



★ *Proposed* ITINERARY ★

Saint Martin | Anguilla | Saint Barthélemy

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#### **SINT MAARTEN AIRPORT**

Airport Code: SXM

SXM serves all major carriers and is the gateway for the Leeward Islands including Anguilla and St. Barthélemy.

**ST. BARTHS AIRPORT** is only used for small aircraft.



## DAY 1: *Marigot, St. Martin*

Board your yacht at Marina Fort Louis, docked in Marigot Bay on the French side of St. Martin. From here it's an easy stroll to picture postcard Port La Royal, lined with French boutiques and pocket restaurants. Hike up to Fort Louis for the view, or refresh with a swim on the beach. Fine art collectors and admirers should visit the gallery of Sir Roland Richardson, world famous for his colorful impressionist works. Back on board enjoy a sundown celebration with tropical cocktails, fine dining al fresco and breathtaking sunset views. For action after dark, the Dutch side of St. Maarten is known for glitzy entertainment venues, including 13 casinos where Lady Luck awaits.

#### **GALLERY**

Roland Richardson Gallery — <http://www.rolandrichardson.com>

#### **RESTAURANT**

Tropicana, Matina la Port Royale 97150, Marigot, Tel: 590877907

#### **NIGHTLIFE**

Casino Royale, Maho — [www.playmaho.com](http://www.playmaho.com)

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In French Saint Martin the official currency is the Euro. In Dutch Sint Maarten the Netherland Antillean guilder was replaced by the newly created Caribbean guilder in 2013. The US dollar is accepted everywhere.

## DAY 2: *Marigot... Grand Case*

Cruise to Ilet Pinel, a tiny island gem on the north end of St. Martin. Located in the heart of the Marine Park, the beach is very popular for families with children who can go for an adventure along the park's well-marked snorkel trail. Shoppers should visit Philipsburg to roam the duty free stores. History buffs will enjoy the collection at the St. Maarten National Heritage Foundation.

Like Marigot, Grand Case is an enchanting mix of Old World France and New World Caribbean. This historic fishing village is a colorful juxtaposition of haute cuisine and beach barbeque shacks, fine art galleries and trinket shops. The town is referred to as the "Gourmet Capital of the Caribbean", L'Auberge Gourmande ranks at the top of connoisseur lists and Calmos Café is a casual favorite; revel in the lively jazz or reggae from the aft deck, or join in the milieu ashore.

### **MUSEUM**

St. Maarten National Heritage Foundation, Philipsburg — <http://www.museumsintmaarten.org>

### **RESTAURANTS**

Calmos Café — [http://lecalmoscafe.com/accueil\\_en.html](http://lecalmoscafe.com/accueil_en.html)

L'Auberge Gourmande — <http://www.laubergegourmande.com>

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Anguilla, the northernmost Leeward island, is a British dependency about one-half the size of Washington, D.C. At 213ft. Crocus Hill is the highest point on the island.

### DAY 3: *St Martin... Anguilla* (6NM)

Depart early for Road Bay, Anguilla, where your Captain will clear customs before heading to Crocus Bay. It's an easy snorkel from Crocus Bay to Little Bay in water glittering with thousands of tiny reef fish. Take a hike along Anguilla's historic Upper Valley and Heritage Trail. After lunch, dive or snorkel any of seven shipwrecks scuttled in 40ft. to 80ft. of water off Anguilla's north coast. The sunken ships house a remarkable array of marine life, from shark to spiny lobster, and are as exciting for the beginning snorkeler as the experienced diver. This evening, dance to Anguillan Reggae and evocative Caribbean rhythms at The Pumphouse and Elvis's on Sandy Ground.

#### **RESTAURANT & SPA**

Viceroy Resort — <http://www.viceroyhotelsandresorts.com/en/anguilla>

#### **NIGHTLIFE**

The Pumphouse — <http://pumphouse-anguilla.com>

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You only need 48 hours in the country to qualify for an Anguillan wedding license.

