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# HALF MOON RESORT AND SPA IN ROSE HALL, JAMAICA

WHERE OLD WORLD CHARM MEETS MODERN DAY LUXURY!



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Now in its 60th year and under the same family ownership, Half Moon, Jamaica has justly earned a reputation as one of the finest resort hotels in the world. Located on the north coast of the island, Half Moon sits amidst a private estate of 400 acres. Here you will discover beautifully landscaped gardens, a nature reserve that is a haven for wildlife, 197 rooms and suites scattered amongst white-rendered cottages and 31 capacious Villas, all fronted by two miles of private beach, one of the loveliest in Jamaica. In true grand resort style, Half Moon offers an eclectic range of facilities such as six fine-dining restaurants, an 18 hole championship golf course designed by Robert Trent Jones Sr., an Equestrian Centre, thirteen tennis courts, unique children's facilities and a multitude of water and land based sports that culminate in a private Dolphin Lagoon.

Ranging in scale from intimate to grand, the beautifully appointed rooms, suites and cottages each come with true Caribbean personality. Setting the property apart are the Villas at Half Moon, the perfect choice for families, friends or groups who seek privacy and seclusion in the ambiance of a private home. These magnificent villas are dotted among beautifully maintained gardens that give the entire area the feeling of a quiet country village. All rendered in white, the architectural style of each villa is slightly different. Of particular note are the Oceanfront Premium Villas which stand directly facing the ocean with sweeping lawns that lead to the water's edge. Ranging from four, five, six or seven en suite bedrooms, each Villa is staffed with a butler, cook and housekeeper. These exceptional staff members are on hand to create an experience of a lifetime and ensure that you relax in an atmosphere that is truly home away from home.

Whether travelling alone, or with friends, family or that special someone, Half Moon has something for everyone. This is where old world charm meets modern day luxury.

To dine at Half Moon is to embark upon a journey of culinary exploration. The talented team of acclaimed chefs headed by Giorgio Rusconi, takes their inspiration from the plentiful abundance of locally grown fruit and vegetables, combining the heady flavours of Jamaica with an international repertoire. A number of different meal plans are available including the Half Moon Plan which includes breakfast, lunch and dinner at any of our restaurants as well as all drinks. As well, an extensive room service menu is prepared by our chefs with the same care and presentation that is found in our fine restaurants.

For a little pampering, Fern Tree Spa will have you leave the cares of the outside world behind. Inspired by the lush landscape of Jamaica and centuries-old healing techniques, the Fern Tree is a 68,000 square foot sanctuary for the mind and body where our guests will find traditional Jamaican treatments together with a variety of wellness facilities in a haven that blends seamlessly into its surroundings.

There is always something to do at Half Moon. Whether guests choose to ride a horse, tee-off on the golf course, create their own championship on the tennis courts, work out in the fitness centre, cycle leisurely amidst our 400 acres or simply relax poolside or on the beach, at Half Moon, it's easy to do everything or simply nothing at all.

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