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Jeff Erdmann and his boys (left)



Downside at Harbour Island

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Harbour Island, Bahamas

"The pink-sand beaches are incredible, with layers of turquoise in the water like nothing you've ever seen," says Wilson Point resident and photographer Barbara Erdmann, who's long been inspired by the natural beauty of this island. Located on the north side of Eleuthera and accessible only by boat, Harbour Island is a frequent setting for fashion photo shoots (a swimsuit issue for *Sports Illustrated* was done here). Erdmann and her family have been vacationing in this tropical locale for fifteen years; her husband, Jeff, has been traveling to Harbour Island since he was a baby. While Erdmann is charmed by the patterns she sees in the sand and water, which she captures in her work, Jeff and the boys love the fishing. "My kids snorkel and spearfish; they bring lobsters up to cook on the beach." The locals are friendly and cater to visitors, she says, often taking them out for private fishing excursions.

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Book early. You can rent a private house through Dunmore Realty (dunmorerealty.com), as the Erdmanns do. Or, try the plantation-style retreat designed by India Hicks called The Landing (harbourislandlanding.com). Other top resorts include The Pink Sands (pinksandsresort.com), The Coral Sands (coralsands.com) and The Rock House Hotel (rockhousebahamas.com), which has some of the best food on the island.

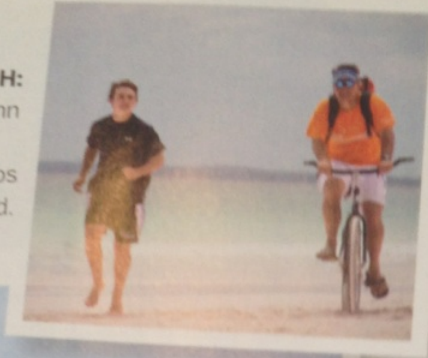
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