

# Shore Excursions

2008 - 2009 Eastern Caribbean



# the benefits of booking with us



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When you book your shore excursions with Holland America Line, you can count on our Signature of Excellence® to consistently offer a superior experience ashore:

#### quality

Clean and comfortable transportation equipment; we engage professional independent tour operators dedicated to customer satisfaction.

#### safety

Tour operators have contractually agreed to comply with local government requirements and to carry liability insurance in amounts consistent with local standards to address personal injury and property damage claims.

#### convenience

English-speaking guides; tour departure times set to coincide with the ship's schedule as well as with that of other tours so that guests desiring to do so can take multiple tours.

#### peace of mind

If a tour that you have purchased through Holland America Line returns late to the ship, we will almost never leave without you. In the very rare event that the ship must leave, we will arrange at our expense to get you to the next port of call (with independently booked tours, you are responsible for rejoining the ship at the next port of call).

#### variety

Around the globe, our programs include "A Taste of...", Off the Beaten Track, panoramic, Medallion, flightseeing and motor coach tours, with such adventures as camel rides, kayaking, diving, rock-climbing, glacier hiking and private vehicle/vessel touring.

#### value

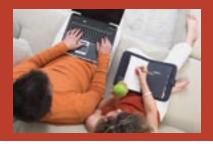
Our award-winning shore excursions offer superior quality and competitive pricing; our guests consistently rate their shore excursion experience as excellent.

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about tour pricing



book your shore excursions online



Prices can be found on our website at www.hollandamerica.com and are quoted in U.S. funds. Prices are subject to change without notice. Prices for children 12 years of age and under are available on some, but not all, tours. If no child's price is published online, the tour may be available to children at the adult rate; however, all children under 18 must be accompanied by a responsible adult aged 21 or older, regardless of rate. A general guideline to pricing is found under each tour listing with symbols as follows:

\$ – up to \$50USD \$\$ – \$51USD to \$100USD \$\$\$ – \$101USD to \$150USD \$\$\$ – more than \$150USD

 expand the experience: take more than one tour in each port



Make the most of your time in each port by combining different half-day tours to complete a full day of sightseeing. You might want to consider a morning cooking class with an afternoon walking tour; a morning stroll through a mosaic-lined church and an afternoon of sampling local wine at a vineyard; or even a bike ride and an evening cultural performance—all in one day! Whatever your interests, and whichever pace suits you best, there's a huge variety of tours to mix and match in this brochure. To make combining easy, for tour departure times and durations, visit our website at www.hollandamerica.com.

Now you can easily choose your tour times, book your tours and receive confirmation of your shore excursion reservations 24 hours a day. Visit us online at

#### www.hollandamerica.com

Book online now, up until five days before sailing. Make your payment online via our secure website, and receive confirmation as well as your approximate tour departure times. You can also download the shore excursions, view tour prices, find answers to frequently asked questions and read general information.

Remember, online shore excursion reservations are processed prior to any requests made on board the ship and receive priority handling.

#### general information

At the time of making your reservations online, we will advise you whether or not your reservations are confirmed or whether you have been waitlisted. Your credit card will be charged immediately for all confirmed reservations. Should space become available for a waitlisted shore excursion request, we will e-mail or otherwise contact you at that time and either immediately charge your credit card if you have already given us your credit card information or ask you to provide us with that information for immediate charge processing. Shore excursion reservations are subject to cancellation by us at any time prior to the credit card charge being accepted by your bank. If you or Holland America cancel a tour more than 5 days prior to cruise departure, we will issue a credit on the credit card that you used to pay for the reservation. For any cancellation within 5 days of departure, a credit will not be given on your credit card. Instead, we will apply an ONBOARD CREDIT ONLY policy under which the refund (less any cancellation fee) will show up as a credit to the shipboard account of the person who was to take the shore excursion. If the credit is not fully utilized during the cruise, the balance will be paid to that guest by the ship's Purser.

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# frequently asked questions



#### what should i wear?

Comfortable walking shoes are recommended for all shore excursions. When you visit places of worship (cathedrals, churches, etc.), we recommend dressing conservatively (shorts and sleeveless sundresses should not be worn), but casual clothing is perfectly acceptable. Dress in layers and have a jacket along. Bring an umbrella or raincoat, a hat and sunscreen.

#### what about meals?

Most tour departures complement the ship's meal service hours. In-room dining is available on board.

#### how will i know what time each tour departs?

The on-board Shore Excursions Order Form in your stateroom will show departure times. This information will also be printed on your shore excursion tickets, which you will receive on board. Approximate tour departure times are posted on our website at www.hollandamerica.com.

# i have a disability. how do i know which tours will best suit me? will i have a problem (dis)embarking the ship?

Guests with disabilities should inquire in advance whether a shore excursion will be able to accommodate their needs. We have graded the Shore Excursions according to the relative level of activity they entail. The walking icons that appear at the beginning of each tour description provide a general idea of the level of activity to expect. Please refer to the "How to Choose Your Tours" section in this brochure for specific information on the walking icons. It is important to keep in mind that shore excursion operators are subject to the laws of their own country including with respect to accommodating the needs of guests with disabilities. In most foreign countries, the laws are not as stringent as those in the United States. Please speak with the Shore Excursions Office as to whether you can expect to encounter difficulties (dis)embarking the ship in a particular port of call. In this regard, the decision whether or not to carry or provide other mobility assistance to a guest and their mobility assistance device (wheelchair, walker, etc.) up or down a ship's gangway, or

# frequently asked questions

on or off a tender boat, is at the sole discretion of the Captain, made based on his evaluation of guest and crew safety. We encourage you to bring a collapsible wheelchair as space limitations may restrict the ability of some tour operators to accommodate motorized mobility aid devices.

# do all the ports and tours in this brochure pertain to my cruise?

Not necessarily, as this brochure may cover more than one sailing. Please refer to your cruise itinerary to determine which ports you will visit, then turn to those port sections to see the tours. Not all tours in each port are available on all ships or all cruises.

#### are there any other tours offered that are not published in this brochure?

Yes, we often add tours to our program after the brochure is published. For additional tours that may now be available in the ports you are visiting, please check our website at www. hollandamerica.com.

# i am traveling with friends and we would like to be on the same motor coach

The departure location for each shore excursion is printed on your shore excursion tickets. If you wish to travel with friends, please arrive at the designated meeting place together. This will enable the staff to allocate space for you on the same vehicle.

#### tour durations

This brochure is designed to help you select the excursions most suited to your interests. The individual tour descriptions include approximate durations. To allow our Shore Excursions Managers flexibility to coordinate your time in port with meals and activities on the ship, exact departure times are published in the Shore Excursions Order Form on board. For more information, please attend the Shore Excursions Presentation or visit the Shore Excursions Office.

#### tour descriptions

Tour descriptions may change after printing. Information that becomes available after this brochure is published will be posted in the Shore Excursions section of our website, which can be found online at www.hollandamerica.com. Significant changes will be noted on the Shore Excursions Order Form on board. Tour schedules are subject to change.

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What fascinates you? A cooking class with a local you can explore near or far? A chance to encounter wildlife or America Line represent a small subset of the shore excursions particular focus and is available only in select ports.

chef? A private car, complete with driver and guide, so view natural wonders up close? The Collections of Holland you will find in this brochure. Each collection offers its own



# **Medallion Collection**

A series of exclusive experiences designed to accommodate our most discerning guests, our Medallion Collection tours are each carefully chosen to provide an in-depth perspective. They

offer unparalleled access to events and sights not normally readily available. First-class style, smaller groups, multi-day Overland Adventures—elite activities for a privileged few.



# **Encore Collection**

Been there, done that? Think again. Our Encore Collection, designed especially for repeat guests, lets you discover what lies beyond the well-known attractions you've already seen.

Barbecue with Argentine gauchos, bike the tree-lined boulevards of Barcelona, ride an Icelandic pony across a windswept beach near Reykjavik. These tours showcase hidden gems, unusual angles and inside stories that will bring you back time and again.



# World Wonders Collection

Natural treasures, architectural marvels, technical wonders: to the Seven Wonders of the World we add our own nominations based

on decades of leadership in global travel—the sandstone city of Petra, the *moai* statues of Easter Island, and the Great Wall of China, among others. What they have in common is the ability to inspire awe.



# Signature Collection

This exclusive touring option for independentminded travelers lets you completely customize and maximize your time ashore by reserving private transportation (along with an English-

speaking driver and guide) in advance. Whether you travel by car or minivan, customized boat, classic floatplane or stretch SUV limousine, you choose the companions, sights and pace that perfectly suit you.

#### to whom is the signature collection suited?

The Signature Collection is for solo travelers, couples, families, friends and special interest groups traveling together. This may also be an excellent choice for non-ambulatory guests. Value and flexibility are just two of the advantages of first-class touring and luxury transportation. Privacy, comfort, safety, and personalized guide service are also yours to enjoy.

#### about the transportation

Each type of transportation will be of the highest grade available in that port. Not all modes of transportation are available in all locations. For information about the transportation sizes and availability, please see our website at www.hollandamerica.com.

#### also included

The cost includes the service of a driver and English-speaking guide, unlimited mileage, road tolls, parking fees and bottled water.

#### not included (unless otherwise noted)

Guests' entrance fees for attractions are not included in the price due to the wide range of attraction possibilities, uncertain number of attractions to be visited, and varying number of guests

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participating. We strongly recommend that you bring some local currency to cover such costs as credit cards are not readily accepted in some ports. Lunch will not be included on any tour as many guests prefer to select their own dining venue.

#### itinerary planning

If you need help planning your personal itinerary, the Port Lecturer and/or Shore Excursions Manager can assist you and will gladly answer your questions. This can be very helpful in many destinations where travel time, location, holidays, and opening hours of attractions need to be taken into consideration in order to maximize the efficiency of your time ashore.

#### pricina

The cost of each type of transportation will be published online at www.hollandamerica.com.

#### online reservations

The fastest and easiest way for you to reserve and pay for your Signature Collection experience is on the Holland America Line website. Visit us online at www.hollandamerica.com. Please note the cost will be per mode of transportation (not per person), so only one person in the party needs to make the reservation. The price shown on the website is the total cost for the transportation, driver and guide (not a per-person price). In many ports, availability is extremely limited. We encourage you to reserve as early as possible.

#### payment & tour vouchers

Your credit card will be charged after your reservation is confirmed. Next, start planning what you'll do with your Signature Collection experience in each port. On board the ship, you will be given a tour voucher and a form to advise the Shore Excursions Office of the itinerary you have chosen.

#### booking on board

The Signature Collection may be available for booking once you are on the ship, but this cannot be guaranteed. Please check with the Shore Excursions Office on board.

#### disembarking the ship

In some disembarkation ports, a private vehicle, driver and guide can be used for sightseeing en route to the airport. When booking, please advise the total amount of luggage for your party. Vehicle size and luggage space may limit the number of guests in the vehicle.

# how to choose your tours



Choose your shore excursions by using these icons as a general guide to the level of activity involved, and select the shore excursions best suited to your physical capabilities.



**easy activity**: Very light activity including short distances to walk; may include some steps.



moderate activity: Requires intermittent effort throughout, including walking medium distances over uneven surfaces and/or steps.



strenuous activity: Requires active participation, walking long distances over uneven and steep terrain or on steps. In certain instances, paddling or other non-walking activity is required and guests must be able to participate without discomfort or difficulty breathing.



adventure tours: Requires a high level of fitness; suitable for those accustomed to strenuous activity.



panoramic: Specially designed for guests who enjoy a slower pace, these excursions offer sightseeing mainly from the transportation vehicle, with few or no stops, and no mandatory disembarkation during the tour. As vehicles outside the USA are rarely lift-equipped and ramps are seldom available, a very small amount of walking will be necessary. The pace will be gentle and taking your time is encouraged.



limited capacity: The number of people able to participate in this tour is strictly limited. Reasons for limiting capacity may include the number of transportation seats available, or to maintain a safe ratio of guides for hikes, fishing and water activities. Tours require a minimum number of participants to operate.



meal: This tour includes a meal—lunch on daytime tours, or dinner on evening tours.



**snack**: This tour includes a small snack or tasting of local specialties. The snack is not a meal.

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# **ADVENTURE TOURS**

#### **Barbados Yacht Racing Challenge**



Approximately 3¾ hours • \$\$\$

Board one of two 80-foot, mono-hull yachts—successful competitors in the 1989 Whitbread Around-the-World Race to be part of a sailboat crew on a famous maxi ocean racer. Go head-to-head a full match race to the finish—anything can happen as it's a new race every time—a race to win! This is an exhilarating and exciting excursion for both experienced yachtsmen or first timers. Your excursion begins with an on-board training session with the most experienced race crew in Barbados. Be as involved as you like, or just join in for a great ride. Non-alcoholic beverages and bottled water will be available during the race. Upon completion of the one-hour race, a victory party will be hosted on the dock, with rum-based drinks, soft drinks and snacks. Other drinks and food are available for purchase.



# **Barbados Concorde Experience & Island Drive**



Approximately 3½ hours • \$\$

Don't miss this brand new world-class Barbados Concorde Experience. Few places in the world are home to a real Concorde aircraft, but here in Barbados is where you will find the G-BOAE aircraft. A leisurely drive along the lively South Coast of Barbados will take you to the state-of-the-art facility that houses the illustrious plane. Learn about the history of flight in general and supersonic flight in particular. Engineered for Speed, an audio-

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visual show, will leave you breathless and feeling that you have just witnessed a spectacular takeoff. A visit into the interior of this amazing aircraft will give you a chance to experience how passengers felt traveling on it. Then, it's back to reality and Barbados as you set out to explore the island. Leaving Alpha-Echo, you will head to St. John's Church, which offers incredible views of the picturesque east coast. The church building and the grounds are well worth a closer look. On the return drive through the countryside, you'll pass through many quaint villages inhabited by friendly locals, and a refreshing drink is served at a local rum shop.

#### **Best of Barbados**





Approximately 3½ hours • \$\$

A scenic drive will take you through historic Bridgetown and out into the countryside to your first stop at the lovely Orchid World—a "garden" with a difference, where the path winds through coral, rock gardens, cool shady gullies and ponds. The orchids themselves are grown in shaded houses and outside on freestanding palisades. Leaving Orchid World, you will continue on to the picturesque and historical St. John's Parish church. Perched on a cliff overlooking the Atlantic coast. It was originally built in 1660 and rebuilt in 1836 after it was destroyed in a the hurricane of 1831. A refreshing drink is served at Sunbury Plantation House with a Georgian lounge, chandeliers, antique Barbadian furnishings, and a classic dining room with a 300-yearold mahogany table. Below the stairs, in the old cellars of the Great House, a unique private collection of elegant horse-drawn carriages and other memorabilia illustrate 18th- and 19th-century life on a Barbados sugar plantation.

# **Island Countryside Tour**



Approximately 3½ hours • \$

A lovely ride through the Barbadian countryside begins in Bridgetown's picturesque streets with a stop at the historic Gun Hill viewpoint. Tyrol Cot Heritage Village offers a living museum in an elegant Great House with a lively chattel house village and market. The mansion, built in 1854, is a superbly designed house of coral stone. It has been beautifully restored by the Barbados National Trust and is full of the fine antique furniture, photos and objets d'art. The last stop is at St. John's Parish Church.

# **Green Monkey Eco Tour**





Approximately 3½ hours • \$\$

Travel inland, through sugar cane fields and peaceful villages to the east coast, with its rugged beauty, then ascend to the Barbados Wildlife Reserve. View the Barbados Green Monkey at close range. There are also deer, wallabies, otters, tortoises and a large walkin aviary where exotic birds are housed. On leaving the reserve the tour returns to the port via the west coast, Speightstown and Holetown, which is the site of the first British Landing in 1627.

#### **Barbados Coast to Coast**



Approximately 3½ hours • \$

Drive through lush tropical vegetation and past Chattel houses—the typical homes of farmers and fishermen. At 1,000 feet above sea level, enjoy a cool and refreshing drink as you view the East Coast and Mount Hillaby. Continue through fields of sugar cane and sleepy country villages, descending to the Atlantic coastline with many spectacular views. St. John's Church (1836) stands on a cliff face above the sea and commands spectacular views of the east and southeast coastal regions. Your bus takes you cross-country, past Gun Hill Signal Station and through the parish of St. George. Watch for the Emancipation Statue depicting a freed slave on your way back to the ship.

#### Island Safari Adventure







Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

Leave the port on a scenic drive in an open-air, 4-wheel-drive vehicle. Travel through the countryside to the Atlantic side of the island for astounding views of the eastern coastline. See some of the hidden secrets of Barbados and learn about the history, folklore and culture of the island. Refreshments will be served en route.

Please note: Minimum age is 5 years.

#### Barbados' Finest Blends





Approximately 3 hours • \$

Find out how Barbados' number one Mount Gay Rum brand is produced, then sample a the various Mount Gay Rums on this one-of-a-kind tour. You will view a state-of-the-art multimedia presentation and then be escorted around the Distillery by a knowledgeable tour guide. Mount Gay Rum Distillery, the longest-standing rum producer in the world celebrated its 300th anniversary in 2003. You'll learn how rum is aged, blended and bottled, and visit an authentic Barbadian chattel house to sample Mount Gay rums purchase bottles of the famous liquor, as well as a wide range of great souvenirs. The tour continues through the heart of the capital, Bridgetown, to the home of the award-winning Banks Beer—Barbados' famous beer brewery. Tour this fine, small brewery and find out the secret that has made Banks Beer the national Beer of Barbados. You will have an opportunity to taste Banks and the other great products made at the brewery.

