



3RD HOME is a members club for owners of luxury second homes. By making unused weeks of your property available to other members, you earn 'keys' which are used as a currency to reserve a stay in another home of your choice at any time. Founded in the States in 2010, 3rd Home (www.3rdhome.com) has effected some 3,000 'exchanges'. It currently lists 1,850 properties (with an average value of \$2.25 million) in 69 countries including Austria, Portugal, Spain, Greece, Sweden, Italy, Cyprus, Croatia, Bulgaria, Switzerland and France; in the Loire Valley village of Vezins, this 18th-century chateau has six bedrooms, seven receptions, seven acres and a swimming pool. Membership fees start from \$2,500.



Last month saw the 72-acre Pine Cliffs Resort on the ALGARVE coast launch its Annabel Croft Tennis Academy. The all-integrated resort is a 30-minute drive west of Faro airport and offers a choice of investment opportunities by way of holiday-ownership options, fractional and freehold properties. The latter, for sale through Chesterton Humberts (020 3040 8435), comprises a mix of two-storey town houses with two or three bedrooms from €775,000; two- and three-bedroom apartments overlooking the golf course from €780,000; contemporary terraced town houses from €1,275,000; and four-bedroom villas set in private plots, each with a swimming pool, Jacuzzi, dining and barbecue area, from €4,500,000. Pine Cliffs has 11 bars and restaurants, six boutique shops and a gourmet market, a spa, health and fitness club, beauty salon, children's village, water sports, a nine-hole golf course and the tennis academy, which provides private and group coaching based on the former British No 1's drill-based movement philosophy.



With berths for 650 yachts of up to 115m, LIMASSOL MARINA is the first full-service marina in Cyprus and an official Port of Entry; operated and managed by Camper & Nicholsons, it is setting new standards for sailing - and living - in the Eastern Mediterranean. The €350 million development provides 40 shops and boutiques, 12 restaurants and bars, a Yacht Club, fitness and spa club, together with 162 apartments and 74 villas. Priced from €1.7 million, nine of the 39 Peninsula Villas have already sold prior to this month's completion of the first phase; built to six different designs with two, three or four bedrooms, most have a swimming pool together with a private berth or direct beach access. The 35 Island Villas will also sport private berths alongside their gardens for yachts of up to 60m. With the two largest properties snapped up for €15 million a piece and completion not due until early 2016, prices range through Knight Frank (020 7861 1057) from €1,757,000 to €8,435,000 for a four-bedroom villa with a sun deck, terraces, swimming pool and a 30m berth.

