



Scenery Hotel Opens in Windwardside, Saba

30-Room Boutique Hotel Launches 3 March 2026, Strengthening Tourism in the Caribbean Netherlands

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Scenery Hotel officially opened its doors on 3 March 2026, introducing a refined new hospitality offering in the heart of Windwardside, Saba. The 30-room boutique hotel, owned by Pensioenfonds Caribisch Nederland (PCN), enhances the island's reputation as a leading Caribbean destination for scuba diving, hiking, and sustainable nature tourism.

The hotel has been developed under Participatiemaatschappij Caribisch Nederland (PMCN), the investment vehicle of PCN, and forms part of PCN's continued commitment to responsible local investment across the Caribbean Netherlands. This investment also reflects PCN's commitment to strengthening participants' pensions through a well-diversified portfolio that balances international investments with carefully chosen local projects that create value for the islands and, ultimately, for participants. The opening was marked by a ribbon-cutting ceremony celebrating the hotel's grand opening.

Scenery Hotel combines contemporary comfort with authentic island character

It is designed to complement Saba's dramatic mountain landscape and village charm. Guests are within walking distance of restaurants, boutiques, and key trail access points, creating a seamless base for both adventure and relaxation.

The opening is especially significant as PCN recently celebrated its 15-year anniversary at the end of the year 2025, marking fifteen years of responsible regional investment and long-term commitment to the communities it serves. The milestone underscores how PCN's investments contribute not only to long-term pension security but also to the resilience and future strength of the islands on which participants live and work.



The development reflects a five-year journey from concept to completion. After the acquisition was finalized in November 2020, preparations continued for more than two years, impacted by the COVID period. Groundbreaking took place on 8 February 2023, with the project reaching its highest point on 26 June 2024, and completion and opening following thereafter.

“From the outset, PCN wanted to ensure that our investments would benefit all three islands we serve: Bonaire, St. Eustatius and Saba. Over the years, Saba has emerged as the crown jewel in our local investment portfolio, which is remarkable given that it is the smallest of the three islands,” said Harald Linkels, Chairman of the Board of PCN. *“Through responsible investment, we aim to support sustainable economic growth, local employment and a strong future for all three islands. We are extremely proud of this project.”*

Scenery Hotel is expected to generate local employment and strengthen Saba’s wider tourism ecosystem, supporting dive operators, guides, restaurants, taxi services, and small businesses. By expanding quality accommodation, the hotel contributes to attracting new guest profiles, longer stays, and experience-led travelers seeking boutique Caribbean hospitality. In addition to these long-term benefits, approximately 90% of the construction workforce came from Saba, giving the project an immediate positive impact on the local community and economy.

“Scenery Hotel has been created with Saba at its heart,” said Walter Blijleven, Managing Director of PMCN. *“We are especially proud that approximately 90% of the construction workforce came from Saba, reflecting the skill and commitment of the local community.”*

“We thank PCN for its continued commitment and contribution to Saba. Not only has the fund supported the island over the years, but this project represents a significant investment in our economy,” said Jonathan Johnson, Island Governor of Saba. *“The opening of this hotel is an important step for Saba’s tourism sector and will have positive effects for the wider economy.”*

Often described as one of the Caribbean’s best-kept secrets, Saba is internationally recognized for its pristine marine park, exceptional diving, dramatic hiking trails, and peaceful atmosphere. The launch of Scenery Hotel further strengthens its position as a standout boutique destination in the Caribbean Netherlands.



Investment portfolio mix

PCN manages pension assets on behalf of its participants, with a focus on long-term financial security and responsible investment. Projects such as Scenery Hotel illustrate how pension capital can support sustainable economic development on the BES islands while continuing to deliver solid returns for participants. They also highlight the broader mission of the fund: investing in a future that benefits both the islands and the people who call them home.

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