#### **Natural Wonders of Barbados**





Approximately 3½ hours • \$\$

Experience the full beauty of natural Barbados. Your first stop will be Park's Farm, a working farm featuring the famous Barbados Black Belly Sheep. Stop at Andromeda Botanical Gardens for 30 minutes to explore six acres of orchids, palms, ferns, heliconia, hibiscus, bougainvillea, begonias and cacti. View the last working windmill in the Western Hemisphere at Morgan Lewis, then head to Whim Gully, featuring many varieties of flora. You will stop to examine the fig tree from which the name Barbados derives.

# **Historic Garrison & Nature Sanctuary**





Approximately 3½ hours • \$\$

Experience rarely seen nature and wildlife in Barbados as it was 300 years ago. The Graeme Hall Nature Sanctuary contains the last significant mangrove forest as well as the largest inland lake in Barbados, accessed by a network of boardwalks, large aviaries, educational exhibits, migratory bird ponds, a nature store and

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visitor center. Next you will visit the Barbados Museum, located in the historic Garrison area and housed in the former British Military Prison (1817-1853). A natural history display depicts the coral structure of Barbados, artifacts of the Amerindians, china, glass, silver, and African, European and Creole decorative arts. 18th-century plantation house furnishings and rare historical maps of the island are also on display.



#### **Carlisle Bay Shipwreck Snorkel**





Approximately 21/2 hours • \$

Your tour begins with a short bus ride to the transport and support vessel for your snorkel experience. It is from here that you are taken southward to historic Carlisle Bay on the outskirts of Bridgetown and onto the snorkel site. You will snorkel near the Berwyn, a French vessel that sank in the early 1900s. You will also snorkel near the famed portion of the torpedoed vessel, Cornwallis. On board the support vessel you will participate in a safety briefing before putting on your snorkel gear. Easy steps are utilized to climb in and out of the water. You will have the opportunity to feed fish, explore a wreck, or view the activity from on deck. After enjoying some time in the underwater world, relax with a refreshing beverage as you make your way back by boat. From the dock, return to the ship by shuttle.

Please note: This is a tour for all ages. All snorkel gear is provided. Travel lightly with no extra baggage or valuables. Wear your swimsuit under your clothes; bring sunscreen and sunglasses.



#### **Five-Star Catamaran & Turtle Encounter**







Approximately 51/2 hours • \$\$\$

Relax on the deck of a fabulous catamaran on the crystal-clear

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Caribbean Sea. Smiling faces offer cool refreshing drinks as you glide past the beautiful palm-fringed beaches of Barbados. This five-hour lunch cruise anchors in a quiet bay where you can swim, snorkel on a reef, swim with turtles, walk on the beach or just relax on board. On board, a buffet luncheon is served with wine. Sail to another site to snorkel above a wreck—home to schools of small fish, coral and octopus.

Please note: Bring your swimsuit, towel, hat and sunscreen.

#### **Atlantis Odyssey Submarine**





Approximately 2½ hours • \$\$\$ (50-minute dive)

Atlantis, a 48-passenger submarine, offers everyone a chance to experience the stunning underwater world of Barbados. Transfer from the shuttle boat to the Atlantis submarine to sit in spacious, air-conditioned comfort. First, you dive to 55 feet to view coral reefs and colorful fish through large clear viewports. Then, descend to 150 feet to view a sunken shipwreck. The submarine is kept at normal sea level pressure throughout the tour.

Please note: Minimum age is 4 years; minimum height 36 inches.

#### **Barbados Turtle Encounter**





Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

Enjoy a powerboat ride along the beautiful west coast of Barbados, gliding past beautiful palm-fringed beaches, through crystal-clear water to your destination at Turtle Bay. Experienced guides will equip you with your snorkel gear, instruction and some interesting information about the lives and habits of turtles. Then it's time to swim with these tame and friendly creatures. A waterproof camera is a must to capture this exceptional experience! After your turtle encounter, you'll stop at a nice beach to relax. Stroll, swim and enjoy a rum punch or cool drink on the beach. Banana or doughnut rides, snorkel equipment, beach toys and kayaks are available at the beach.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit and sun-protective clothing. Bring sunscreen, a beach towel, hat and waterproof camera. Wildlife viewing is not guaranteed.

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Guests participating in these shore excursions will be among the first to disembark the ship. Board the tour bus with your luggage, as all tours will proceed directly to the airport upon conclusion. Transportation to the airport is included in the tour price listed.



# SIGHTSEEING TOURS

# South Beach & the Art Deco District with Shopping



Approximately 41/2 hours

Transferring to Fort Lauderdale Airport (flights after 2:30pm only): With/without prepaid transfer voucher – \$\$

Transferring to Miami Airport (flights after 4:00pm only):

With/without prepaid transfer voucher - \$\$

Guests who are returning to the ship - \$\$

Famous for its architecture, Miami's South Beach area is a delight to photographers as well as the film industry. It's a mecca for supermodels, fashion designers, artists and writer who mix with the Latin flavor of the residents to make a nightlife that is world famous. Visitors are drawn here for the shopping, dining and cultural activities, and perhaps a glimpse of the rich and famous people who are often seen at one of the open-air cafés or hot dance clubs. A visit to Coral Gables, one of the nation's earliest planned developments, designed by George Merrick in the 1920s, features the world-renowned Biltmore Hotel. Nearby, limestone was cut from a quarry and used to build the hotel and 600 local homes. The quarry cut into an underground river, and filled with water. This is known today as the beautiful Venetian Pool, and about 800,000 gallons of water cycle through it each day. Your trip continues down the "Miracle Mile"—home of many unique shops. Coconut Grove is Miami's oldest city, established by Bahamian immigrants. The homes here were built from the oak of shipwrecks. "The Grove" is like Greenwich Village in New York,

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a haven for artists and intellectuals: a fusion of old and new. Coco Walk is home to many upscale shops and restaurants. A drive from here continues along Biscayne Bay to Miami's downtown financial district, past Miami City Hall and the original site of Pan Am's seaplane base, to the Miami River. The MacArthur Causeway connects Downtown Miami to Miami Beach. The southern view is Dodge Island, home to the Port of Miami, "the Cruise Capital of the World." The northern view is Palm Island and Hibiscus Island, where many celebrities make their homes. Further east is Fisher Island, a somewhat secluded haven for other celebrities because the only way to get there is by ferry. The famous architecture of the Art Deco District has spilled over into America's great cities. Miami's skyline has been voted among the top five in the world, as many buildings hold famous design awards. The skyline is compared to Paris, Singapore, or Tokyo. Miami is a unique junction for the Caribbean and North, South and Central America. Experience the collision of sensuous culture, passionate people, and powerful business, with exciting opportunities for the future. Bayside Marketplace, nestled between Downtown Miami, the Port of Miami, and Biscayne Bay, makes the transition from cruise ship dining to shoreside eating easy, because there are more than 100 shops and eateries that rival any international food court. There is definitely something for everyone, from national retailers to street vendors. Enjoy lunch inside or outside, and relax or shop until it's time to go to transfer to the airport.

#### **Seminole Hard Rock Resort**



Approximately 3½ hours

Transferring to Fort Lauderdale Airport (flights after 2:30pm only): With/without prepaid transfer voucher – \$\$

Transferring to Miami Airport (flights after 4:00pm only):

With/without prepaid transfer voucher - \$\$

Guests who are returning to the ship - \$\$

A short bus ride from the port brings you to one of South Florida's newest and grandest attractions, The Seminole Hard Rock Resort. This complex encompasses a hotel, casino, shopping emporium, entertainment center, resort, Native village and wildlife exhibits. Why wait at the airport when you can place your luggage safely on the bus and be taken to the resort to enjoy all the myriad attractions? Some of the attractions include shops, stores and many specialty outlets as well as restaurants such as the famous

Hard Rock Café and Johnny Rockets—a favorite for children. You can also visit the poolside bar and restaurant, although use of the pool and chaise longues is strictly for hotel guests. Don't miss the opportunity to visit the Okalee Seminole Indian Village which opens at 10am (at an additional charge). It contains the Alligator Amphitheater, an authentic reproduction of a Native village and a wildlife exhibit. The animal exhibits regularly change but may include river otters, raccoons, parrots and even the rare and endangered Florida panther. There is also a Seminole Museum you can visit (at an additional charge). After exploring the wonderful resort, board the bus for the short ride to the airport.

Please note: Not all venues and restaurants may be open.

#### Transfer to Fort Lauderdale or Miami Airport

\$ Fort Lauderdale Airport • \$ Miami Airport

Available to guests who are not participating in Holland America's "Fly Cruise Plan" and do not have a prepaid voucher in their travel documents. Direct motor coach transportation from the ship to the airport upon the conclusion of your voyage.

#### Fort Lauderdale Highlights & Airport Transfer



Approximately 31/2 - 4 hours • Available May - October only

Transferring to Fort Lauderdale Airport (flights after 2:30pm only): With/without prepaid transfer voucher – \$\$

Transferring to Miami Airport (flights after 4:00pm only):

With/without prepaid transfer voucher - \$\$

Guests who are returning to the ship – \$

Drive through Port Everglades and turn past the striking bronze sailfish fountain of the Broward Convention Center as you cross the Intracoastal Waterway. View famous Fort Lauderdale Beach and the Bahia Mar Yacht Basin en route to Las Olas Boulevard—the Rodeo Drive of Fort Lauderdale. Discover the inland waterways, luxury homes and mega yachts of the "Venice of America." You will see the Riverside Hotel and Stranahan House, the oldest structure in the city. Head towards the downtown financial district, with its many award-winning buildings, You will also see the Broward Center for the Performing Arts and the Museum of Discovery and Science. Leaving the bus, you will follow your guide on a stroll along the New River, past Al Capone's former residence, to the new Riverfront complex, a 50-million-dollar complex of plazas, fountains and planted areas, interspersed with an unusual

assortment of shops and restaurants. There will be a little free time to browse or shop before heading to the airport.

# Fort Lauderdale by Land & Sea with Airport Transfer



Approximately 4 - 4½ hours • Available November - April only
Transferring to Fort Lauderdale Airport (flights after 2:30pm only):
With/without prepaid transfer voucher - \$\$

Transferring to Miami Airport (flights after 4:00pm only):

With/without prepaid transfer voucher - \$\$

Guests who are returning to the ship - \$\$

Experience the highlights of Fort Lauderdale, including the Arts & Sciences District, and the Riverwalk and Las Olas Boulevard, with its boutiques, cafes, and galleries. Then, you will board a double-decker yacht or paddlewheeler-style boat for a 90-minute journey down the New River, out into the Intracoastal Waterway to Port Everglades. Pass by the historic Stranahan House, luxury homes, mega-yachts and sailboats, Navy ships and submarines, and Burt Reynolds' restaurant. See why the city is known as the "Venice of America." Bring your camera and sunscreen for the upper deck! Re-board your coach and transfer to the airport.

# **Everglades Airboat Ride & Airport Transfer**



Approximately 4 - 41/2 hours

Transferring to Fort Lauderdale Airport (flights after 2:30pm only): With/without prepaid transfer voucher – \$\$

Transferring to Miami Airport (flights after 4:00pm only):

With/without prepaid transfer voucher - \$\$

Guests who are returning to the ship - \$\$

The Everglades is an expanse of swampland known for natural beauty and abundant wildlife. Your tour includes a ½-hour "airboat" ride into this vast wilderness. Birds, fish and other animals inhabit this curious corner of the country. Tour an authentic Seminole Indian village, and during a narrated tour of the reptile exhibit, you'll have a chance to hold a notorious Everglades alligator, or pet a Florida panther during the interactive wildlife show.

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# **ADVENTURE TOURS**

#### 4x4 Adventure





Approximately 21/2 hours • \$\$\$

Looking for island-style adventure? Climb into an open-air 4x4 and get ready to see parts of St. Croix accessible only by four-wheel-drive. Head off the beaten path to discover tide pools, breathtaking views and hidden sugar plantation ruins. With your experienced guide at the wheel, let go of your worries and take in the island's beauty. With each twist in the route you get full cultural and historical backgrounds of each location.

Please note: Bring your swimsuit, sunscreen, aqua shoes, a hat, drinks, and your camera. The route is very bumpy and is not suited to guests with back or neck difficulties, medical problems, or guests who are pregnant.



#### Scenic Island Tour



Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

Enjoy the wonderful sights of St. Croix and all its natural beauty, breathtaking views and many historical and cultural assets. You will learn of the cultural heritage of St. Croix , and view historical forts, churches and former Danish government buildings. See Columbus' landing site, and internationally renowned hill that triathletes call "the Beast." The Beauty & the Beast Iron Man race is held here. Nearby at Cane Bay is one of the world's top dive spots called "the Wall." This tour is your chance to experience the main attractions on your visit to lovely St. Croix.

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#### **Christiansted Historical Walking**





Approximately 6 hours • \$\$

St. Croix is a quiet laid-back island, generously endowed by nature, steeped in a rich cultural heritage and Old World charm. Transfer to Christiansted for a historic walking tour, the best way to explore the town. Christiansted's well-preserved Danish architecture and graceful shaded archways tie together many points of interest in the town. Among those overlooking the harbor is Fort Christiansvern—a yellow brick fort and dungeons built by the Danes to ward off pirates. The nearby steeple is part of the island's first church, now a museum. The Christiansted Apothecary Hall was an 18th-century pharmacy, and don't miss the old Danish Customs House and the stately Government House. Stroll along the Christiansted boardwalk and take in the sights and sounds of its quaint shops, restaurants and picturesque harbor.

# Westend Highlights: Botanical Gardens, Rum Factory & Whim Plantation







Approximately 31/4 hours • \$\$

Explore St. Croix's wonderful 16-acre Botanical Gardens, whose grounds were an Arawak native village from AD 100 to 900. Later, a Danish sugar plantation occupied from 1733 to 1917, and a cattle ranch from 1930 to 1972, when it was declared a Botanical Garden and recognized as a National Historic District by the National Registered of Historic Places (National Park Service). Nowadays, the St. George Village Botanical Gardens showcases more than 1,500 species of exotic tropical plants of every size, shape, color and texture. Walk through a Crucian forest, past the ruins of a sugar mill and rum factory, and through a cactus and succulent garden. Our tour guide will show you the indigenous plants that have been on the island since the time of the Arawak Indians. Visit the island's largest distillery where the world-famous Cruzan Rum has been produced for 300 years. See how the famous rum is made as you head up the ladders to catwalks, where you can look into huge open vats of fragrant, boiling brew. Gazing up at the giant stills, you will learn how the master distiller removes the fusel oils that cause a hangover. After walking through the warehouse where rum is aged in wooden barrels and filtered through charcoal,

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you're invited to belly up to the bar and sample the many flavors of Cruzan Rum. Kids will enjoy a soft drink. Next, you'll tour Whim Plantation Museum—a must for anyone interested in the fascinating colonial heritage of St. Croix. History comes alive as you walk among the original 18th-century buildings of this former sugar estate. The stately, authentically-furnished Great House welcomes you with gracious guides waiting to tell you stories of past inhabitants and plantation life. In the old kitchen, you can sample a traditional, homemade "Johnny cake." The fully-restored windmill and fascinating sugar factory ruins are open for you to explore. The manicured grounds are graced with tropical flowers, plants and trees. The museum store offers a tempting cornucopia of West Indian crafts, artwork, books, furniture, prints and whimsical whatnots.



#### Sprat Hall Reef Sail with Beach Barbecue



Approximately 6 hours • \$\$\$

Take this one-of-a-kind excursion and sail the beautiful Sprat Hall Reef area aboard a 60-foot custom sailing catamaran. Along the route, the historic Frederiksted sugar mills can be seen from the decks of the sleek sailing boat. A fully-guided snorkel tour of the deep reef will be provided, along with all snorkel gear and lessons. After a short sail to Rainbow Beach, on one of the Caribbean's best shorelines, enjoy a local feast right on the beach! After a relaxing 45-minute sail, return to the ship by mid-afternoon.

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#### **Grand Turk Bike, Hike & Swim**



Approximately 31/2 hours • \$\$

Join an exhilarating adventure as you tour this small island with a large history by bike! You will navigate towards town, making your way to the Salt Pans. In this area you will stop to learn more about Grand Turk's salt-raking past. You will then make your to the northwest end of the island with fantastic east and west coast views. You will stop at an area to look for flamingos, and learn about their migratory habits. Then you're off again, headed south. This will be your longest pedal towards your next stop, Madison Point. Here, you will park your bike and hike along an area rich with mangroves and many varieties of birds. As you hike your guide will point out and provide interesting information on the many plants important to the eco-system. Your hike ends at beautiful Madison Beach where you can take a dip in the cool, clear water. You will then hike back to the trail starting point where you will ride your bike back to the terminal.

Please note: Wear insect repellent and sunscreen.

#### Horseback Ride & Swim



Approximately 2½ hours • \$\$\$

Depart the pier in air-conditioned comfort for a scenic 20-minute bus ride along the coast and across the island, passing Governor's Beach, the local airport and one of Grand Turk's natural salinas that has been restored to show visitors how salt is obtained in its natural form. Salt was once Grand Turk's main source of income. Drive past charming Cockburn Town—the administrative and political capital of the Turks & Caicos Islands, before reaching the

Grand Turk Indigenous Horse Shelter where your tour begins. Once on your horse, you will go for a leisurely walk along the beach, enjoying the views of the crystal clear Atlantic Ocean. The guide will then unsaddle your horse in preparation for a swim. You then remount your horse, with a halter and enter the ocean for a horseback swim. Afterwards, take a shower and relax before being transferred back to the ship. If you are lucky you may catch a glimpse of the famous, endangered pink flamingos as they bask in the sun in the many salinas on the island.

Please note: Bring a towel, swimsuit and camera.

