Jamaica's Ian Fleming Airport Opens January 12

The Ian Fleming International Airport, Jamaica's third international entry point, is set to launch Jan. 12, just 10 minutes away from the newly-reopened GoldenEye Hotel & Resort in Oracabessa.

The airport will be officially opened by Prime Minister Bruce Golding with a launch event that will be attended by Fleming's nieces, Lucy and Kate, as well as Island Outpost founder and music mogul Chris Blackwell.

The airport formerly known as Boscobel Aerodrome has been updated and expanded to accommodate private jets and other small commercial aircraft. It has also received a fitting name change – Ian Fleming was not only a fixture of the area (his Jamaica home is the idyllic GoldenEye Hotel & Resort) but he also helped put Jamaica on the map during the glamorous '50s and '60s.

The airport will be able to park six international aircraft with a maximum wingspan of 55 feet (16.8 meters) and maximum length of 65 feet (20 meters), plus three small domestic planes. Also available will be JetA1 and AvGas fuel. Initially, international flights will be limited to private aircraft, with a domestic shuttle service between Jamaica's other airports set to launch at a future date.

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