**DAY 4:** *Anguilla ... Prickly Pear Cays ... Dog Island* (14NM + 10NM)

Spend the morning at Prickly Pear Cays and Seal Island Reef, snorkeling or diving colorful, living reefs. White sand beaches and shallow waters are ideal for picnicking and beach games, especially for families with young children. West Cay and Devil's Wall are popular drift dive sites off Dog Island, where common sightings include Spotted Eagle Rays, Tarpon, turtles, lobsters, eels, Tiger Sharks and dolphins. This afternoon take time to appreciate the creative, passionate, expressions of local artists; from canvases of color and driftwood carvings, to the sounds of steel pan and guitar. Tonight visit the upbeat beach bar of famous Anguillan musician Bankie Banks, adored worldwide as the master of tropical tunes.

**GALLERY**

Savannah Gallery — <http://savannahgallery.com>

**RESTAURANT**

Hibernia Restaurant & Art Gallery — <http://www.hiberniarestaurant.com>

**RESTAURANT**

Dune Preserve — <http://www.bankiebanx.net/Dunepreserve.html>

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We strongly discourage visitors from flying in to St Barths' Gustaf III Airport. Pilots must negotiate a steep descent between Tourmente Hill and St. Jean Beach, where the 700 yard runway simply runs out.

## DAY 5: *Anguilla... Saint Barthélemy* (20NM)

Take breakfast on deck while you scan the sea for dolphins on your way to St. Barthélemy, also known as Saint-Barth, St. Barths or St. Barts. Clear customs at Gustavia, a mini Monaco complete with megayachts at anchor, trendy Parisian boutiques and exclusive restaurants encircling the shore. Beyond the harbor, red-roofed villas framed in bougainvillea and fragrant frangipani splash the mountainside with aromatic color. Enjoy an afternoon ride around the island to view the tropical flora and fauna and visit isolated beaches. Tonight, enjoy live jazz and spirited Caribbean dancing accompanied by a snifter of fine French island Rhum.

### RESTAURANTS

Bonito — <http://ilovebonito.com>

Eden Rock Hotel & Restaurant — <http://www.edenrockhotel.com/cuisine>

### NIGHTLIFE

Le Ti St Barth — <http://www.letistbarth.com/>

Le Bête à Z'Ailes Bazbar — <http://www.st-barths.com/bazbar/en/home.html>

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St. Barth's is a French overseas collectivity with an economy that relies on high-end tourism and duty-free luxury commerce. Most of the 7,300 residents cater to 200,000 visitors that reach their isolated shore annually; 130,000 of them arriving by boat.

## DAY 6: *Gustavia... Anse à Colombier* (ONM)

Anse à Colombier is one of Saint-Barths best beaches, remote, wild, and accessible only by boat or a 20-minute hike from Flamands. Part of the Marine Reserve, the cove protects an array of aquatic life including tortoises, rays, lobsters and dolphins. In addition to amazing snorkeling, calm conditions are perfect for kayaks, inflatables and water skis. After lunch head to Grand Cul de Sac where steady trade winds make this beach a must for kite boarders and windsurfers. Rejuvenate with an open air treatment overlooking Grand Cul de Sac at the Guanahani Spa.

### **RESTAURANT**

Bartolomeo — <http://leguanahani.com/en/restaurants-and-chefs>

Hotel Le Toiny Restaurant Le Gaiac — <http://www.letoiny.com/st-barth-restaurant-le-gaiac>

### **SPA**

Guanahani Spa — <http://leguanahani.com/en>

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St. Martin/Sint Maarten has citizens from over 100 nations bringing a multitude of languages, from French Creole to Spanish to Hindi to Cantonese and amazingly diverse cuisines.

