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Mrs. Ford will not be going to Martigny with the President tomorrow. For the past 12 years she has had a back problem, diagnosed as ~~osteo~~ Osteo Arthritis, which periodically causes her some discomfort. It has kicked up again and while she is able to get around Dr. Lukash feels that she needs rest and has suggested that she stay at home and continue ~~therapy~~ ~~treatment~~. <sup>The treatment</sup> consists of hot packs, diathermy and massage. Dr. Lukash expects ~~the~~ the problem to resolve itself in the next few days.

plane

(lower & neck)

Osteo Arthritis results in discomfort in the ligaments <sup>of the back</sup> and occasionally involves ~~the~~ the neck area and lower back.

She has had no occurrence of back problems since she's been here. Reason she doesn't ski now.

free of symptoms for the last 1 1/2 yrs.

~~For~~ treatment  
Treatment

- hot packs - couple of times a day for 15-20 min.
- diathermy - once a day for about 15 min.
- massage - once a day. <sup>It's</sup> a deep heat treatment

Shunted to lower level at

MEMORANDUM

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Re: Madame Giscard d'Estaing

The Elysee Palace announced Nov. 4 the "gynecological surgery for removal of a benign lesion."

They also said that the operation went well and that she would be able to resume normal scheduling within a month.

Note: according to NSC's advance people, the French are planning that Madame GdE will make the trip to Martinique.



DINNER

California Cucumber Soup

Beaulieu  
Vineyard  
Cabernet  
Sauvignon  
1966

Charcoal Broiled  
New York Sirloin Steak  
Baked Idaho Potatoes  
Florida Corn on the Cob

Boston Lettuce Salad  
Iowa Cheese Dressing

Schramsberg  
Blanc de Blancs  
1971

Ice Cream Surprise

THE WHITE HOUSE  
Office of the Press Secretary to Mrs. Ford

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The President and Mrs. Ford have asked Singer Sarah Vaughan to entertain at the dinner they will host in Martinique for French President and Mrs. Giscard D'Estaing.

Though known primarily for her jazz renditions, Miss Vaughan is noted for her versatility with arrangements and sings everything from classical music to pop and show tunes. She has about a four-octave range.

She was the winner of the Downbeat Magazine award for "Best Female Jazz Vocalist" in 1973. She was elected "Favorite Female Singer" by her peers in the musical world in 1974 in the All-star-All-star Poll conducted by Playboy Magazine.

Miss Vaughan was born in Newark, N.J. on March 27, 1924. She sang at the Mount Zion Baptist Church as a young girl and won an amateur singing contest at the Apollo Theater in Harlem when she was 18. The prize was \$10 and a week's engagement at the Theater, where Ella Fitzgerald was headlining. Singer Billy Eckstine came to see the show and was so impressed with Miss Vaughan's performance that he recommended her to Earl Fatha Hines, who signed her to sing and play the piano with his band. A year later, Eckstine hired her as vocalist for the band he had formed, and she has been performing since.

Her first hit was "It's Magic" in 1948, which sold two million copies. Among other hits: "Tenderly," "Misty," "Brokenhearted Melody," and "My Funny Valentine." She was notified earlier this week that she has received the First Jazz Academy award in France for her latest album, "Live in Japan."

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12 noon

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Sarah Vaughan

call her <sup>bus.</sup> mgr  
<sup>Jim</sup> Harper

(213) 788-8683

playboy never sings  
a song <sup>the same</sup> twice -  
way

~~Where does she live~~  
~~adverts~~ ~~what type songs~~  
~~she sings~~

~~Programs~~

how many in band

WH before  
will not perf in front of  
any seg audience



## SARA†

Born on March 27, 1924 in Newark, N. Y. Began singing as a young girl in the Baptist Church. At the age of 18 she entered an amateur contest in Harlem's Apollo Theater and she won the contest -- a \$10 prize and a week's engagement ~~x~~ in the Apollo where Ella Fitzgerald <sup>ECKSTEIN</sup> was headlining at the time. After that she went to sing with Billy ~~Epstein~~. Her career really took off at the Blue Note Nightclub in Chicago. Her first recording that brought her national attention was "I'll Wait and Pray" and her second recording, "It's Magic" sold over 2 million copies.

In 1974, Sara won the Favorite Female Singer in the All Star, All Star Poll conducted by Playboy Magazine. The voting was done by the top personalities in the business. She has been honored by the Honorable Thomas M. Rees of California in a speech on the floor of the House of Representatives, February 26, 1974:

"This great of the music industry has consistently provided the world with the very best in entertainment. For many years she has been the effective ambassador of goodwill for the U.S., sharing her joyful gift of talent with people in the Orient, Europe, South America and in Australia... indeed just about everywhere people walk on the Earth."

March 27, 1974, on the occasion of ~~her~~ her 50th birthday, Sara received personal letters of congratulations from the Mayor of L. A., the Governor of California and the President of the United States, noting not only her musical accomplishments but her great international contribution to American goodwill.

She has just completed a tour on the SS Rotterdam Show Boat, and just yesterday December 11 a cable was sent to her agent saying that Sara's "Live in Japan" album has received the First Jazz Academy Award in France.

Sara will begin a series of concert appearances beginning on January 8 that will take her to ~~Detroit, Florida~~ the Music Hall Center of Performing Arts in Detroit, the St. Regis Hotel in N. Y. for three weeks, the Dupont Playhouse in Bloomington, Delaware, a swing through California and on April 11 she will begin ~~x~~ three weeks of concerts in Japan.



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"THE SINGER OF THE CENTURY"

"The finest singer in the world."

Tony Bennett

"A singer who sings so good, I want to cut  
my wrist with a dull blade and let her sing  
me to death . . .

Frank Sinatra

"An exceptionally warm and imaginative singer  
with a mocking sense of humor, a sensuous caress  
of a lyric, and an improvising musician."

Nat Hentoff

"A classical, pop and jazz singer; a soprano,  
contralto and coloratura . . . "

Leonard Feather



SARAH VAUGHAN

BIOGRAPHY

Sarah Vaughan is a living legend.

She has garnered world-wide accolades for her incomparable versatility, which musically bridges all the generation gaps. Not only is she a consistent winner in polls conducted among the public, in addition she emerges on top in surveys conducted among her musical peers. For example, in 1974 she won out as "Favorite Female Singer" in the All-Star-All-Star poll conducted by Playboy Magazine, in which the voting was done by the top personalities in the music business.

Her importance in the music industry was perhaps best summed up by Hon. Thomas M. Rees, of California, in a speech made in the House of Representatives on Feb. 26, 1974, when he said, "This giant of the music industry...has consistently provided the world with the very best in entertainment. For many years she has been an effective ambassador of goodwill for the United States; sharing her joyful gift of talent with people in The Orient, in Europe, in South America, in Australia--indeed just about wherever people walk on this earth.

"I am sure that all of us....have been deeply moved and thrilled by her brilliant interpretations of every type of music, from gospel to jazz, from semiclassical to contemporary."

She has been called by Tony Bennett "the greatest singer in the world", and Frank Sinatra once confessed, "Sassy's a singer who sings so good, I want to cut my wrist with a dull blade and let her sing me to death."

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On March 27, 1974, on the occasion of her 50th Birthday, Sarah received personal letters of congratulations from The Mayor of the City of Los Angeles, the Governor of the State of California, and the President of the United States, all noting not only her musical accomplishments, but her great international contributions to America's goodwill.

To Sarah, even more impressive than tributes from the President of the United States, the U.S. Congress, and other leading public figures--including the nation's music critics--is the kind of tribute she recently received while performing in Maseru, the capital city of Lesotho in Africa. Members of her audience came from as far away as 1,000 miles in chartered buses, to watch her perform, and afterwards rewarded her with a 10-minute standing ovation.

"As far as I'm concerned, an appreciative audience is the highest form of honor I can receive. Nothing ever quite matches the feeling I get inside when an audience really shows me that they care for me. I sure care for them."

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Sarah Vaughan was born in Newark, New Jersey, on March 27, 1924, into a household filled with music. Her mother was a member of the choir at Mt. Zion Baptist Church; her father was a carpenter who played piano and guitar in his spare time.

As a girl Sarah began to raise her own voice in song at the Mt. Zion Church, and at 18 entered an amateur contest in Harlem's Apollo Theater. She won the contest. Her prize was \$10, plus a week's engagement at the theater, where Ella Fitzgerald was headlining.

That week singer Billy Eckstine came to see the show, and was so impressed by Sarah that he recommended her to Earl "Fatha" Hines, with whose band he was singing. Hines quickly signed her.

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A year later, having left the Hines band to form one of his own, Eckstine hired Sarah as his band's vocalist. Incidentally, accompanying her were such horn players as Dizzy Gillespie, Charley Parker, Gene Ammons, and others from whom she learned a great deal.

Shortly Sarah gained national attention with her first recording, "I'll Wait and Pray", and with her second disc, "It's Magic", which sold 2,000,000 copies. (Over the years Sarah has had many other outstanding singles and albums, including "Tenderly", "Misty", "Broken Hearted Melody", up to her most recent album, "Sarah Vaughan, Live In Japan").

(As a sidelight, it's interesting to note that Sarah has recorded albums with as few as two musicians and has employed as many as 104 musicians on another album, "Sarah Vaughan And Michel Legrand").

From the Eckstine orchestra Sarah moved along to the John Kirby Combo, and after a while decided to try it as a "single."

Success began to come her way rapidly, helped immensely by the fact that Dave Garroway, then a Chicago radio personality, began to sing her praises to his audiences after hearing her at that city's Blue Note. The owner of the club, impressed with the high regard in which Garroway held her, signed Sarah to return to the Blue Note as the star of the show...and she was well on her way.

But the road was not an easy one, and Sarah well recalls the many problems she faced during her earlier days....the difficulties of finding hotels and restaurants in which she would be permitted in many southern cities...not being allowed to mingle with white customers even in northern clubs...being pelted with over-ripe fruit by white racists in a Chicago night club.

"They're memories not easily erased, and at the time they happened I was ready to quit showbusiness," Sarah says.

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But 'Sassy', or 'The Divine Sarah'--nicknames she has acquired over the years--confesses that being a singer today is a totally happy experience.

"I'm happier now than ever, and it shows while I'm on the stage," she says. "That's because my personal life is wonderful.... a great husband, Marshall Fisher, a loving mother and daughter, many close friends...all of this has helped me to be more at ease with the public than ever. Today I talk to the people, and they talk to me...I love them, and I feel their love for me.

"My audiences really keep me going. There are nights--every performer has them---when I really don't feel up to working. But, after a few numbers the audience invariably does it. Their great response gets me going and keeps me going."

Sarah has been called "a complete artist", one who has the respect of all jazz and contemporary musicians, alike. Her repertoire runs the gamut from old songs to new...from Errol Garner's ethereal "Misty" to Gilbert O'Sullivan's poignant "Alone Again, Naturally"; from "What Are You Doing The Rest Of Your Life?" to "A Foggy Day"; from "The Summer Knows" to "Rainy Days and Mondays".

One element in Sarah's breadth of achievement is her thorough technical knowledge of music. Long before she became a singer she had learned to play the piano and organ.

It was her musical phrasing and unique treatment of individual notes which prompted John Malachi, once her piano accompanist, to call her 'Sassy', which has been one of her nicknames ever since. It was Garroway who, recalling the late Sarah Bernhardt's nickname, first began to call Sarah Vaughan 'The Divine Sarah'.

It has always been interesting to see what various critics say about Sarah... many see her in different ways. Buck Walmsley, said in the Chicago Sun-Times, "I've caught Sarah a couple of hundred times...in night clubs, in concerts, and at jazz festivals...and I have never heard her give a bad performance.".... Earl Calloway, in the Chicago Defender, has said, "She sings with glowing intensity as if she were an angel touching the earth gently with celestial vocal sounds."....

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..... Perry Phillips, of the Oakland Tribune, has said, "In one lifetime, very few singers find themselves pointed in the direction of immortality. There is no doubt that Sarah Vaughan is pointed right in that direction. Everything about her will be required study for any future student or historian of American jazz and pop music. Aspiring young singers would do well in seizing this opportunity now knocking at their door.".....Critic Gene Gerrard of the Columbus Citizen Journal has said, "Sarah has soul to burn....each number she sings is a complete performance in itself."....."New York Times critic John S. Wilson has summed her up with, "Just some of the most glorious pop singing you might ever expect to hear"....Jazz critic Nat Hentoff has said, "She's an exceptionally warm and imaginative singer with a mocking sense of humor, a sensuous caress of a lyric and an improvising musician".... Los Angeles Times critic Leonard Feather has said, "On a recent evening I heard a classical, pop and jazz singer; a soprano, contralto and coloratura; a singer with the spontaneity of Ella, the soul of Aretha, the warm feeling of Peggy, and the impeccable phrasing of Carmen. They were all in the same show, and all of them were Sarah Vaughan".

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Between singing engagements Sarah relaxes in her home in Hidden Hills, near Los Angeles, on a 2 1/2 acre estate, with her third husband, Marshall Fisher, her mother, Ada Vaughan, her 13-year old daughter, Debbie, and a sister, Donna.

She is a collector of cookbooks and a super-excellent cook. Her hobbies are needlepoint and sewing, and she even takes a portable sewing machine on the road with her. She also enjoys playing golf.

Although she has already accomplished much in the musical world, Sarah still looks forward to making her mark in still another musical area--writing.

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But her over-riding goal remains what it has been for years--to bring pleasure to the people.

As to what provides her with her greatest pleasure, Sarah says, "Being alive is not too bad....especially being alive and surrounded by a lot of love."

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May 1974

Information on Martinique schedule

Saturday, December 14, 1974

(Dinner Hosted by President and Mrs. Giscard D'Estaing)

LOCATION: Prefect's residence (Party will leave from Meridien Hotel and arrive by boat and then auto)

DRESS: Black Tie

GUEST LIST: Official French and American party (only three women--Mrs. Ford, Mrs. D'Estaing and Prefect's wife) (17 total)

MENU: Unknown except will be local food. Chef coming from Paris.

ENTERTAINMENT: Martinique ballet

Sunday, December 15, 1974

(Dinner Hosted by President and Mrs. Ford)

LOCATION: Meridien Hotel. Outside under a thatched roof.

DRESS: Informal evening dress for ladies; sports jackets, no tie for men.

GUEST LIST: 40 (official French and American party plus some Americans from the island)

MENU: California cucumber soup (cold)  
(All American) New York sirloin steak  
(Flown in) Florida corn on the cob  
Idaho potato  
Idaho blue cheese dressing on green salad  
Boston lettuce  
Vanilla ice cream with chocolate sauce

Chef Dela Cruz from the White House Mess will prepare the dinner. He travels with the President on foreign trips.

Using State Department china and Presidential silver from the White House (it travels with the President.

No hors d'oeuvres.

CENTERPIECES: Woman from the island (Marthe Despointes) will do the flowers on a volunteer basis.

ENTERTAINMENT: Perhaps water skiers with torches

(There will be toasts)

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 11, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE PRESIDENT  
VIA: DON RUMSFELD  
FROM: TERRY O'DONNELL **TOD**  
SUBJECT: Martinique Visit

The following is a summary of the schedule for your visit to Martinique. Some minor adjustments in times may be required.

Saturday, December 14, 1974

11:30 a.m. Depart South Lawn en route Andrews.  
11:45 a.m. Depart Andrews en route Martinique.  
(Flying Time: 4 hours. Time Change: +1 hour)  
4:45 p.m. Arrive Lamentin Airport, Martinique - Arrival Ceremony -  
Remarks Required.  
5:35 p.m. Arrive Meridien Hotel.  
8:30 p.m. State Dinner at Prefect's Residence (Black Tie)-Toast Required.  
11:50 p.m. Return to Hotel - Overnight.

Sunday, December 15, 1974

10:30 a.m. Head to Head Meeting with President D'Estaing-Meridien Hotel.  
(Duration: 90 minutes)  
12:30 p.m. Informal Luncheon, Hotel Leyritz.  
4:00 p.m. Head to Head Meeting - Meridien Hotel. (Duration: 90 minutes).  
7:30 p.m. Reciprocal Reception - Meridien Hotel. (Sport shirt w/jacket-no tie)  
8:00 p.m. Reciprocal Dinner - Side lawn-Meridien Hotel. Toast Required.  
10:10 p.m. Return to Suite. Overnight.

