

Anacaona a new kind of hotel on Anguilla

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Robin and Sue Ricketts, announce the opening date for their own hotel on Anguilla: October 15.

Anacaona Boutique Hotel is their new name for the Sirena Resort, which is about to undergo a refurbishment that will add some of the famed Ricketts touches in style and service. The hotel with its 27 rooms and suites sits in 3 1/2-acres of frangipani and coco palms a few paces along a garden path from mile-long Meads Bay, one of the most beautiful stretches of beach on the island.

When it reopens this fall, the new Anacaona (pronounced the way it looks, by the way, an-nah-ky-oh-nah, without stresses – just like vacations on Anguilla) will feature stylish décor, new menus in the garden-poolside restaurant, not one but two swimming pools (for 27 rooms!), full beach service, boutique, massage center – and, above all, a reinvention of island nightlife.

“We’ve given the hotel this evocative Amerindian name, Anacaona, because we see it as Anguilla’s unofficial cultural entertainment center,” say co-owner Sue Ricketts. “The focus of our tropical evenings will be local musicians, local dance groups, dinner theater, maybe carnival nights, maybe even poolside chats with engaging local historians. We want our guests to leave Anguilla with a much richer understanding of what this special island is all about.”

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