#### 4x4 Safari



Approximately 2 hours • \$\$

Experience the natural history and cultural heritage of Grand Turk in a safari-themed 4x4 vehicle. Learn about Grand Turk's rich history and culture, as it was reputed to be the place where Christopher Columbus made his first landfall in the West Indies. Drive to Governor's Beach and past the Freighters Dock cargo port before heading into the nation's capital city, Cockburn Town. Travel through the town along historic Pond Street, enjoying the views of the ruins of the old salina. Hear how salt was derived through natural process of "solarization" and observe the windmills that were used to funnel natural sea water from one salina to another. Near the town center, your guide will escort you on a 15-minute leisurely walk down quaint Front Street lined with turn of the century Bermuda-style architecture. Next you will travel off the beaten path to North Wells in search of a glimpse of the famous, endangered pink flamingos that can be seen foraging through the silty bottom of the salina ponds in search of brine shrimp and other crustaceans. Enter North Wells by way of a narrow sand track where tour buses dare not venture on your way around the island, past the North Creek (a ships' haven during a hurricane) and the St. Thomas Anglican Church—the first church built on Grand Turk. On the South-eastern side of the island take in the view of Gibb's Cay before returning to the ship.

Please note: Bring a towel, swimsuit, camera and aqua shoes.

#### Mangrove Clear Kayaking & Snorkeling



Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

Your kayak experience begins when traveling to the kayak start point at South Creek. You will be met by your kayak guide and he/ she will provide you with safety and paddling instructions before you board your two-person glass bottom kayak for the experience of a lifetime. Paddle through still, shallow waters as your guide provides you with interesting information regarding the plant and animal life that make the mangroves their home. Explore small coves and learn about the importance of the mangroves to the ecosystem. You will then arrive at Madison Point where you will leave your kayak on the shore. You will hike approximately five minutes to a pristine white-sand beach. Upon arrival at the beach, feel free to explore the point, sunbathe or snorkel the reef at Madison Point to see the amazing fish and coral life in the beautiful Caribbean water. After your tour you will then re-board your air-conditioned transportation for the return to the cruise terminal.

Please note: Participants should be in good physical condition and should be able to paddle 45 minutes to Madison. Wear your swimsuit under your clothing. Bring sensible footwear, sunscreen, sunglasses, a hat and a towel.

# **Dune Buggy Safari**



Approximately 2 hours • \$\$\$

If you are adventurous at heart, climb behind the wheel of a purpose-built, tubular-frame dune buggy. Head off down the narrow tracks that skirt the beach and rocky coastline to the south-east side of the island. Stop at one of the many breathtaking white sand beaches where you can view Gibb's Cay and a few other uninhabited islands that are visible in the Atlantic Ocean. Get back into your buggy for the drive to Governor's Beach where you can glimpse Grand Turk's nine- hole golf course which is actually situated on the Governor's residential grounds. View the crystal clear waters and the Freighters' Dock—the only cargo port on the island—then you will see John Glenn's capsule located at the entrance to the international airport. Pass the many salinas that were used to obtain salt in its natural form on your way to

charming Cockburn Town—the administrative and political capital of the Turks & Caicos. After a quick look of the capital you will make your way to North Wells in search of a glimpse of the famous, endangered pink flamingos that can be seen foraging through the silty bottom of the salina ponds in search of brine shrimp and other crustaceans. Enter North Wells by way of a narrow sand track where tour buses dare not venture on your way around the island, pass the North Creek to the northernmost tip of the island. Back in your buggy, journey along the east coast back to the cruise ship pier.

Please note: Bring a towel, swimsuit, camera and aqua shoes.



#### A Taste of Grand Turk



Approximately 2¾ hours • \$\$

Your sojourn to this last bastion of Caribbean life begins with your driver/guide greeting you at the port. It's only a ten minute ride from the cruise center to beautiful Duke Street, through Cockburn Town with its Bermudian-style architecture, haunted house and old jail. The Turks & Caicos National Museum is set in Guinep House. It is named for the huge fruit-bearing tree at its entrance and is approximately 190 years old. The original structure was of simple construction containing two rooms up and two rooms down, built from the timbers and "finds" from shipwrecks. Over the years side wings were attached and the original kitchen, built away from the house is now connected along with duplex porches. This building and the museum it houses features exhibits that range from bush medicine to artifacts from the early days and before to the original inhabitants, the Lucayans. This is a place of firsts—the Molasses Reef shipwreck was the first of its kind found in the western hemisphere, and it is also where John Glenn splashed down in Friendship 7 on his first orbital mission. Bermudians developed the original salt industry from the ponds in the central part of the island. Don't miss the fascinating exhibit of historic "Messages in a Bottle" along with the chronicles of the slave years. Your tour will be guided and the pièce de résistance will be a private tour to the conservation laboratory where you

will see recent discoveries and see the measures made to protect their heritage. This area is not open to the public so you will have a unique view of puzzle pieces that tell of adventures long ago. Now you'll drive to Turks Head Mansion, built in 1830 by Bermudian shipwright Jonathan Glass. In the latter part of the 19th century the American Consulate took occupancy here and early in the 20th century the building became the government doctor's residence and dispensary. In its last reincarnation, it was owned by a Hollywood movie producer who used it exclusively for his film crews and movie productions. Today Turks Head Mansion operates as a dining and accommodation establishment catering to all. Your tour time will determine the menu—Carib Cravings are offered in late morning and at lunchtime, and Carib Tea Tastings are served in the afternoon. Dining is available indoors or outdoors.

### The Grand Turk Experience: Your Way All Day



Duration varies • \$

With your wristband as your admission ticket, enjoy and explore the island at your leisure on a fully-narrated tour of the highlights of Grand Turk. Board specially-designed buses that run every 15 minutes in a continuous loop around the island, enabling you to hop on and off the bus as often as you like at any of the scheduled stops. This unique tour not only allows you to traverse the entire island, it also includes admission to Grand Turk's most popular attractions:

Her Majesty's Prison: a 19th-century prison that was recently refurbished to welcome visitors. You can visit inside, and those who behave themselves will allowed to leave.

Lighthouse Nature Park: with tours through the historic lighthouse grounds and two nature trails (one for beginners and the other for more advanced hikers)—a sanctuary for many species of birds and an outstanding location for bird watching. The Salt Ponds: inland lakes ideal for drying salt, started by Bermudians nearly three centuries ago, when George Washington purchased their product.

**Old Town Grand Turk:** charming Front Street runs parallel to the beach with century-old wooden houses built from ship wrecks. Don't miss the bright pink courthouse and the office of the Chief Minister.

**The Clock Tower:** the Millennium Clock Lighthouse Park. **Grand Turk Lighthouse:** built in England in 1852 and then shipped to the island. Trails down to the coast showcase indigenous plants.

#### **Governor's Beach Break**



Duration varies • \$

Escape to Grand Turk's Governor's Beach for a relaxing day of sun worshiping, swimming and snorkeling. The air-conditioned, round-trip transportation on a comfortable mini-bus takes you to Governor's Beach, situated within the Columbus Landfall National Park. En route from the cruise center to the beach, your driver and guide will provide interesting information regarding the Turks & Caicos Islands. Upon arrival you will be greeted by a friendly staff. Lounge chairs and snorkel equipment are included, as are instructions on how and where to snorkel. Float mats are limited but are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Restroom facilities and freshwater showers and foot baths are available. This excursion is perfect for beginner snorkelers or for those who want a more relaxing beach experience. Return to the terminal is at your leisure, the transportation runs approximately every 20 minutes Please note: The beach has facilities and a snack bar if you wish to purchase snacks or drinks.

#### **Grand Turk Eco Safari**



Approximately 21/4 hours • \$\$

Discover hidden wonders in areas not usually discovered by visitors as this excursion that takes you to the most pristine areas of Grand Turk. Your friendly driver and guide will meet you at the cruise center where you will board your air-conditioned "safari" bus. En route to the northernmost end of the island, your experienced guide will provide you with the geological history of Grand Turk and the Turks & Caicos Islands. Once on the north side of Grand Turk you will explore areas frequented by many varieties of birds. You will visit North Creek where at times during the year you can see the brilliant, pink flamingos. Your guide will discuss those that are indigenous to the Turks & Caicos and will explain the migratory habit of others. You will then travel to

a shelly beach area where you will have the opportunity to walk along the white sand in search of conch shells and sand dollars as your guide explains how the shells are shaped over time. You will re-board your transport for the scenic ride south stopping at a beach area where your guide will discuss Grand Turk's reef system—the third largest in the world. At South Creek, you will discover the wonders of the mangrove system. In this truly beautiful and serene area your guide will discuss the importance of the mangrove to the eco-system, and if you are lucky you will catch a glimpse of the elusive osprey. Return to the cruise center and your ship.



#### **Grand Turk Snuba Adventure**



Approximately 2 hours • \$\$

At the pier you will board the tender for a short water trip to the vessel *Sea Trekker*. On board, you'll receive a safety briefing and a description of what you will be seeing. SNUBA is a way for four people and a guide to explore the waters to a depth of fifteen to eighteen feet—a magnificent opportunity to view a marine universe that is mainly unexplored and to frolic with the fish. SNUBA allows you to breathe with a regulator and swim freely without a tank on your back (the source of air floats in a small vessel above you). It's the first step in learning to dive—don't miss it! After your tour, you have the option to relax on *Sea Trekker* with some refreshments or immerse yourself, once again, in this wet and wonderful paradise with snorkel gear included.

#### **Grand Turk Helmet Dive**





Approximately 2 hours • \$\$\$

Imagine an underwater world so totally unvisited that the reefs have no names. Walk on the floor of the sea just a ladder's length down. You don't even have to know how to swim, just walk on the floor of this amazing place 10 to 20 feet beneath the surface. A helmet will provide air and stability. The trail is marked for you, and your guide will point out special denizens of the deep. A ten-

minute safety briefing will inform you about the tour. You will be taught hand signals for communicating and given a description of what you will see when you descend. Guests are required to weigh at least 80 pounds and be in good health. Along with your small group of eight guests, blue tang, parrot, wrasse, sergeant majors are a few of the friends you will make. And the corals are considered the most alive of any of the reefs in the Caribbean region. Stingrays and sea turtles are plentiful. Learn about this undiscovered underwater paradise. You'll love being a part of its exploration.

# Gibbs Cay Beach & Stingray Encounter



Approximately 2 hours • \$\$

Join this fun island experience as you swim with the stingrays at Gibbs Cay. Your adventure begins at the cruise terminal where you are greeted by a friendly crew. You will then board the boat that will take you to your destination—pristine, uninhabited Gibbs Cay. Upon arrival, your crew will provide you with snorkel equipment, a safety briefing and use instructions. If you wish, feel free to explore the coral reef about 50 yards from the beach and get up-close-and-personal with a myriad of colorful fish. During your time at Gibbs Cay, your crew will demonstrate the art of cleaning a conch. Conch is a local tradition and delicacy in all the local restaurants. Explore pretty Gibbs Cay, go in search of the elusive osprey, or swim from the beach with the stingrays. Watch as one-by-one these graceful creatures approach the small bay. Your crew will assist you in handling these beautiful sea animals. After swimming with the rays, you may choose to relax with a beverage on the white sand. You will then re-board your boat for the relaxing return to the town dock.

Please note: Explore the island would involve walking on rough terrain and steep hills. Shoes are required for this; however, you can stay at the beach. Wear your swimsuit under your clothing. Bring sensible footwear, sunscreen, sunglasses, a hat and a towel.

#### **Power Snorkel Adventure**



Approximately 21/4 hours • \$\$

Board a comfortable air-conditioned bus that will take you to one of Grand Turk's beautiful, white-sand beaches. Your guide will provide you with snorkel equipment and a handheld Power Snorkel Unit. After you hear brief safety and use instructions, you will take off for a snorkeling experience of a lifetime, gliding gracefully through the water, soaring over beautiful coral reefs. Afterwards, enjoy sunbathing, swimming or snorkeling from the beach. On your Power Snorkel Adventure, you will explore reefs farther from shore by simply touching the unit to go and releasing to stop. This is an adventure no to be missed.

# **Ultimate Snorkeling Adventure**



Approximately 21/4 hours • \$

Join the ultimate snorkel experience! Your adventure begins at the cruise terminal where you are greeted by the friendly crew. Board the boat and the your guide will provide you with all your snorkel equipment and give you a safety briefing along with instructions on the use of the snorkeling equipment. Then, you are off to your first destination—pristine Horseshoe Reef. Here you will snorkel in 6 to 12 feet of water and see amazing colorful fish that surround the island of Grand Turk. While exploring, your friendly and knowledgeable crew will lead you through the reef system identifying the various tropical fish and coral species answering any questions you may have. Fish identification cards will also be provided to help you learn the various species of fish while you are snorkeling. After experiencing the shallow reefs, you will re-board the boat to make the short trip to your second stop on another reef near Round Cay. Here, you will see why Grand Turk is one of the world's top dive destinations. See for yourself the brilliant coral and fish life on the reef and enjoy the turquoise water and all it offers before re-boarding your boat for the relaxing return to the cruise terminal.

Please note: This tour is not for guests with a heart condition. Wear your swimsuit; bring sunscreen, a towel and hat.

#### **Mini-Boat Adventure & Snorkeling**



Approximately  $2\frac{1}{2}$  - 3 hours • \$\$\$\$ per boat Each boat accommodates up to two guests

Set out from the launching area in your personal watercraft. First, you will receive comprehensive instructions about the safety and operation of the mini-boat. Then, you will captain your own boat along the turquoise waters on the west coast of Grand Turk. Your first stop will be a pristine snorkeling spot at the Amphitheatre Reef. Here you will enjoy the colorful reef, snorkeling in 10 to 15 feet of water. You will encounter an abundance of tropical fish and a wide variety of healthy coral. Afterwards, you'll be off again to your next stop at Pillory Beach, a beautiful, secluded, whitesand beach. Enjoy a swim, snorkel or just relax on the beach. From there you will head off again for your adventure back to the launching area. On your voyage back, enjoy the views from your boat of historical Cockburn Town—the capital of the Turks and Caicos, and of course, your impressive cruise ship. At all stops you will tie up to a mooring buoy and wade or swim to shore.

Please note: Itinerary is weather-dependent. Minimum age is 10 years. Participants must be 19 years or older to drive the boat. All participants must wear a life jacket. No pregnant women can participate in this tour. Bring a towel.

#### **Discover Scuba**



Approximately 3 hours • \$\$\$

If you have always wanted to learn to dive, now is the time to discover scuba! The Turks and Caicos features the third largest barrier reef in the world—what a perfect opportunity to experience why divers vote Grand Turk one of the top-five best diving destinations in the Caribbean-Atlantic! Your scuba adventure begins when you are met at the dock by your instructor/guide. You will then make the short trip to the dive shop where you will be outfitted and hear a safety briefing. You will then depart by boat to a pristine coral reef. Here, your instructor will provide you with the basic scuba instruction you require to explore the underwater world with expert assistance. Then, you will re-board your boat for the return to shore and the dive shop. You'll have a few minutes to browse at the dive store before returning to the cruise terminal.

#### **Reef Snorkel & Stingray Safari**



Approximately 21/2 hours • \$\$

This combination tour lets you experience the two premier attractions in the picturesque turquoise waters around Grand Turk—pristine coral reef snorkeling and stingrays at play! Your tour begins at the cruise terminal where you will board a snorkeling boat. The crew will provide you with snorkel equipment as well as a safety briefing and use instructions. Your first snorkeling stop is a private, untouched reef off the coast of Grand Turk. This secluded haven filled with pristine corals, sea fans, sponges and the bright tropical fish life of the Caribbean will be yours exclusively to enjoy for the day. Next, you and your fellow guests will enjoy a short ride and some refreshments en route to the stingray playground! Stingrays will greet you as you enter the water, softly swimming past with a gentle wave of their wide wings. These friendly, wild Atlantic Stingrays will let you stroke their soft bodies and play with them in their own little playground! The water is shallow and crystal clear—a perfect spot for memorable vacation photographs.

# Catamaran Sailaway, Cotton Cay Beach & Snorkel



Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

Sailing on one of the most beautiful catamarans in the Caribbean to white sand beaches and the promise of extraordinary snorkeling. At the cruise center, you will board the spacious 78-foot *Oasis Sea Passion* catamaran where a courteous crew will be at your service. With gentle trade winds, you will have a magical experience sailing through the crystal clear turquoise water from Grand Turk to Cotton Cay. At the uninhabited island of Cotton Cay you will stop to snorkel over an underwater coral reef paradise that is teaming with the bright tropical fish life of the Caribbean. This secluded snorkeling haven will be yours for the day to enjoy alone. On the private beach, take time to sink your toes into the soft white sand as you unwind, relax on a float or discover the treasures of the island. Once you re-board, your friendly crew will serve you the legendary Oasis Breezer to sip on as you sail along

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the northern coast of Grand Turk. You just need to sit back and relax to the island tunes as you wind up your amazing journey, your crew will take care of everything.

Please note: Snorkel, mask, fins, safety vest, float and snorkeling instruction provided. You may have to enter the water and wade to access the beach. Oasis Breezer served after snorkeling.



#### Offshore Sportfishing



Approximately 3 hours • \$\$\$\$

Join a local captain aboard a 27-foot offshore fishing boat to troll for a variety of sportfish that inhabit the waters surrounding Grand Turk. After a brief orientation, the lines will be in the water rigged to target such species as yellow fin tuna, Cero mackerel, wahoo and blue marlin. Reel in your trophy fish using the highest quality tackle available, Penn International big game reels and rods. All fishing equipment, soft drinks and water are included.

Please note: Fishing is catch-and-release. The tour travels in open water and is not recommend for guests who suffer from seasickness.

