

Nelson Gay

BARBADOS



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**Has 3 additional bedrooms by special arrangement*



Living room



Dining on terrace

Nelson Gay - Recently Upgraded

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.



50' pool



Exit to beach

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 US\$2,200 a night, a fully staffed house of this size and quality on one of Barbados' best beaches 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 better for relaxing holidays.

December to June is the dry 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 2007. Nearby Nelson Gay are four fine courses: the Royal Westmoreland (18 holes), Sandy Lane (18 and 9 holes), Apes Hill (18 holes), Barbados Golf & Country Club (18 holes) near the Airport 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 at Sugar Hill.

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, waterskiing, jet skiing, snorkeling and deep sea fishing. The beach at Nelson Gay is roped-off with buoys so swimmers can enjoy the water safely. Snorkelling equipment is available in the house, scuba diving can be arranged by the house manager and other activities can be arranged through Cobblers Cove Hotel, just next door, where there is also a gym, a tennis court, and spa.

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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

There is a wide range of events, carnivals and other cultural activities taking place across Barbados throughout the year. From music, dance, and fine arts to film and food there are dozens of events every month. Please click on the link below for a full calendar.

<https://whatsoninbarbados.com>



One of Barbados' finest and most elegant properties



House from the ocean



Dining on terrace

Nelson Gay, fronting one of Barbados' best beaches, is discreetly screened by its own tropical gardens for total privacy.

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. Next to the celebrated Cobbler's Cove Hotel, and located 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.



Gazebo next to the ocean



Relax

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 designed by Larry Warren, 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 formal dining room features a glass topped table by Oliver Messel and seats up to 12.