Monday, December 16, 1974

10:00 a.m. Head to Head Meeting. (Duration: 90 minutes) - Meridien Hotel.  
11:45 a.m. Depart Hotel en route Airport.  
12:00 Noon Departure Ceremony - Lamentin Airport. (Remarks Required)  
12:15 p.m. Depart Lamentin en route Washington, D. C.  
3:45 p.m. Arrive South Lawn.



President and Mrs. Giscard D'Estaing, Paris, France  
Helio.

HELO DEPARTS en route Meridien Hotel.

[Flying time: 15 minutes]

5:45 pm

HELO ARRIVES Meridien Hotel.

The President and Mrs. Ford will be met by:

Hotel representative

The President and Mrs. Ford proceed to Presidential Suite.

PERSONAL/STAFF TIME: 2 hours,

7:45 pm

The President and Mrs. Ford depart Meridien Hotel en route Prefect's residence.

NOTE: Transportation by boat and then auto to the Prefect's residence.

8:30 pm

The President and Mrs. Ford arrive Prefect's residence.

The President and Mrs. Ford will be met by:

President and Mrs. Giscard D'Estaing

The President and Mrs. Ford are hosted by President and Mrs. Giscard at a dinner, followed by entertainment.

NOTE: Black tie

PRESS POOL PHOTO COVERAGE

NOTE: A toast by each President is expected.



10:32 am

The President and Mrs. Ford, escorted by [redacted] and Mrs. Giscard d'Estaing, return to Hotel Meridien.

OVERNIGHT

Sunday, December 15, 1974

10:00 am Head-to-Head meeting between President Ford and President Giscard d'Estaing at the Meridien Hotel.

DURATION: 90 minutes

PRESS POOL PHOTO COVERAGE

11:30 am Meeting concludes.

PERSONAL/STAFF TIME: 30 minutes

12:00 noon The President and Mrs. Ford, accompanied by President and Mrs. Giscard d'Estaing, board helo.

HELO DEPARTS Hotel Meridien en route Hotel Leyritz.

[Flying time: 15 minutes]

12:15 pm HELO ARRIVES Hotel Leyritz.

Informal luncheon.

PRESS POOL PHOTO COVERAGE

3:00 pm The President and Mrs. Ford, accompanied by President and Mrs. Giscard d'Estaing, boards helo.

HELO DEPARTS en route Meridien Hotel.

[Flying time: 15 minutes]

3:15 pm HELO ARRIVES Meridien Hotel.

PERSONAL/STAFF TIME: 45 minutes

4:00 pm Head-to-Head meeting between the President and President Giscard d'Estaing.







THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

December 10, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: SHIELA WEIDENFELD

FROM: WILLIAM HENKEL, JR. 

SUBJECT: THE PRESIDENT'S VISIT  
TO MARTINIQUE  
Saturday, December 14, 1974 through  
Monday, December 16, 1974

PASSPORTS:

Please send your passports, as soon as possible, to the Military Aide's Office Attention: Max Collins. There are no other special requirements for entrance into Martinique.

BAGGAGE INFORMATION:

Due to logistical limitations in Martinique and the Black Tie French Dinner on the evening of the 14th, it is strongly recommended that your luggage be placed in the West Basement by 8:00 am Saturday, December 14th. Your luggage will be placed on an aircraft departing ahead of Air Force One and will ensure that your luggage will be in your rooms in sufficient time for the evening's activities.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 11, 1974

HIGH PRIORITY

MEMORANDUM FOR:

NANCY HOWE

FROM:

WILLIAM HENKEL, JR. 

SUBJECT:

THE FIRST LADY'S SCHEDULE  
IN MARTINIQUE

The following schedule suggestions have been proposed by the French in Martinique and require immediate response:

1. By separate memorandum, I have sent you the rough draft of the schedule.

For the informal luncheon at the Leyritz Hotel, the French have proposed that Mrs. Giscard d'Estaing ride with President Ford in Army One and that Mrs. Ford ride with President Giscard d'Estaing in a French helicopter. Their proposal would require Mrs. Ford to depart the Meridien Hotel five minutes before the President, i. e., at 12:15 pm rather than 12:20 pm on Sunday.

The Advance Team has discussed the proposal with the Secret Service and they are agreeable to the proposal.

APPROVE \_\_\_\_\_ DISAPPROVE \_\_\_\_\_

2. The French have proposed that Mrs. Ford and Mrs. Giscard d'Estaing remain at the Leyritz Hotel luncheon site for approximately 30 minutes after the Presidents leave on Sunday. They would depart together by 3:00 pm.

En route, they would fly over the "Presqu'ile de la Caravelle," the Dubuc Castle, adding approximately 10 minutes to the flying time. The helicopter would arrive at the Meridien Hotel at approximately 3:25 pm.

3. Based on the guidance from Ric Sardo on Monday, we passed to the French Mrs. Ford's preference not to visit the Empress Josephine Museum. We have been advised by the French that Mrs. Giscard d'Estaing will visit the museum regardless of whether Mrs. Ford does. Request guidance on whether or not this new information would change our plans concerning Mrs. Ford's visit to the museum. The GOF has suggested that the timing could be adjusted to accommodate Mrs. Ford.

4. Attached is a copy of the proposed schedule for the Reciprocal Dinner to be hosted by President and Mrs. Ford. The site for the dinner is the Meridien Hotel swimming pool terrace. Ron Jackson has advised us that Nancy Lammerding has agreed to have the event at poolside rather than on the lawn. The rain problem appears to be solved, since the hotel is constructing a thatched roof over the pool terrace. As soon as the entertainer is chosen, would you please advise us.

cc: D. Rumsfeld  
T. O'Donnell  
N. Lammerding  
S. Weidenfeld

Sunday, December 15, 1974

7:30 pm DINNER GUEST INSTRUCTIONS: U.S. guests proceed to the reception by the Meridien Hotel swimming pool. Attire for the dinner is sport jackets with open neck shirts, and long, informal dresses or pant suits.

- 7:45 pm French guests arrive at reception.
- 7:50 pm The President and Mrs. Ford depart Presidential Suite en route reception on swimming pool terrace.
- 7:55 pm The President and Mrs. Ford arrive informal reception.

ATTENDANCE: 45

- 7:58 pm The President and Mrs. Ford proceed to the southern edge of the terrace to greet President and Mrs. Giscard d'Estaing.
- 8:00 pm President and Mrs. Giscard d'Estaing arrive at reception.
- 8:00 pm The President and Mrs. Ford greet President and Mrs. Giscard d'Estaing, and escort them into the reception.

8:15 pm DINNER GUEST INSTRUCTIONS: Proceed around the pool to the dining area. It is requested that you escort the French guests to the dining

- 8:20 pm The President and Mrs. Ford escort President and Mrs. Giscard d'Estaing to the dining area.

PRESS POOL PHOTO COVERAGE

NOTE: Round tables.

- 8:25 pm Dinner begins.
- 9:15 pm Dinner ends.
- 9:15 pm The President proposes a toast, followed by translation.

PRESS POOL COVERAGE

- 9:20 pm President Giscard d'Estaing responds, followed by translation.
- 9:25 pm The President and Mrs. Ford escort President and Mrs. Giscard d'Estaing to the opposite side of the pool for coffee and liqueurs.

9:25 pm : DINNER GUEST INSTRUCTIONS: Proceed  
: to the opposite side of the pool  
: for coffee and liqueurs. It is  
: requested that you escort the  
French guests.

9:30 pm Coffee and liqueurs are served.

9:40 pm The President introduces (entertainer).

PRESS POOL COVERAGE

9:45 pm Entertainment begins.

10:05 pm Entertainment concludes.

10:10 pm The President and Mrs. Ford bid farewell to  
President and Mrs. Giscard d'Estaing.

10:10 pm President and Mrs. Giscard d'Estaing  
proceed to their suites.

10:15 pm The President and Mrs. Ford depart the swimming  
pool terrace and proceed to Presidential  
Suite.

10:20 pm The President and Mrs. Ford arrive at Presidential  
Suite.

OVERNIGHT

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THE CHIEF OF PROTOCOL  
DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
WASHINGTON

December 10, 1974

MEMORANDUM TO THE PRESIDENT

THE WHITE HOUSE

SUBJECT: Martinique Trip -- Photograph Exchange Only

It has been agreed with the French that because your visit to Martinique is a working visit there will be no exchange of Official or State Gifts.

However, we understand that the French President and Madame Giscard d'Estaing may present to you and Mrs. Ford either an inscribed portrait photograph of them together or inscribed separate photographs. Therefore we shall include appropriate double and single photographs and frames for your contingent use. Should you wish to present such photograph(s) in return, I would suggest the following possible inscriptions:

DOUBLE PORTRAIT PHOTOGRAPH

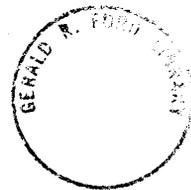
"To His Excellency The President of the French Republic  
and Madame Giscard d'Estaing,

With every good wish on the occasion of our visit to  
Martinique,

Gerald R. Ford

Betty Ford

December, 1974"



OR SINGLE PORTRAIT PHOTOGRAPHS

"To His Excellency Valery Giscard d'Estaing,

With appreciation and every good wish on the occasion of  
our visit to Martinique,

December, 1974

Gerald R. Ford"

AND

"To (Madame) Anne Aymone Giscard d'Estaing,

With all appreciation for her warm hospitality during our  
visit to Martinique,

December, 1974

Betty Ford"

Additionally we shall prepare a supply of other  
modest gifts for your and Mrs. Ford's contingent use.

  
Henry E. Catto, Jr.



# background NOTES

# Martinique

department of state \* may 1974

## OFFICIAL NAME: Martinique

### GEOGRAPHY AND PEOPLE

Martinique, an Overseas Department of France,\* is the northernmost of the Windward Islands, which are part of the chain of the Lesser Antilles in the Caribbean Sea southeast of Puerto Rico.

Generally, this volcanic island is characterized by an indented coastline and mountainous terrain. The highest point is Mt. Pelée with an altitude of 4,650 feet above sea level.

Martinique experiences little climatic variation, although December to May are generally the coolest and

dryest months of the year. The mean temperature varies from a low of 75.7°F. to a high of 79.9°F., while average relative humidity ranges from 77 to 85 percent. January-May is the most comfortable season.

Approximately 98 percent of the people of Martinique are of Afro-European or mixed African-European-Indian descent. The rest of the population is divided into those from old planter families (known as "békés") and a sizable number of metropolitan French (i.e., born in France rather than on Martinique) who work mostly as civil servants in the French administration or are members of the French military forces. The great majority of Martinique's labor force is employed in agriculture or in food processing and associated industries.

Education is compulsory between ages 6 and 16.



### HISTORY

Columbus discovered Martinique either in 1493 or 1502 (accounts differ). The name is derived from an old Carib Indian word meaning "Island of Flowers." Most of the original Carib Indians were eliminated shortly after Belain d'Esnambuc took the island for France in 1635; the rest gradually were absorbed into the local population. Martinique has been a French

\*For information on France, see *Background Notes on France* (pub. 8209).

### PROFILE

#### Geography

AREA: 425 sq. mi. (one-third the size of Rhode Island). CAPITAL: Fort-de-France (pop. 100,000).

#### People

POPULATION: 340,000 (1973 est.). ANNUAL GROWTH RATE: 1.3% (1973). DENSITY: 800 per sq. mi. ETHNIC GROUPS: mixed African-European (98%), European (2%). RELIGION: Roman Catholic (99%). LANGUAGES: French (Creole dialect of French widely spoken). LITERACY: 99%.

#### Government

TYPE: Overseas Department of France. RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL: French Minister for the Overseas Departments and Territories. SENIOR LOCAL CIVIL SERVANT: Prefect of Martinique. PRINCIPAL LOCAL LEGISLATURE: 36-member locally elected General Council of limited powers. HIGHEST LOCAL COURT: Court of Appeals. ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISIONS: 34 Townships.

FLAG: As an Administrative Division of France, Martinique flies the French flag.

#### Economy

GROSS NATIONAL PRODUCT (GNP): \$373 million (1971). ANNUAL GROWTH

RATE: 15%. PER CAPITA INCOME: \$1,081. PER CAPITA GROWTH RATE: 14.3%.

AGRICULTURE: *Land* 50%. *Labor* 30%. *Products*—bananas, sugarcane, rum, pineapples.

INDUSTRY: *Labor* 18%. *Products*—construction and public works.

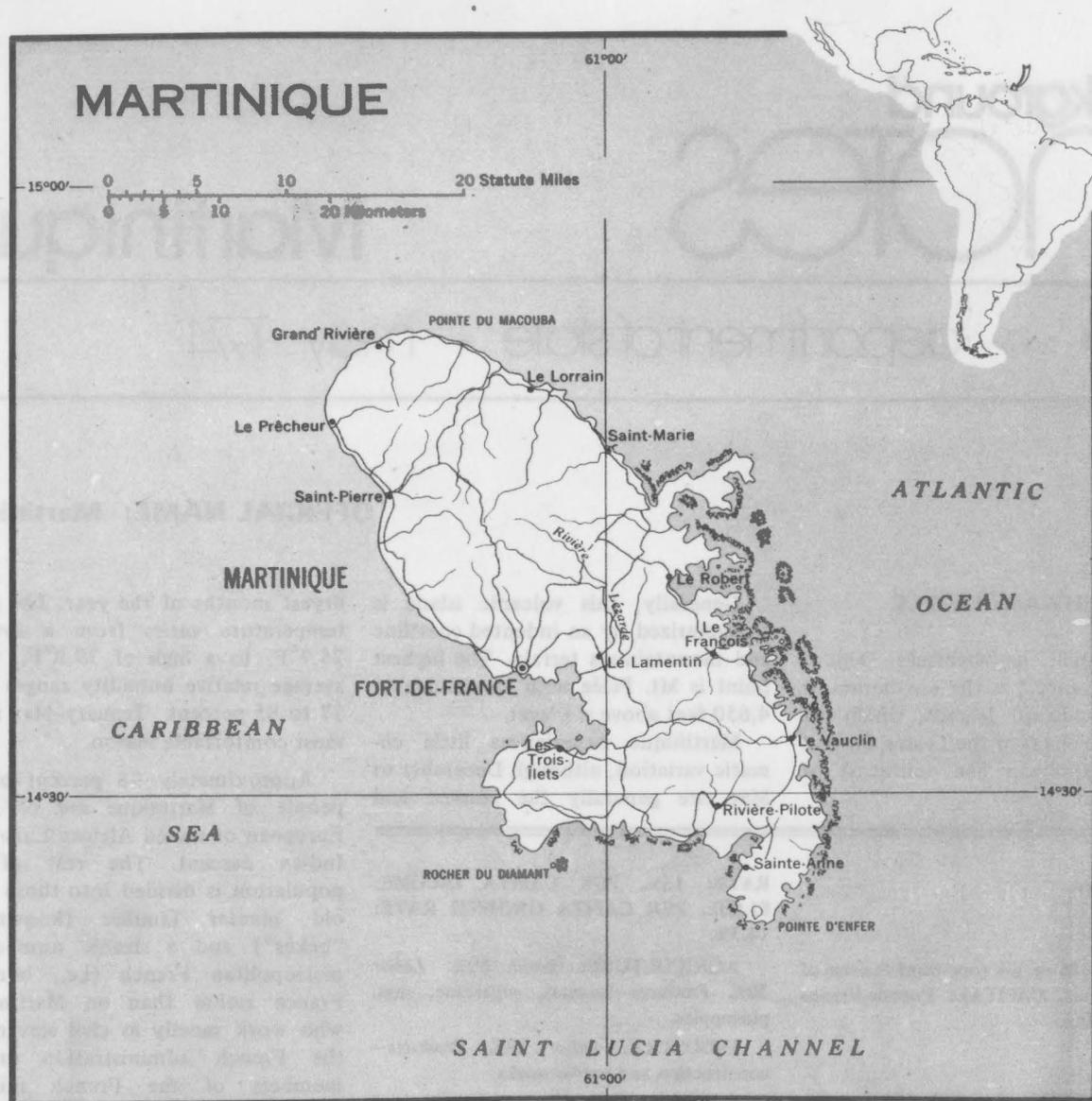
NATURAL RESOURCES: Farming and fishing.