#### **Two-Tank Certified Dive**



Approximately 4 hours • \$\$\$

The Turks and Caicos features the third largest barrier reef in the world, which makes the islands a diver's paradise. You will be met at the cruise ship dock by your dive instructor/guide, then make the short trip to the dive shop where you will be outfitted and will receive a safety briefing. Depart by boat to your dive site, a pristine coral reef. Explore up close incredible sea life and colorful fish as you explore the reef rich with healthy varieties of coral. You will have approximately one hour of diving at the first site before re-boarding the boat for the motor to the second dive site. Relax on board for one hour before re-entering the water to explore the incredible reef system for an additional hour. After you have explored the underwater world you will re-board your boat for

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the relaxing return to shore and the dive shop. You will have a few minutes to browse in the dive shop for a memento or two before returning to the cruise terminal.

Please note: Bring your C-card. You must have logged a dive in the last two years.

# **Light Tackle Fishing**



Approximately 3 hours • \$\$\$\$

Both experienced anglers and beginners will love this chance to catch a hard-hitting flats fish. Board transportation for the short transfer to the flats boats located at one of Grand Turk's inland saltwater lakes. Meet your fishing guide and embark the 17-foot flats series skiff. After a short power ride to the hot spot, the guide will pole the boat within striking distance of species such as, bone fish, tarpon, jack, and snapper. If you are new to fly fishing, the guide will also demonstrate the proper casting technique. All fishing equipment and soft drinks are included.

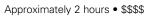
Please note: Spin casting and fly fishing techniques may be used. There are no restrooms available during the tour.

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# ATV in St. Barts







This comprehensive island tour of St. Barts covers both the windward and the leeward side. The bonus? You're driving your own ATV! A guide will be with you throughout and will show you all the points of interest, offer commentary and bring you to the best places for photos. They are a few stops along the way to take in the views. This is not an all-terrain-type ride. It takes place on paved roads and is a smooth ride.

Please note: Minimum age is 12 years. Drivers must be at least 18 years old and have a valid driver's license.

#### **Odyssee Caraibes Snorkeling**





Approximately 11/2 - 2 hours • \$\$

Boarding a catamaran and set sail to Colombier Bay. En route the crew will organize and distribute snorkel equipment. Depending on guests' wishes, the swell and the weather, the captain will try to get as close as possible to the rocks to offer the best snorkeling experience. Before you enter the water, the crew will give a safety briefing and point out the snorkeling area, as well as the restricted areas. You will have about one hour of snorkeling time.

#### St. Barts Seafari



Approximately 1½ hours • \$\$\$

Board a big RIB boat and enjoy a complete circumnavigation of the island. Your guide will show you all the remote coves and beaches and will give you information about everyday life on St Barts, explaining some of the island's history. You will see some of the most stunning villas. Depending on the weather conditions

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and guests' requests, there will be a chance to enjoy high-speeds (up to 40 knots). Departing from Gustavia, the tour will proceed along the south and southeast coastlines, past Gouverneur and Salines Beaches, to Grand Fond, Toiny, Lorient, St. Jean and Colombier, where there will be a short stop for swimming and refreshments.

Please note: Minimum age is 7 years.

#### **Yellow Semi-Submarine**



Approximately 1 hour • \$\$\$

Board the semi-sub and descend into the tunnel-like hull in front of the underwater windows. If you prefer, you can stay outside on the upper deck. Reaching the harbor entrance you should be able to see green turtles. The vessel will pass over the wreck of the 50-foot island freighter Marignan, sunk during the famous Hurricane Luis in 1995. The vessel will cross the southeastern edge of the Saint Barthélemy Marine Park. Undersea marvels will be parading before you—the sea bottom is full of colorful coral reefs and are gently invaded by troops of sergeant major fish. Your semi-submersible vessel now arrives at a group of three tiny rocky islands called The Saints—the highlight of the tour. The crew will feed the surrounding fish, so don't be surprised when hundreds of fish push against your window. You also see a shark or two. Returning to the pier, you can be outside on the upper deck from where you will be able to enjoy looking at the beautiful anchored yachts and breathtaking shores of Saint Barts.

### Trekking in St. Barts





Approximately 2 hours • \$\$\$

With your guide you'll drive to Ance de Grand Colombier—also known as Rockefeller Beach. David Rockefeller built his villa in this remote part of the islands in the 1950s. The switchback trail is actually an old goat path offering wonderful views over the bay, and the walk is very pleasant. Upon arrival at Grand Colombier Beach, you will have time for some swimming or to discover the almost-deserted shores of this bay. You will then return to the pier.

Please note: Minimum age is 12 years.

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Many of the shore excursions and watersport "toy" rentals on Half Moon Cay require that you sign a waiver release form.



# **Eco Lagoon Kayak Adventure**



Approximately 11/2 hours (1 hour paddling) • \$

Join an island guide on a kayak adventure on Bone Fish Lagoon. The lagoon comprises over 1,400 square acres of protected habitat and is home to numerous species of flora ranging from red mangroves to the ornamental silver buttonwood tree.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit; bring a hat and sunscreen.

#### **Parasailing**





Approximately 1 hour (5-minute ride) • \$\$

Don a "parachute" and take off from behind a speed boat as the wind catches your chute, lifting you into the sky. A platform is attached to the boat for a dry landing. Life vest provided.

Please note: Maximum weight 250 lbs. Wind conditions dictate whether guests parasail in pairs or as singles. Altitude varies but may be as high as 450 feet.

# **Deep-Sea Fishing**





Approximately 2 hours (11/2 hours fishing time) • \$\$\$

Try snagging "the big one," as you fish the waters of Half Moon Cay in search of wahoo, snapper and grouper, assisted by the crew. Fishing is catch-and-release. All equipment provided.

Please note: Bring a hat and sunscreen. No restrooms available.

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#### Horseback Riding by Land & Sea



Approximately 1½ hours (45 minutes of riding) • \$\$

Saddle up for the experience of a lifetime! After a short tram ride to the corral you'll receive an orientation before setting out on a ride along winding trails up to the highest point on the island for a panoramic view of Half Moon Cay and the surrounding islands before you continue along the bay, back to the corral. Enjoy a refreshment as your horse is "dressed" for swimming in a special saddle pad and a rope halter (no saddle), then you'll venture into the ocean for the sensation of riding a horse while it's swimming! Ride the tram for the trip back to the Welcome Center.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit under jeans or long pants. Bring tennis shoes, sunscreen, towel and camera. Sandals not permitted. Minimum age is 10 years. Maximum weight is 250 lbs.

#### **Aqua Trax Adventure**



Approximately 1 hour (30-minute ride) • \$\$

Experience Half Moon Cay from the natural inner saltwater lagoon on a guided personal watercraft adventure! After a short tram ride, you'll arrive at the safety briefing area and have time to get used to your personal sit-on watercraft. Depart single file with a lead guide and a guide bringing up the rear. Traveling along the picturesque shoreline of the island you'll navigate around the natural reef formations, inlets, islands and sand spits before stopping for a cool drink. Buoyed courses will allow you to test your watercraft skills. With your guide, you'll briefly stop at the tidal outlet, the Indian village and Stingray Cove.

Please note: Minimum age is 16. Bring a valid driver's license. Wear your swimsuit and bring a towel.

# **Guided Tour by Bicycle**





Approximately 11/4 hours • \$

Explore the island retreat on smooth, newly-resurfaced roads, pedaling from the oceanfront water sports rental center along Half Moon Beach to Bone Fish Lagoon. Your guide leads you to locations of historic significance and describes the history of

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the early inhabitants to the present day. The guide also identifies the flora and fauna on the island, pointing out plants used for medicinal purposes by the locals, and the many species of birds in this renowned, bird-watching sanctuary.

Please note: Ride covers approximately three miles. All bikes are equipped with baskets, flags and helmets. Minimum age is 12 years. Water and soft drinks are included.



#### **Historic Nature Walk**



Approximately 11/4 hours • \$

Join an island guide for an informative and moderately paced 1½-mile walk on a sandy path through this tropical paradise, viewing tropical palms, sea grape trees, curly-tailed lizards and bananaquit birds. Your guide tells tales of Bahamian history, beginning with the island's first visitors, piracy, slavery and the present-day. You will also stop at some small historical ruins.

#### **Floating Foam Mats**



All day • \$

Do nothing! Relax on a floating foam mat and while away the day on the beach or on the water. Wear plenty of sunscreen.



# **All-Day Snorkel Gear Rental**



\$

Designed especially for those who are new to snorkeling, this tour is based on the beach. Rental staff members will be on hand to provide assistance with fitting gear if needed. There is no coral at this site, so you will be able to stand up whenever you wish.

#### **Snorkel by Boat**





Approximately 11/2 hours • \$\$

Travel by boat to a site off the coast of Half Moon Cay to snorkel from the boatside in limpid waters that teem with gloriously colored fish and coral. All snorkel equipment will be provided.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit; bring sunscreen and a towel.

#### **Sunfish Sailboats**



\$ per hour (1 - 2 guests per boat)

Sunfish sailboats offer a fun and interesting way for amateur sailors to improve or practice their skills. Instruction is provided. All participants must wear a life vest.

#### **Hobie Catamarans**



\$ per hour (1 - 4 guests per catamaran)

Sail a hobie-cat on Half Moon Cay's beach with breezes to push you along and clear water below! Instruction is provided. All participants must wear a life vest.

# **Kayaking**



One-person kayak – \$ per hour Two-person kayak – \$ per hour

Look down as you paddle across the beautiful, crystalline waters of the bay, and you'll see fish, coral and a sandy bottom rich with marine life. Paddle solo or with a partner for fun in the sun!



#### **Glass-Bottom Boat**



Approximately 1 hour (45-minute boat ride) • \$

Explore the undersea world without getting wet on a glass-bottom boat. The crystal-clear waters provide great visibility, and ideal opportunity to appreciate the unique coral formations and colorful tropical fish that abound in this unspoiled environment.

### **Stingray Adventure**



Approximately 11/2 - 2 hours • \$

Enjoy an educational encounter with the southern stingrays that make their home at Half Moon Cay. A short tram ride brings you to Stingray Cove where you'll learn about the stingrays' behaviors, habitat, feeding and breeding. After a safety briefing, grab your snorkel gear and enter the wading area with your guide to touch the rays' silky wings and feed these amazing creatures. A safety net ensures that other marine life remains outside the area. Return to the Welcome Center by tram.

Please note: Changing and restroom facilities are available. Mask, snorkel, safety vest and aqua shoes are provided. Refreshments and underwater cameras are available for purchase.

# **Eco Lagoon Cruise**





Approximately 11/4 hours • \$

Board boat with glass-bottom viewers and cross the lagoon, as you learn about Half Moon Cay and the Bahamas' history, culture, flora and fauna. Stingrays, nurse sharks, lemon sharks, bone fish, conch, sea urchins and assorted marine life are raised here. Half Moon Cay is also an official sanctuary for birdwatching. Through the boat's glass floor, discover a series of living reefs, where fish, coral and anemones are plentiful. Your final stop will be at a reconstructed Arawak Indian fishing village.

# mayaguez, puerto rico





# Birds, Butterflies, Bugs & Mammals: the Zoo & the City



Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

Connect with the wild side of Puerto Rico and have a fantastic time with your friends and family at the Mayaguez Zoo. The zoo is home to numerous birds, mammals and reptiles, including Bengal tigers and Andean condors. Cages and open compounds stand in an attractively landscaped setting of small islands, a lake, and lush tropical vegetation. The zoo is a 35-acre park that contains a nice selection of animals divided into two groups: the African forest and the African savannah, as well as a bird sanctuary. The aviary, is a 220-foot wide structure, features a steel netting ceiling that allows a colorful collection of tropical birds to fly freely in a natural rain forest environment. Don't miss the Butterfly Gardens and the well organized exhibits at the Arthropodarium, that hold a variety of insects, crustaceans and spiders. The visit to the zoo is an easy-paced, self-guided tour. After the zoo, take a short walking tour around the town square of Mayagüez. A guide will give you interesting details of the Puerto Rican history, traditions and values. The mix of the architectural designs around the square is delightful —the Catedral de Nuestra Señora de la Candelaria with its Spanish influences, and City Hall showcasing the art of neo-classical design. You'll have a half-hour to see the handicrafts stalls, shop in a variety of stores, or enjoy by yourself amid ambiance of the plaza. Tour includes round transportation from port, entrance fees, bottle water, snack and tour guide at the town square.

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#### **Boqueron Beach Tour**



Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

Come ready to visit the most interesting fishing village in Puerto Rico, and to enjoy one of the island's most beautiful beaches. on the wonderful white sands of Boquerón Beach, relax, play in the sand, stroll along the beach or take in the sun and swim in the crystal-clear waters of the Caribbean Sea.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit. Bring a hat, sunglasses, sunscreen, towel and sandals. Includes transportation, entrance fees, and bottled water. Changing facilities are available.

# nassau, bahamas



To participate in these shore excursions, you must walk about ½-mile to reach the tour and motor coach staging area.



# **ADVENTURE TOURS**

#### **Dolphin Encounter**





Approximately 31/2 hours • \$\$\$

Learn about and pet the most beloved mammal in the sea—the dolphin! A 30-minute boat transfer brings you to Blue Lagoon Island, home to sixteen bottlenose dolphins. Hear a ten-minute educational briefing before your encounter with these graceful mammals. Wear your swimsuit as you will be helped onto a floating platform in small groups for the greatest highlight the opportunity to touch and interact with these creatures in waistdeep water.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit and bring a towel.



# SIGHTSEEING TOURS

# Nassau Highlights & Ardastra Gardens



Approximately 21/2 hours • \$\$

See the main points of interest in the capital city of the Bahamas, including Fort Fincastle (1793) with splendid views. Another highlight of this tour is a one-hour stop at Ardastra Gardens to see the national bird—the pink flamingo. After stopping at the Queen's Staircase—named for Queen Victoria and composed of 64 stone steps—the tour returns to the ship via historic Bay Street and its merchant stalls and horse-drawn carriages.



#### **Seaworld Explorer Semi-Submarine**





Approximately 11/2 hours • \$\$

A 20-minute scenic ride takes you through the waterway that divides the two famous sections of New Providence Island, viewing sights of Nassau and Paradise Island's multi-million dollar homes and marinas boasting opulent yachts. At the underwater marine park at Athol Island, cruise aboard Seaworld Explorer, a semisubmarine underwater tour of the Sea Gardens Marine Park. Described as a "state-of-the-art glass-bottom boat," this moving underwater observatory offers a view through clear glass windows while you are seated eight feet below the surface of the water in air-conditioned comfort. The waters are filled with shipwrecks and dozens of tropical fish—yellowtail snapper, sergeant majors, parrotfish, and queen angelfish. Observe a delicate colony of coral that was thousands of years in the making, including seafans, elkhorn, staghorn and brain coral. Then, get your camera ready for the frantic fish feeding session. After your tour there's plenty of time left for shopping or more sightseeing. 400-1000 ISO is recommended for photography aboard the sub (no flash).

Please note: Minimum age is 4 years.

# Seahorse Snorkeling & Sail Adventure



Approximately 31/2 hours • \$\$

The crystal clear water surrounding Nassau incorporates every imaginable shade of blue. Beneath these waters, vast gardens of tropical coral teem with exotic fish. Today, you will join the crew on a catamaran for a sail and snorkel experience to view nature's own aquarium for yourself. Equipment and instruction are provided as you snorkel on some of the most desired reefs in the Bahamas. Back on the boat after snorkeling, enjoy a rum punch. Sodas and water are also served.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit and bring a towel.

#### **Bahamas Personal Sub Experience**





Approximately 5 hours • \$\$\$

Board a comfortable 55-foot support submarine vessel for an undersea experience that will take you to one of Nassau's famous reefs. From there, you take control of your own personal submarine. Your guide will escort you around a spectacular coral reef, feeding the fish along the way and stopping to show you the marine life as you zoom around the coral gardens on your sub. A video of your sub experience is available for purchase.

Please note: Minimum age is 12 years. Participants must be in good physical health.

#### Nassau See & Sea





Approximately 3 - 31/2 hours • \$\$

Enjoy a scenic boat cruise, passing downtown Nassau and Paradise Island, to Sea Gardens Marine Park at Athol Island. Board the *Seaworld Explorer* and sit eight feet below the surface to view a 70-year-old shipwreck, and yellowtail snapper, sergeant majors, parrotfish and angelfish. Travel by bus to historic downtown, with its pastel buildings from the 1800s, and Fort Charlotte (1788) complete with a moat and dungeons.

Please note: Minimum age is 4 years.







Guests participating in the following two tours will be among the first to disembark the ship. Board the tour bus with your luggage, as all tours will proceed directly to the airport upon conclusion. Transportation to the airport is included in the price listed.

# **Manhattan Sightseeing & Transfer to Airport**



Approximately 21/2 hours • \$\$

See one of the Big Apple's most fascinating areas. Lower Manhattan boasts many of this sprawling city's famous landmarks—Times Square, where the New Year's ball drops each December 31, lively Chinatown, the tree-lined streets of Greenwich Village and the oh-so-fashionable SoHo district, whose name derives from its location south of Houston Street. At Battery Park, you can take in the distant view of the Statue of Liberty. Heading back uptown you'll pass the austere United Nations Plaza, Rockefeller Center with its famous flags and statue, and the instantly recognizable Empire State Building. A drive by beautiful Central Park, New York's in-city oasis, completes your tour.

# **Transfer to New York Airports**



\$

Available to guests with flights departing at 12 noon or later, who are not participating in Holland America's "Fly Cruise Plan" and do not have a prepaid voucher in their travel documents. This transfer is direct motor coach transportation to the airport upon conclusion of your voyage. No sightseeing is included.

