



#### BINTAN RESORTS

**PATA Gold Awards 2003**  
Bintan Mangrove Discovery Tour – Ecotourism / Travel-Related Project

**1-S Magazine Reader's Choice Awards 2001**  
Best Weekend Getaway  
1-S Magazine, Singapore

**M&C Asia-Pacific Gold Awards 1999**  
Best Golf Venue (Resorts Category)  
M&C Asia-Pacific Magazine

**Most Innovative Linked Product**  
Singapore Tourism Board 12<sup>th</sup> Tourism Awards, 1997

**WTM 1997 Global Awards**  
World Travel Market (WTM), London

**Top 50 Perfect Island Choices**  
The Whole World Year-Round Island Planner  
Conde Nast Traveller 1997

#### **For immediate Release**

### **Bintan Resorts Well-Positioned to Ride Next Crest of Tourism Wave**

*22<sup>nd</sup> October 2008, Singapore* – Bintan Resorts International today announced that it will accord high priority to the timely completion of new infrastructure at Lagoi Bay Development as part of the company's commitment to a strong recovery in response to an expected decline in tourism worldwide.

Lagoi Bay is a 1,300 hectares, comprehensive integrated resort development nestled on the northern shores of the Indonesian island of Bintan. Launched in August 2007, Lagoi Bay offers opportunities in a wide array of tourism-related investments with its master plan featuring international standard resorts, residences, shopping outlets, restaurants, spas, entertainment and sea sports facilities as well as a marina and a golf course.

To date, more than 10km of new construction and access roads through the Lagoi Bay development has been laid, and the first stage of infrastructure works for the first large-scale residential project has been substantially completed while new water, power, telecommunications and sewage lines will be progressively brought into the site.

Despite the tourism industry bracing itself for an inevitable slowdown, Bintan Resorts International has decided to push ahead with a slew of enhancements and upgrades to boost its destination offerings. These will include an expansion of the ferry terminal, two additional new ferries to its current fleet, a 100-megawatt power plant, and the construction of a private airport 35 minutes away by road.

“The economic benefits that come with accelerated infrastructure development are undeniable,” said Mr Asad Shiraz, Director Marketing, Bintan Resorts International. “We will continue to work closely with our investors, current stakeholders and the tourism industry in developing Bintan Resorts into a world-class tropical island resort destination. The idea is to come out of the current worldwide financial turmoil stronger so as to be ahead when the next growth cycle begins.”

Lagoi Bay represents the 'next' phase of development of Bintan Resorts as a desirable tropical island destination for not only the Singapore and Indonesian markets but also for the international traveller. Available for sale are also many residential developments offering a variety of villa and condo properties for private homeowners as well as land space for retirement villages and a site for an education/training institution. Investor interests so far have not only come from Singapore and Indonesia but also from as far away as Russia, The Netherlands, India, China, the Middle East and USA.

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### **About Lagoi Bay**

The Lagoi Bay development is approximately 1,300 hectares in size and a 15-minute drive from the international ferry terminal. With land parcels ranging from 2,000 square metres to 30 hectares, there are investment opportunities for a variety of commercial and residential use. All sites have close proximity to the beach and will have road access. The sites will also be fully served by power, potable water, telecommunications, sewer lines and solid waste collection.

### **About Bintan Resorts**

Bintan Resorts is a multi-award winning, integrated tropical beach resort destination with world-class facilities featuring:

- Extensive land-bank of prime tropical resort real estate within close proximity to Singapore
- Indonesian beach resort offering international standards of products and services such as golf, spa, water sports, nature/culture tours and a wide range of accommodation
- Easy accessibility via fast and comfortable ferries (55 minutes away from Singapore and 35 minutes away from Batam, Indonesia)
- Ideal getaway for active individuals and couples, families, golfers, corporate and incentive groups, spa lovers and honeymooners
- Superb twin destination with Singapore (city & beach resort appeal), providing tourists with 'two destinations in one holiday!'

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