TRADE: *Exports*—\$42 million (1972): bananas, sugar, rum. *Partners*—metropolitan France and the rest of the franc zone (93%). *Imports*—\$173 million (1972): machinery and equipment, raw materials, foodstuffs, and other consumer goods. *Partners*—metropolitan France and the rest of the franc zone (74%).

OFFICIAL EXCHANGE RATE: Same as French franc; US\$1=4.85 francs (April 1974).

ECONOMIC AID RECEIVED: As an Administrative Division of France, Martinique does not receive aid, as such, from metropolitan France. However, in 1971 some \$115 million more was spent on government services than was raised in local taxes. Common Market: \$775,000 (1972).

MEMBERSHIP IN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS: As an Administrative Division of France, Martinique is represented in international organizations by the French Government.



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possession since that time except for three short periods when it was under British occupation.

Napoleon's Empress Josephine was born on Martinique in 1763. Her daughter Hortense, who became Queen of Holland; Aimée Debuc, Josephine's cousin, who became Sultana Validah, or Queen Mother, of Turkey; and Madame de Maintenon, morganatic wife of Louis XIV, all were born on Martinique.

In 1902 Mt. Pelée erupted, killing over 30,000 people in approximately six seconds and completely destroying St. Pierre, the commercial capital of the island. All of the city's inhabitants died but one—a condemned prisoner confined in a dungeon. Seventy-two years later the rebuilt town of St. Pierre contains only 6,500 inhabitants.

Following the Franco-German armistice in 1940, Martinique became semiautonomous under a High Commissioner until 1943, when the Free French took over. In 1946 Martinique voted to become an Overseas Department and an integral part of the French Republic.

#### GOVERNMENT

Martinique is one of three Overseas Departments of France located in the Western Hemisphere; the others are Guadeloupe and French Guiana. As such, it elects two members to the French Senate and three deputies to the French National Assembly. Elections for the National Assembly are held at maximum intervals of 5 years, while Senators are elected indirectly for 9-year terms.

As in all French Departments, the senior official and appointed representative of the central government is the Prefect. The Prefect has somewhat more power than his counterparts in the metropolitan French Departments. A local General Council, consisting of 36 members popularly elected to 6-year terms, votes on the departmental budget and has legislative jurisdiction over purely local matters. There are also elected mayors and municipal councils for the 34 townships (communes).

In addition to being an Overseas Department of France, Martinique is at the same time a French Region. In metropolitan France, a Region usually contains several Departments, but the island of Martinique is a monodepartmental Region. The Prefect is a Regional as well as a Departmental

Prefect. In addition senior elected officials form a Regional Council which has certain restricted tax-raising and budget-voting powers. A regional Economic and Social Council composed of members appointed to represent various socio-economic groups sits alongside the Regional Council in a purely advisory role.

#### Principal Government Official

Prefect—Christian Orsetti

#### POLITICAL CONDITIONS

Martinique's three most important political parties are the Gaullists, the Progressive Party of Martinique (PPM), and the Communists. The Gaullists

support the continuation of Departmental status. The PPM and the Communist Party call for "autonomy" (i.e., self-government), which would nevertheless retain the important financial benefits which presently accrue from Martinique's status as an Overseas Department of France. Because it is widely recognized that association with France has brought important financial gains, announced supporters of independence are rare. The Gaullists and other partisans of Departmental status regularly gain a majority in elections. However, the Communist Party of Martinique and the PPM, along with their autonomist allies, can normally count on receiving 40 percent or more of the ballots cast.

The PPM was founded in 1956 by Aimé Césaire, who left the Communist Party at that time to protest the Soviet suppression of the Hungarian revolt. Césaire, a well-known poet, was and is Mayor of Fort-de-France and a Member of the French National Assembly. While the PPM and the Communists are both Parties of the Left, the PPM rejects having the close ties with the Communist Parties of France and the Soviet Union which the Communist Party of Martinique has always maintained.

As a result of the 1973 French National Assembly elections, Martinique is represented in that body by one member of the PPM (Aimé Césaire), one Gaullist, and one Gaullist ally. In the Senate the Department is represented by two Gaullists. After the September 1973 elections, the General Council continued to be controlled by those supporting Departmental status; moreover, the President of the General Council is a Gaullist. Similarly, a majority of the 34 communes have mayors who support the constitutional status quo.

The French Government's objectives are to promote Martinique's economic development and to maintain its present status as an Overseas Department in accordance with the wishes of the people of Martinique.

#### ECONOMY

Martinique's standard of living is one of the highest in the Caribbean. Its

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economy is dependent on financial support from the French Government. Government expenditures have amounted to 70 percent of the Department's gross national product. In pursuing its goals of bringing Overseas Departments such as Martinique up to the economic level of the Metropolitan counterparts, the government is spending more money than it raises in local taxes. In 1971, the net deficit on current account amounted to \$338 per inhabitant.

Government policy has been to bring the local minimum wage up to that of metropolitan France. At present it is about 22 percent lower than in France but is still substantially

#### TRAVEL NOTES

**Passage**—U.S. citizens do not need visas. Presentation of a passport facilitates entry, but any other proof of U.S. citizenship will also suffice.

**Clothing**—Men and women generally wear clothing like that worn in Washington, D.C. in summer, although dress at the beach hotels is more informal.

**Hotels**—Martinique has its share of luxury hotels which are quite expensive; moderately priced hotels are more difficult to find. During the height of the tourist season from December through April, hotels are fully booked.

**Health and Medicine**—Local doctors, dentists, and pharmacists are adequate for normal needs. Most visitors drink the tap water.

**Transportation**—Most visitors find public transportation unsuitable for their needs. Taxis and rental cars are preferable. U.S. drivers licenses are valid for use by visitors staying less than 3 months. Roads are good by Caribbean standards.

**Communications**—Telephone and telegraph services are efficient by Caribbean standards. Mail to and from the United States should bear airmail postage.

**Banking and Currency**—Two U.S. banks (Chase Manhattan and Bank of America) have branches in Martinique as do several foreign banks. Martinique uses a special currency on a par with the French franc, but metropolitan French francs circulate freely.

higher than in the nearby English-speaking islands. It is also accompanied by important social security benefits.

The French social welfare programs of social security, family allowances, and medical aid play a very important role in personal income. These programs have been increasing for several years and the average individual received about \$179 a year in social welfare benefits from the government in 1972. Local social security receipts cover only slightly more than 45 percent of these expenses, with the balance being made up by the French Government.

A rapidly increasing population and loss of jobs due to mechanization of agriculture are not being counterbalanced by the creation of new jobs and emigration to continental France. More than half the population is less than 20 years of age. There are about 25,000 to 30,000 unemployed or seriously underemployed in Martinique, amounting to 25 percent of the working population.

Two-thirds of the production in the industrial sector is accounted for by construction and public works activities, both largely financed by subsidies from metropolitan France. Otherwise, private industry devotes itself largely to the production of consumer goods for local consumption. The relatively high wages prevailing, the small size of the local market, and the distances from sources of raw materials and large markets are not conducive to large-scale industrialization.

Martinique has traditionally produced tropical products for export, but today is obliged to pay European-level wages and fringe benefits. As a result, its agricultural products are largely noncompetitive except in protected markets.

The tourist industry provides the brightest spot on the economic scene. In 1973 more than 200,000 cruise ship visitors stopped off in Martinique, while the principal local hotels welcomed some 65,000 other tourists. The overwhelming majority of such visitors are from the United States and Canada.

## U.S.-MARTINIQUE RELATIONS

The United States recognizes Martinique as an integral part of France. U.S. policy toward Martinique is thus inseparable from its overall policy of friendly relations with France. In addition, since Martinique is one of its close neighbors in the Western Hemisphere, the United States seeks to maintain good relations with the people of Martinique and to encourage the development of a strong and stable economy on the island.

Each year thousands of U.S. citizens visit Martinique. Pan American, Eastern, and Air France have regularly scheduled flights to the island. Martinique is about 1,400 air miles from Miami, and 425 air miles from San Juan, Puerto Rico.

### Principal U.S. Official

Consul—Robert A. Remole

The U.S. Consulate is located at 14 Rue Blenac, Fort-de-France.

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french chef coming, cruisers used  
only, off party: Mad Gisc, Mrs Ford,  
formal, Ushap  
Martinique ballet on lawn

Sunday - <sup>informal</sup> ~~black tie~~ dinner at Meudean Hotel  
sport jacket w ties for men  
cash <sup>cash</sup> cucumber soup  
NY strip sirloin steaks (cook in <sup>chef's hat</sup> hat barbeque)  
Dessert

Florida corn on cob  
Blue <sup>low</sup> cheese dressing Boston lettuce  
chocolate sundae /

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CLUB MED. INC., SALES REPRESENTATIVE

December 4, 1974

Mrs. Sheila Weidenfeld  
Press Service  
The White House  
1500 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sheila,

I feel like we're old friends by now. As I mentioned to you over the phone yesterday, Club Mediterranee would be most honored to host Mrs. Ford for any part of the day that she would be able to visit Buccaneer's Creek, our Martinique resort village, during the forthcoming summit meeting.

Club Mediterranee is responsible for bringing the greatest number of Americans to the French island of Martinique throughout the entire year, and has built its name in the U.S. on this unique promotion of Franco-American friendship. We, therefore, feel it would be a "natural" for the First Lady of the United States. (President Giscard d'Estaing is supposed to pay a visit to our sister resort at Guadeloupe prior to his Martinique arrival.)

A bungalow complex in a quiet area, or the Chef de Village's (Village Manager) house would, of course, be put at Mrs. Ford's disposal for the duration of her visit to the Club. The Club's grounds are spacious, covered with bougainvillea, hibiscus, and coconut palms. There's plenty of shade, and during the morning and afternoon, a certain calm and feeling of "being away from it all" reigns throughout the village.

I've enclosed a brochure that will give you an idea of what the Club is all about. The Martinique village is described on Page 33.

We would be most honored to welcome Mrs. Ford, and will do everything possible to assure a pleasant and relaxing visit for her.

Sincerely yours,

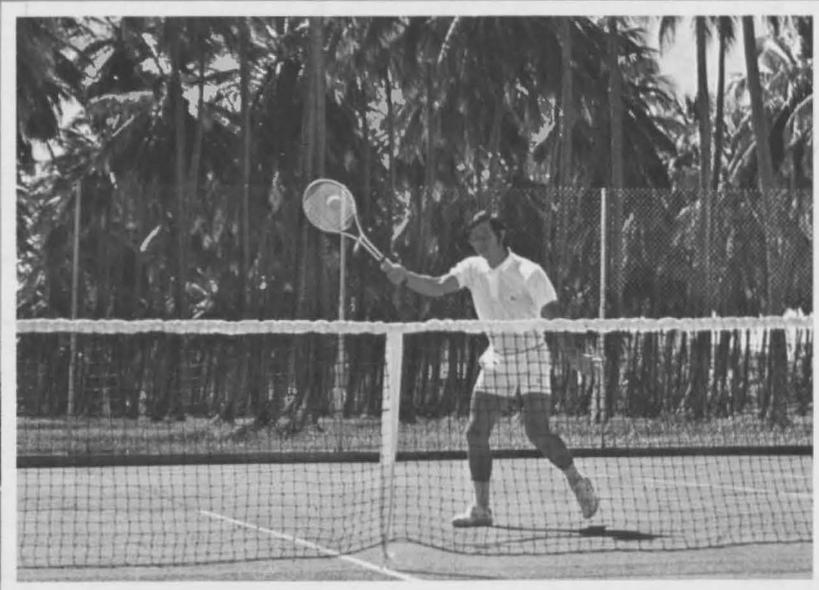
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# CLUB MEDITERRANEE



# Bilingual club Villages

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PLAYA BLANCA (Mexico)	12			5 years														A*			
HANAIEI PLANTATION (Hawaii - Pacific Ocean)	16			5 years									surfing								
TAHITI (South Pacific)	20			5 years																	
FORT ROYAL (West Indies)	24			4 years														A*			
CARAVELLE (West Indies)	28			5 years																	
BUCCANEER'S CREEK (West Indies)	32			5 years																	
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**There is a special world where written rules do not exist. A certain state of mind, an extraordinary ambiance, where fantasy turns into actuality and desire becomes reality. Time and space no longer matter, as each individual lives out his vacation in whatever manner he chooses.**

**Perhaps it's a lazy day in the sunshine, a refreshing dip in the sea, or a match on the tennis courts followed by a leisurely lunch. For 25 years, Club Mediterranee has provided a vacation alternative for nearly one million Europeans and North Americans in search of a total escape from the daily, mechanized routine of everyday living.**

**club mediterranee**



## the seas of club mediterranee

Hugging the Pacific, skirting the Atlantic, caressing the Caribbean. The seas of Club Mediterranee alight upon ten bilingual vacation villages, awaiting your arrival for a week or more of total escape anytime throughout the year.

Live with us on a remote island, where you run barefoot among the soothing sands, and bathe in crystal clear waters. Be enticed by a taste of tropical Tahiti. Or join us on the lush Hawaiian garden island of Kauai. Perhaps you'll prefer to indulge in a leisurely Caribbean holiday with a calypso sway, at one of our resorts on Guadeloupe or Martinique.

Visit Morocco, Tunisia, or Senegal, as the adventurer in you discovers our African shores. A sleepy, Mediterranean island in Tunisia offers a mystical holiday experience, while the Atlantic coasts of Morocco and Senegal bid the wandering spirit welcome, to a pulsating beat.

We extend the Club's unique vacation formula westward to the Pacific shores of Mexico and Hawaii. A balmy, private valley, with hillside bungalows overlooking the Pacific's blue-green

waters, is the site of Playa Blanca. Our first vacation village in Mexico to be designed and built exclusively by the Club, the ranch-style complex opens in December with the Club's usual array of land and water sports. A never-ending fiesta of colorful merriment, with a festive Mexican touch bids you *bienvenido*.

Splendid vistas of lush, tropical foliage and fascinating wave formations greet the visitor to Hawaii's magnificent Kauai island. Located on one of the world's finest surfing beaches, the new, intimate, Hanalei Plantation offers a unique opportunity to meet an international and cosmopolitan cross-section of members from three continents.

Cap Skirring, a most intriguing West African resort, also completes its first year. In the heart of Senegal's Casamance region, our modern, native-inspired village gives members a taste of the real Africa and her people. Come, dream with us. Immerse yourself in the soothing calm of our seas, as Club Mediterranee, 1975, welcomes you.





## Come play with us

Dance with us, sail with us, learn to water-ski or snorkel, practice yoga, listen to Bach and Vivaldi. Meet new friends with us, enjoy our unspoiled beaches with their clear waters. Discover wonders of the underwater world, or nurture a luscious sun tan. Feast to your heart's content on copious buffets of continental specialties, fresh fruits, cheeses and wines. Or, relax with that book you've always meant to finish.

Club Mediterranee is for you, a place in the sun, where you can give your vacation dreams free reign to live out your fantasies in a special world, designed for the happiness and well-being of both mind and body.

## The vacation village

We call our resorts "vacation villages," to differentiate them from conventional resorts. Each village is a self-contained community devoted to one purpose - the enjoyment of that most important time of year, your vacation. Located in beautiful, natural surroundings, off-the-beaten-track, the villages provide comfortable accommodations, a wide range of sports facilities, and lively evening activities for your enjoyment.

You may be surprised to find no locks on the doors, no telephones in your room, no clocks, an absence of newspapers, t.v.'s, radios, and room service (although rooms are cleaned daily).

At the Club, you're on vacation, and that means a vacation from all the reminders associated with daily life. Instead, we offer you the chance to enjoy other people, to live with nature, to sample a simple, uncluttered lifestyle born of plentiful sunshine, vast, natural spaces, and superb cuisine.

## Where you'll stay

Our original "case", or thatched-roof hut villages provided little more than a floor and a bed. No electricity or plumbing in the rooms. While this formula is still popular with many Europeans, all the villages listed in this brochure provide modern, comfortable accommodations.

