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**EXPERIENCE BARBADOS FIRSTHAND AT HOLETOWN FESTIVAL;  
STAY IN ALL-INCLUSIVE PARADISE AT MANGO BAY**

HOLETOWN, Barbados (Jan. 23, 2008) – Celebrate Barbados’ colorful culture and history at the annual Holetown Festival, Feb. 17 - 24, 2008, and stay at the all-inclusive Mango Bay, Barbados ([www.MangoBayBarbados.com](http://www.MangoBayBarbados.com)) located in the heart of the festivities.

Celebrated for almost three decades, this week-long festival commemorates the anniversary of Holetown, the first settlement of Barbados in 1627. The Holetown Festival features dynamic theatrical presentations, historical talks, sporting events including a 10K run, concerts, street parades, food tastings, poetry readings, sidewalk art shows, games, local handicraft markets and the popular Queen of the Festival Pageant. Event costs vary, but a majority are free of charge.

“Barbados culture is vibrant and engaging, and it’s presented in a wonderful way at the Holetown Festival,” said Peter Odle, owner of Mango Bay. “It’s our pleasure to provide a home base at Mango for island visitors seeking sunshine mixed with cultural enrichment,” he added.

In between the festivities, Mango Bay hotel guests can enjoy the all-inclusive accommodations offered at the resort featuring food and beverage; nightly entertainment; watersports such as waterskiing, Hobie Cat sailing, kayaking and snorkeling; a shopping excursion to the capital city of Bridgetown, where items from unique local handicrafts to luxury goods are in abundance and available at duty-free prices; a glass-bottom boat ride; and a fun-filled catamaran sail for a day at sea.

**Mango Bay Barbados -- Uncomplicated, Unencumbered, Unforgettable**

Located in the historic Holetown area on the famed Gold Coast of Barbados, the 76-room Mango Bay is known for its casual sophistication and all-inclusive value. This beachfront, boutique-style property is the ideal tropical retreat for travelers seeking an escape from the everyday hustle and bustle – an oasis where warm breezes, delightful Caribbean sunshine, and picturesque beaches are refreshing and revitalizing. Spacious accommodations, a centrally-located swimming pool, delicious dining and tremendous all-inclusive value make Mango Bay a truly exceptional “*Uncomplicated, Unencumbered, Unforgettable*” vacation paradise.

Rates now through Jan. 31, 2008 start at \$460; from Feb. 1 – April 30, 2008, they start at \$510. All rates are per room, per night in a standard room and are based on double occupancy.

The property is within walking distance of many shops in Holetown, 25 minutes from the capital city of Bridgetown, and 40 minutes from Grantley Adams International Airport.

**For more information, contact Mango Bay at 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Holetown, St. James, Barbados, telephone 246-432-1384; fax: 246-432-5297; e-mail: [reservations@mangobaybarbados.com](mailto:reservations@mangobaybarbados.com). Visit the resort at [www.mangobaybarbados.com](http://www.mangobaybarbados.com).**

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