, making a lasting contribution to her adopted country as an active member of the Barbados National Trust and 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. Since the property's original design and construction, other designers of note have added their personal touches to Nelson Gay. These include floors by Oliver Messel, the celebrated theatre designer, an elegant garden gazebo designed by well-known architect 3Larry Warren and more recently spectacular garden lighting by UK lighting expert Bruce Munro.























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