At certain villages you'll be housed in simple bungalows, all with twin beds and separate bathroom. The hotel villages provide a more luxurious note, housing members in regular hotel-type structures.

At all Club villages, you pay the same price regardless of room location. Neither can rooms be reserved in advance, in our society of equals. And, if you've come alone, we'll match you up with another friendly member who, within the course of the week, may just become a lifelong companion.

## A paradise for children

We've created a special Mini-Club for children 4 to 12 years at Fort-Royal, Guadeloupe. It's a miniature village within the Club, where children parti-





participate in a full program of sports and recreation activities, under the guidance of well-trained counselors.

Open daily between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., the Mini-Club contains its own swimming pool, club center, amphitheatre, and dining area. At Fort-Royal, you're free to enjoy an adult vacation, while the kids, involved in their own world, experience a tailor-made holiday at the Mini-Club.

### **Sports reign supreme**

Tennis, sailing, water-skiing, snorkeling, scuba diving, volleyball, petanque (bocce ball), yoga, swimming, calisthenics. These sports are offered at most Club villages. And, they're all free. That includes group instruction for all levels: novice, intermediate, and advanced. No such thing as paying extra for the use of tennis courts, sailing instruction, or scuba equipment. At the Club, we feel these ingredients are essential for your vacation enjoyment.

The Club is not only for the sportive. If you prefer to spend your days in less active pursuits, sailing picnics or boat rides will give you a taste of the sea, as you climb aboard one of our large ketches for several hours of pleasant camaraderie, sangria and songs.

At certain villages, you'll also find an arts and crafts workshop as well as French/English language labs.

### **What's a G.O.?**

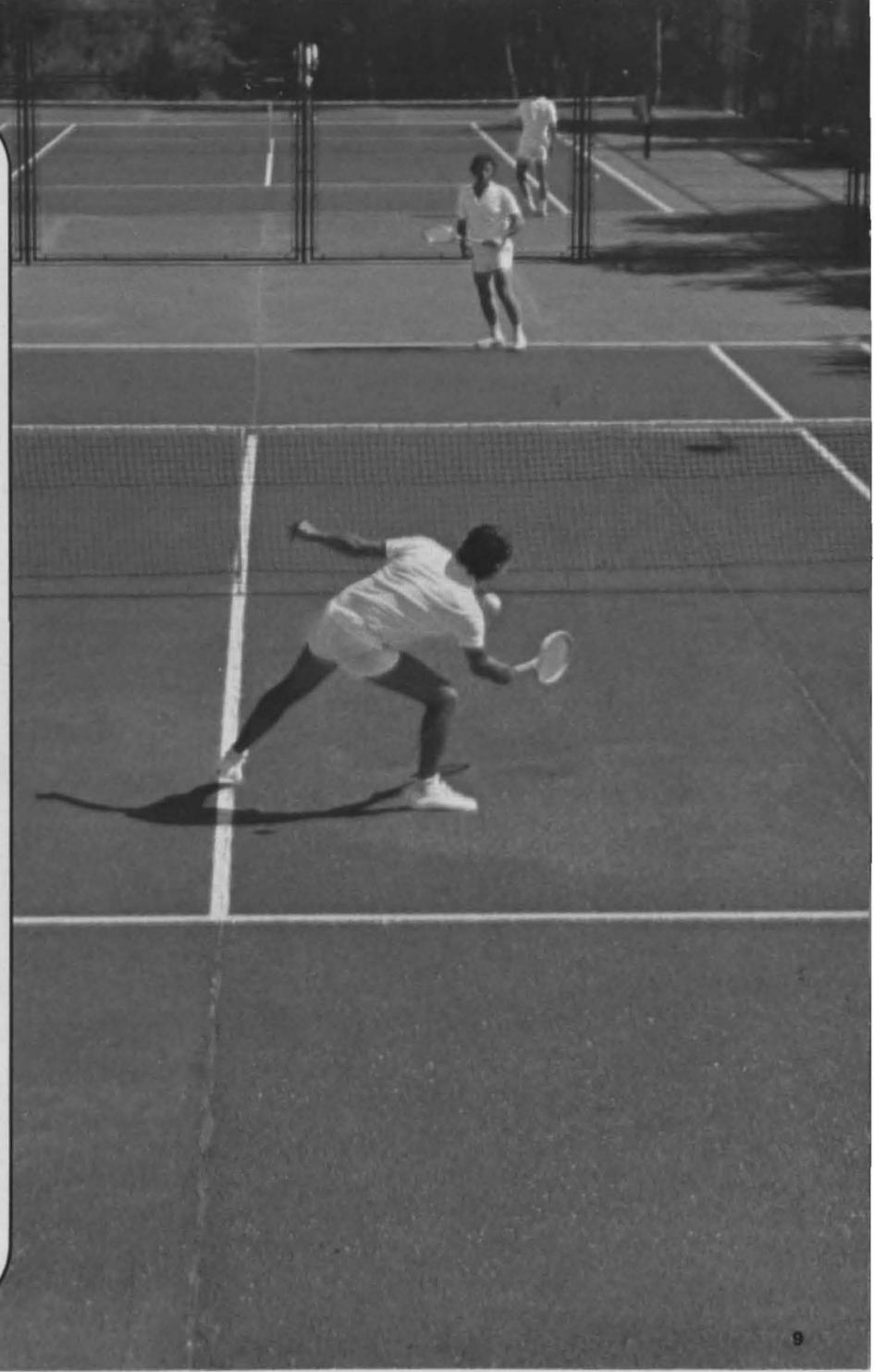
You may be surprised at being referred to as a "G.M.," which stands for "gentil membre," or "kind member," in English. Conversely, our staff is known as "G.O.'s", or "gentils organisateurs." That's French for "kind organizer." The G.O.'s are young people from North America, Europe, Africa, and the islands, who serve at the Club as working guests. Unlike traditional hotel employees, they are companions, guides, and friends to our visiting G.M.'s. When not teaching a sport, showing you to a table, or helping you in our offices, the G.O.'s will eat at your table, share a drink with you, dance with you. And, as equals in our unique vacation society, they'll never accept a tip for their services.

### **Pareo or caftan?**

Our cardinal rule is nothing matters but your happiness. This goes for your dress, too. At most of our resorts, you'll find a bathing suit and pareo standard dress by day. We've borrowed this six-foot length of colorful cloth from the Tahitians, whose easy-going life style has become a trademark at the Club. In the evening, anything goes. Blue jeans, resort wear, caftans, or the casual look. It's up to you. But, please, never a tie or jacket, those leftover remnants of city life!

### **A continual feast**

Buffets laden with patés, fruits, salads, charcuterie, sumptuous desserts,





French cheeses, hot meat dishes, grilled brochettes, and local specialties greet you at mealtime. Start the day at our open-air dining area, where a table of freshly-baked croissants, coffee, tea, and milk will greet you. Then, compose your own breakfast from our abundant buffet tables.

At lunchtime, you'll find heaping buffet platters of French cuisine, complemented by local specialties. And, because we're French, we supply all the wine you can drink at lunch and dinner.

Dinner is a celebration in itself, as you're served at the Club's traditional tables for eight. A perfect way to meet new people every day, or get to know that certain someone from last night, just a little better!

### **Floating currency**

Money has no place when you're on vacation. That's why your Club vacation is prepaid. Room accommodations, all meals, wine, sports activities with instruction, and evening entertainment are all included in that one prepaid package. The only extras you'll encounter will be personal purchases, optional excursions, or car rental, which can all be signed for and paid prior to departing the village.

A necklace of various colored poppet beads is used as bar currency. You'll trade beads as you order a drink. The beads can be worn wherever you go, whatever you do. They're even floatable!

### **The evening is yours**

How do you like your evenings? Sizzling, with lots of movement and excitement, or calm and contemplative? Evenings at the Club are for you to fashion according to your 'own tastes. After-dinner entertainment begins with dancing to a live band, followed by cabaret shows presented by our own G.O.'s. At midnight, you're invited to the discotheque, where swinging continues into the early morning hours. Should intellectual pursuits intrigue you, start out with a recorded classical music concert at sunset. Linger over stimulating dinnertime conversation, or enjoy a romantic walk in the moonlight.

### **The english connection**

The villages described in this brochure all contain bilingual staff, speaking both English and French. At Kauai, you'll even find Japanese spoken. Should you wish to be immersed in a totally French speaking environment, we've provided a selection of villages where only French is spoken, in the back section.

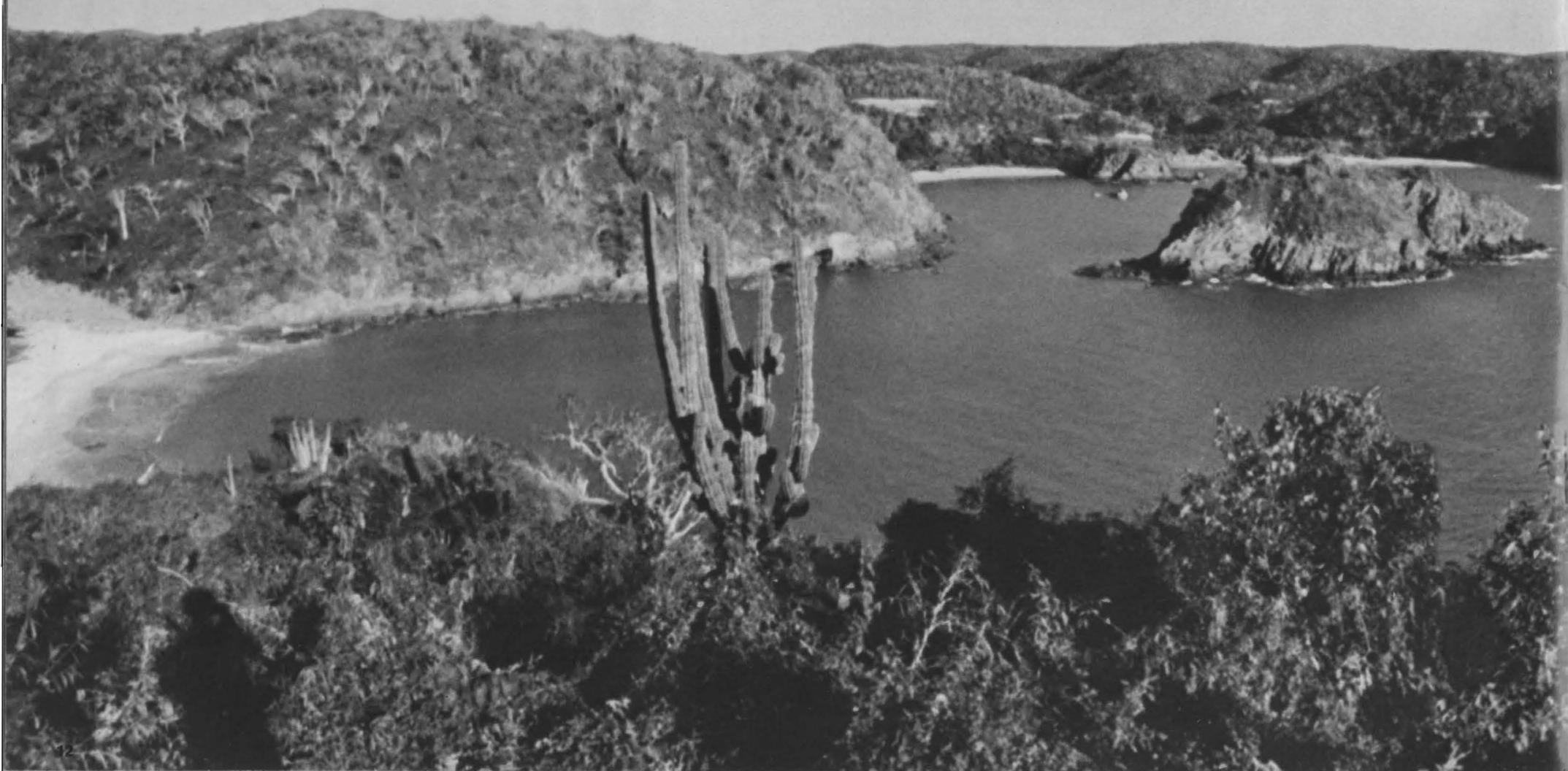
### **It's your Club**

You are the Club, and the Club is what you make it. It's something a little bit different to anyone who has ever vacationed with us. So, let yourself go. Enjoy a week with us, and leave the daily world behind.



The blue-green waters of the Pacific Ocean meet the shores of a gently sloping valley in Northwest Mexico. On a quiet bay, surrounded by offshore islands, lies Playa Blanca, our first hacienda-style village in the western hemisphere.

Indulge your every whim amid the rugged beauty of rocky hillsides and miles of Mexico's untouched, coastal countryside. Visit our ranch, arts and crafts workshop, and the Club's fashionable boutique. Enjoy a swim in our pool or in the calm waters of the bay.



You're far from worldly worries in this pleasant, secluded valley on the picturesque Playa de Careyes. Come with us, as the sunshine and seduction of Mexico welcome you to a colorful fiesta with a French flair, at Club Mediterranee, Playa Blanca.

# PLAYA BLANCA

Careyes Coast

mexico





# PLAYA BLANCA

mexico

**OPEN ALL YEAR** (From December 15, 1974).

**THE VILLAGE:** Hacienda-style bungalows hug the terraced hillside leading to a flat, tree-shaded valley. At the center of the village, a wide sand beach affords excellent opportunities for sunning and swimming. Close by, but slightly recessed from the beach, is the dining and entertainment complex, overlooking a large swimming pool. Here, you'll also find the night-club, boutique, hairdresser, and bar.

Five floodlit tennis courts are open morning til night, providing a perfect meeting place for playing a set, or perhaps participating in a tournament. Let your creative instincts guide you at the modern arts and crafts workshop, where a friendly instructor will help you design a piece of jewelry or apparel. Horseback riding enthusiasts of all levels will find plenty to do at the Club's ranch. And, if you're bent on diving or sailing, just walk along the beach to the village's south end, where you can sign up for the lessons of your choice, at the well-equipped scuba and sailing sheds.

**ACCOMMODATIONS:** Comfortable, red brick bungalows, each with its own enclosed porch. All rooms double occupancy, air-conditioned, with twin beds and private bathroom (shower). Towels provided.

**SPORTS ACTIVITIES:** Tennis, swimming in pool or ocean, volleyball, petanque, ping-pong, yoga, exercise and judo classes. Snorkeling, spear fishing. Sailing, with experienced instructors

only. Scuba diving: school for beginners, on experimental basis; shallow dives for qualified divers. Horseback riding at the ranch (slight extra charge).

**AND MORE:** Arts and crafts workshop (slight extra charge for raw materials), boat rides, sailing picnics, English French library. Recorded classical music concerts at sunset. Nightly dancing to the Club's band, special soirees, variety shows, late night discotheque.

**CHILDREN:** From 5 years, but no special facilities or counselors. Not recommended.

**OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS:** A variety of excursions will be available. Please consult the excursions office at the village, upon arrival.

**LOCATION AND DEPARTURES:** Northwest Mexico in state of Jalisco. Approximately 90 miles south of Puerto Vallarta, 40 miles north of Manzanillo. Nearest airport: Puerto Vallarta. Weekly group departures from New York and Los Angeles. See "Club Mediterranean Rates and Dates," for additional departure cities and information.

**CLIMATE:** Summer: 80-90°; winter: 70-80°.

**FORMALITIES:** Tourist card, obtainable from the airline or Mexican Government Tourist Bureau, by showing proof of citizenship.

**LANGUAGE AND CURRENCY:** Spanish is official language. English, French, Spanish spoken at Club. Currency is Mexican peso.