Gazebo next to the ocean



Formal indoor dining room



Sitting area on terrace



Lunch is served

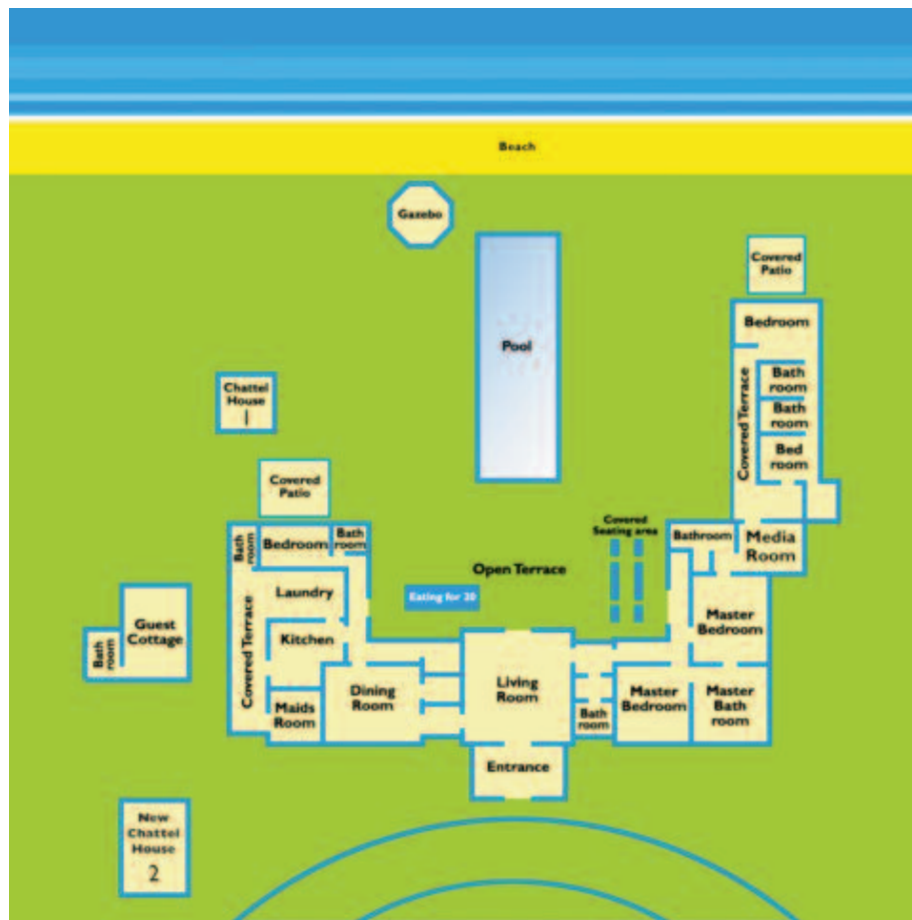
Restrained good taste

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 Wedgewood, 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. The house is virtually “child-proof” as all sofas, and beach loungers are covered in washable Sunbrella fabric.

Five Star service

The well-trained and friendly core staff consist of a butler, chef, housekeeper, maid/laundress, two gardeners, a night watchman, all supervised by a part-time house manager. The staff will help you to plan your meals, shop, cook, serve, do your laundry, and make your holiday truly relaxing, stress-free and unforgettable.



Layout not to scale

Nelson Gay at a glance

Accommodation

- Main house: 5 bedrooms, Cottage: 1 bedroom
- 2 Chattel Houses with king/queen size bed, ensuite
- 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, with safe and excellent swimming.
- 50ft x 12ft Italian mosaic tiled pool, heated at extra cost
- Beautiful gazebo, setup as a living and seating area.
- Covered terrace, dining for up to 18.
- Formal dining room seating 12
- Child friendly furniture, slip covered in Sunbrella/cotton
- Medical kit
- Tennis, gym and spa at the next-door Cobblers Cove Hotel subject to availability and at additional cost

Entertainment

- 55" flat screen TV in Media Room with surround sound and cable TV with multi-standard DVD player
- About 400 DVDs
- Sonos Sound System in living room
- 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
- Snorkels, masks, numerous games and a small library

Core Staff

- Butler, Chef (2 in winter), Housekeeper, Maid/Laundress, 2 Gardeners, Night Watchman, Supervised by part-time house manager (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 which can sleep 1 - 2. In addition, there is a self-contained cottage which sleeps 2. Therefore, with additional day-beds total capacity in the house and cottage is 14. By special arrangement 4 more guests can be accommodated in the two self-contained Chattel Houses, making a maximum of 18-20.

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 Chattel Houses have their own toilet/shower.. Each sleeping accommodation is individually air-conditioned. All air conditioners in the bedrooms and study are quiet, split systems with remote temperature control.



A master bedroom



Chattel house bedroom

Bedroom Specifications

Bedroom	Approx Size (Feet)	Sleeps	Bed Size	En Suite Bathroom	A/C	CableTV DVD
Master 1*	16.3 x 16.3	2(+1)	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	2	King	Yes/Shower	Yes	Yes/Yes

Additional Information

Media Room	21.3 x 10.5	1(+2)	Day bed	Share	Yes	55"/DVD/PS3
Chattel House 1***	14 x 13	2	Queen	Yes/Shower	Yes	Yes/Yes
Chattel House 2***	18 x 18	2	King	Yes/Shower	Yes	Yes/Yes

*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.

Note: There are 4 single beds, which can be set up in the Media and Master Bedrooms for children.

Current Rates 2020 in US\$

Update January 2020 - Prices and terms subject to change without notice. Prices subject to a 10% Shared Economy Levy and optional gratuities.

