

Isla Gitana

PEARL ISLANDS - GULF OF PANAMA - PANAMA

Isla Gitana - also known as Gibroleon Island - is a 227-acre private island in Panama's storied Pearl Islands archipelago, and a former filming location for the television series Survivor. Entirely undeveloped and held as a fully titled asset - a rarity in the Pearl Islands - it is one of the great blank canvases of the luxury island world: eight powdery white-sand beaches along eight kilometres of coastline, a natural bay and canal made for a marina, and profound seclusion within a short flight of Panama City.

Price on Request

227 ACRES - FULLY TITLED - EIGHT BEACHES - BLANK CANVAS

THE ISLAND

At a Glance

NAME	Isla Gitana (Gibraleon Island)
LOCATION	Pearl Islands, Gulf of Panama, Panama
SIZE	227 acres (92 hectares)
COASTLINE	8 km · 8 white-sand beaches
ELEVATION	36 ft (11 m) highest point
TENURE	Fully titled — rare in the Pearl Islands
STATUS	Blank canvas — undeveloped, no master plan
ACCESS	15-min flight / 1.5-hr boat from Panama City
NEAREST HUB	Contadora Island (10 min): airport, clinics, dining
WATERS	Whale watching, marlin fishing, diving, bird sanctuary
PRICE	Price on Request

BLANK CANVAS

No structures, no master plan, no constraints: 227 fully titled acres of jungle, beach, and open water, held by an owner seeking the right development partner - a rare invitation to author the next great Pearl Islands resort.

ISLAND VITALS

ELEVATION	COORDINATES
36 ft (11 m)	8.517°N, 79.050°W
BEACHES	WATERS
8 · 2+ km of sand	Gulf of Panama





THE ISLAND

A Pearl Islands Original

Scattered across the Gulf of Panama, some thirty miles off the Pacific coast, the Pearl Islands are a 200-island archipelago of legendary beauty - and one of the least developed tropical archipelagos within easy reach of a major capital. Isla Gitana sits among its northern islands: 227 acres (92 hectares) of dense tropical jungle, rising just 36 feet above a ring of white-sand beaches and crystalline water. It is uninhabited, unspoiled, and entirely without structures - a condition that has become vanishingly rare at this scale, in this location.

LEGACY

The Survivor Stage

Gitana entered the world's imagination as a filming location for the television series *Survivor* - the uninhabited tropical stage that showed millions how completely a place can remove you from the everyday. The cameras are long gone. What remains is the reason the producers chose it: raw, cinematic beauty, rich birdlife, and a coastline that reads like the definitive desert-island postcard - all of it genuinely untouched.

DEVELOPMENT

The Vision: Privacy-First

The vision for Gitana is privacy-first: inspired by the success of Gladden Private Island, vast acreage allows ultra-exclusive villas to be strategically separated, each in its own world of jungle and beach. With no formal master plan currently in place, there is no inherited blueprint to fight - only a blank canvas awaiting a developer's bespoke vision. The current owner is seeking an experienced partner or developer who shares the low-density, high-privacy approach: a sanctuary built around seclusion, not density.

MARINA

A Natural Harbour

The island's geography is a developer's gift. At the rear lies a natural bay and a natural canal - sheltered, protected water ideal for a full-service marina or a series of private docks - while the main beaches face the open ocean for maximum privacy. In an archipelago where yacht access is the measure of an island, Gitana offers both the drama of open-water frontage and the practicality of calm, protected anchorages.





TERRAIN

Land and Water

Over two kilometres of powdery white-sand beaches wrap the island - eight distinct beaches along eight kilometres of coastline, each a crystal-water cove of the kind the Pearl Islands are famous for. Behind the sand, dense tropical jungle covers the interior and shelters one of the richest bird sanctuaries in the Gulf of Panama. The surrounding waters are a global hotspot for whale watching, world-class marlin fishing, and vibrant diving - a thriving marine ecosystem that makes the island as alive below the surface as above it.

KNOWN FOR

A former Survivor filming location - and, far more importantly for its next chapter, a fully titled 227-acre island in the Pearl Islands: the region's only premium luxury island of this scale currently available, with natural marina geography and eight white-sand beaches.



INVESTMENT

The Titled Advantage

In Panama, ownership comes in two forms: titled property, registered with the Public Registry - mortgageable, inheritable, resellable like fee-simple land; and rights of possession, where the land still belongs to the state. Gitana is fully titled - a secure, bankable rarity that makes a structured development or villa sell-off model feasible.

ARRIVAL

Access

Logistics are remarkably efficient. Panama City is a 1.5-hour boat journey or a short 15-minute flight away. Contadora Island - ten minutes off - provides an airport, medical clinics, supermarkets, and fine dining. Beach clubs and marinas await at nearby Viveros and across the Pearl Islands; Tocumen International Airport is 45 miles distant. In Panama City, Hospital Punta Pacífica - Johns Hopkins-affiliated - anchors world-class medical care.

REGIONAL

Why the Pearl Islands

About 30 miles off Panama's Pacific coast, the Pearl Islands pair capital-city logistics with true remoteness - backed by Panama's dollar economy and direct North American air links. An heirloom holding: bought once in a generation, never replicated.

LOCATION

On the Map

PEARL ISLANDS - GULF OF PANAMA - PANAMA



Straight-line distances, approximate • Coastline: Natural Earth

ISLA GITANA

Pearl Islands, Gulf of Panama • 8.517°N, 79.050°W

DISTANCES

Contadora Island	8 mi
Panama City	82 mi
Tocumen International Airport	45 mi

ELEVATION & CLIMATE

Highest point	36 ft above sea level
Daytime avg	86°F
Annual range	72-89°F
Gulf water temp	77-85°F

ACCESS

- 15-min flight or 1.5-hr boat from Panama City
- 10 min from Contadora (airport, clinics, dining)
- Natural bay + canal: full-service marina potential

Straight-line distances, approximate.
Sources: listing page, Wikipedia (Isla Gibrleón),
NOAA sea-temp data, FAA/airport coords (see sources.txt).

GALLERY

The Island in Frames





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