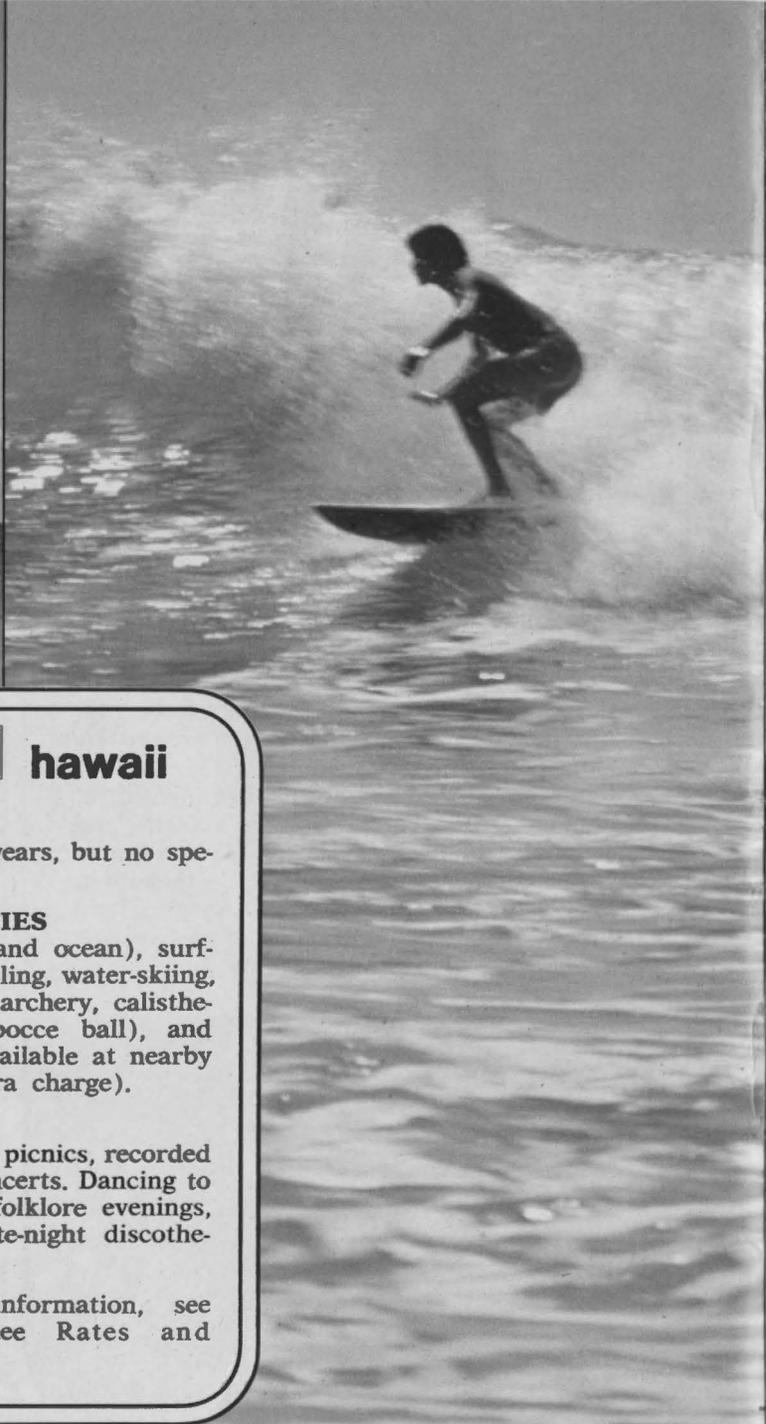
# HANAIEI PLANTATION

**hawaii**  
(kauai)

An island of verdant mountains, crystal clear waterfalls, and fertile valleys, amidst the intoxicating fragrance of tropical flowers. A gracious, hilltop manor overlooking the magnificent waves of Hanalei Bay, one of the world's finest surfing beaches. This is the Hanalei Plantation, Club Mediterranee's first tri-cultural vacation village for the sportive and young at heart.

Come, savour the joyous blending of cultures that has produced the genuine warmth and hospitality known as Hawaii. Partake in a unique dialogue as you meet cosmopolitan members from Europe, North America, and Japan. And, let your dreams of discovering a South Pacific paradise come alive.





## HANALEI PLANTATION hawaii

### **THE VILLAGE (Open all year)**

The Club's new Hawaiian hillside village features two restaurants, tennis courts, sauna, boutique, and hairdresser. On the upper level is the main restaurant and swimming pool. A short walk leads you to the circular, glass-enclosed activity center with its bar, theatre-dance floor, and discotheque. Follow curving pathways to the foot of the Hanalei River, and ferry across to the surfing beach, with its spectacular, tubular waves. A little farther on, calm, reef-protected waters welcome swimmers and water-skiers.

### **ACCOMMODATIONS**

Spacious and carpeted twin-bed bungalows or rooms, each with private bathroom (shower). Soap and towels provided.

### **CHILDREN**

Accepted from 5 years, but no special facilities.

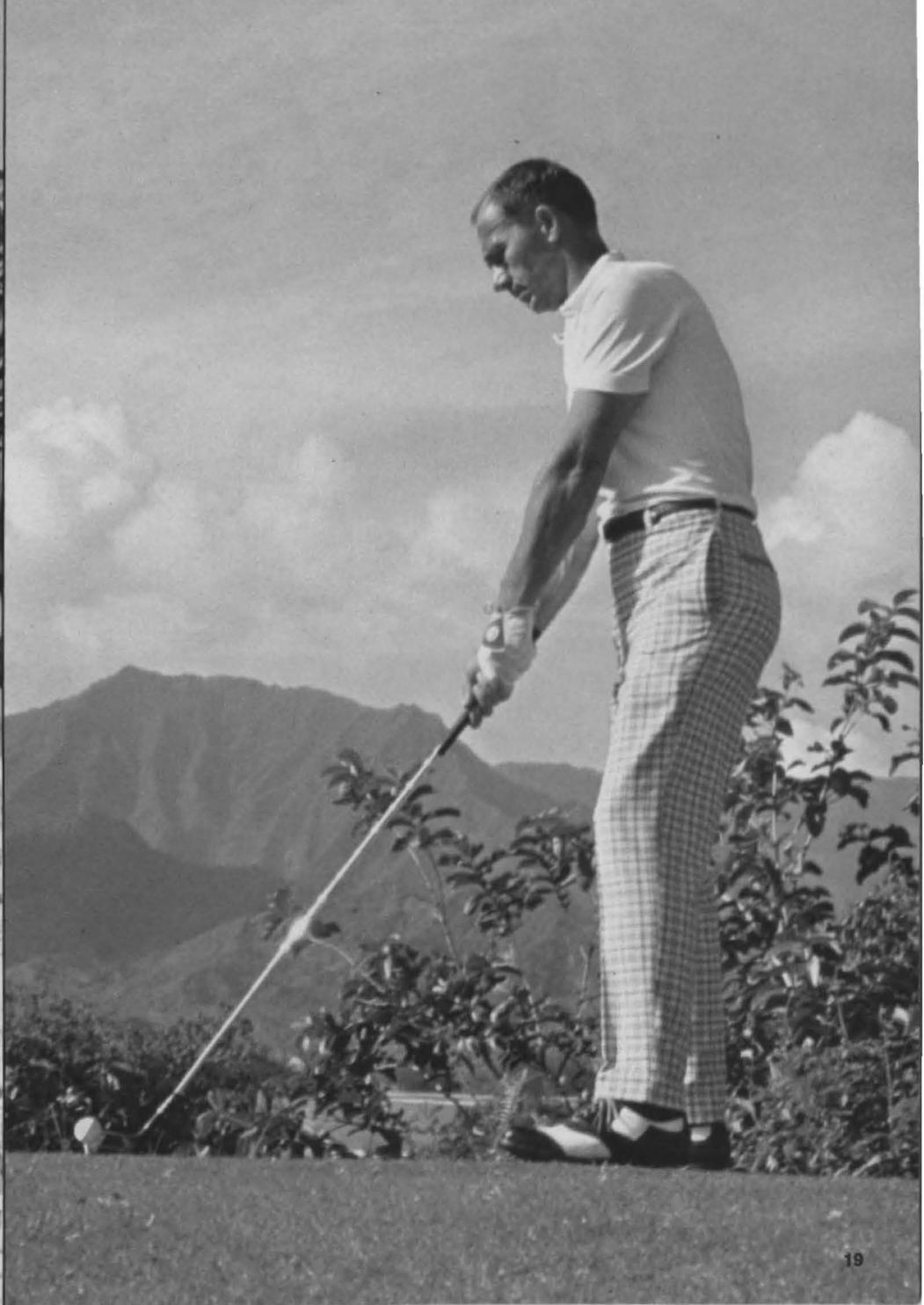
### **SPORTS ACTIVITIES**

Swimming (pool and ocean), surfing, sailing, snorkeling, water-skiing, tennis, volleyball, archery, calisthenics, petanque (bocce ball), and ping-pong. Golf available at nearby country club (extra charge).

### **AND MORE**

Sailing excursions, picnics, recorded classical music concerts. Dancing to the Club's band, folklore evenings, cabaret shows, late-night discotheque.

For additional information, see "Club Mediterranean Rates and Dates."



A black and white photograph capturing a serene tropical scene. In the foreground, the prow of a traditional outrigger canoe is visible, featuring intricate carvings and a curved prow. The canoe is positioned in shallow, rippling water. To the left, a sandy beach is lined with a dense grove of palm trees, some of which lean at various angles. In the distance, a person is seen swimming in the water. The overall atmosphere is peaceful and idyllic.

**french polynesia**

# TAHITI

## moorea

In the heart of the fabled South Pacific, surrounded by towering palms and rich volcanic mountains, lies our enchanting, thatched-roof, Tahitian village. Here, on the island of Moorea, reef-protected turquoise waters abounding with tropical fish, rare shells, and intricate coral formations, gently lap along a sweeping, white sand beach. Wrap yourself in a pareo, don a floral crown and become a Tahitian. As you find yourself falling into the joyful rhythms at Club Mediterranee's Polynesian village, you'll understand what the Tahitians have always known - "Aita Pea Pea" - only happiness important.

### THE VILLAGE (Open all year)

Near the main, open-air, thatch restaurant you'll find four floodlit tennis courts. Stroll to the "Tiki," the Club's beach-side Polynesian restaurant, bar, and discotheque, for a leisurely drink, and visit our boutique. A free-form entertainment complex with bar, theatre and dance floor overlooks the azure South Pacific waters. At the village's north end, you'll find the pier, harboring the Club's fleet.

### ACCOMMODATIONS

Double occupancy, twin-bed Tahitian bun-

galows (fares), with private bathroom (shower). Soap and towels provided.

### CHILDREN

Accepted from five years, but no special facilities.

### SPORTS ACTIVITIES

Scuba diving; snorkeling; water-skiing; spear, line, deep-sea fishing. Tennis, calisthenics, yoga, volleyball, petanque, ping-pong.

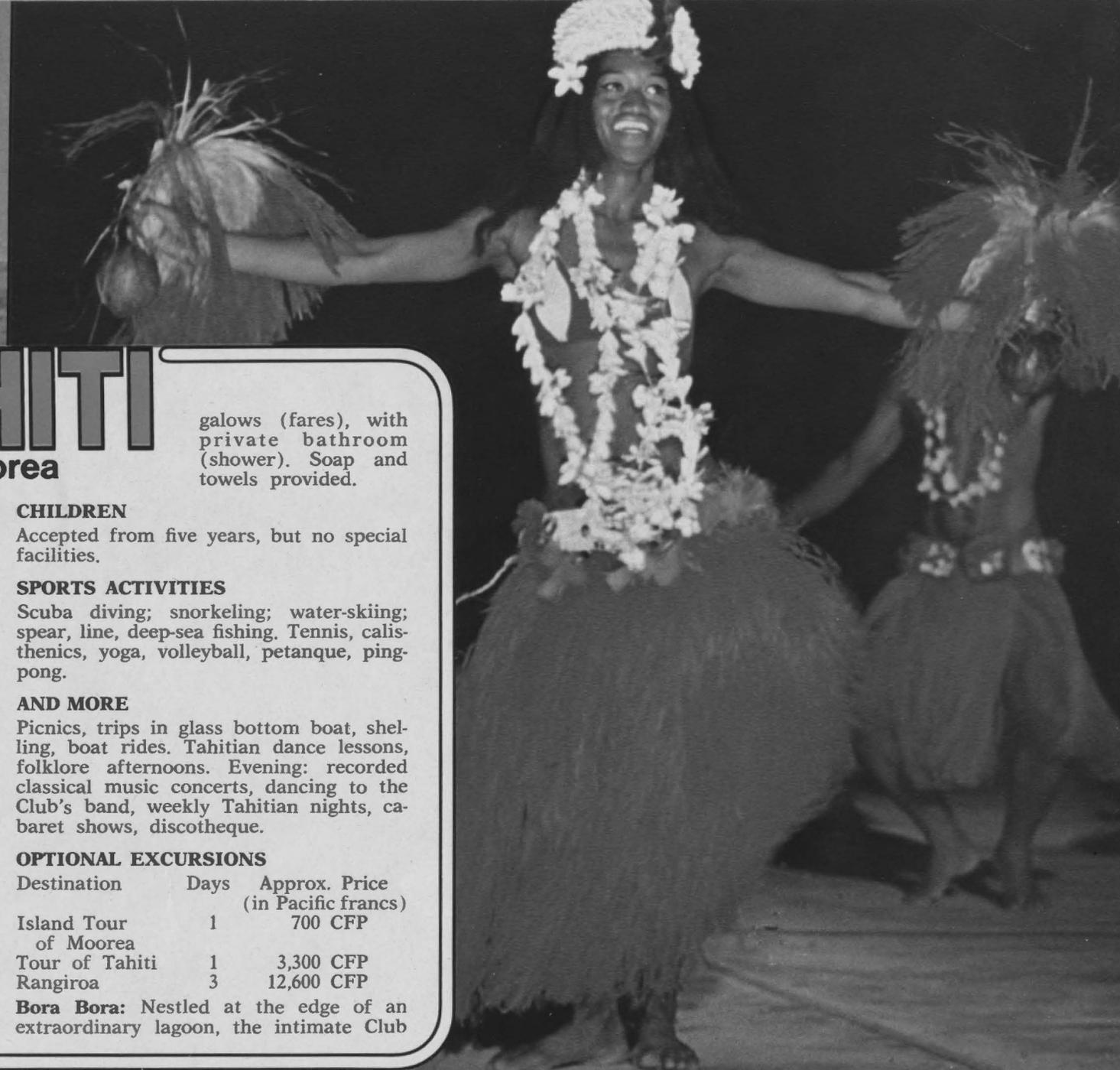
### AND MORE

Picnics, trips in glass bottom boat, shelling, boat rides. Tahitian dance lessons, folklore afternoons. Evening: recorded classical music concerts, dancing to the Club's band, weekly Tahitian nights, cabaret shows, discotheque.

### OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Destination	Days	Approx. Price (in Pacific francs)
Island Tour of Moorea	1	700 CFP
Tour of Tahiti	1	3,300 CFP
Rangiroa	3	12,600 CFP

**Bora Bora:** Nestled at the edge of an extraordinary lagoon, the intimate Club







guadeloupe

# FORT-ROYAL

The trade winds whisper softly at our intimate Fort Royal, nestled amid the dramatic mountains of Guadeloupe's leeward tip. Fragrant bougainvilleas combine with the gentle sound of tree frogs to create a soothing melange of scent, color and sound.

Here, you can be yourself, as you are in harmony with nature. Play tennis against a backdrop of tropical mountains; practice yoga in the peaceful calm of a pine grove. Rejoice in the special warmth and friendliness of Club Mediterranee's original Caribbean village, where everyone becomes part of the "grande famille".

**Open all year**

## THE VILLAGE

Perched on a gentle hill and surrounded by two separate beaches is the main hotel, containing a restaurant, late-night discotheque, bar, and nightclub. A short walk along hibiscus-lined paths brings you to the free-form swimming pool, flanked by the outdoor restaurant, grill and bar. You'll find the boutique and arts and crafts workshop nearby. Behind the restaurant, in a world all its own, is our children's Mini-Club, with clubhouse, mini-swimming pool, and activity center.

## ACCOMMODATIONS

Families housed in spacious hotel rooms. Extra bed supplied if traveling with one child. Couples, singles occupy cottages along the hillside, near the swimming pool. All lodgings twin-bed, double occupancy, with air conditioning, separate bathroom (shower). Soap and towels supplied.