# **New York Sightseeing in Uptown Manhattan**



Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

This tour is only available to guests whose cruise does not begin or end in New York. This tour returns to the ship.

From the New York Passenger terminal it is a short trip to Columbus Circle where the great expanse of Central Park begins. Columbus circle has recently seen the addition on the new Time Warner Building. Several streets radiate out from the circle, Central Park South, lined with hotels and Central Park West, home to many penthouses of the city's rich and famous. Lincoln Center is just a few blocks away, a complex of seven large performance spaces including the famous Metropolitan Opera House. While comfortably seated in your motor coach you will pass by the Dakota House, the last home of John Lennon, where his life was taken just outside its doors. Next, head out to 77th Street where you may disembark from your coach for a short 20 minute optional stroll to the lake and to enjoy the lively ambiance of Central Park. Continuing your tour you will pause to view St. John the Divine Cathedral the largest place of worship in the U.S., recently designated a landmark by the city's Preservation Commission. Columbia University and Grant's Tomb, the largest mausoleum in the country and the Apollo Theater in Harlem are some sights not to be missed as you continue your uptown journey. You will see "Museum mile," lined with such famous houses as the Guggenheim, the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the National Academy of Fine arts museums. Finally stop and browse and enjoy some free time at Trump Tower, a five level Atrium containing branches of some of the world's most exclusive shops, before returning to your ship . Your tour guide will customize your tour as needed to offer you the most complete experience of this cosmopolitan city known as the Big Apple!

Please note: Heavy traffic often causes delays. This tour is only available to guests whose cruise does not begin or end in New York.

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#### **Horseback Riding Adventure**





Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

Travel by air-conditioned bus 20 minutes along the coast. Saddle up for a 45-minute horseback ride to the beach, where the guide will unsaddle the horses while you ready yourself for the water. You can then take your horse bareback in the ocean. Afterwards, non-alcoholic drinks will be served before the return ride to the farm where the bus awaits to return you to the pier.

Please note: Excursion is suitable for riders of all experience levels, from beginners to advanced riders. Wear your swimsuit under your jeans. Bring a towel and sunscreen. Maximum weight is 220 lbs.

# **River Tubing Safari**





Approximately 3½ hours • \$\$

Take an approximately one-hour "bouncy" drive to the landmark known as the Spanish Bridge, where your three-mile tube ride down the White River begins. This river has clear blue water and is covered by a canopy of trees—a true safari experience. A guide, inner-tube, paddle and a life jacket are provided. At the end of the ride, stop for a taste of Jamaican Jerk and a cold beverage.

Please note: Wear water shoes while tubing and wear your swimsuit under your clothing as there are no facilities for changing.

# Ocean Kayak to Dunn's River Falls





Approximately 31/2 hours • \$\$

Led by a knowledgeable guide, glide through the calm waters of protected lagoons on an easy-to-paddle, "sit-on-top" kayak—no

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experience needed. The aquamarine waters are inhabited by a variety of marine life and the shoreline is dotted with waterfalls, unspoiled beaches and lush vegetation. Climb famous Dunn's River Falls. Fruit drinks, bottled water and fresh fruits are served.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit; bring a towel and sunscreen. Participants must be in good physical condition and able to swim. Minimum age is 8 years. Maximum weight is 250 lbs. See "Special Note for Dunn's River Falls."

#### Mountain to Sea by Bicycle





Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

Discover the beauty of the real Jamaica on this excursion that includes trained guides and lifeguards, and a safety orientation before starting. A tour bus will take you 2,000 feet above sea level, where you will be assigned your bike for a 90% downhill ride through woodland and meadows. Pass through the village of Mount Zion, and on to a thirst-quenching stop at Spicy Grove Tavern, taking in breathtaking views en route. Cross foothills and cycle past the ruins of a 17th-century sugar factory to a picturesque cove for swimming and snorkeling.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit and bring a towel.

# Rafting on the Martha Brae





Approximately 5 hours • \$\$

Venture 1½ hours by bus into the picturesque "Land of Wood and Water," where you will board a bamboo raft built for two, and glide slowly down a river, through groves of bamboo and ferns. You are transported to this world of tranquility and complete relaxation for 1¼ hours. On your way back to the pier, stop at Columbus Park. A short shopping stop provides time to buy souvenirs en route back to the ship, if time permits.

Please note: Each raft seats two people and a raft captain, and has a low seat back and minimal cushioning. Restrooms are available at the Rafters' Village. There will be a short wait as you board your raft.

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# **Highlights of Ocho Rios** & Coyaba River Garden



Approximately 3½ hours • \$

Drive up Fern Gully—a cool three-mile stretch of road, running south of the town on the original course of an old riverbed, canopied by tropical foliage, home to more 500 species of ferns. At Coyaba Garden is a museum housing items from pre-Columbian times. The Garden boasts an abundance of exotic flowers shaded by giant cedars and banyan trees with level footpaths. Browse in the gallery/gift shop before a scenic ride along the coast to see the statue of Christopher Columbus at St. Ann's Bay. Return to Ocho Rios with a shopping stop included.

#### Spanish Town & Best of Jamaica





Approximately 61/2 hours • \$\$

Travel through Fern Gully to Faith's Pen, where roadside jerked pork, chicken, fish, bammy and goat belly soup make for a memorable Jamaican experience. Proceed to Spanish Town and view some of Jamaica's historically important buildings. Visit the Church of England and the Cathedral which stands on the foundation of a Spanish Cathedral erected in 1635—the oldest in the New World. A delicious lunch is included.

# Firefly: The Home of Noel Coward





Approximately 2½ - 3 hours • \$\$

The tour departs the pier, traveling along the main street of Ocho Rios to the outskirts of the town of Oracabessa. The famous Playboy Club used to be located in this area now known as Boscobel Beach. Pass the famous James Bond Beach—Ian Fleming, author of the James Bond novels, lived at his home called Goldeneye near the beach and wrote 14 of his James Bond novels here. Some scenes in the movie Live and Let Die (1973) were filmed in Jamaica. Along the coastline you'll see several small

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villages en route to Port Maria, where Firefly is located, nestled in the hills overlooking the harbor. Firefly was the home of British playwright Noel Coward. It was originally called Lookout by the famous pirate, Henry Morgan who used it for that purpose. At Firefly, you will be greeted on arrival by a guide who will take you "back in time" to the Noel Coward era as you see what inspired him to compose. A video presentation on the life of Noel Coward will be shown and a complimentary drink will be served. You will return to the ship via the same route.

# **Jamaican Grand Tour** & Optional Dunn's River Falls



With Dunn's River Falls: Approximately 5 hours • \$\$ Without Dunn's River Falls: Approximately 3¾ hours • \$\$

Visit a working tropical plantation, first driving through farm country and past the estates of Ian Fleming and Noel Coward. The friendly staff of Brimmer Hall Plantation will warmly greet you as you stroll through this 18th-century Great House and peruse the quaint shops offering a wide variety of Jamaican goods. Ride through the plantation on a tractor-drawn jitney, then, at Dunn's River Falls, those who choose the optional stop will have the opportunity to climb through the cool water.

Please note: See "Special Note for Dunn's River Falls."

#### **Enchanted Gardens** & Optional Dunn's River Falls



With Dunn's River Falls: Approximately 4½ hours • \$\$ Without Dunn's River Falls: Approximately 3 hours • \$

Walk through the Enchanted Garden, set in a natural river gorge. The 20 acres of lush vegetation include 14 natural waterfalls that a feed natural pool, jungle-like vegetation, the Bromeliad Garden and Koi Pond, a free-flight aviary, the precious jade vine walkway, Jamaican fruit trees, an orchid garden and herb garden. At the Sea Aquarium you will view a microcosm of tropical marine life and see colorful fish up close. A shopping stop is included, then it's on to world-famous Dunn's River Falls, where the adventurous may climb the approximately 600-foot-high "staircase waterfall."

Please note: See "Special Note for Dunn's River Falls."

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#### **Two-Tank Certified Scuba Diving**



Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

Depart the pier on board a 38-foot diving boat. You will be taken to a diver's paradise—the other side of Jamaica! Here you will see fascinating coral walls and exotic gardens, teeming with brilliantly colored tropical fish. Enjoy the wonders of the undersea world.

Please note: A minimum number of participants is required for this tour to operate. Bring your C-card.

# **Dolphin Cove & Optional Dunn's River Falls**



With Dunn's River Falls: Approximately 3½ hours • \$ Without Dunn's River Falls: Approximately 2 hours • \$

Travel to Dolphin Cove, surrounded by lush tropical jungle and the home of beautiful dolphins to watch the dolphins play. Feed the friendly sharks, and interact with exotic birds, snakes and other animals on a nature walk. Relax on the beach, shop at the largest gift shop in Jamaica, or sample local produce. At Dunn's River Falls, climb through 600 feet of cool refreshing water cascading over natural limestone terraces, with guides to assist.

Please note: See "Special Note for Dunn's River Falls."

# **Dolphin Swim/Encounter** & Optional Dunn's River Falls





With Dunn's River Falls: Approximately 3½ hours • \$\$ Without Dunn's River Falls: Approximately 2 hours • \$\$

Climb six hundred feet of cool refreshing water as it cascades over the natural limestone terraces at Dunn's River Falls, with guides to assist your ascent. Then, travel to Dolphin Cove to swim in the deep for 30 minutes with the friendly dolphins. After your adventure, relax on the beach, stroll the nature trail or browse and shop for souvenirs.

Please note: Participants must know how to swim. Minimum age is 8 years. Children under 11 years must be accompanied by

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an adult. No pregnant women allowed. Leave your jewelry at home. Photography is not permitted in the dolphin area or while participating in the swim. Videos and photographs of your interaction with the dolphins will be for sale afterwards. See "Special Note for Dunn's River Falls."

# **Dolphin Touch Encounter** & Optional Dunn's River Falls



With Dunn's River Falls: Approximately 3½ hours • \$\$ Without Dunn's River Falls: Approximately 2 hours • \$\$

At Dunn's River Falls, climb this landmark, six-hundred-foot cascade as it plunges over natural limestone terraces into the Caribbean Sea. Guides are provided to assist you. Next, you are transported to Dolphin Cove to experience an amazing 20-minute encounter with the dolphins, who allow you to caress them as you stand in the shallows. Walk the nature trail, spend time on the beach and shop for fruit, spices, coffee and liquor.

Please note: Photography is not permitted during the dolphin touch. Videos and photos will be for sale afterwards. See "Special Note for Dunn's River Falls." Minimum age is 8 years with participating adult.



# **Cool Runnings Cruise to Dunn's River Falls & Private Beach**



Approximately 5 hours • \$\$

Embark a catamaran for a truly Caribbean sailing experience past spectacular emerald green waterfalls to Dunn's River Falls. You'll have ample time to climb the 600-foot waterfall; then, it's on to a private white sand beach to swim or simply relax. You'll have about two hours to soak up the tropical sun and Jamaican vibes; there's a beach bar serving refreshments, and an authentic Jamaican craft shop. The beach is ideal for families. Beach chairs and restroom facilities provided—a perfect day in paradise!

Please note: Wear your swimsuit; bring a towel and sun-screen. Minimum age is 6 years. See "Special Note for Dunn's River Falls."

### **Cool Runnings Cruise to Dunn's River Falls**





Approximately 2½ hours • \$

Enjoy warm and lively Jamaican hospitality on board Cool Runnings, a mega-yacht catamaran. Relax with a tropical drink as you sail the beautiful Jamaican coastline. At Dunn's River Falls, your catamaran will drop you off and you will have ample time to climb the lush tropical 600-foot cascade, or relax on the beach below. The vessel will return approximately one hour later to meet you for the sailing trip back to the pier. Colorful dancers create the excitement of a true Jamaican carnival with soca tunes.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit; bring a towel and sunscreen. Minimum age is 6 years. See "Special Note for Dunn's River Falls."

#### **Catamaran Sailing & Beach Tour**





Approximately 31/2 hours • \$\$

Board a catamaran pierside and sail 45 minutes to a secluded, private cove, passing by Dunn's River Falls and Laughing Waters. Rum punch, fruit punch and soft drinks are served on board. Sail into Christopher Columbus Cove to sunbathe, or visit the spectacular underwater world with a snorkel and mask. Snorkeling equipment is provided as well as lessons for beginners. A snack will be served at the beach and a bar will be available at an extra charge. Restrooms and fresh water showers available.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit, bring a towel and sunscreen.

#### **Special Note for Dunn's River Falls**

Guests on tours visiting Dunn's River Falls will have the chance to either climb the falls or view the falls from the staircase. The staircase requires negotiating many steps and provides viewing platforms for observing the falls and climbers. Climbing the falls requires treading through knee-deep water on slippery surfaces while stepping up wet rock faces using rock-ledge footholds to ascend. Independent guides may be engaged at the site to provide assistance, and they openly solicit tips. Bring a towel, wear a swimsuit and water shoes (available for rent at the falls). Changing rooms are available. You will choose between a bus that allows time for climbing the falls and a bus that allows time for viewing the falls.

# > philipsburg, st. maarten





#### ATV Adventure





Approximately 3½ hours • \$\$

You're off on an adventure that's far from traditional! Depart your cruise ship to embark on the Caribbean's newest, maddest island exploration on your personal all-terrain vehicle, commonly known as an ATV. It's just a short and pleasant drive through the Dutch capital of Philipsburg to the kick-off location, where you will be briefed and outfitted with the necessary safety equipment. Then, the convoy of all-terrain vehicles will set off to explore some areas of the island stopping at scenic points where appropriate, with time for refreshments at a specially-selected beach with time for a quick dip. After a refreshing swim or stress-busting walk along the beach, you're off again on the return trip. You asked for excitement—this is it!

Please note: Minimum age to operate an ATV is 18. Drivers are required to wear a helmet while the ATV is being operated. Maximum weight is 250 lbs. Participants must have a valid driver's license. Persons with any physical or medical conditions should not participate due to the nature of the tour. There is only limited offroad driving.

#### 4x4 Island Tour



Approximately 3½ - 4 hours • \$\$

Join other fun-seekers on a 4-wheel-drive safari over the hills and onto the beaches of this magical island. Your convoy of brightlycolored 4x4s will visit some of the most interesting places on the island on the way to Marigot. The caravan will pass by Cole Bay Hill offering a picturesque view of the beautiful Simpson Bay

Marina before getting into Marigot. In the quaint little town of Marigot you'll have half an hour to browse the trendy boutiques and open air market before re-boarding your 4x4 vehicle. You will then proceed through Grand Case, known as "The Gourmet Capital" of the Caribbean before heading to a popular local beach where you'll have approximately one hour of free time to enjoy the sun and sea. From there you will be taken back through the Dawn Beach area before boarding the transfer bus to be taken back to your ship. Soft drinks and water are provided.

Please note: This is not a narrated tour. Drivers must bring a current driver's license. Minimum age to drive is 22 years. Four guests per vehicle.

#### **Motorcycling in Paradise**







Approximately 6 hours • \$\$\$\$ (includes driver and rider)

Whether you're a two-wheeled novice or a seasoned road veteran, this is the ride of your life that will combine Harley-Davidson from the streets of Milwaukee with the wild nature of this Caribbean island. After departing the harbor by bus, you will enjoy the scenic drive through Philipsburg, the Dutch capital, to the staging point at the Village Plantation, where you will choose between the legendary "Fat Boy" bike and the classic "Heritage." After brief formalities, helmets are issued and you will follow your guide on a scenic tour past the Simpson Bay Marina, home to many luxurious mega yachts, through Maho and Mullet Bay and the lowlands famous for its appeal to many visiting celebrities. After the convoy arrives in Marigot, the French capital, you will see Fort Louis and enjoy a light lunch. Take a little time to browse the shops and markets before continuing the ride across the north coast of the island through Grand Case, the gourmet town, with time for a quick dip at a popular beach at Orient Bay—well known for its clothing optional policy! After this refreshing break, the group will drive by Mount William Hill which offers a panoramic view of Philipsburg, through the countryside and back to the Village Plantation where a bus will be waiting to take you back to the ship.

Please note: A light lunch, two bottles of water and one soft drink are included on this tour. There will be a guide in front and an escort vehicle in the back. Bring your credit card and current motorcycle license to complete the rental contract. The tour price is

<u>per bike</u> and includes CDW insurance with a \$1,000 deductible. The deductible is fully or partially charged to the driver's credit card in the event the motorcycle is returned damaged. Minimum age to drive is 22 years; minimum age for passenger is 18 years.

#### America's Cup 12-Meter Regatta





Approximately 21/2-3 hours (2 hours sailing) • \$\$

After a brief lesson and practice, this regatta offers you a unique opportunity to race an exotic, multi-million-dollar, 12-meter genuine America's Cup race boat. Grind a winch, trim a sail, punch a stopwatch or take the helm. After the race there's a rum punch victory celebration. Previous sailing experience is not required.

Please note: Crew members will assign duties to guests who decide to actively participate as part of the regatta "crew."



# SIGHTSEEING TOURS

#### Around the Island Art Tour





Approximately 3½ - 4 hours • \$\$

Visit St. Martin's élite group of talented artists. Ride along the French side of the island for spectacular views, stopping at several different artists' homes or studios. View many different genres of local artwork and hear from the artists themselves about their work.

# **Delightfully Dutch, Fantastically French Island Drive**



Approximately 2½ hours • \$

Welcome to the two countries on one island, with distinctive European influence. You'll drive through the capital of the Dutch side, along the salt pond, with a panoramic view of Philipsburg Harbor. Continue driving through the villages of the French side with a spectacular view of Orient Beach and neighboring islands. Continue through typical Caribbean villages to Grand Case—the "gourmet capital of the Caribbean", and to the French colonial

capital of Marigot. Here you will enjoy a 50-minute stop so you can browse and stroll amid the quaint boutiques and outdoor markets. On arrival back in Philipsburg, you will have the choice of returning directly to the ship or being dropped off downtown for shopping.

