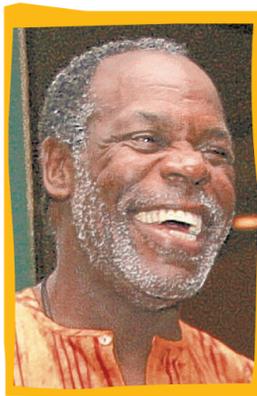


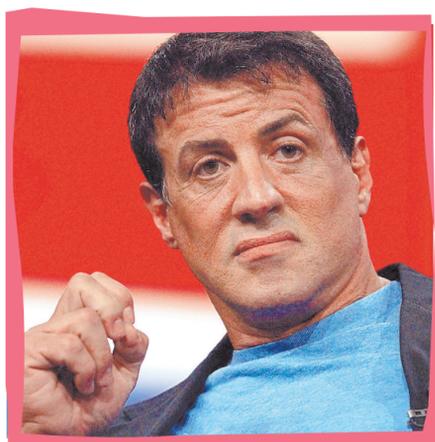
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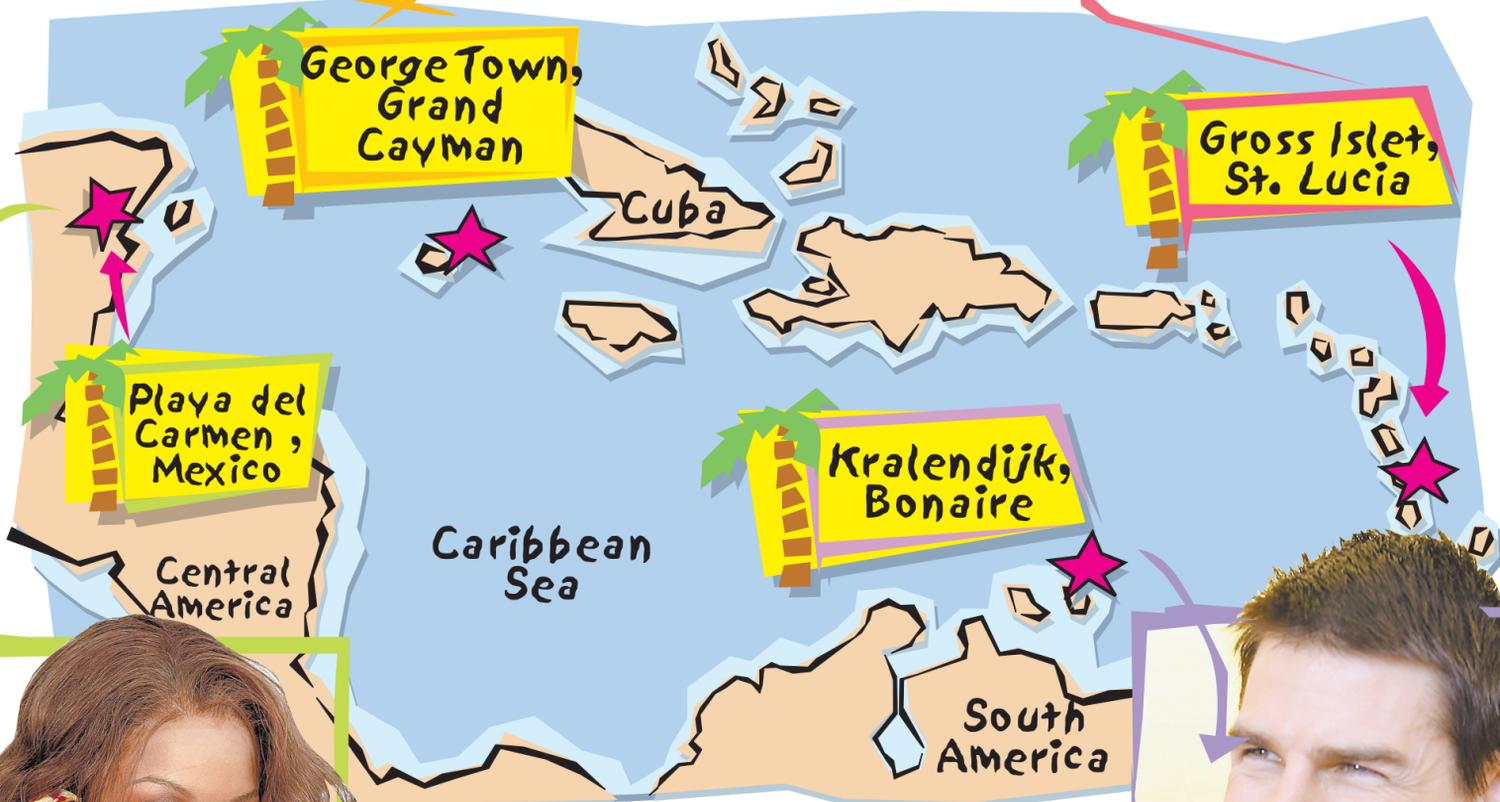
CELEBRITY VACATIONS