## CHILDREN

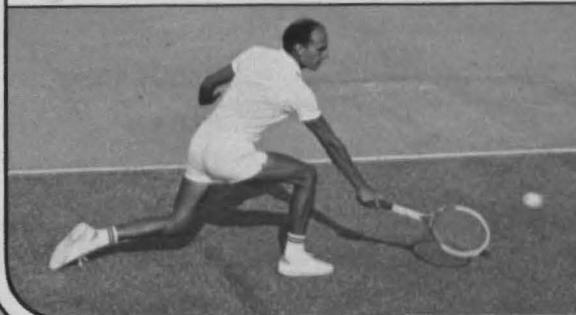
From 4 to 12 years. Mini-Club, with sports instruction, organized activities, supervised meals, if desired, daily between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Children may participate for whole day or any part of the day desired. There is no extra charge for this special program.

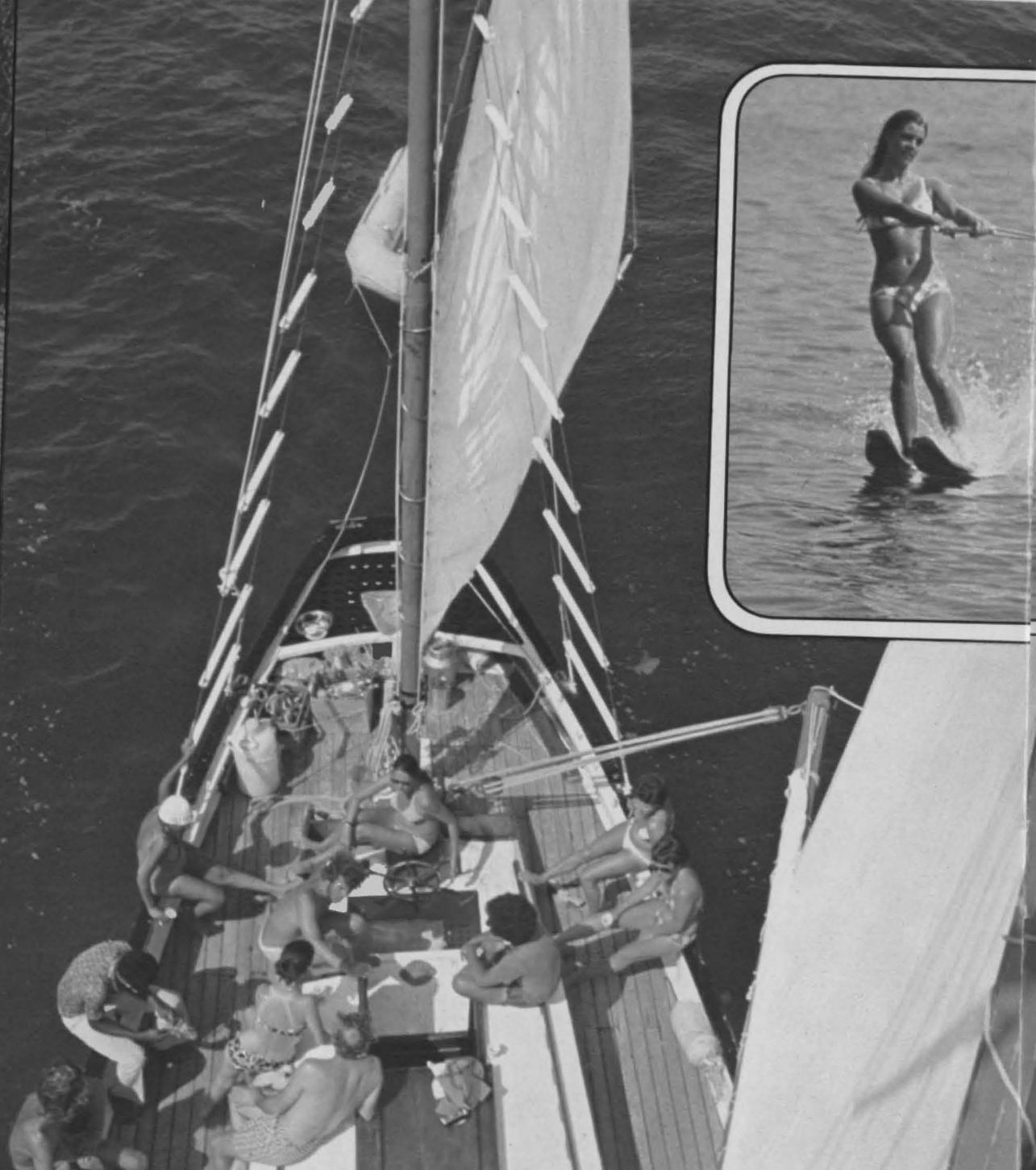
## SPORTS ACTIVITIES

Swimming (pool and sea), tennis (4 floodlit courts), sailing, snorkeling, water-skiing, water polo. Volleyball, basketball, petanque (bocce ball), ping-pong, yoga, exercise classes.

## AND MORE

Sailing picnics. Arts and crafts workshop (slight extra charge). Recorded classical music concerts at sunset. Weekly candlelight dinner, cabaret and folklore shows, dancing to the Club's band, discotheque.





# FORT-ROYAL

## OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Destination	Days	Price (in French Francs)
Evening at the Casino Evening (by coach)		40 FF
Pointe-à-Pitre shopping trip (by coach)	1	15 FF
Island Tour (by coach)	1	75 FF
Island of Les Saintes (by plane and boat)	1	170 FF
Saint Barthelemy (by plane)	1	370 FF
Dominica (Photo Safari)	2	650 FF

## LOCATION AND DEPARTURES

North tip of Basse Terre,

## guadeloupe

45 minutes from Pointe-à-Pitre. Guadeloupe is a leeward island in French West Indies. Nearest airport: Pointe-à-Pitre. Weekly group departures from New York, Miami.

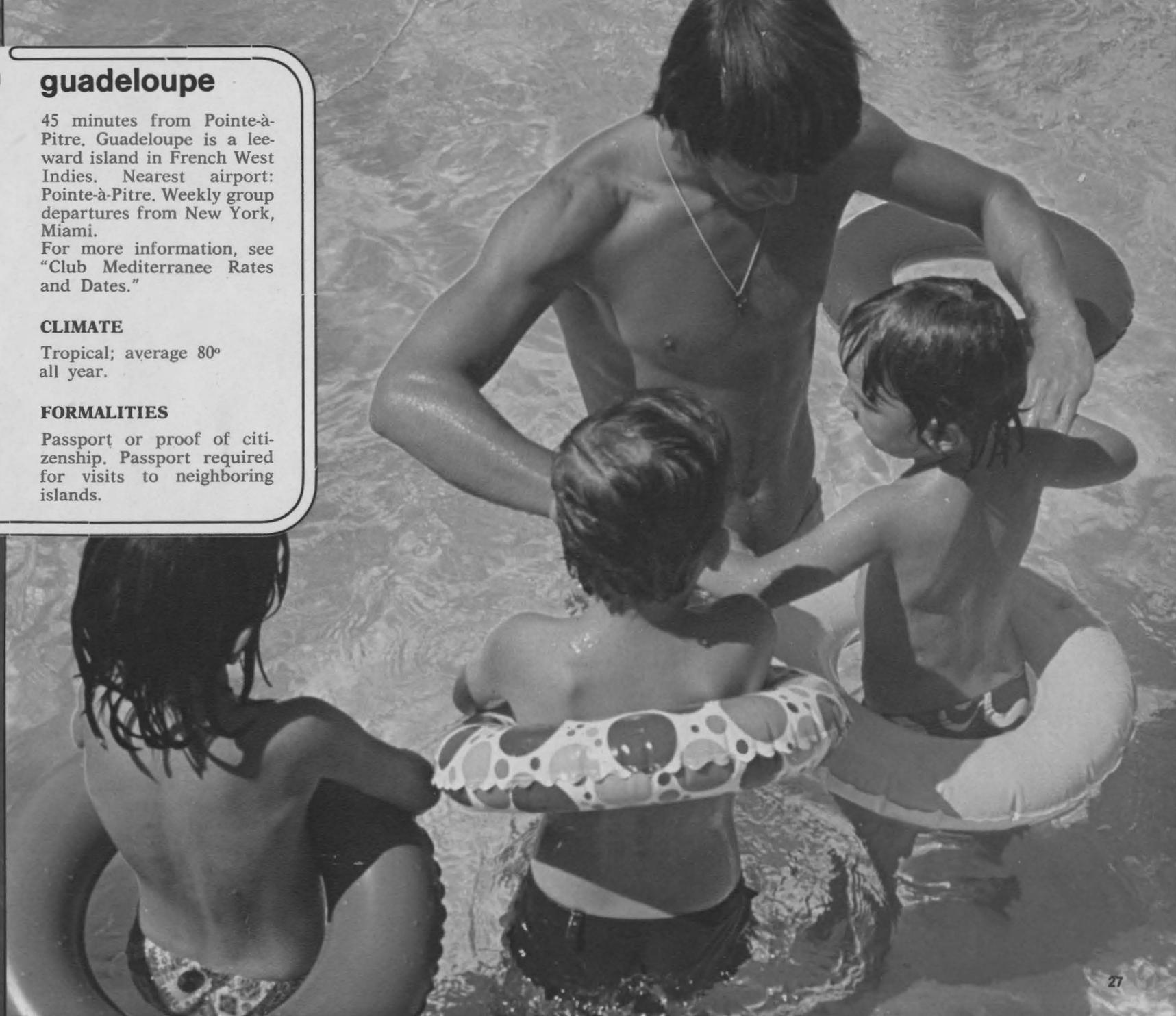
For more information, see "Club Mediterranee Rates and Dates."

## CLIMATE

Tropical; average 80° all year.

## FORMALITIES

Passport or proof of citizenship. Passport required for visits to neighboring islands.





On the southeast shores of Guadeloupe lies a reef-protected beach nearly one mile long. Palm fronds of chartreuse, yellows and deep greens glisten in the warm sunlight, as the cooling, blue waters of the Atlantic caress the moist, golden sands.

This is the Caravelle, Club Mediterranee's luxury hotel, for the sophisticated vacationer seeking an active holiday, at a relaxed

pace. During the day, become a beachcomber, sailor or scuba diver. Meet new friends, learn or perfect a sport, or just loaf in the sun, a long punch planteur by your side.

As the sky turns to shades of silvery blue, and evening gently descends upon the horizon, the village is transformed into a chic, cosmopolitan play-ground, sizzling with exuberant activity and



## guadeloupe

# LA CARAVELLE

cordiality.

Long known for its wide, splendid beach and comfortable room accommodations, the Caravelle hotel now takes on a new dimension of excitement as Club Méditerranée imparts its lively joie de vivre to this most elegant resort.

### THE VILLAGE (Open all year)

Facing the sea is an arched, open-air entertainment center, housing the Club's boutique, lounge, and offices. Below, on the beach level, is the spacious restaurant, with adjoining bar and theatre-dance floor. Six floodlit tennis courts are open morning til night.

There's also a French/English language lab and infirmary. A short walk along the beach leads you to the modern, well-equipped scuba center and the pier, where the Club's ketches are moored.

### ACCOMMODATIONS

Three hotel wings, each with modern, air-conditioned rooms. Twin beds can be joined to form a double. Private bathrooms (bathtub). Soap and towels provided.

### SPORTS ACTIVITIES

Tennis, swimming in pool or ocean, scuba diving, snorkeling, sailing, volleyball, ping pong, petanque (bocce ball), exercise and yoga classes.

### AND MORE

Boat rides, sailing picnics, French/English library. Recorded classical music concerts, dancing to the Club's band, variety shows, late-night discotheque.



# THE

## OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Destination (French francs)	Days	Approx. Price
Island Tour (by bus)	1	80 FF
Island of Les Saintes (by bus and boat)	1	190 FF
Saint Barthelemy (by plane)	1	390 FF
Dominica (Photo Safari)	2	700 FF





## CARAVELLE

### guadeloupe

#### LOCATION AND DEPARTURES

Grand Terre part of Guadeloupe. Leeward island in French West Indies, South of Antigua, North of Dominica. Department of France.

Nearest airport: Pointe-à-Pitre, 30 minute drive. Weekly group departures from New York, Miami. See "Club Mediterranee Rates and Dates" for additional informations.

#### CLIMATE

Tropical. Average 80° year round, tempered by trade winds.

#### FORMALITIES

Passport or proof of citizenship (birth certificate, voter registration card). Passport required for visits to neighboring islands.

#### CHILDREN

From five years. No special facilities or counselors.





# LES BOUCANIERS

At the southern tip of Martinique, once a hideout for French pirates Jean Lafitte and Belain d'Esnambuc, lies a cove laden with memories of sea battles and sunken treasure. Set among coconut palms, bougainvilleas, and hibiscus, the Club has created its own unique Creole village for romantic dreamers and would-be swashbucklers, complete with private port and fleet of boats. Here, the azure Caribbean waters beckon you to forget your inhibitions, and sample the lifestyle that has made us the toast of the island.

#### Open all year THE VILLAGE

A graceful, open-air dining and entertainment center, with theatre, dance floor and bar, is centrally located. Three restaurant areas provide a choice of salads and light fishes, grilled meats, and Creole specialties. Close by are the boutique, coiffeur, English/French language laboratory, and bridge salon. Extending from the beach, a curved jetty leads to the circular, floating solarium; perfect for yoga or sunning. Four tennis courts, plus a scuba and sailing shack, where preparatory classes are held,

complement the Club's sports facilities.

Follow the main Rue du Port, and sip an afternoon aperitif at the romantic, candy-cane shaped Cafe du Port, overlooking the harbor, where the Club's fleet is serenely moored. Here, you can also enjoy dinner by moonlight, dancing in the lower-level discotheque, or a late night snack.

#### ACCOMMODATIONS

Comfortable, double occupancy, twin-bed rooms in pastel-colored bungalows, with private bathroom (shower), air-conditioning. Soap and towels provided.

#### CHILDREN

From five years, but no special facilities.

#### SPORTS ACTIVITIES

Scuba diving, snorkeling, spear-fishing, water-skiing, sailing, swimming (sea), tennis (4 courts, 2 floodlit), yoga, volleyball, petanque (bocce ball), calisthenics, ping-pong.

#### AND MORE

Sailing picnics, boat rides, snorkeling trips. Calypso band at noon. Recorded classical music concerts, dancing to the Club's band, cabaret shows, discotheque, candlelight dinner, folklore, night.

# BUCCANEER'S CREEK

**martinique**

## LOCATION AND DEPARTURES

Village located on southern tip of Martinique, one hour from Fort de France. Martinique is windward island in French West Indies. Department of France. Nearest airport: Fort de France. Weekly group departures from New York, Miami.

For additional information, see "Club Mediterranee Rates and Dates."

## OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Destination	Days	Approx. price
(French Francs)		
Cock fights	1/2	30 FF
Fort de France	1/2	30 FF
South Martinique	1/2	45 FF
North Martinique	1	90 FF
Grenadines	2	820 FF
Dominica	2	250 FF

**Vendredi 13:** Join us on the luxury schooner, Vendredi 13. One week sailing cruises aboard the

world-famous racing yacht, will depart from the village, sailing with the wind. For details, see "Club Mediterranee Rates and Dates."

## CLIMATE

Tropical. 70-90°, tempered by trade winds.

## FORMALITIES

Passport or proof of citizenship. Passport required for excursions to neighboring islands.





# MARRAKECH

Amid the hum and excitement of the ancient D'jemaa-El-Fna Square, where scribes, snake charmers, and acrobats vie for attention, lies our modern palace of a thousand-and-one delights.

**Open all year**

## THE VILLAGE

Our casbah opens upon a courtyard swimming pool, surrounded by a sunny terrace. Arcades filled with hanging gardens and fountains lead to the boutiques, coiffeur, gymnasium, Hammam (Turkish Bath), and discotheque. Dine like a Caliph in our banquet hall, or outdoor balcony restaurant. Shuttle to the ranch, 10 minutes away, where there's a swimming pool, tennis courts, and Moroccan restaurant.

## ACCOMMODATIONS

Deluxe, double occupancy rooms, private bathroom (bathtub). Soap and towels not

provided. Individual elevated sleeping alcoves (twin beds) are separated by a small passageway.

## SPORTS ACTIVITIES

Village: Swimming, yoga, gymnastics. Golf at nearby private course (slight extra charge). Ranch: Tennis (3 courts), swimming, volleyball, petanque (bocce ball). Horseback riding (slight extra charge).