Please note: Requires a three-block walk to embark the motor coach.

#### **Natural Wonders of St. Maarten**





Approximately 3¾ hours • \$\$

Experience the full beauty of natural St. Maarten on a scenic trip to some of the island's best ecological attractions and areas. First you will travel along Philipsburg's natural salt ponds, then arrive at the St. Martin Park where a guide will introduce you an amazing array of parrots and macaws. The tropics come alive with 80 species of bats, monkeys, birds, reptiles, amphibians and invertebrates displayed in a tropical garden setting. Enjoy a beverage at the Monkey Bar, then continue through the mountainous Middle Region to Oyster Pond to learn of the environmental importance of the reefs and the mangroves seen from this area. Skirting the eastern shore of Simpson Bay Lagoon, you'll start back towards Great Bay, past Belair Fresh Pond, home to 19 species of birds.

Please note: Wear sunblock, sunglasses, and footwear suitable for walking over rough terrain. Fruit punch served at St. Maarten Park.

# **Under Two Flags Island Drive**



Approximately 2½ - 3 hours • \$

Discover the two worlds of St. Maarten/St. Martin, from the Dutch capital of Philipsburg to the French capital of Marigot. The island has been shared by Holland and France since 1648. You will board a modern air-conditioned motor coach to enjoy the charm and romance of this scenic island. Departing Philipsburg, you will travel past the once-great salt pond and up Mount William Hill for a beautiful view of the Dutch capital and harbor. Continue through the countryside towards the Dutch/French border, with only a monument to indicate that you have entered another country. You will pass the district of Orleans—once the capital of the French side. From Hope Hill, you will take in a spectacular

view of Orient Beach, nearby Pinel Island, and St. Barth's. You will continue through Grand Case—the island's gourmet capital—and past lovely beaches and typical, tranquil Caribbean villages. Your first stop will be at Marigot, the French capital, where you will have 45 minutes to freely browse the outdoor food market, or inviting sidewalk cafés and an array of duty-free shops. As you journey through Cole Bay, your next stop will be the International Look Out Point, where you will capture the magnificent view of the western side of the island, Simpson Bay Lagoon and neighboring islands. Your tour ends back in Philipsburg where you can choose to return to the ship or remain in town for independent exploration.

#### French Riviera Beach Rendezvous



Approximately 4½ hours • \$\$

Orient Bay is the "French Riviera of the Caribbean" with more than 1½ miles of white sand beaches. Upon arrival you will be greeted with a welcome rum or a fruit punch. Relax or swim at a location with the flavor of exotic European destinations. A delicious lunch of barbecue chicken, ribs or fish is served, with beer, wine or a mixed drink. Lounge chairs are included in an area reserved just for you. Umbrellas and watersports equipment are available for rent.

Please note: A two block walk is required. European-style (clothing optional) sunbathing may sometimes be observed at Orient Bay. An afternoon tour is offered without lunch; please see the website or the shore excursion staff on board for details.

# French Marigot & Butterfly Farm



Approximately 3½ hours • \$

Lush tropical gardens, pools, fountains and waterfalls, and rare and exotic butterflies are featured in the gardens of the Butterfly Farm. Your guide will identify species and share amazing butterfly facts. Witness the various stages of the butterflies' life-cycle and wander on your own through the gardens. Approximately 45 minutes in Marigot will be included for your shopping pleasure.

Please note: Requires a three-block walk to embark the motor coach.

#### **Marigot Shopping Express**





Approximately 3 - 31/2 hours • \$\$

A chance for serious bargain-hunters to shop in both capitals of this beautiful dual-nationality island. The tour begins with a scenic drive through Philipsburg, the Dutch capital, and past the Salt Pond to the Village Plantation. Stop here for some browsing in the stores, then the tour continues over the Cole Bay Hill, offering a wonderful panoramic view of the famous Simpson Bay Marina. Then, drive through small villages, past the border monument into Marigot, the French capital—a charming township with a multitude of shops, boutiques, open-air markets and cafés. You have approximately two hours to enjoy and shop till you drop before rejoining the transportation for the return drive. Then it's back to Philipsburg where you will be dropped off close to the main shopping center for more shopping if you wish.

Please note: Tour does not operate on Sundays and public holidays.



# St. Maarten Two-Tank Certified Dive



Approximately 4 hours • \$\$\$

Experienced divers can explore the coral reefs or perhaps sunken wrecks. Transfer to your dive boat for a 10- to 15-minute ride to a site chosen for the best conditions of the day. St. Maarten has both wrecks and reefs inside a marine park and you will dive each of these depending upon conditions. Boat dives are 35-70 feet and are inhabited by a variety of local marine life, turtles, rays and Caribbean reef sharks.

Please note: Scuba equipment and instruction are provided. Wear your swimsuit and bring a towel. Waiver release form must be signed. Bring your C-card. Participants must be 10 years or older and have logged a dive in the past two years.

#### **Discover Scuba**



Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

If you have always wanted to try scuba diving but just couldn't find the time, the time is now! Join this Discover Scuba tour and experience the undersea world of tropical marine life, coral reefs and sunken wrecks in just a few short hours. No experience necessary. This introduction to Scuba is designed for the non-diver and is easy, safe and fun. Your instructor will also be happy to take your picture as you hand-feed the fish in a sheltered cove. After a short instruction period, enter the water with a professional instructor. Plenty of lounge space is available in the sun and shade. All instruction, equipment and beverages are provided.

Please note: Wear swim attire and bring a beach towel. Waiver release form must be completed. Participants must be able to understand English for instruction. Minimum age is 10 years.

# **Rhino Rider Tour by Personal Watercraft**





Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

Experience on-the-water excitement with a two-person Rhino Rider—a zippy little 10-foot inflatable motorboat which is yours to command for a couple of hours of fun in the sun. Set out from the calm waters of Simpson Bay Lagoon, following a guide, and you'll maneuver safely through anchorage and alongside megayacht marinas, before exiting the lagoon. View historic Fort Louis, which overlooks the bay, before continuing along the picturesque coastline, and relaxing at Happy Bay, your final destination. Hike the trail, snorkel the reef (gear provided) or build sand castles on the secluded beach. Soft drinks, juice or water are served.

Please note: Life vest required and provided. Participants must follow guide and safety instructions. Wear your swimsuit under comfortable, appropriate clothing. Wear footwear suitable for wet conditions (water socks, water sandals, etc.); bring sunscreen and sunglasses. Participants should be in good physical condition. Not recommended for individuals with bad backs and for those who cannot swim. Pregnant women and children under 10 may not participate in this tour. Must be 18 years old to operate the boats. Weight limit of 400 pounds per boat.

# **BOAT TOURS**

#### French Connection See & Sea





Approximately 31/2 hours • \$\$

Drive to the village of Grand Case to board the *Seaworld Explorer* semi-submarine for a narrated 45-minute tour of the coral reefs around Creole Rock. The vessel does not submerge—you descend into the hull of the boat and sit in air-conditioned comfort five feet below the surface of the water. Returning to shore, your tour continues to the French capital of Marigot to explore this attractive port city with its sidewalk cafés, open-air market and duty free shops.

# Golden Eagle Catamaran Sail to Tintamar





Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

Sail by catamaran to the island of Tintamar, with champagne or an open bar. Once at Tintamar, swim in a quiet cove, snorkel in the crystal-clear waters, or relax on a beach float. Snorkel instruction is available. On the return trip, listen to music while enjoying cocktails and snacks from the open bar.

Please note: European-style (clothing optional) sunbathing may be observed at Tintamar. Depending on sea conditions an alternative beach site may be substituted.

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# **ADVENTURE TOURS**

#### Tortola 4WD Safari





Approximately 31/2 hours • \$\$

Take this fun and exciting drive in a four-wheel-drive vehicle that travels on off-road, virgin trails and some regular island roads. Enjoy wonderful vistas of Tortola and the surrounding islands from viewpoints not accessed by the general public. Departing the cruise port, the convoy quickly passes through Road Town before following a trail up to the Ridge Road. The route takes participants on a fun tour, revealing the natural beauty of the island in the unspoiled scenery, flora and fauna. Stops are made for picture-taking and at a beach where a refreshing drink is served. Rinse the "dust of the trail" off with a swim in the sea, or relax on the white-sand beach before continuing back to the ship.



#### **Tortola Secrets**





Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

Discover the charms of Tortola from the comfort of an air-conditioned motor coach. From Road Town you'll follow the coast road towards the east of the island. Stunning views are seen of the surrounding islands and waterways. On arrival in East End, the original settlement on Tortola, the route ascends the hills to follow the ridgeline. Stops are made en route for photos before you arrive at Skyworld. Here you can sample a refreshing complimentary drink and browse in the small souvenir shop while enjoying the dramatic panoramic views of the surrounding

islands from this the highest vehicle accessible point on the island. After 20minutes, the tour continues along the ridge of the island before descending to the north shore, passing through several small fishing hamlets. Watch for the famous Bombas Shack—home of the infamous Full Moon Parties. Cross the island at its narrowest point before arriving at Pusser's Landing at the West End. Here, the attractive little marina provides an opportunity for 15 minutes of souvenir shopping at Pusser's, and other spice and craft shops. Continue along the south shore of Tortola back to the pier.

# The North Shore & Pusser's Landing





Approximately 31/2 hours • \$

Travel by open-air safari bus, through the bustling capital town of Road Town to Fort Hill and scenic Belle Vue. Along the ridge road you will pass through the tiny hamlets of Manchester, Long Trench and Fahie Hill, and through the quaint coastal fishing villages of Carrot Bay, Apple Bay and Cappoon's Bay. Stop at picturesque Pusser's Landing for some browsing in the intriguing boutiques and spice shop. The tour returns along the scenic coastal road to Road Town, where you can investigate the nearby shopping opportunities or return directly to the ship.

# **Tortola Highlights**





Approximately 3 hours • \$

Board an open-air safari bus in Road Town for a scenic island drive, up Fort Hill, along the Ridge Road passing the local villages of Long Trench and Fahie Hill before arriving at Sky World. Stop here for souvenir shopping and views of the Virgin Islands. Re-board your bus and proceed to beautiful Cane Garden Bay to swim and relax for about an hour. Continue along the north shore and over Zion Hill for the scenic drive back to Road Town.

#### Jost Van Dyke Beach Adventure



Approximately 3½ hours • \$\$

Escape to the famous island of Jost Van Dyke named after a famous pirate and now home of the Soggy Dollar Bar and White Bay beach. Enjoy a cruise through the VirginIslands from Road Town to Jost. Land on the glorious white sand beach of White Bay just as the early settlers did—directly onto the sand. Here you can relax on the beach, swim in the azure waters, and enjoy a cool drink. The beach is lined with Caribbean beach bars and the Soggy Dollar Bar is to be found at the Sandcastle Hotel right on the beach.

Please note: Bring some money for rental of beach chairs and for watersports (paddle boats, kayaks, water trampoline).



# AQUATIC TOURS

#### Wreck of the Rhone Two-Tank Certified Dive



Approximately 41/2 hours • \$\$\$

For certified open-water divers here's a chance to dive the famous wreck of the *Rhone*—a 19th-century British mail steamer wrecked off the shore of Salt Island. This site provides an intriguing and exciting dive at 50 and 80 feet, and was featured in the film, *The Deep*. Take a short bus transfer to the dive center and then ride on a dive boat accompanied by fully accredited dive instructors. A dive experience to be remembered!

Please note: Wear your swimsuit and bring a towel. Waiver release form must be signed. Bring your C-card.

# **Tortola Dolphin Encounter**





Approximately 2 hours • \$\$\$

Participate in a memorable experience at the Dolphin Swim program in a natural lagoon. Proceed to a briefing room, for an informative 30-minute talk and introduction to the dolphins and procedures to be followed during the encounter. Then, you'll

join the dolphin trainers pool-side where life vests are fitted. Stand in the water on the submerged platform (4-foot depth) while the dolphins interact at the command of the trainers.

Please note: A photographer will have photographs and videos of participants in the water for sale at the end of the program.

#### **Tortola Dolphin Swim**



Approximately 2 hours • \$\$\$\$

Participate in a memorable experience at the Dolphin Swim program in a natural lagoon. Proceed to a briefing room, for an informative 30-minute talk and introduction to the dolphins and procedures to be followed during the encounter. Then, you'll change into your swimsuit and join the dolphin trainers pool-side where life vests are fitted. Stand in the water on the submerged platform (4-foot depth), where you can rub the dolphins' undersides and give them a kiss, as well as swimming in the open pool with the dolphins.

Please note: An in-house photographer will have photographs and videos of participants in the water for sale at the end of the program. Participants in this program must be able to swim. Children under 12 years must be accompanied in the pool by an adult. Minimum age is 8 years.

# Kayaking at Peter Island



Approximately 2½ - 3 hours • \$\$

Take a short transfer by tour bus to a nearby marina. A motor launch will transfer you from there to attractive Peter Island, where you will find your kayak waiting for you at the beach at Great Harbour. A watersports instructor will escort the group on a water tour of the bay. Take in the clear water and the marine life below before returning to the beach. After kayaking, there's time to snorkel and swim in the clear waters. A drink is served at the beach bar before you set out on the return journey to the ship.



#### Virgin Gorda & the Baths



Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

An excursion launch picks you up shipside for a 40-minute cruise along the Sir Francis Drake Channel to Spanish Town, Virgin Gorda. There you will board an open safari bus for a short drive to the Baths for swimming and snorkeling in the unique atmosphere of mammoth boulders, palms, sand and sea caves. Roam through the intricate network of trails and boulders to discover hidden caves and sea pools. Make your way to the Top of the Baths from where a bus takes you on a short tour. Shop for souvenirs before the cruise back to your ship.

Please note: Snorkel gear can be rented on the beach. Wear comfortable walking shoes and your swimsuit; bring a towel and sunscreen.

#### Sea & See





Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

Cruise by launch among the beautiful islands of this unique archipelago. View the southern shoreline of Tortola and the surrounding islands of Salt, Peter and Norman—once hideaways for pirates and buccaneers. Arriving at Sopher's Hole, you'll enjoy a stroll through the interesting boutiques and souvenir shops before boarding an open safari tour bus. Continue along the north shore of Tortola through small fishing villages and along the ridge road, offering spectacular views of the islands, and back to the ship.

## **Snorkeling by Boat**





Approximately 21/2 hours • \$\$

A five-minute ride brings you to the marina where you will board a snorkel boat for a 30-minute crossing of the Drake Channel to one of the B.V.I.'s prime snorkel sites. An experienced snorkel instructor will take you to the Caves at legendary Norman Island—immortalized in Robert Louis Stevenson's Treasure Island. Snorkel in a wonderland of colorful coral formations, exotic fish and abundant marine life.

Please note: Snorkel gear and life vests are provided, as well as instruction for beginners. Approximately one hour of snorkeling. Water available on board. Bring your swimsuit, towel and sunscreen.

## Virgin Islands Sailaway





Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

Board a yacht dockside in Road Town and enjoy an exhilarating sail across the Sir Francis Drake Channel to one of the surrounding islands. You'll visit Norman Island, the setting of the novel *Treasure Island*, Salt Island or Peter Island, depending on weather conditions. Snorkel and swim from the catamaran into the caves, or from the beach when the boat relocates to the beach at the Bight. On the return sail, enjoy the history and geography of this historic waterway as you retrace the routes of Columbus, Drake, Kid and other historical notables.

#### **Glass-Bottom Boat**



Approximately 134 hours • \$\$

A short ride by tour bus from the cruise pier brings you to a uniquely styled glass-bottom boat. Seated in a covered viewing area, you will cruise across the Sir Francis Drake Channel before cruising slowly over a coral reef at Peter island. Watch schools of colorful fish, underwater life and plants as your captain/guide points out items of interest.

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## **ADVENTURE TOURS**

## Discover the "Nature Isle" by Mountain Bike





Approximately 3½ hours • \$\$

Begin your ride, biking primarily downhill through the lush Layou River Valley, which descends through the heart of the island's rain forest. The winding road will take you past beautiful vistas, lush tropical countryside and banana, citrus and coffee plantations. At the Layou River, stop for a refreshment break and swim in the river and a hot water sulfur pool. Back on your bike, pedal to the seaside for transportation back to the ship.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit; bring a towel and sunscreen.

## **Layou Gorge River Tubing**



Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

Come tubing on the largest and longest of the 365 rivers of Dominica—the Nature Isle of the Caribbean, Guaranteed thrills. fun and excitement for the entire family! A 40-minute drive takes you past the village of Massacre, named after the massacre of the Carib Indians in 1674, and through the unspoiled Layou Valley. Watch for the village of Mahaut and Dominica Coconut Product factory in Belfast, where cosmetics, detergent and soaps are manufactured utilizing local raw materials such as coconuts, cocoa and hibiscus leaves. At your launching site, a tubing guide will be waiting to take you on a breathtaking journey down the Layou River. There will be a short safety briefing before you begin your tubing adventure. The Layou Gorge with its precipitous tall cliffs that overhang the river, and its unspoiled natural vegetation, with several large cool freshwater pools offers the tubing adventure of a lifetime. Enjoy cool mountain breezes sweeping down the valley, gently rustling through the trees.

