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Press Release

Avani Seychelles Announces Significant Renovation and will Relaunch as Avani+

Avani Barbarons Seychelles Resort, one of the brand's earliest properties to launch back in 2015, is undergoing a multi-million dollar upgrade. The resort will once again welcome guests in late 2024 and will relaunch as Avani+ Barbarons Seychelles Resort. The existing resort will receive a full make over with new restaurant options and a beach club, plus a brand new extension which will see a new lagoon-style swimming pool with lagoon access rooms, plus the introduction of Avani Beach Suites. The substantial refurbishment aims to reinvent the popular beach club resort with a more contemporary look and feel whilst maintaining the pristine natural environment.

Whereas the original property mixed European heritage and Creole touches, the upgraded resort will champion a minimalist style with lots of natural wood, smart lighting, and partially outdoor guest bathrooms where tropical nature and modern touches combine to spectacular effect. The picture windows in the living rooms beautifully frame the beach, with a comfortable daybed for reading, napping or daydreaming.

In addition to refurbishing the existing 124 guest rooms and suites, an additional 68 keys are being added in a completely new extension to the resort and introducing new room types. 26 Lagoon Access rooms will give guests direct access to a new lagoon-style swimming pool set back from the beach alongside landscaped gardens, while 26 Lagoon View rooms boast vistas of the pool and ocean. The four new Avani Beach Suites, each with four keys forming a small cluster of rooms and with a private plunge pool and direct beach access, will offer extra space and privacy and will be ideal for groups of friends and families travelling together.

The resort's extensive renovation will also include a revitalisation of its main swimming pool into an impressive infinity pool with a sunken bar and beach decking, all surrounded by lush tropical landscaping. The addition of several restaurants will include a new all-day dining option with an al fresco terrace and live barbecue serving scrumptious breakfasts and creole and international cuisine, plus a signature beach restaurant showcasing local flavours and focusing on locally caught fish and seafood. A new beach club bar with DJ and cocktails served by mixologists will also be launched.

Located on the west coast of Mahé, the largest island in the Seychelles archipelago, the property sits on the white sands of Barbarons Beach. Abutting the Indian Ocean property is the swimming-friendly Port Launay Beach, with plenty of diversions for both beach lovers and water sports enthusiasts. Seychelles International Airport near the capital city of Victoria is just 30 minutes away from the resort.

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Amir Golbarg, Senior Vice President of Operations for Minor Hotels Middle East & Africa, commented, *“We are really excited to announce this significant investment into Avani Barbarons, which will reposition the resort as a lifestyle destination in the Seychelles, with upgraded facilities including bringing a beach club and unique new room types to the island. We are confident this renewed product will be a great asset to the Avani portfolio when it relaunches and will be a great success in the market.”*

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Editor's Notes

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With dynamic plans to expand existing brands and explore strategic acquisitions throughout opportunistic markets, Minor Hotels pursues a vision of a more passionate and interconnected world.

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