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# The 9 Best Eco-Friendly Hotels in the Caribbean

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Though the Caribbean is known for its beautiful ecological sites, from vast jungles to towering volcanoes to vibrant coral reefs, there's a surprising lack of sustainability-focused hotels. While many resorts do have some programming to mitigate their impact on the environment—things like recycling efforts and using local ingredients at their restaurants—only a few of them truly have green living in their ethos. If you are looking to stay at an eco-friendly hotel on your next trip to the Caribbean, check out the following properties.

## Bucuti & Tara Beach Resort, Aruba



Courtesy of Bucuti and Tara Beach Resort

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In August 2018, [Bucuti & Tara Beach Resort](#) on [Aruba's](#) famous Eagle Beach became the first hotel in the Caribbean to officially achieve carbon neutrality, but that's not its only accolade. The 104-room, adults-only hotel also is LEED Silver-certified, Green Globe Platinum, and the 2017 winner of the Gold Adrian Award, a sustainable tourism award presented by National Geographic and the Hospitality Sales and Marketing Association International. Some of its many sustainability initiatives include using water reducers in showers and faucets, grey water to irrigate the gardens, solar panels for energy, local products made in Aruba to cut down on the carbon footprint associated with importing goods, and biodegradable cleaning supplies. The hotel also contributes to programs off property, including animal efforts like the Donkey Sanctuary Aruba and Turtugaruba, a turtle conservation group.