2020

April 10th to December 14th

US\$2,530 6 bedrooms per night

US\$2,350 5 bedrooms per night

US\$2,200 3-4 bedrooms per night

Winter 2020

December 15th to April 9th 2020

*Excludes Christmas, New Year,
Thanksgiving & Easter**

US\$3,700 6 bedrooms per night

US\$3,450 5 bedrooms per night

*Prices available upon request

Current Rates 2020 in UK£

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Exchange rate used; £1.30 to \$US 1.00

2020

April 10th to December 14th

UK£1,950 6 bedrooms per night

UK£1,800 5 bedrooms per night

UK£1,690 3-4 bedrooms per night

Winter 2020

December 15th to April 9th 2020

*Excludes Christmas, New Year,
Thanksgiving & Easter**

UK£2,850 6 bedrooms per night

UK£2,650 5 bedrooms per night

*Prices available upon request

Booking Information

Rates quoted in US\$ and UK£ per night includes core staff* but excludes food, drink, (subject to change) Plus a 10% Shared Economy Levy and optional gratuities.

Prices quoted are based on two persons per room (i.e. the 6 bedroom rate is for 12 people). Additional guests beyond 12 years of age will incur an extra weekly staff charge of US\$300 (UK£230) per week.

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

The rates shown are for 6 bedrooms or 12 guests. Special arrangements can be made to sleep extra guests (up to 18 guests in total). This will require the use of two chattel houses, each sleeping two, and use of the media room (with shared bathroom). Extra cost for each of these bedrooms would be an additional \$US100 (UK£80) per guest per night (over the age of 12). Plus a 10% Shared Economy Levy.

Staff levels vary according to season, rates and occupancy.

* Core staff = butler, 2 chefs, housekeeper, maid, 1 gardener and night-time security – all supervised by a part-time manager. For larger groups beyond 12 guests, extra staff is hired and the cost is included in the extra rates.

Our Friendly, Efficient Staff
(Levels depend on season And number of guests)



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



Chattel House



Formal dining room

Happy memories of Nelson Gay from our Guest Book

"I fell in love with Nelson Gay without any reservation, a complete love affair with the place"

We had a simply, heavenly, wonderful time. It is my sincerest hope that I'm able to come back more than once a year, and even on occasion stay there for more than a week - perhaps even a month. It would be nice to be good and regular customers at your wonderful home. Your beautiful pool is a stunning addition.

Nelson Gay simply reeks of Old Barbados in the very, very best way. Nelson Gay is representative of the very, very best of Barbados tradition. It's a beautiful old house, kept going, without any of the so-called 'modernizations' - the beautiful old bathrooms, the scent of the corral stone and tropical gardens; all of it weaves a magical spell that is not found in houses that have been updated with newer structure."

Douglas Urbanski, (Hollywood Film Producer)

"Great Place for the Family"

Nelson Gay was perfect for our three-generation family reunion, ranging in age from two and a half to 79. The staff were very friendly, efficient and discreet. We had the beach to ourselves, but also used the large heated pool a lot. The property is well proportioned and well maintained.

Trip Advisor, October 2018

"Magical family holiday in the most perfect setting"

I had set the bar very high for a special family holiday to celebrate a significant birthday and I was not disappointed. If anything the villa, the setting and the friendliness of the staff surpassed my expectations and made this a holiday we will not forget. The villa is stunning with ample space for a large family party, we were all able to have space to be on our own if needed, the interconnecting rooms and bathrooms made child supervision easy and the older members of the group had privacy in the chattel houses and cottage a perfect arrangement. The pool was well maintained and was well used by all, the access to the beach was easy (and kept safe by a gate so no children wandered unsupervised. The sea was warm and perfect for snorkelling, even the little ones saw fish. The food prepared by the chefs was delicious and they coped very well with our dietary requirements! Outings were planned and taxis arranged by Blue Sky which made the whole process very relaxed. We actually only went on 2 because the villa and surroundings were so marvellous we did not need to venture out. Overall the best holiday ever.

Trip Advisor, August 2018

"The pictures don't do it justice because you can't feel the ambiance"

The home is so wonderful because the staff makes it that way. Nelson Gay has character and is well appointed. It has wonderful outdoor space and everything is available for your pleasure and relaxation. Thank you so much for sharing Nelson Gay with us and allowing us to enjoy a fantastic, relaxing week.

Trip Advisor, March 2018