## DAY 7: *St Barths... St Maarten* (18NM)

Return to St. Martin and embark on an eco-adventure at Loterie Farm. The former sugar plantation has been transformed into a nature preserve, extreme attraction and acclaimed restaurant. Zip line over the treetops, relax in a private cabana at the refreshing spring-fed pool and Jacuzzi, savor natural smoothies or signature cocktails at the bar and sample locally sourced, fusion cuisine at two treetop restaurants. Zip lines of differing levels making this an excellent attraction for the adventurous of any age. Following the exhilaration, indulge in luxurious treatments and massages at the Christian Dior Spa in Cupecoy. If energy still runs high, take a stroll around Simpson Bay and be sure to stop in at the Yacht Club for a beverage and to watch the megayachts navigate the infamously narrow bridge.

### **ATTRACTION**

Loterie Farm — <http://www.loteriefarm.com/index.html>

### **RESTAURANT**

Hidden Forest Café — <http://www.loteriefarm.com/resto.html>

### **SPA**

The Christian Dior Spa — <http://cliffsxm.com/the-christian-dior-spa>

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Both Dutch St. Maarten and French St. Martin have maintained a peaceful coexistence for over 350 years, the longest of any two bordering nations sharing the smallest geographical space.

## DAY 8: *Sint Maarten*

On your day of departure, there's one exit strategy that will let your spirits soar, despite having to bid farewell to your endearing Captain and crew. Stop by the Sunset Bar adjacent to the airport. People don't come here for the great beach, good food and live Caribbean music, those are just the perks. Thrill seekers, aviation enthusiasts and amateur photographers down a "Jet Blast" shot at the bar, then rush to cling fiercely to the fence when a massive jet flies just over head blowing sand, and sometimes people, into the water.

### **RESTAURANT**

Sunset Bar & Grill — <http://sunsetsxm.com/>

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# EAST CARIBBEAN:

## Regional Guide

**US\$**  
**EURO**  
**EC\$**

**CURRENCIES**  
The United States Dollar (USD), Euro (EU) and Eastern Caribbean dollar (EC) are most commonly used throughout the Caribbean, the USD is widely accepted. Establish the type of currency prior to any transaction. ATMs often only dispense the local currency.

**TIME ZONE:** UTC/GMT – 4 hours/Atlantic Standard Time or UTC/GMT – 5 hours/Eastern Standard Time + 1hr. Daylight Savings Time.

**ECONOMY:** Tourism, financial services, manufacturing, and agriculture

**DRESS CODE:** Proper attire should be worn in public areas. Bathing suits are appropriate only at the beach or pool. Some venues may require men to wear jackets and women wear dresses.

**DRIVING:** Motorists drive on the left side of the road. Some cars have the steering wheel on the left and others on the right. Rental cars are usually available with automatic or stick shifts, the latter being the best option when touring mountainous regions.

**GOVERNMENTS & POLITICAL SYSTEMS:**

The islands are democratic sovereign states, overseas departments or dependent territories. Various countries use one-party, two-party or multi-party systems.

**OFFICIAL LANGUAGES:** English, French, Dutch

**ELECTRIC CURRENT:** Some islands use 110/120V, 60Hz. Others use 220V 50/60Hz. Plugs are not consistent with voltage. Yachts operate on current according to the build or homeport.

# When to visit:

The best yachting in the northern Caribbean islands is during the high season, December through April, when cool, consistent trade winds are a special plus for sailing yachts, kite boarders and windsurfers. The social season is in full swing and venues are crowded. The southern islands below the hurricane belt are less congested and gorgeous year around.

CLIMATE DATA FOR THE EAST CARIBBEAN													
	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	YEAR
Average High °F	83	82	84	85	85	86	86	87	87	86	84	83	85
Average Low °F	73	72	73	75	76	78	78	78	77	76	74	74	75
Average Rainfall (inches)	2.5	1.3	1.6	2.3	2.3	3.8	3.8	3.5	3.7	4.4	3.8	3.7	36.7

# Climate:

Winter is the dry season, with less humidity, rainfall and bugs, cooling winds and an average temperature of about 78 degrees. The rainy hurricane season, June 1 – November 30, peaks in September, with broiling midday sun, higher humidity, occasional showers and an average temperature of 88 degrees.

**VISA INFORMATION**

[www.projectvisa.com](http://www.projectvisa.com)





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