## AND MORE

Turkish baths. Recorded classical music concerts, dancing to the Club's band, cabaret shows, discotheque.

## OUARZAZATE

This caravan village welcomes members participating in Club excursions. For more information on Location, Children, Climate, Excursions and Formalities, see "Club Mediterranean Rates and Dates."



# DJERBA LA DOUCE

A mystical Mediterranean desert island in Southern Tunisia. Dotted with slender, domed dwellings, and clusters of low-lying date palms, this fabled Land of the Lotus Eaters seems to stand still in time, untouched by the outside world.

**Open all year**

## THE VILLAGE

Olympic-size, floodlit pool, two bars, theatre-dance floor, dining area, lounges, infirmary, game rooms. "Market-place" with boutique, drugstore, arts and crafts workshop, custom jeweler, and Moorish Cafe. Four floodlit tennis courts, discotheque, Tunisian beach restaurant with bar. Hammam (Turkish bath).

## ACCOMMODATIONS

Double occupancy, twin-bed, Tunisian "men-sel" bungalows with patio, sitting room. Pri-

vate bathroom (shower). Souvenir bath towel provided.

## CHILDREN

From five years. Not recommended.

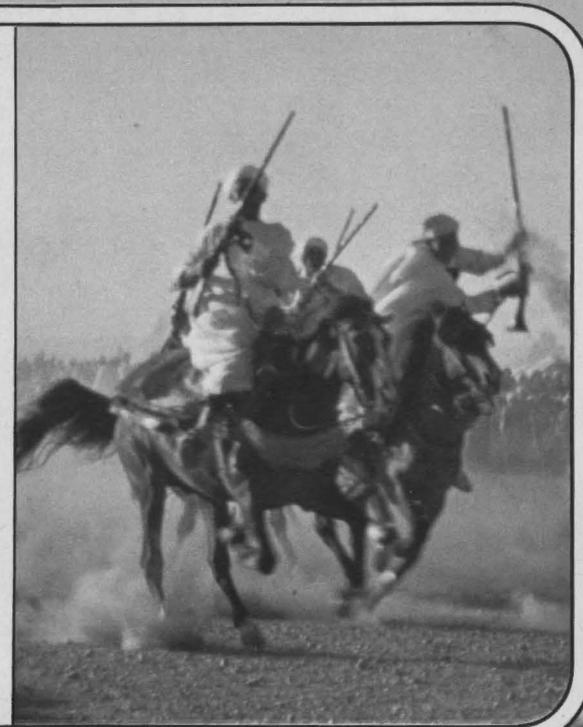
## SPORTS ACTIVITIES

Tennis, sailing, water-skiing, ping pong, petanque (bocce ball), volleyball, yoga, calisthenics. Swimming (pool or sea).

## AND MORE

Arts and crafts workshop open til midnight (slight extra charge for raw materials). Boat rides, Tunisian "Fantasia," recorded classical music concerts, folklore nights, cabaret shows, concerts, discotheque. Car rental.

For information on Excursions, Location, Departures, Climate and Formalities, see "Club Mediterranean Rates and Dates."





# AGADIR

Leisurely mornings, late nights, a multitude of sports and evening happenings. A rhythm of life known as Agadir will fascinate and enchant you.

**Open all year**

## THE VILLAGE

Surrounding a gigantic swimming pool is the Club restaurant, bar, dance floor and nightclub. Nearby you'll find the late-night discotheque. Sip a mint tea at the Moorish cafe, visit the boutique, hairdresser or Hammam (Turkish Bath). Regular shuttle service brings you to the Club ranch, two miles away, with its Moroccan restaurant, tennis courts, and horseback riding facilities (slight extra charge for the latter).

## ACCOMMODATIONS

Double occupancy, twin-bed bungalows, with private bathroom (shower). Soap and towels not provided.

## CHILDREN

Accepted from five years, but no special facilities.

## SPORTS ACTIVITIES

Tennis (3 courts at the village, 9 at the ranch), swimming in pool or ocean, sailing, yoga, volleyball, calisthenics, petanque (bocce ball).

## AND MORE

Sailing picnics and excursions. Turkish bath, massage (slight extra charge). Evening recorded classical music concerts, dancing to the Club's band, cabaret shows, discotheque, weekly Moroccan feast and folklore exhibition.

## OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

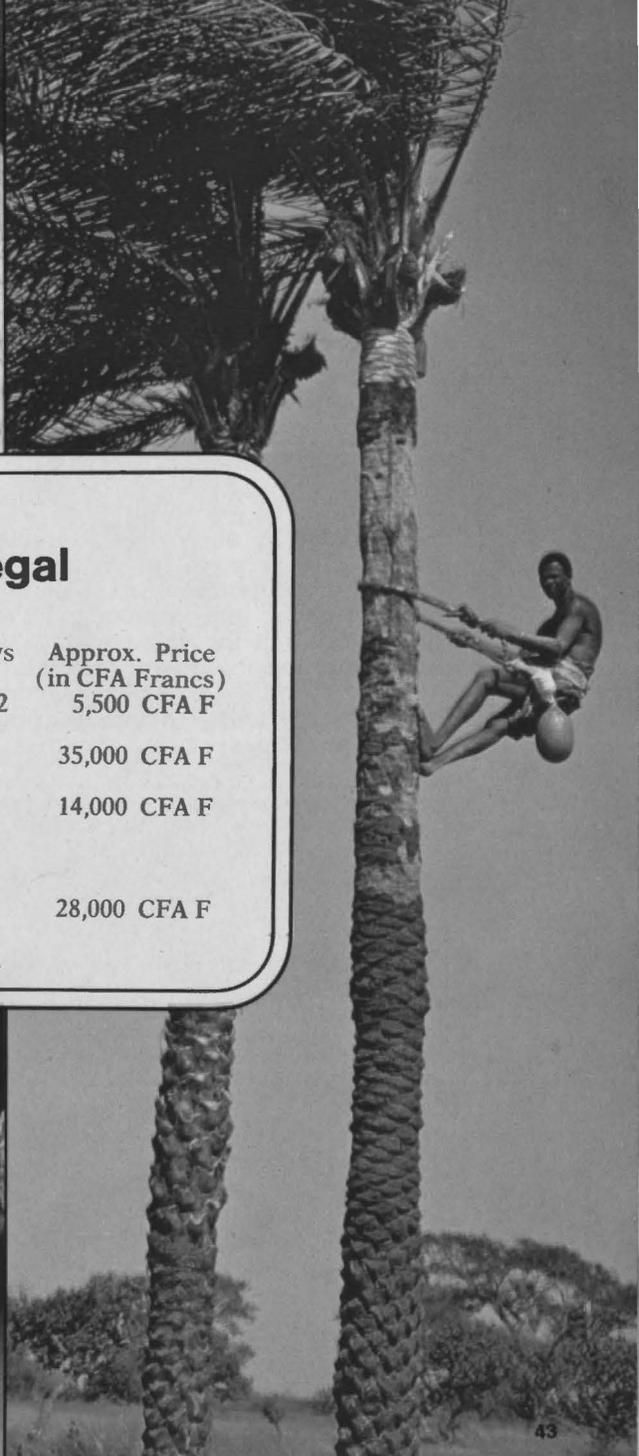
Destination	Days	Approx. Price
Taroudant	1	65 Dh.
Tassila and Oued Massa	1	75 Dh.
Imouzzer	1	60 Dh.
Marrakesh	1	210 Dh.
The Barbary Special	3	310 Dh.

## LOCATION AND DEPARTURES

Morocco's Atlantic coast. Nearest airport: Agadir, 10 minutes. Additional information: see "Club Mediterranee Dates and Rates."







## CAP SKIRRING **senegal**

### AND MORE

Sailing picnics, pirogue (native canoe) trips, line fishing, arts and crafts workshop, sauna. Recorded classical music concerts, cabaret shows, dancing to the Club's band, discotheque. Weekly folklore feast and dance exhibition, candlelight dinner.

### LOCATION AND DEPARTURES

Located about 49 miles west of Ziguinchor, Casamance region of Senegal, West Africa. Nearest airport: Cape Skirring, 5 minutes from village. Group departures from New York every other week. For more information, see "Club Mediterranean Rates and Dates."

### OPTIONAL EXCURSIONS

Destination	Days	Approx. Price (in CFA Francs)
Ziguinchor	1/2	5,500 CFA F
The African marketplace		
Niokolo Koba	2	35,000 CFA F
Wild game preserve		
Casamance	2	14,000 CFA F
Via pirogue, Land Rover, along the Casamance River and Ziguinchor		
Dakar	2	28,000 CFA F
Capital of Senegal. Museums, markets, Ile Goree.		

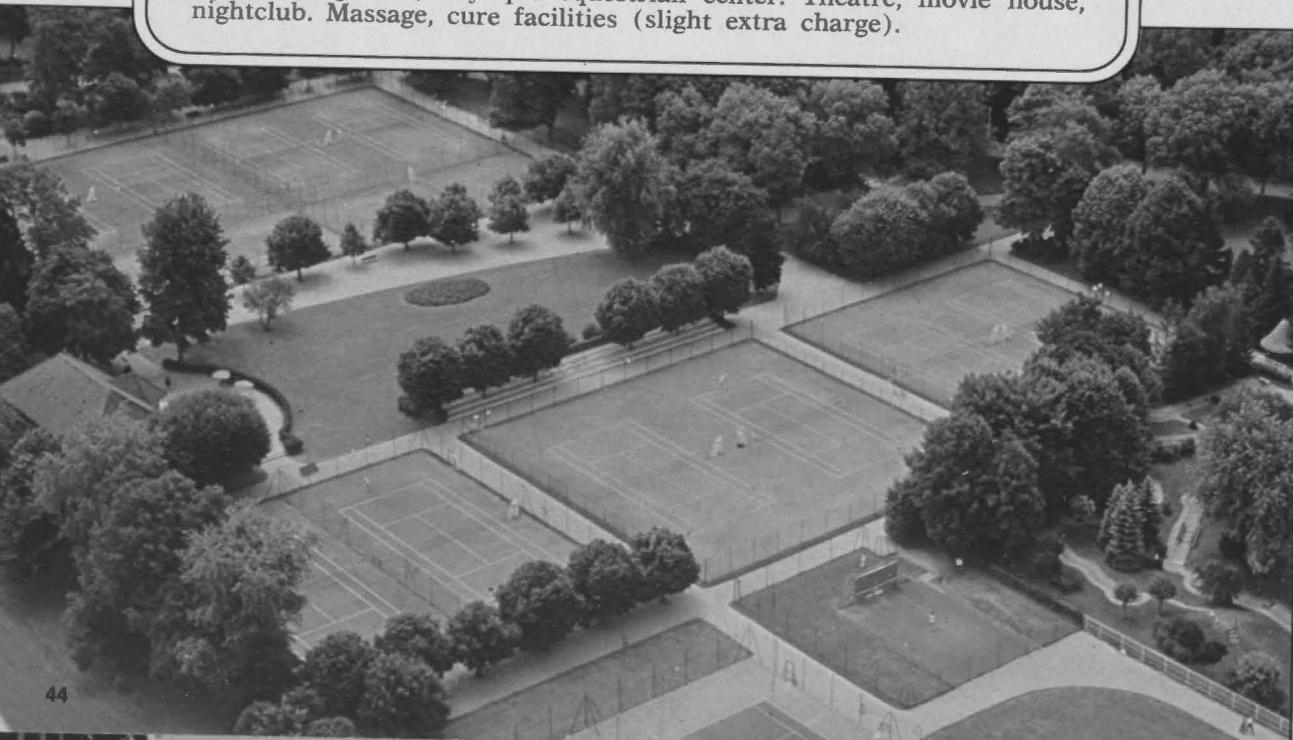
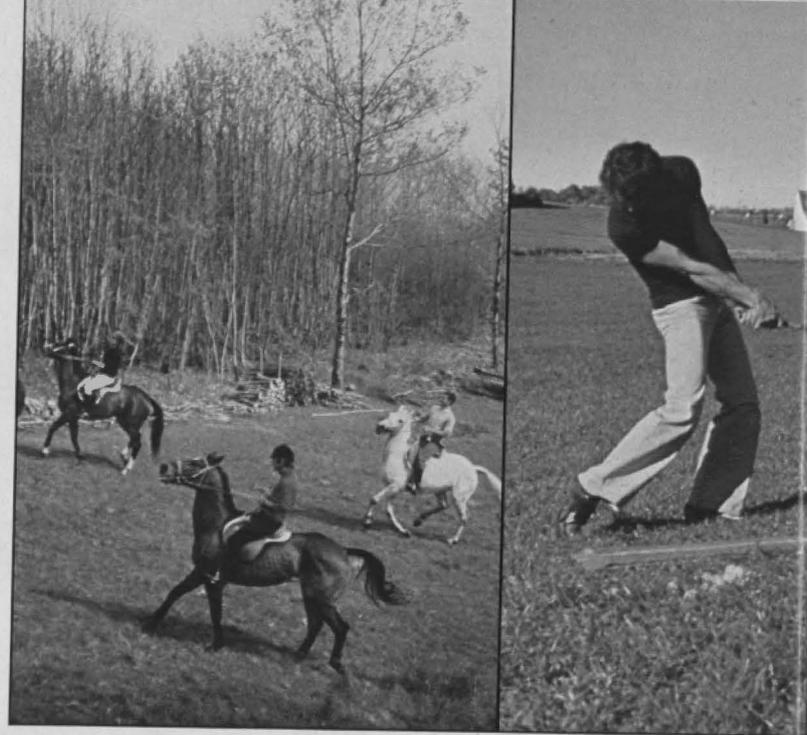


# OTHER SUMMER VILLAGES

A sampling of villages welcoming all members, but run strictly in French.

## VITTEL (FRANCE)

Surrounded by the Vosges Mountains, France's celebrated health spa is set in 1,100 acres of forests and parks. Enjoy an invigorating holiday, free of urban pollution and commotion. **Village Facilities:** 2 swimming pools (indoor and outdoor); 15 tennis courts; skeet shooting range; judo; yoga; fencing; petanque; badminton; basketball; volleyball; boxing; wrestling; jogging; hiking; miniature golf; golf (18-hole). Arts and crafts workshop; billiards; bridge. Gymnasium; polo grounds; horse racing track; flying club; Olympic equestrian center. Theatre, movie house, nightclub. Massage, cure facilities (slight extra charge).





**POMPADOUR**  
(FRANCE)

An exquisite chateau-village in France's Limousin country, offering an extensive program for horseback riders of all levels. **Village Facilities:** Equestrian center with 3 stables, 4 riding rings, obstacle courses. Indoor pool; gym; sauna; ping-pong; yoga; billiards; 3 tennis courts; fencing, archery, golf range. Bicycle rental, arts and crafts workshop, boutique, nightclub. Mini-Club.



**PALINURO**  
(ITALY)

A rustic village for the young at heart who seek a wide choice of activities. **Village Facilities:** Accommodations in straw huts, no electricity. Bathrooms nearby. Boutique, coiffeur, library, nightclub. Swimming pool; snorkeling; scuba diving; sailing; judo; yoga; land sports; miniature golf; sailing excursions; picnics.



**OTRANTO**  
(ITALY)

Enjoy sun-drenched days and balmy nights at our elegant village on the Adriatic Coast of Southern Italy. **Village Facilities:** Amphitheatre, 2 restaurants, boutique, coiffeur. Swimming pool; golf driving range; fencing; sailing; 7 tennis courts; arts and crafts workshop. Horseback riding at ranch (extra).



**PORTO PETRO**  
(MAJORCA)

The island of Majorca, known for its long, sun-filled days, is an excellent setting for an active Club holiday. **Village Facilities:** Swimming pool, 3 restaurants, open-air entertainment center. Sailing; 6 tennis courts; snorkeling; fencing; land sports; boat trips; modern dance. Horseback riding (extra charge).

# THE CLUB SKI VILLAGES

## FOCA (TURKEY)

A strikingly modern village set among the dazzling radiance of the hilly Turkish countryside, Foca offers a wide variety of sports as well as excursions. **Village Facilities:** Swimming pool; sailing; snorkeling; spear fishing; 4 tennis courts; calisthenics. Turkish baths, hairdresser, boutiques, nightclub.

