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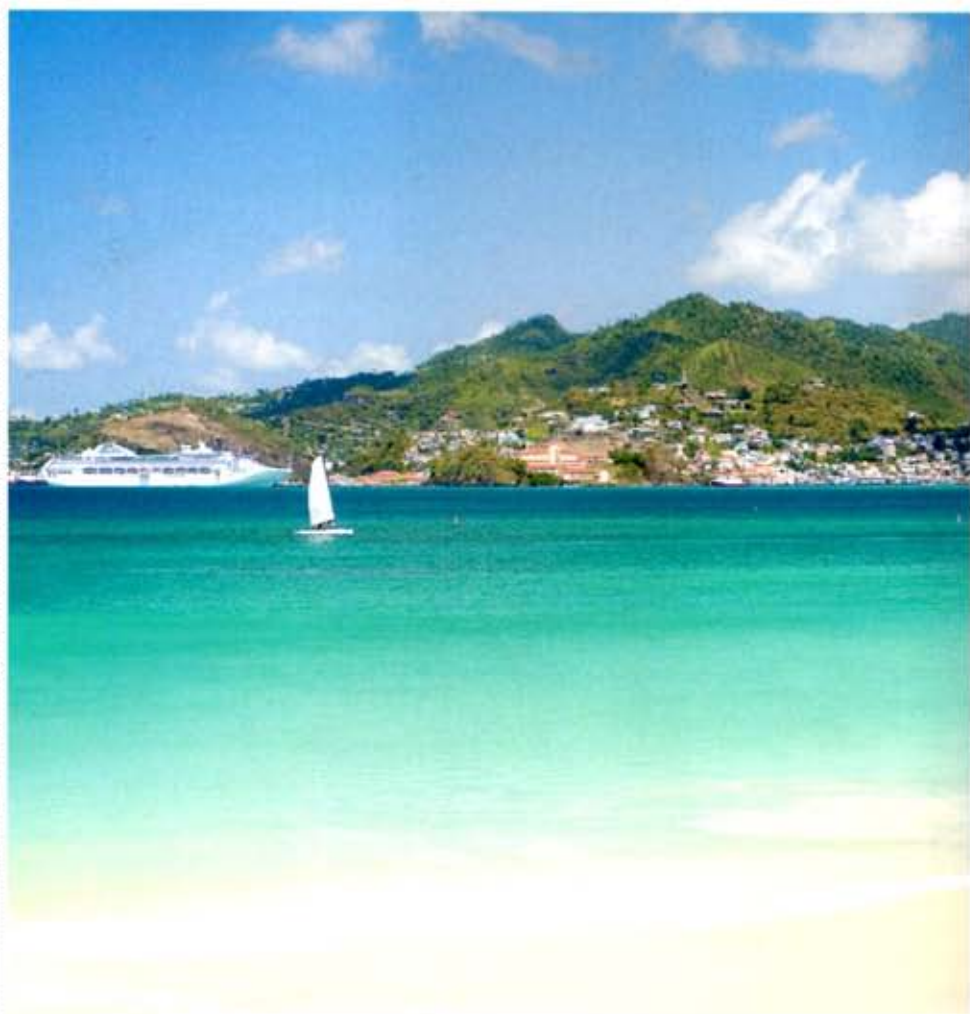


PLUS: Roll on the weekend! Breaks in Istanbul Berlin Swiss Alps & Seville



THE NIGHT BUS

The current rash of posh treehouses, yurts and gypsy caravans means that during the summer months, nomads need never go near bricks and mortar. But temporary structures are less fun when the temperature drops below zero, which is why quirky property specialist Canopy and Stars has unveiled a new range of cosy camp-style properties in the UK, perfect for crisp nights and frosty mornings. Choose between **Swede-style cabins, a snug wheat silo and a converted bus with a wood-burner** (pictured). Book through www.canopyandstars.co.uk; from around £100 per night.



THE SPRING SUN SPOT

Other Caribbean isles have poncey mega-yachts, but laid-back Grenada prefers to keep things simple – **with wind-powered, cheerily-painted bamboo-and-wood boats**, as displayed during the world's least pretentious sailing regatta this month. There are no toffs, no tantrums, just competitive local fishing communities slogging it out in the Grenada Sailing Festival (Feb 1-3; www.grenadasailingfestival.com), while spectators tuck into curry rotis and party on Grand Anse beach. Join them, or survey the scene from your infinity pool at the lavish, new villa at the Mount Cinnamon Hotel (www.mountcinnamongrenada.com; from £8,000 per week, sleeps eight).



FOOD ON THE GO

If you love local grub but can't decipher the menu, book one of Intrepid Travel's (www.intrepidtravel.com) 20 new grassroots food tours and you'll have a local guide to ensure you order duck instead of dog. Trips include foraging for greens in Turkey, tips from a chef in Ho Chi Minh City, **a taco trawl in Mexico City and a binge in Beijing's madcap markets**. Excursions are good for purse and paunch; half-day food safaris cost from £20pp, three-day tours from £425pp, including accommodation and most meals. Book now for the first departures in April.