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## **River Tubing & Much More**



Approximately 41/2 hours • \$\$

There is no better way to experience the Nature Island of the Caribbean than to be floating downstream on a tube. Start with a scenic drive through the interior of the island to Jaco falls. This is a nice waterfall that can be viewed while you enjoy a refreshing rum punch or fruit juice. Continue on your way towards the starting point of the tubing adventure. You will be welcomed by a traditional dance performance by a Carib Indian cultural group in beautiful surroundings with natural river pools. Changing rooms, restrooms and easy river access make this site the perfect starting point for your river tubing. This is not only an exiting river adventure, but also a very beautiful and peaceful voyage in the heart of the untouched nature. You will see various bird life, vegetation and spectacular scenery staged by the beautiful Valley of Concord. You will be travelling down the boundary line (the river) of the last and only Carib Indian territory in the world. The river is a good combination of fast rapids and lazy, slowflowing pools, which makes it both fun-filled and relaxing. Your journey will be approximately 1½ hours of fun water adventure.

Please note: Wear aqua shoes and sunscreen. Maximum age is 70 years; maximum weight is 300 lbs.

#### Rasta Man Hike & Waterfalls





Approximately 5 hours • \$\$

Discover how the local Rasta-man survives in the Dominican jungle. The theme of your tour will be "a wildlife hike in the rain forest." You will be led by a guide who specializes in wildlife hiking. Enjoy some seasonal fruits at a river specially chosen for the excursion. Your guide will introduce you to the local names of the spices and herbs to be found in the forest, and the rain forest's vegetation and plants. Watch for animals of the forest, such as the agouti or the manico. You will stop will be at the beautiful and secluded twin falls. Another hike will take you to the first waterfall situated in the middle of the rain forest. Those seeking adventure can make the difficult climb to reach the second white sulfur waterfall. Experience the sensation of

bathing in these beautiful waterfalls and feel the mystique of the untouched jungle that surrounds you.

## Nature's Hidden Treasures & the Carib Indians





Approximately 61/2 hours • \$\$



Experience the unique features of Dominica's culture, nature and views from a different perspective. Stop at the Botanical Gardens to see the famous and endangered Jacquot and Sisserou parrots. From here it's an easy 15-minute hike to the newly discovered, secluded Twin Waterfalls in the rain forest. Those who wish to do so can climb a hill to reach to the second white sulphur waterfall, reputedly good for the skin. Sample an organic buffet of local food and fruits in an area adjacent to the Carib Territory, as you are entertained by the dances of the Carib Indians. You will have a chance to swim in the natural pool of the Pagua River, then take photos from Horse Back Ridge. Return to the ship in Cabrits.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit for river and waterfall swimming.

#### **Rain Forest Aerial Tram**





Approximately 4 hours • \$\$\$

Your excursion with a naturalist guide travels by coach through Roseau to Laudat, a village nestled more than 3,000 feet up in the mountains. Take a 90-minute Aerial Tram journey with a naturalist guide into the rain forest to encounter nature at its best. This modified sky lift skims along the forest floor and then soars to heights of 300 feet above the Breakfast River Gorge and the forest canopy. As you look down the gorge, watch for the beautiful waterfalls. Your guide will introduce you to the many types of flora, fauna and wildlife. The Morne Trois Piton rain forest boasts more than 172 species of birds including two endangered species of parrots.

Please note: Wear comfortable shoes; bring a rain coat and some insect repellent.

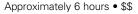


# Carib Indian Culture & History









Explore the home of the 3,000 remaining Carib Indians, passing first through Roseau and stopping at the colorful Emerald Pool, located in Trois Pitons National Park. A 15-minute trek through the rain forest brings you to the 50-foot cascading waterfall of the enchanting Emerald Pool. At a Carib Model Village, one of the 3,000 remaining Carib Indians will be your guide and will introduce you to a group of Carib dancers who will sing and dance in their traditional costumes. Witness the skills of craftspeople using natural grasses to make hats and baskets. See Cassava baking and canoe digging. Visit Salybia Church with an altar made of a Carib Canoe and primitive murals. View large banana and coconut plantations from Horseback Ridge, as well as Morne Trois Pitons and Morne Diablotin, the highest mountain in Dominica. Exiting Carib Territory, you will see Calibishie fishing village. Complete your island exploration with a drive through Portsmouth on your way to Cabrits National Park to meet your tender for the return ride to the ship.

Please note: Walking includes damp, rocky path over gravel, roots and rocks. Guests can also view the pool from a point a short distance along the path. A box lunch from the ship will be provided.

#### **Panoramic Rain Forest Drive**





Approximately 2 hours • \$

Head to Morne Bruce for a bird's-eye view of the town of Roseau, and east through the steep rain forest hills of the Trafalgar and Roseau Valley. At 1200 feet, Dominica's rain forest can be seen, with mahot cochon, cre cre, kaklin, balate and carapite vegetation, as well as orchids, zel mouchs, bromeliads and anthuriums. Stop at Symes-Zee Villa for a fresh fruit juice, then at Tropicrafts so you can watch traditional basket weaving and purchase souvenirs.

#### **Dominica's Favorites**





Approximately 41/2 hours • \$\$

For a bird's-eye-view of Roseau, travel to Morne Bruce before driving to the Botanical Gardens to see Dominica's native Jaco and Sisserou parrots. View the top of Trafalgar Falls, cascading side-by-side out of the deep gorges which they have carved, and take a 20-minute walk up a trail, past ginger plants and vanilla orchids, to the viewpoint above the river. Pass fern-covered hillsides en route to Trois Pitons National Park, and the small Emerald Pool. The trail leading to the pool is through tropical rain forest. The Emerald Pool is fed by a delicate cascade.

Please note: Comfortable walking shoes are recommended for walking on the damp, rocky path over gravel, roots and rocks. You can also view the pool from a point a short distance along the path.

#### **Accessible Dominica & Rain Forest Drive**





Approximately 3½ hours • \$\$

Don't miss this opportunity to experience a waterfall without the need for a lot of walking. Start with a cultural drive through the Capital of Roseau to the Morne Bruce Viewpoint—excellent for photos showing where the capital meets the Caribbean Sea. At the Botanical Gardens, you will be able to see the famous and endangered Sissereau and Jaco parrots in protective cages, along with many large trees, exotic flowers and tropical plants. From here, continue towards the interior of Dominica—rightfully called the Nature Isle. You will pass tropical rain forest and many plantations with various fruit trees such as mango, banana, avocado and cacao. Then, you will stop at Jaco Falls. A 100-foot, level walk will bring you to a viewpoint where you can see the picturesque falls tucked away in rain forest greenery. Take photos and enjoy the surroundings while enjoying a taste of a local mix of seasonal fruits and rum punch or fruit juice. Those who wish to take a quick dip in the waterfall can walk down the steps to the waterfall pool. Drive down the scenic Layou valley with its dramatic landscape to stop at the Layou River—the longest and largest river in Dominica.

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#### **Rain Forest Drive & the Emerald Pool**



Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

It's a ten-minute drive from your ship to a 400-foot elevation at Morne Bruce for a panoramic view of the city of Roseau and its environs. Your next stop is the 20-acre Dominica Botanical Gardens for a first hand view of Dominica's national birds, the Sisserou and Jaco Parrots. The gardens also contain some of the island's tallest and most exotic trees. From the Gardens, you will travel through Roseau and then up the Springfield Valley to the Emerald Pool, located in the Trois Pitons National Park. A 15-minute walk through the rain forest will take you to the 50-foot cascading waterfall of the enchanting Emerald Pool. Down in the Layou Valley, you'll pass through banana and citrus plantations, stopping for a complimentary drink. Local folklore dancers dressed in national costume will entertain you with song and dance. Your tour then returns to the port and your waiting ship.

#### **Best of Dominica & Scenic Drive**



Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

A leisurely drive takes you through the beautiful forests and plantations of Dominica's Layou Valley. You will see mountain peaks carpeted in rich rain forest foliage and delight in the colorful tropical flowers and banana, mango, cocoa, citrus, papaya and avocado trees en route to Morne Bruce, the Botanical Gardens with the Sisserou and Jaco Parrots. Continue through Roseau and past the Springfield Plantation House. Passing through the Layou Valley, stop for a taste of local juice, rum punch and a sample of Dominica's folklore. The scenic coastal road leads through fishing villages and Canefield Estate back to Roseau.

## **Community Garden & Creole Cooking Tour**



Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

Welcome to the Nature Isle. Experience its natural beauty by visiting two of its beautiful communities—Eggleston and Giraudel. Your excursion begins with a historical tour through the Old French Quarter of the city of Roseau and the Botanical Gardens. At the Gardens you will see Dominica's National Bird, the Sisserou parrot. You will also encounter some of the island's tallest and most exotic trees. Your tour then continues through Newtown and proceeds to the Fortune community with a scenic mountain drive to the village of Eggleston. Visit a few of the luxuriant flower gardens in this community, then continue to Giraudel village for a flower garden tour conducted by the gardeners themselves. You will also be entertained by a Jing Ping Band. There will be local crafts, souvenirs and cut flowers for sale at this point. Your tour then proceeds to Exotica Guesthouse where will be welcomed with a drink. At Exotica, enjoy a guided tour of the natural and organic gardens, followed by a demonstration of Caribbean Creole cooking by a professional chef, using fresh-picked local vegetables and fruits. Prepare your own meal enjoy the taste of your own cooking with local fruit juices. En route back to the ship you will visit Green Mountain Flower Garden, where the owner will conduct a tour of the flower production facilities, with another opportunity to purchase fresh cut flowers.



## One-Tank Certified Scuba Diving





Approximately 3½ hours • \$\$

Travel by minibus 30 minutes along the Dominican shoreline to a dive shop where you will be equipped for diving at the Soufrière-Scotts Head Marine Reserve. Sites vary from a 1,500-foot wall with an abundance of life, or drifting between a series of pinnacles covered in coral. All equipment and a professional guide included.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit and bring a towel. Waiver release form must be signed. Bring your C-card.

## Kayak & Snorkel Safari





Approximately 3½ hours • \$\$

Explore the untouched rugged coastline of the Nature Isle with a guided kayaking trip from Soufrière to Scotts Head—the perfect way to reach snorkeling sites, bird watch and spot flying fish. At Scotts Head, snorkel from the shallows until you reach the dramatic drop off as your guide identifies the marine life, or helps you to improve your snorkeling technique. The bay is formed by a submerged volcano and is home to an amazing amount of marine life and coral. It is common to see dolphins feeding in the bay. Watch magnificent frigate birds diving for fish.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit; bring a towel and sunscreen.

#### **Champagne Snorkel Safari**





Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

It's just a 15-minute drive south of Roseau through the picturesque village of Pointe Michel to the watersports facility at Champagne. Champagne is Dominica's premier diving and snorkeling site and rates among the top five snorkeling sites in the Caribbean. Underwater geothermal springs vent gasses in the form of thousands of warm bubbles giving you a feeling of swimming through a giant glass of Champagne. The reef here is quite spectacular with a myriad of sea life including sponges, lobster, parrot fish and a resident population of hawksbill turtles. You will be outfitted with high quality snorkeling gear and given an orientation of the facility and the adventure that awaits you on the reef. Tours of the reef are led by professional PADI-certified dive masters who will instruct you on the correct use of your gear and brief you on what you are likely to see and experience once in the water. After your tour, enjoy the comfort and convenience of showers and changing rooms, refreshments, a gift shop and our sundeck overlooking the beautiful Caribbean Sea.

#### Whale Watch & Snorkel Adventure





Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

This scenic boat trip with a very knowledgeable whale naturalist is ideal for sighting the deep-diving sperm whale, pilot whales, false killer whales and dolphins. You will also likely see fish and seabirds. After this memorable whale and dolphin experience, you'll stop for some boatside snorkeling.

Please note: Restrooms on board. Wear your swimsuit under your clothing and bring a towel. Wildlife sightings cannot be guaranteed.

## Whale & Dolphin Safari



Approximately 31/2 hours • \$\$

Board a whale and dolphin watch boat and you'll first hear a boat safety briefing, then some background information on the tour, history, what to look for, whale and dolphin species, and behavior. You will be viewing these animals live in their natural habitat. The boat will take you along the west coast, between two and eight miles offshore searching for cetaceans. Each time the boat stops, hydrophones are put into the water to listen for the clicking of sperm whales, the pinging of pilot whales, the whistling of dolphins and the singing of humpback whales. Most commonly seen animals are sperm, pilot, and false killer whales, spotted, spinner, and bottlenose dolphin. Juice and rum punch are served on the way back to the port.

Please note: The minimum distance for approaching these animals is 50 meters. There is no in-water activity. This is a calving area. The welfare of these animals is of primary concern. This tour enjoys a 90% success rate, but wildlife sightings cannot be guaranteed.

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## **El Yunque Rain Forest Day Hike**



Approximately 5 - 51/2 hours • \$\$

After a scenic one-hour drive, commence an exhilarating two-hour hike (3¾ miles round trip) through the wilderness of the El Yunque Rain Forest. Your guide will relate the history, climate, flora and fauna of the rain forest. Stop briefly at an observation tower for photos. Hike back to the bus and return to the ship.

Please note: Wear hiking boots. Waiver release form must be signed.

## **Bioluminescent Bay Kayak**



Approximately 51/4 hours • \$\$

At sunset this kayak tour leads you to the fascinating Laguna Grande of Fajardo, where you can touch the water and literally make it glow as bioluminescent organisms light up in a manner similar to glow worms or fire flies. A most fascinating natural phenomenon! Your tour includes use of a double kayak, paddles, life jackets, safety equipment, lights, bottle of cold water, and guides.

Please note: Combined weight not to exceed 400 pounds. Not for guests with back or heart problems or pregnant women.

## **Horseback Riding**



Approximately 4 hours • \$\$\$

Ride a gentle but spirited Paso Fino horse along the foothills of the world famous El Yunque tropical rain forest, on trails that are carefully laid out and wind along the shore of the Mamey

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River. This is the heart of the Puerto Rico countryside brimming with the flora and fauna of this lovely area. Horseback riding instruction and an orientation to the rental rules are provided. Guides accompany the group and riders of all levels are welcome.

Please note: From March to October there will be a 30-minute rest stop to relax or swim. Wear your swimsuit under your clothing and bring a towel. Weight limit is 220lbs.

#### **ATV Adventure**





Approximately 31/2 - 4 hours • \$\$

Get ready for the ultimate adventure where you will encounter a unique experience within the foothills of El Yunque Rain Forest. In the heart of Puerto Rico, just 45 minutes from San Juan, you will start your 1½-hour exhilarating All-Terrain Vehicle ride at a hacienda. The ride takes the guests through the foothills of the rain forest and exposes riders to the spectacular scenery of Puerto Rico's east coast as you roam through towering trees, cross creeks and drive through vast rain forest terrain on a two-passenger-design Bombardier four-track ATV.

Please note: Two people per ATV.



#### **Exotic Puerto Rico Latin Traditions Show**



Approximately 21/2 hours (1-hour show) • \$\$

Enjoy a taste of Puerto Rico's heritage in all its spirit and color. In this high-energy, spicy variety show, a guitarist and four or five dancers perform modernized, slightly risqué versions of the mambo, samba, conga, flamenco and the seductive rumba.

Please note: A cocktail is included. Show is not suitable for children. Dress code for the evening is casually elegant. A minimum number of participants must be met in order for this tour to operate.

#### **El Yunque Rain Forest Drive**



Approximately 5 hours • \$\$

Get away from the city for a one-hour drive to the El Yunque Rain Forest—the only tropical rain forest in United States' territory, with tropical woodlands of giant ferns, wild orchids and crystalline waterfalls spread over hills and valleys. You'll stop briefly at La Coca Waterfall, the Natural Pool, the Tourist Recreation Center and the observation tower. At the Natural Pool, take a short stroll on a mostly paved pathway in the forest. Visit a handicrafts shop before the return trip to San Juan.

Please note: Bring a light jacket in case of rain.

## **San Juan City Tour**



Approximately 21/2 hours • \$

Enjoy a drive through 17th-century architecture and along the cobblestone streets of Old San Juan to view fortresses from ages past. See the Cristo Chapel, the stately Governor's Mansion and San José Church. Tale a self-guided visit of San Cristobal Fortress, built in 1634 to protect San Juan Harbor, and continue to the Condado district filled with skyscrapers, high-rise condos and luxurious resorts. Stop in Old San Juan for shopping and from there you can make your own way back to the ship.

## **Old San Juan Historic Walking Tour**





Approximately 21/2 hours • \$

Savor the distinctive Old World flavor of San Juan with a bus ride to San Felipe del Morro Fortress and Military Museum, a treasure on UNESCO's World Heritage List. Visit Ballajá Barracks and the Museum of the Americas—great examples of San Juan's Spanish heritage. Walk past Quincentennial Square and San José Church to visit the Dominican Convent. Your stroll will take you down Cristo Street and Caleta de las Monjasto La Rogativa Monument, the Cristo Chapel and San Juan Bautista Cathedral.

## San Juan City Tour & Bacardi Distillery



Approximately 31/2 hours • \$\$

Learn a little bit of history about this fascinating island and its famous sugar cane drink at Puerto Rico's impressive, 17,000-square-foot Casa Bacardi Visitor Center. The distillery boasts historic use of tiles depicted in murals, beautiful parklike grounds, a museum of the Bacardi family history and the Bacardi shop. Don't miss the fiber-optic multi-media presentation, antique furniture and documents dating back to 1859, the 1930s-style art deco bar and, of course, a taste of the final product! Next, enjoy a drive through Old San Juan to view 17th-century architecture in the cobblestone streets of Old San Juan. Visit San Cristóbal Fortress, constructed in 1634 to protect the city. Continue to the Condado District, a modern area of high-rise condominiums and luxury resorts and back to the ship.

