

# TEEING OFF IN ST. TROPEZ

By Martin Roberts

The French Riviera is home to some of the best golf courses in mainland Europe, including the famous Monte Carlo and Royal Mougins golf clubs. But if you're looking to 'putt' your pounds into a property there, what are the chances of a below-par performance?

Despite complaints of overcrowding, the French Riviera resorts of Cannes and St. Tropez continue to remain in vogue. The property market here has bucked the trend of a somewhat stale general French market and agents are seeing green shoots across the board, most notably for those properties sitting within the €5m-€12m price band.

Mark Harvey, head of French residential sales at Knight Frank, says: "The combination of a weakening euro, low interest rates and tentative improvements in France's economy should help fuel the feel-good factor, and comfort those whose wealth advisors' take on France has been extremely bearish over the past few years." So while it has been a slow start to 2015, this year may prove to be an important turning point.

## Ville Belle Vue, St. Tropez, Côte D'Azur

Located between St. Tropez and Pampelonne beaches, this exceptional, light-filled villa enjoys fine views from the Alps to the Baie de Canoubiers. Built in 1910 it has been the subject of a thorough and sensitive renovation, comprising six bedrooms and four reception areas, with impeccable amenities. There is a separate guesthouse and outbuilding with wet room, sauna, Jacuzzi and Turkish bath, as well as a fully-fitted gymnasium.

Guide price: £22.5m  
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### Caddying in Cannes

This newly built, sumptuous Palladian-style property comes with stunning sea views, a south-facing position and extraordinary amenities. With eight bedrooms, deluxe kitchen, two cellars, study library, secretary study and a large cinema room, this exceptional residence offers large spaces. The landscaped grounds of approximately one hectare include a large swimming pool and panoramic views of the sea, a summer kitchen, a large summer salon with bar and an extensively equipped spa with sauna, massage space, cloakrooms and showers. There's also two staff bedrooms, a wine cellar, laundry room and guest toilets. With the Cannes-Mougins Golf Club just 4km away and seven more courses within 10 km, this home is a nothing less than a Mediterranean paradise.

*Guide price: POA*

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