A former British colony, **GRAND CAYMAN** has great diving. Stars <<Danny Glover, <<Cheryl Tiegs and Naomi Campbell come to play.



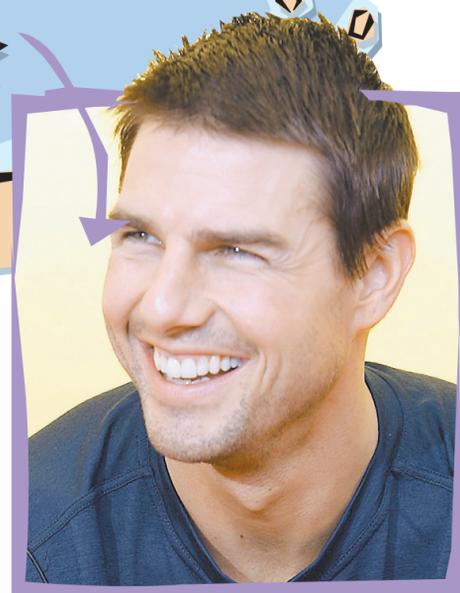
Paradise, nature converge in **ST. LUCIA**, a favorite of such names as the late Princess Diana, <<Sylvester Stallone and Robert DeNiro.



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Full of seafood, sushi, soccer and topless sunbathers, **MEXICO** lures Tyra Banks^^, Marc Anthony and Matt Damon.



For scuba divers and land lovers alike, choose **BONAIRE**, enjoyed by the likes of Tom Cruise^^, Penelope Cruz, Gene Hackman and Kathleen Turner.

Fantasy islands

Movers, shakers and regular folk can't go wrong with a trip to the Caribbean

BY JAE-HA KIM
Staff Writer

GROSS ISLET, St. Lucia — When Tiger Woods married Elin Nordegren last month, he didn't tie the knot in New York, Los Angeles or Las Vegas. The golf star opted for a wedding in Barbados.

Woods wanted a wedding in a beautiful location where he wouldn't be surrounded by helicopters flying overhead trying to get that perfect shot. While the media did descend on the island, there wasn't nearly the

amount of frenzy that surrounded Madonna's 1985 wedding to Sean Penn in California.

Woods isn't alone in his love of the Caribbean islands. When celebrities want to relax, kick back and, yes, get married, many opt for a Caribbean vacation.

"Celebrities migrate toward the Caribbean because it's one of the few places they can go where they're left alone," says Keija Minor, editor in chief of Travel Savvy magazine. "It's the perfect place for them to get some relaxation, quiet time and seclusion."

What's not to love? The fruit and fish are always fresh, and the weather usually cooperates. Besides the laid-back tranquility of the islands, celebs also enjoy a bit of welcome anonymity from fans and paparazzi when they're tucked away in their own pockets of paradise.

At www.starandal.com, those wanting to indulge themselves with all things about Star Jones' wedding to Al Reynolds can see them celebrating the New Year in

Jamaica. Other stars such as Steven Spielberg, Goldie Hawn and Kurt Russell have been known to stay at the Round Hill resort there, keeping up the chichi spot's long tradition of hosting socialites and celebrities such as Clark Gable and Grace Kelly.

When Virgin honcho Richard Branson vacations in the British Virgin Islands, he opts for his 74-acre estate on Necker Island. As for Mick Jagger, he always gets what he wants at his secluded hideaway in Mustique. Keanu Reeves and U2 have an affinity for this island, too, opting to rest at the Cotton House where rooms start at \$590.

Most of us will never have enough money to own a Caribbean estate or stay in a top-flight hotel. But that doesn't mean we can't have our own versions of a rock-star vacation. Read on for some of our favorites spots in Bonaire, St. Lucia, Grand Cayman and Mexico (yes,

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