## San Juan Night Life & Shopping



Approximately 2 - 21/2 hours • \$

Discover why Puerto Rico is know as the Shining Star of the Caribbean. In Old San Juan, you will learn a little bit of history about this fascinating island. Driving through the Old Town you will see quaint cobblestone streets and landmarks such as San Cristobal Fortress built in 1634, the capitol building (1925), San Francisco Church, San Juan City Hall, the Governor's Mansion and more. After soaking in the ambience of this ancient city, you will have the opportunity to enjoy some shopping in the Old San Juan area before heading back to your ship.

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#### St. John National Park Island Tour





Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

Arriving in St. John, you will be greeted by your friendly driver who will give you an unforgettable experience of this beautiful island. Your tour will take in some of the most wonderful sights in the Caribbean—white sand beaches, crystal-clear waters, foliage, down island views of the British Virgin Islands—and also stop at some local plantation ruins close to Cinnamon Bay. Back along the north shore coast road, take advantage of viewpoints such as Cinnamon Bay, Trunk Bay and Caneel Bay overlooking the Rockefeller Plantation and Hawksnest Bay (where the movie Four Seasons was filmed)—photo opportunities abound. Finishing at the National Park dock in Cruz Bay, you will have some time to shop and enjoy the quaint village of Cruz Bay.

## St. John Trunk Bay Beach Tour





Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

Experience one of the ten most beautiful beaches in the world at Trunk Bay. This stretch of golden sand draws visitors from all over the world and has been designated a National Park. Bring a beach towel for sunbathing on the beach or perhaps enjoy the shade of palm trees while gazing over the beautiful Caribbean blue waters. Be sure to wear swimwear to enjoy a refreshing dip in the warm water. When weather permits, snorkeling equipment (masks and snorkels) and snorkeling instructions are provided. There is a beach concession available for purchasing light refreshments. After your stay at Trunk Bay, enjoy a sightseeing journey by open-air safari bus back to Cruz Bay.

Please note: The National Park Service may close the snorkel trail in the event of unpredictable or inclement weather.

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#### St. John Eco-Hike





Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

Discover the "Emerald of the Caribbean" on this hike through protected National Park land. From Cruz Bay on St. John, you will then hike along the coast to the lookout point at Lind, en route to Honeymoon Beach, and then on to world-renowned Caneel Bay. This hike has been made famous in both Caribbean Travel & Life and Holiday Travel magazines. During the 90-minute hike (1.2 miles) you will encounter incredible scenery and blooming flora that enhances the beauty of this jewel of an island. Along the way your knowledgeable guide will bring to life the history of St. John as he tells of the Tainos Indians who inhabited the island a thousand years ago. You'll see the tools used by bush doctors and learn about the flowers and trees brought from Africa to the Caribbean and the stories that go with them. A stop is made at Honeymoon Beach for an hour of swimming and relaxing. Afterwards, you will continue along the botanical walk to Caneel Bay to visit these interesting ruins. A short taxi ride takes you back to Cruz Bay. Don't miss this opportunity to experience some of the magic and splendor of the beautiful and unspoiled island of St. John!

Please note: Wear your swimsuit and comfortable walking shoes. Please bring a towel, sunscreen and bottled water.







#### St. John Eco Hike



Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

Discover the "Emerald of the Caribbean" on this hike through protected National Park land. A scenic ferry ride will take you to Cruz Bay on St. John, then you'll hike along the coast. During the two-hour hike (1¼ miles) you will stop at Honeymoon Beach for a swim. Continue along the botanical walk to Caneel Bay to visit some ruins. A short taxi ride takes you back to the ferry.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit; bring a towel, sunscreen and water.

## Mini Boats & Hidden Beaches





Approximately 31/2 - 4 hours • \$\$

Revel in the adventure of a lifetime captaining or being the first mate of your own private vessel. This exciting escape begins with a safari ride to the marina. Your guide will greet you and provide an orientation for your adventure. Board your "mini boat" and head out into the open water for a scenic ride along the southern coastline until you arrive at your gorgeous destination—beautiful Christmas Cove, where there is excellent snorkeling in clear, emerald waters. Here, you can bask in the sun, swim or snorkel in the water as you observe the beautiful coral and fish that inhabit this area. At the end of your boating adventure you will wind down at the marina with rum punch or soft drinks while awaiting your safari bus to take you back to your cruise ship.

Please note: Snorkeling equipment is included. Wear sunscreen, a hat and aqua shoes; bring a towel. Minimum age to drive the boat is 18 years.

## St. Thomas Ocean Racing





Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

Be part of a racing team aboard one of two ocean-racing Round-the-World yachts, complete with racing skippers and crew.

Teams and roles are assigned in the briefing area, and a safety brief details how to use life jackets, etc. Then, get out onto the water to compete in a race against another team. The sails are hoisted and you will practice your role with tacking, jibing, trimming sails or grinding a winch. After the race, switch roles and even have a chance to take the helm before heading back to the dock. Celebrate with a rum punch party on board or back at the base while viewing photos of your race (available for purchase). Browse in the gift shop selling clothing and merchandise.

Please note: Below deck, there is ample sheltered seating and a restroom. A minimum of 10 guests per yacht will be required. Each boat is exclusive to a cruise ship, adding to the competitive element!



## **Downtown Shopping & Beach Getaway**



Approximately 5½ hours • \$

The best of both worlds means bargain shopping and relaxing on a beautiful beach! You will be transported from the pier to downtown Charlotte Amalie for two hours of shopping. Browse for bargains on jewelry, electronics, and much more. After you have accumulated your gifts and treasures, you will be driven back to the ship where you will have 45 minutes to drop off your belongings in your cabin and get ready for the beach. A scenic drive from the pier brings you to Sapphire Beach. Enjoy two hours of relaxation and swimming in the crystal-clear waters.

Please note: Bring a towel, hat and sunscreen. A restaurant, cash bar, beach rentals, and restroom facilities are available at the beach.

#### St. John: National Park Island Tour



Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

Arriving at St. John by ferry, take in some of the best sights in the Caribbean—white sand beaches, clear waters, foliage, plantation ruins, Cinnamon Bay, Trunk Bay and Caneel Bay. Finishing at the National Park dock, you'll have some time in the quaint village of Cruz Bay before a ferry returns you to St. Thomas.

#### Paradise Tram & St. Peter Greathouse



Approximately 31/2 hours • \$\$

Traveling upwards on Crown Mountain Road you will catch a breathtaking view of your ship and the town of Charlotte Amalie, named after a Danish Queen. See the spectacular rugged northern coastline beaches of St. Thomas en route to St. Peter Greathouse—formerly a private hideaway of the super-rich with classic Caribbean architecture, native stonework, and panoramic views. Enjoy a drink before beginning your descent from the top of St. Thomas to Drake's Seat overlooking the heart-shaped beach of Magen's Bay. Your final destination is the Paradise Point Tramway. The smooth, 15-minute round trip ride will whisk you to 700 feet above the sea—an entirely different perspective of the harbor and your cruise ship below while you enjoy a refreshing beverage. All too soon, you will arrive back at the pier.

## St. Thomas Island Tour & Mountain Top



Approximately 2 hours • \$

Take in some of the most breathtaking sights that the Caribbean has to offer—Bluebeard's Castle (now a famous hotel) from Mafolie Hill, Blackbeard's Tower and the town of Charlotte Amalie with its picturesque red roofs. Louisenhoj Castle is located along the way to Drake's seat, where Sir Francis Drake reviewed his fleet. From here, travel winding mountain roads to Mountain Top, with a fabulous view of Magen's Bay Beach—one of the top ten beaches in the world. In the town of Charlotte Amalie, disembark for shopping or continue back to the ship.

## **Tropical Paradise Island Tour & Skyride**



Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

Ride the Paradise Point Tramway 700 feet up Flag Hill. The 15-minute round trip ride offers a panoramic view of the harbor. From Valdemar Hill, your driver will point out Blackbeard's Castle, Bluebeard's Castle and Fort Christian, and you'll continue to Drakes Seat—a former lookout spot for pirates—and Mountain Top. In Charlotte Amalie, you may disembark the bus and stay in town to shop, making your own way back to the ship.

## The Magic of Butterflies, Birds & Fauna



Approximately 3 - 31/2 hours • \$\$

Welcome to St. Thomas' photographer's dream tour. You'll find yourself surrounded by hundreds of the world's most beautiful butterflies in a lush tropical garden that is the playground of these "flowers of the sky." Observe the life cycle of these fascinating creatures as they change from eggs to caterpillars to chrysalis before their final transformation to butterflies. The guide will explain the extraordinary miracle of metamorphosis. High over Magen's Bay visit another nature trail in beautiful St. Peters Estate, which abounds with countless tropical foliage, flowers, orchids and fruit trees. Feed the parrots, lovebirds and lorikeets in a tropical "jungle" setting with gurgling waterfalls. See beautiful peacocks and enjoy a tropical drink. Feel free to explore the rest of the estate with spectacular views from Crown Mountain before your return to town or your ship.

Please note: Only small collapsible wheelchairs are allowed";, no electrical or big wheelchairs can be accommodated. Wheelchair lifts are not available for boarding the bus.



## St. John Trunk Bay Beach Tour



Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

Travel by ferry to Trunk Bay, on the island of St. John. This stretch of golden sand draws visitors from all over the world and is a National Park. Swim, sunbathe on the beach, or enjoy the shade of palm trees and the beautiful Caribbean waters. Snorkeling equipment and instruction are provided. Enjoy sightseeing by open-air bus, then board the ferry back to St. Thomas.

Please note: The National Park Service may close the snorkel trail in the event of unpredictable or inclement weather. Wear your swimsuit; bring a towel, sunscreen and hat.

#### **Coral World Ocean Park**



Approximately 3½ hours ● \$

Enjoy a scenic drive to Coral World Ocean Park where you will be greeted by park staff for an introduction to the marine life of the Caribbean. You will be provided with a colorful souvenir map for a self-guided tour exploring Coral World's exciting marine attractions for two hours. Encounter sharks, stingrays and turtles, and many other colorful flora and fauna of the Caribbean. You may soak up the sun or swim in the crystal-clear waters of Coki Beach, right next door. This tour includes airconditioned transportation to and from Coral World, admission, beach, and use of shower facilities. You will have ample time to find a gift or souvenir at one of Coral World's unique gift shops or enjoy a refreshment at one of its restaurants. Coral World is 85% wheelchair accessible. Limited spaces are available on the air-conditioned transportation for physically-challenged passengers in motorized and non-motorized wheelchairs and scooters, so please see the on-board shore excursion staff to reserve a space!

#### **Sea Trekking Helmet Dive**





Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

This is a marine odyssey and helmet walk on the floor of the Caribbean Sea. Your guide will lead you along a trail marked with a handrail, 10-18 feet below the surface of the water. You will trek around coral reefs and see abundant marine life up close. A Sea Trekking helmet keeps your face and hair dry as it provides air, weight and stability—no experience required!

Please note: Medical restrictions apply. Waiver release form must be signed. Minimum age is 8 with a participating parent or guardian. Minimum weight is 80lbs.

#### St. Thomas Certified Scuba



Approximately 41/2 hours • \$\$

Experienced Scuba enthusiasts—take a dive! On this two-tank reef and wreck dive, a power catamaran will take you along the beautiful southern shore of St. Thomas to a vibrant reef. This dive, normally to a maximum depth of 60 feet, will be followed by a shallower second dive over one of St. Thomas' incredible shipwrecks. Limited to certified divers. Wet suit rental is \$10.

Please note: Bring your C-card. Minimum age is 10 years.

## **Coral World Snorkeling & Beach Outing**



Approximately 3 hours • \$

Transfer by open-air bus from the pier to Coral World Underwater Observatory and Marine Park. In a three-story Observatory Tower, built right in the ocean, descend below the surface to view a spectacular and ever-changing parade of marine life outside the 24 picture windows. Just a few yards away, snorkeling equipment and fish food are provided for an introduction to snorkeling (experienced snorkelers are welcome too!) The fish will eat out of your hand! After snorkeling, there's time to lounge on the pristine beach and buy refreshments.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit and bring a towel. Waiver release form must be signed. Participants must understand English.

## **Discover Scuba Diving Experience**



Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

Ever since you were a kid, you've wanted to try scuba diving. Now you can! The Discover Scuba Diving Experience is simple, fun and easy. This tour is designed for the non-diver as an introduction to scuba diving. This is a standardized program and will count as the start of your PADI certification course. You'll receive a short lesson on scuba basics and then take a skills practice session in waist-deep water before exploring the reef with your instructor on a shallow dive. Throughout your scuba adventure, you will receive expert instruction from a PADI-certified diving instructor. This experience lasts about 45 minutes, allowing plenty of time to snorkel either before or after the dive. The beach is nestled in a wonderful setting and is well known for its abundant fish, large varieties of hard and soft corals, sponges and reef creatures. This tour is an excellent opportunity for up-close encounters and taking photos of tropical fish.

Please note: Waiver release form must be signed. Medical restrictions apply. All equipment is included.

## Kayak, Hike & Snorkel Cas Cay



Approximately 31/2 hours • \$\$

Explore and learn about the Mangrove Lagoon ecosystem in the Wildlife and Marine Sanctuary, accompanied by award-winning, informative nature guides. Your adventure begins with a fun orientation, then you'll board a kayak and enjoy exploring through the many islets while learning about the lagoon's ecosystem. Look for large iguanas and many birds including egrets, herons, pelicans, frigates, terns, warblers and hummingbirds. Snorkel in the clear protected waters of a beautiful coral-fringed mangrove nursery to look for eagle rays, turtles, juvenile barracuda, tropical reef fish and colorful and abundant juvenile marine life, or choose to explore the coral beach. After snorkeling, paddle back to the marina by kayak, and browse in the gift shop before returning to the ship.

Please note: Beginner-rated snorkel experience includes snorkel

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equipment, safety vest, snorkel lesson, beverages and snack. Wear your swimsuit and bring water shoes, a towel, a hat and sunscreen.



## Castaway Girl Barefoot Sail & Snorkel at Shipwreck Cove





Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

Sail to Turtle Cove, Buck Island on a sailing catamaran or a gaff-rigged schooner. You will drop anchor in magnificent Turtle Cove, where there is ample time for excellent snorkeling both for the experienced and novice alike among brilliant corals and colorful fish. After the swim time, refreshments will be served.

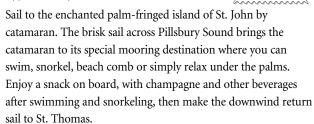
Please note: Wear your swimsuit and bring a towel, hat and sunscreen. Step into the water from a boat ladder. There is no beach access and life vests are required for all. If the weather is inclement, you will snorkel over a sunken wreck in Wreck Cove instead.

## **Champagne Catamaran Sail** & Snorkel to St. John





Approximately 4 hours • \$\$



Please note: Snorkel gear and instruction included. Bring your swimsuit, towel, sunglasses and sunscreen. Snorkel site may vary.

## general information

## **Atlantis Submarine Expedition at Buck Island**





Approximately 2 hours (45-minute dive) • \$\$

Transfer across the harbor by ferry, then see the breathtaking world beneath the waves from a private submarine. Comfortably seated inside, you'll marvel at the sealife at a depth of 90 feet, as the sub begins its journey through Snapper Valley in search of octopus, lobsters, moray eels and much more.

Please note: Minimum age is 5 years.

## **Ultimate Undersea Exploration**



Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

Travel by open-air safari bus to Coral World, and board the luxury Nautilus sub-see explorer to venture out to Shark Island. See the beauty of the coral reef from the 40-window, panoramic, underwater viewing cabin. Enjoy the top-side views on the way out or back from the spacious observation deck. After your ride, view and learn more about the ocean at the Coral World Marine Park or join an instructor for a snorkel adventure. Tame fish will surround you as you take some memorable photos.

Please note: Includes admission to Coral World and snorkel gear.

#### guides, services & transportation:

In certain interesting but off-the-beaten-track places, professional guides and vehicles are at a premium. The best available are engaged. For all tours other than the Signature Collection, it is exceptional for drivers of public hire vehicles to speak any language but their own and it is not always possible to obtain air-conditioned buses or taxis in many ports. However, we do our utmost to find the very best excursion packages for your touring pleasure. Guests who leave during a tour for which transportation is included must thereafter provide for their own transportation and services at their own expense. Transportation standards vary from country to country.

#### self-guided excursions:

Guests who do not join these prearranged shore excursions must rely on whatever transportation is available in each port. If you choose to devise your own excursion, we suggest that you remind the driver or tour escort of the ship's sailing time. Of course, the ship's facilities are fully available to guests while in port.

#### conditions:

Shore excursions are "Non-Holland America Line Services" for the purposes of your Cruise Contract. This means that shore excursions are not owned or operated by Holland America. Refer to your Cruise Contract for a full statement of your rights and obligations as well as those of the Owner of the Ship, Holland America Line Inc. and certain other persons and entities with respect to Non-Holland America Line Services. In particular, please note that you are assuming the entire risk of utilizing Non-Holland America Line Services subject only to whatever terms or arrangements are made by you or on your behalf with the third party furnishing the Non-Holland America Line Services. Holland America does not assume liability for injuries or damages that occur during or as a result of shore excursions, nor is Holland America Line liable for loss of or damage to any baggage or other property which occurs ashore, for any reason whatsoever. Shore excursions are subject to cancellations or changes. Shore excursion operators reserve the right to deny participation to guests based on such criteria as they may establish. Children under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or responsible adult aged 21 or older.

#### about pricing, refunds & cancellations:

Rates and descriptions are current as of the printing date. Prices are subject to change without notice and descriptions may vary from the actual tour provided. All cancellations that are made less than 5 days prior to cruise departure are subject to a 10% cancellation fee. There will be no exceptions. In addition, if you cancel your tour reservation after the booking deadline stated in the Shore Excursion Planning Form on board, or if you cancel a Signature Collection private vehicle tour, a 100% cancellation fee will apply since transportation and services will have already been arranged.