Golfers Find Great Luxury Real Estate Values in Puerto Rico

Trump International Golf Club and Mandarin Oriental Hotel Group Plan New Golf Resorts

Jan. 28, 2009 - *PRLog* -- SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico – While the housing industry cools off in the United States, it is definitely heating up on the links and greens of Puerto Rico. Resort developers are flocking to the United States commonwealth island with the construction of the 700-villa Trump International Golf Club, a 369-room J.W. Marriott hotel, a Mandarin Oriental and Regent Hotels & Resorts golf paradises among others currently planned or under way.

According to Paradise Properties Realtor Molly Assad, this may be the perfect time to escape the winter cold, enjoy some time in the Puerto Rico paradise and just maybe find a dream place to call home.

"There has been a lot of strong interest in Puerto Rico real estate," Assad said. "The Puerto Rican real estate market is considered by experts to be the best kept secret in the United States real estate market. However thanks to a lot of these new golf resorts, the secret is almost out of the bag."

Even the cable real estate network HGTV has discovered Puerto Rico, featuring Assad and the island paradise in three episodes of My House is Worth What? starring Kendra Todd.

Amazingly, Puerto Rico still has a number of affordable homes in paradise priced less than \$200,000. Add in the low homeowners association fees and low property taxes and Puerto Rico may not only be a paradise to the eyes and the spirit, but also the pocketbook.

"Now a homebuyer can find a perfect home in Puerto Rico, whether it's in the city, or at the Trump International Golf Club by the sea," said Assad. "Since we are a Commonwealth of the United States, all of the same real estate structures apply so there's no confusion about buying in a foreign country or needing a passport to visit."

In fact, Assad would like to welcome mainlanders to escape the winter and check out the sizzling real estate deals in Puerto Rico. With the PGA Tour coming to Puerto Rico in March for the Puerto Rico Open, it may be a perfect time for golfers to start planning their trip.

Paradise Properties has secured special hotel packages for less than \$200 a night at the recently upgraded upscale Grand Melia Resort. While the PGA Tour is coming in March, the Trump International Golf Club has announced pre-launch pricing available in January and February. For more information about the pre-launch pricing or the special getaway rates at the Grand Melia Resort, please contact Molly Assad at Paradise Properties at 787-642-3205 or via email at mollyassad@realtor.com.

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