## KUSADASI (TURKEY)

This futuristic village, overlooking the Aegean Sea, provides easy access to the treasures of ancient civilizations. **Village Facilities:** Swimming (sea); 2 tennis courts; water-skiing; sailing; yoga; volleyball. Hairdresser, boutiques, nightclub.

## THE ROI SOLEIL (ST. MORITZ)

Located in St. Moritz, Europe's cosmopolitan ski center, this new hotel combines the comforts of an ultra-modern interior with the rustic charm of a Swiss chalet. **Facilities:** Two high-altitude restaurants. Classes for all levels (G.L.M. method); recommended for advanced skiers. Beginning cross-country skiing. **Children:** From 4 years at Mini-Club; from 6 years at ski school.

A sampling of French-speaking villages, offering the Club formula for winter sports enthusiasts.



**THE HOTEL ALASKA  
(CORTINA)**

In the center of Cortina, our chic alpine hotel is surrounded by the splendid Dolomite mountains of the Italian Alps. Formerly an Olympic site, Cortina provides an extensive variety of facilities for lovers of winter sports. **Facilities:** Classes for all levels (G.L.M. method). Beginning cross country skiing. **Children:** Not recommended.



**THE PRINCESS VICTORIA  
(ST. MORITZ)**

Newly renovated, our spacious and animated Victorian-style hotel is nestled in the tranquillity of St. Moritz-Bad, a short distance from town. **Facilities:** Two high-altitude restaurants. Classes for all levels (G.L.M. method). Recommended for advanced skiers. Cross-country skiing. **Children:** From 4 years; counselors only during European academic recesses. From 6 years at ski school.



# DON MIGUEL

## marbella (spain)

The clapping of castanets, brusque, rugged cliffs dropping to the sun-warmed Mediterranean waters. Small fishing villages, their narrow streets lined with intricate mosaics, await you among the excitement of Southern Spain.

### OPEN ALL YEAR

**THE VILLAGE:** Set in a veritable park, just minutes from the chic center of town, the stunning hotel-village boasts 10 tennis courts, two swimming pools (indoor and out), hairdresser and Club boutique.

**ACCOMMODATIONS:** Air-conditioned, double occupancy, twin-bed luxury rooms, private bathroom.

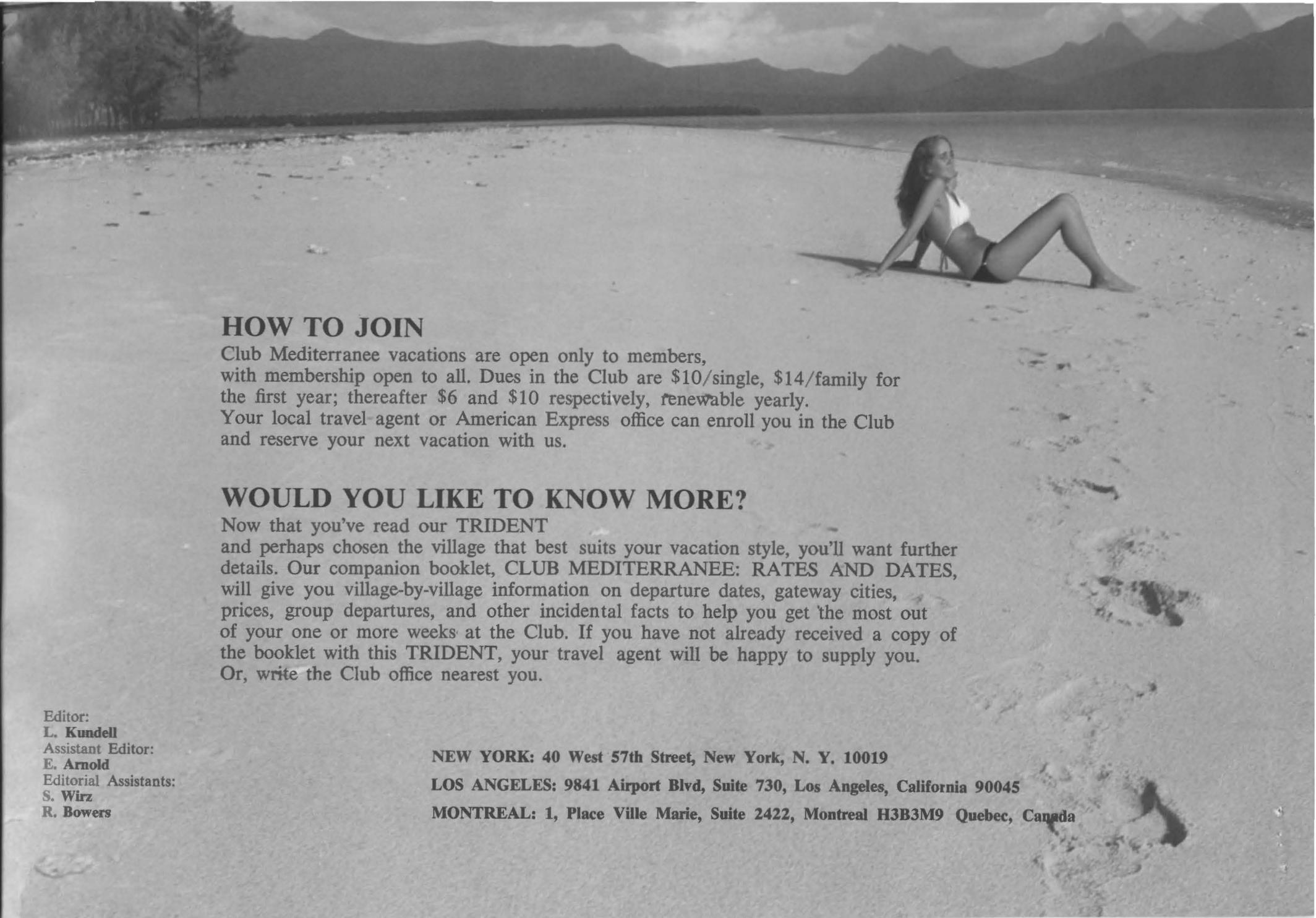
**CHILDREN:** From 2 years: Nursery. From 4 to 12 years: Mini-Club with children's pool, sports.

**SPORTS ACTIVITIES:** Tennis, swimming (pool and sea), petanque (boule), volleyball, calisthenics. Horseback riding, golf outside village (extra charge).

**AND MORE:** Shuttle service to town and to beach. Recorded classical music concerts, dancing to Club's band, cabaret shows, discotheque. Car rental.

**LOCATION:** Southern Spain's Costa del Sol, Malaga Province. Nearest airport: Malaga, 1½ hours. For additional information see "Club Mediterranean Rates and Dates".

LAST  
MINUTE



## HOW TO JOIN

Club Mediterranee vacations are open only to members, with membership open to all. Dues in the Club are \$10/single, \$14/family for the first year; thereafter \$6 and \$10 respectively, renewable yearly. Your local travel agent or American Express office can enroll you in the Club and reserve your next vacation with us.

## WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW MORE?

Now that you've read our TRIDENT and perhaps chosen the village that best suits your vacation style, you'll want further details. Our companion booklet, CLUB MEDITERRANEE: RATES AND DATES, will give you village-by-village information on departure dates, gateway cities, prices, group departures, and other incidental facts to help you get the most out of your one or more weeks at the Club. If you have not already received a copy of the booklet with this TRIDENT, your travel agent will be happy to supply you. Or, write the Club office nearest you.

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# CLUB MEDITERRANEE



Dec. 16

morning - Poss. 4<sup>th</sup> meeting with Destang  
Departure - after lunch - 12:30 - 12:45  
Arrival 4:30 P.M. - 5:00 P.M. (Newark)

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Pre-advance Trip

8:00 P.M. 2,600 Departure from Andrews  
\* 7:00 Transportation Air fare base

1:00 P.M. Arrival - Motorcade to  
Marhugne Hilton Hotel where  
pre-advance staying

2:00 Am. Council & staff (3 people)

3:30 Session with French team &  
our team

4:30 Site Surveys

to 7:00 P.M. Discussion of what we've seen  
Free Evening

Thurs

8:00 Team Meeting with Am.  
Consulate Staff

9:00 French Meeting

2:00 Departure } not from mine  
5:15 Arrival } time may be needed.



- Fr. desire our Pres. & frs to reside at same hotel -

Security & logical problems arise.  
Answer: advance person says room worst they've seen for a president.  
Helopad being built on hotel grounds - Definite problem.

Roads very bad to Meridian Hotel.  
Bad trip.

Hotel mng at Hilton said he'd reserve hotel for WH team & Pres. Hilton, advance man said, adequate but not good.

Problem: Communication, pros. answer with Fr. proposal of using Yacht to transport to President's to Dinner.

Problem: 7 separate unidentifiable sites. They should be reduced -

Pros: Kindly place to hold meetings.



Cont  
Pre-Advance for Martinique

Interpreter coming.

\* It is an unofficial ~~state~~ working session. It's not a State visit. A State visit could only take place in Paris.

Official staff very small when Pres. Ford travels. Cutting back on staff, personal. Cutting back about 50% on support. Lunch won't be served at 8:00 P.M. Cutting back on hotels. Drinking up.



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might have bio -

meet w/ Sheila

Sarah Vaughan - Marshall Fisher

SS Rotterdam from NY Martin

~~words~~

bio: SV born in Newark NJ Feb 27, 1924  
mother member of choir at Mt Zion  
Bap church - fthr a carpenter played  
piano + guitar in spare time. sang at  
church as a young girl - won <sup>amateur</sup> contest  
at age 18 at Harlem's Apollo Theater in NY  
Prize \$10 + wks eng at theater where Ella  
Fitzg was playing - ~~George~~ <sup>Gene</sup> Billy Eckstine  
came to see show, saw S + was so imp  
that he recom her to Earl "Fatha" ~~Hines~~ <sup>Hines</sup>  
w/ whose band he was singing. Hines  
signed her - she sang + played piano  
a yr later, hug left Hines band to form  
own, Eckstine hired as band vocalist.  
1st recording "Wait and Pray" 1st hit 2nd  
record "It's Magic" sold 2 million copies  
(1948). Others: Tenderly Musty +  
Broken hearted Melody - "My Funny  
Valentine"

"Sar V Blue in Japan" most recent  
album

then to John Kirby Combo + then decid  
try it as a single. Helped Chic radio person  
Dave Garrison + sang her praises -  
ret



musical phrasing

thanks she  
perf Pres  
Johnson

wide range of about a 4 octave range  
classical jazz + pop

hidden hills, near L.A. w/ husb, mthr  
Adda + daughter debbie sister donna.  
h ckg, rdpt + sewing + golf.

Playboy Downbeat Mag award 1973  
"Best Female Jazz Vocalist"

1974 Playboy Allstar-Allstar Poll  
elected by top person in the  
music conducted by PM  
Favorite Female Singer

"Mike Douglas New Gruffin Johnny Carson  
Glen Campbell"

synth section  
w a trio piano, drums + base

Piano- Carl Schroeder - los ang  
bass Frank DeLaRosa - los ang  
dru - Jimmy Cobb-Cobb - NY



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Here's what  
we're doing for  
the journalists at  
Martinique!

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Regards, CLUB MED. INC., SALES REPRESENTATIVE  
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Linda Kundell



# CLUB MEDITERRANEE

*You are cordially invited for dinner, cocktails and entertainment  
at our*

**BUCCANEER'S CREEK**  
*resort village.*

*Date: December 16*

*Time: Nine o'clock*

*Dress: Casual*

*We hope you'll join us for an informal Franco-American fête.*

*Shuttle buses to BUCCANEER'S CREEK will depart from your hotel at 8:00 p.m.*

# CLUB MEDITERRANEE

*Vous êtes cordialement invité à notre dîner-apéritifs et spectacles  
qui sera offert à notre village de vacances,*

## *LES BOUCANIERS.*

*Date : le 16 décembre*

*Heure : 21 heures*

*Tenue : de ville*

*Nous souhaitons vivement que vous vous joindrez à nous,  
à l'occasion de notre fête franco-américaine.*

*Un service d'autobus sera mis à votre disposition de votre hôtel, aux BOUCANIERS à 20 heures.*

# CLUB MEDITERRANEE

## BIENVENUE AUX BOUCANIERS!

*Vous êtes cordialement invité à participer à toutes nos activités sportives et récréatives, ainsi qu'à nos fêtes variées en matinée et en soirée; ou simplement vous relaxer au soleil des Boucaniers.*

**DEJEÛNER: 12:30-14:00 APRÈS MIDI**

**DÎNER: 19:30-21:00 LE SOIR**

*Un service d'autobus sera mis à votre disposition au départ des Hotels Bakoua et Hilton-les 14, 15, et 16 décembre de 11:00 heures du matin à 22 heures du soir. Les retours seront effectués jusqu'à 1:00 heure du matin.*



**P.S. – Et surtout! n'oubliez pas votre maillot de bain. Nous vous prions de bien vouloir présenter cette carte au village.**

# CLUB MEDITERRANEE

## BIENVENUE AUX BOUCANIERS!

*You are warmly invited to enjoy our sports and recreational facilities, sample our noonday and evening feasts, or simply relax in the sun at Buccaneer's Creek.*

LUNCH: 12:30-2:00 P.M.

DINNER: 7:30-9:00 P.M.

*Hourly shuttle bus service will depart from the Bakoua and Hilton hotels on December 14, 15, and 16, from 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., returning until 1:00 a.m.*



*P.S. Don't forget your bathing suit.*

*Kindly present this card at the village.*

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Press Department  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D.C.



# Suzy Says

## Diner a la Americain

**T**HE DINNER that President Ford gave Sunday in Martinique in honor of His Excellency the President of the Republic of France and Mme. Giscard d'Estaing took place on a perfect, starry-starry night on the terrace of the ultramodern Hotel Meridien Martinique with about 40 hand-picked people present—and all so pleased to be there. There they were looking so glamorous around the swimming pool (with island hibiscus floating on it), sitting at round tables complete with candles in hurricane lamps and an all-American dinner. You can't get French food any place.

*Pour commencer*, there was California cucumber soup, followed by charcoal-broiled New York sirloin steak, baked Idaho potatoes, Florida corn on the cob, Boston lettuce salad with Iowa corn dressing and, shades of everybody's American youth, ice cream surprise. Only the wines were French—a Beaulieu Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon 1966 and a Schramsberg Blanc de Blancs 1971.

Mrs. Ford, as everyone knows, couldn't be there because of a back ailment, but Mme. Giscard d'Estaing was very much in evidence, looking terribly pretty in long, white em-



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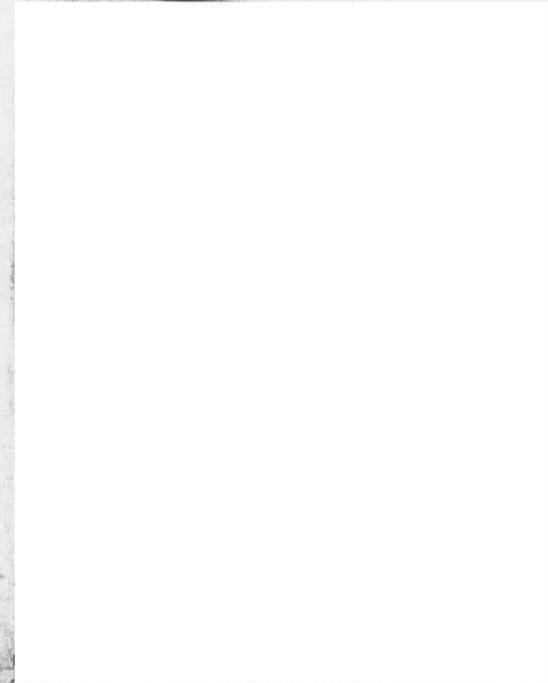
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Presidents Ford and Giscard d'Estaing chat in shirtsleeves before their second round of discussions in Martinique.

At bottom, the President and Mrs. Ford wave from the White House balcony after Mr. Ford's return from summit.

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NEW YORK — President and Mrs. Ford will give their dinner party for the President of France and Mrs. Valery Giscard d'Estaing tonight in



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Betty Ford will see the sights of Martinique  
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