

RITZ CARLTON DORADO Dorado, Puerto Rico

CHALLENGE

In 2006, the Ritz Carlton Dorado Beach Resort wanted to expand their property to include a unique water area that would provide an immersive water experience fashioned after a traditional Puerto Rican sugar mill, showcasing architecturally compelling structures and varying foundations throughout.

SOLUTION

In order to complete the addition of the Watermill water play area, the resort worked with a design team as well as ADG who operated as the aquatic designer and equipment supplier, to bring their vision to life. The \$12 million aquatic playground project was designed around three experiential zones: passive, active and kids. Attractions in these zones include 30-foot water slides, multiple swimming pools, a bubble bench, a replica of an actual watermill manufactured with imported German wood, a real sand beach and the Watermill's anchor attraction: a wave river featuring ADG's Wavetek[®] wave generation technology.

RESULT

Standing out amongst fierce resort competition, the Ritz Carlton Dorado Beach Resort has successfully created an innovative and architecturally differentiating waterfront area that generates appeal as a family vacation destination. Since the opening of the Watermill, the Durado has continually received rave reviews on Trip Advisor for their mix of attractions and attention to detail in the layout and overall design of the watermill aquatic playground.

"The Ritz Carlton Dorado Beach Watermill expansion project is a great example of how ADG works as a partner with design companies. By bringing both of our expertise together, ADG can magnify the experience and act as a catalyst, marrying the aquatics to the overall design of the project."

– Jim Dunn, President of ADG





