

Hotel to rent out microcars to guests

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It's electric: the new Renault Twizy, to be offered for rent to tourists at the Hamilton Princess. Pictured, from left, are Pat Phillip-Fairn and Kevin Dallas of the Bermuda Tourism Authority, John Paul Doughty and Piers Carr of Current Vehicles and hotel general manager Allan Federer (Photograph supplied)

Bermuda's first electric microcars were yesterday unveiled at the Hamilton Princess.

The hotel will be the first on the island to offer its guests the French two-seater Renault Twizy as an alternative to the traditional scooter.



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30,000 unique visitors per day

A total of 25 cars will be available at the Princess, supplied by new company Current Vehicles, which has also supplied Twizys to the Groupama Team France America's Cup team.

Allan Federer, general manager of the Hamilton Princess and Beach Club, said: "We are thrilled to be able to offer this new amenity.

"Our aim is to provide our guests with the best amenities possible during their stay on the island. However, transportation has been a challenge for those who are not comfortable riding a scooter.

"Twizy allows all of our guests to explore the island on their own. We think it is a superb addition to the hotel and to Bermuda."

John-Paul Doughty, director of operations at Current Vehicles, added: "We are excited to offer visitors the safest, greenest, and most enjoyable way to travel around Bermuda."

He said: "These vehicles are safe and accessible and a good choice for those who are not comfortable on a scooter, but still want the freedom to explore the island on their own itinerary.

"And they are a lot of fun to drive."

The cars, which boast seatbelts, an airbag and side impact protection, can be booked online and Current Vehicles have installed charging stations at the Princess and Beach Club.