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## **Ted and His Treasures**

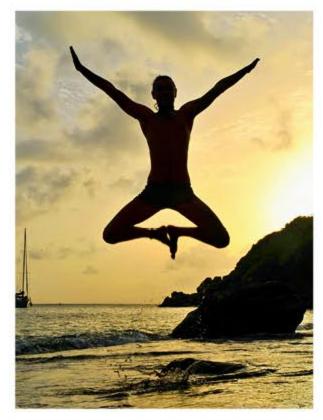
Many folks meet Ted Deltour for the first time in our island office – he is an important member of St. Barth Properties' team whose mission is to ensure dream vacations. He excels at it.

At 6 ft. 4in. – and handsome, Ted is head and shoulders above the crowd, literally. Our clients delight in seeing him out and about whizzing around on his motor scooter, in the markets and restaurants or soaking up the sun at Saline Beach – his favorite. The feeling is mutual. He knows the island intimately and is always happy to share his knowledge and a good tip on a restaurant or the local entertainment.

A Parisian, Ted worked in some of the city's luxury hotels but wanted a change in lifestyle and found himself yearning for the sea, the sun and the tropical trade winds. He arrived in St. Barth in 2002 and came to us in 2005.

Over the past few years, Ted has been exploring – and developing – his artistic side with the creation of some unique jewelry pieces. Growing up in Paris, he painted, practiced calligraphy using different mediums and made his first gris-gris (a talisman-like amulet) at the age of 13. Some 20 years later, living in St. Barth, he began creating bracelets and pendants, stringing natural beads and "bits" (including shells from its beaches) onto leather cords. He wore them himself to conjure up good karma, and when he traveled, he loved the connection it gave him to his island home. Friends loved his creations, which resulted in "Make me one?" requests.





Everything evolves – or it should – and Ted began searching for new materials. He discovered the pearls of Tahiti and fell in love with the rainbow of colors ranging from the purest white to the deepest black and shades of silver, peacock green, eggplant purple and rich golden brown. We suspect the strong attraction to the Tahitian pearls also has something do with that "French Connection."

Ted has incorporated the gems into gorgeous and sophisticated jewelry. They range from single pearl pieces – beautiful in their simplicity – to those that are "bountiful" with pearls. The bracelets are as popular with men as they are with women.