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**RECORD SALE REALIZED FOR VILLA DELFINA IN THE  
U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS**

*The Luxury Villa in Peter Bay on the Caribbean Island of St. John Sells Through  
John Foster Real Estate, an Exclusive Affiliate of Christie's Great Estates*



**Peter Bay, St. John, U.S. Virgin Islands** — Villa Delfina, Peter Bay's most fabulously equipped luxury villa, has sold. Listed for US\$8,495,000, it realized the highest price for a property sold on St. John in the past two years. The sale was closed in 45 days by Peter Briggs, listing broker and owner of John Foster Real Estate. "We handled both sides of this transaction, bringing together a seller from the West Coast and buyer from the East Coast," says Briggs. "This illustrates the diversity of the Virgin Islands marketplace and collective outreach of John Foster Real Estate and Christie's Great Estates."

The 13,100-square-foot, five-bedroom residence was constructed in 2007. The luxury villa affords spectacular views and was designed to provide incredible privacy along with ample room and facilities to entertain. Among the highlights are a main living area; a coral-stone courtyard; and a covered balcony overlooking an infinity-edge pool surrounded by private courtyards replete with palm trees, a wet bar, a grill, a hot tub, hammocks, and alfresco dining areas. The lower-level entertainment center, unrivalled in  
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the Virgin Islands, comprises a billiards room, a wet bar, a media room, a projection and sound system, pinball and electronic games, a business center, and fitness equipment.

## **About Christie's Great Estates**

Christie's Great Estates ([www.christiesgreatastates.com](http://www.christiesgreatastates.com)) is the largest international network of real estate companies dedicated to the sale and marketing of luxury homes and is a subsidiary of Christie's, the world's leading art business. Committed to the auction house's two-century-old tradition of exceptional customer service and expertise in high-value marketing, the Christie's Great Estates global network spans more than 40 countries with 900 offices and approximately 36,000 brokers.

Admittance to the Christie's Great Estates network is offered by invitation only to those real estate companies with proven records of success in high-value home sales and who exemplify Christie's traditional value of service. Once awarded affiliate status, brokers may then display the coveted Christie's brand and use the proprietary marketing services of Christie's Great Estates, which has successfully marketed high-value real estate around the globe for more than 20 years.

## **About John Foster Real Estate**

The John Foster Real Estate team has been servicing the U.S. Virgin Islands since 1972. The brokers at John Foster Real Estate have a combined experience of over 150 years in St. Thomas. When you work with John Foster, you will benefit from this experience. John Foster Real Estate offers 21st-Century technology with old-time personal service.

Take advantage of a unique time in our marketplace. Activity and market volume are up and further growth is anticipated. The availability of stateside title insurance in conjunction with our unique position as the only U.S. possession in the Caribbean create a stable atmosphere for your real estate investment. The U.S. Virgin Islands real estate is attractive to the European and UK investor due to the recent weakness of the U.S. dollar relative to the euro and pound sterling.

Professional management allows you to enjoy your property without the inconveniences normally associated with absentee ownership. Inquire about recent legislation, which affords substantially lower tax rates to stateside companies that domicile in the U.S. Virgin Islands. For more information, visit the John Foster Real Estate Web Site at [www.usvi-realestate.com](http://www.usvi-realestate.com), or the U.S. Virgin Islands Economic Development Commission Web site at [www.usvieda.org](http://www.usvieda.org).

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