Welcome

TLC VILLAS

Your dedicated Property Manager is available to assist you with all your vacation needs and to answer any questions about the property.

In case of a medical emergency or fire, please call 911. Otherwise call Cooper or Tori at the numbers below.

Wifi network name:

Wifi password:



ABOUT THE SPACE

- Fresh towels and linens provided
- Beach towels provided
- · Beach chairs provided
- Pool
- High-Definition Smart TV's
- Washer & Dryer in unit

- High speed Wifi (unlimited access)
- Games and Puzzles
- Parking
- Air Conditioning
- · Water is completely safe for drinking
- Toiletries



Your property manager is Cooper | 340-693-4900 Cooper@tlcvillas.com Assistant Property Manager: Tori | 340-725-4908 <u>Torir@tlcvillas.com</u>

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ABOUT THE PROPERTY MANAGERS

TLC is a locally based property management company led by Virgin Islands residents who live and work on-island. We take a hands-on, personal approach to property management. Our team is here when it counts-on the ground, available to meet with guests, respond to maintenance needs, and handle your property with the attention it deserves.

We pride ourselves on responsive communication, competitive pricing, and delivering a high standard of service rooted in trust and accountability. Whether you're a homeowner seeking reliable oversight or a guest looking for a seamless experience, we're here to help. At TLC, you are not just a client, you are part of the community, and we manage your property like it's our own.

CONTACT INFORMATION

EMAIL

info@tlcvillas.com

PHONE

+1 -340 - 693 - 8222

MAILING

1026 Norre Gade, St. Thomas, VI 00802

- 5+ star reviews
- · Always on call
- Response time: 30 minutes
- Verified
- Response rate: 100%
- Close by property

Cooper + Tori







Emergency Numbers

TO HAVE HANDY

Emergency | 911

Police Department | 340-774-2211 Fire Departments | 340-774-7610

Taxi Service

Taxis are easy to find going up, but hard to find going down.

Hamilton's Taxi & Island Tour | 340-776-6259 Cell: 340-473-6136 Star Fish Tours & Taxi Services, LLC | 340-998-6139 St John Taxi Service | 340-693-7530 Chico | 340-690-6507 Merv Powell | 340-513-8562 Marvin | 340-690-0075

Medical

Community Health Clinic | 340-693-8900 Cruz Bay Family Practice | 340-776-6789 Cruz Bay Family Dental Practice | 340-776-6789 Chelsea Drug Store 340-776-4888

Air Ambulances

AAEMS | 800-558-5387 A Air Ambulance | 800-631-6565 Air Ambulance | 800-633-3590 Aero-Jet Air Ambulance | 888-840-2376 American Air Ambulance | 800-225-3538 Emergency Air Ambulance | 340-778-9177 MASA | 340-777-8580



CHECK IN

Check-in time is 4 pm. We understand that travel schedules can vary, and we are happy to accommodate early check-in requests when possible. If you would like to inquire about an early check-in, please contact us in advance of your arrival. While we cannot guarantee availability, we will do our best to accommodate your request based on scheduling and property readiness. The code will be the last four digits of the cell phone number provided for the reservation. When you arrive at the condo, please enter the four digit code followed by the check button.

CHECK OUT

Check-out time is 10 am sharp. As a friendly reminder, Housekeeping and/or your Property Manager will arrive promptly at 10 am to begin preparing the villa for the next guests. Before departing, please doublecheck for any personal belongings. You are welcome to leave condiments in the refrigerator or any other items you wish to leave for your concierge or the housekeeping team. We kindly ask that you take all trash with you to the dump on your way into town. Please turn off all lights, air conditioning units, and electronics, run the dishwasher, and lock the front door. Your cooperation helps us maintain the high standards of care and hospitality which define the TLC Villas experience.

CANCELLATIONS

If you cancel the reservation by written notice at any time prior to the date that is sixty (60)** days prior to commencement of the rental period, we will refund all monies paid thus far, minus a processing fee of 3.5% if the reservation deposit was paid by credit card. NO REFUND will be made for any cancellation, for any reason other than major hurricanes, on or following the date that is sixty (60) days** prior to commencement of the rental period.
**120 days for Holiday weeks:
Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Years.

INSTRUCTIONS



LOCAL THINGS TO KNOW

QUICK STATS

The island of St. john is just 9 miles long and 5 miles wide.

Coordinates: 18°20′N 64°44′W

Avg temp: Winter 77F, Summer 82F

Area code: 340

Currency: US Dollar

Driving: Drive on the LEFT

Time zone: USVI is in the Atlantic
Standard time zone. We do not
recognize daylight saving time so we
are on the same time as Florida from
Spring to Fall during daylight saving
time and one hour ahead for the rest of
the year.

Dress Code: St. John is a casual island – with the exception of fine-dining restaurants. Most islanders wear light breathable cotton clothing, sun dresses, shorts, tee shirts, polo shirts, shorts and casual pants, sandals, sneakers, hiking shoes. Swimsuits should **not** be worn into town or while shopping.

Television / Cable / Wifi: The condo offers cable and wireless Internet services. These services on the island are historically unreliable and we cannot guarantee their functionality throughout your stay. If you should lose either of these services during your stay, we will work diligently to ensure they are restored as soon as possible!

Banks: Most island banks are open Monday to Thursday 8:30 am to 3 pm, and Friday 8:30 am to 4 pm. Most ATMs are located in Cruz Bay.

Just A Few Things To Remember About

MOTHER NATURE

HURRICANE SEASON

August and September are the months with historically high numbers of hurricanes in the US Virgin Islands. Hurricanes in July and October are much rarer.

BUGS

Mosquitoes and No-see-ums are the most common bugs. Mosquitoes are worst after a strong rain. Wear long lose-fitting clothing – especially if you're out for the evening – and apply insect repellant.

POWER OUTAGES/WAPA

WAPA stands for the Virgin Islands Water and Power Authority, the public utility responsible for providing electricity and potable water to the U.S. Virgin Islands, including St. John.

While we strive to provide a seamless and comfortable experience during your stay, please note that occasional power outages

do occur on St. John due to our remote island infrastructure and unpredictable tropical weather. These outages are typically short-lived, but in some cases, they may last longer, especially during periods of heavy rain or wind.

Unfortunately, we do not have control over when or how these interruptions happen–Mother Nature tends to follow her own schedule. That said, our team is always available to assist in any way we can to help make you more comfortable while service is being restored. We have flashlights handy for you at the property. We recommend charging devices when power is available, and enjoying the opportunity to unplug and take in the natural beauty of the island. If you need anything during an outage, do not hesitate to reach out—we're here to help.

IMPORTANT!

When WAPA is out, we do ask you to PLEASE NOT USE WATER or flush toilets during the outage.

RINKING TAP WATER

Most water on St. John and across the Caribbean and Virgin Islands is rainwater collected from the roof and stored in a cistern. Sunset Ridge Villas does have a multi-stage water filtration system-so the water is perfectly safe to drink.

WILL MY CELL PHONE WORK ON ST JOHN?

This depends on the service provider; most carriers provide good signal in and around Cruz Bay. Signal on the Coral Bay side and south to Salt Pond and Lameshur is weak to non-existent. Check with your service provider to confirm that they service the Virgin Islands and that you won't incur any roaming charges!

ELECTRICITY

Electricity is very expensive on the island, about four times higher than the states, so please help conserve and turn off A/C and lights when not home. Outages are rare but do happen. An outage map can be found at **www.viwapa.vi**.

TIPPING CULTURE

Tipping for great service is the same as on the U.S. mainland: 18% to 20% or so for restaurant service.

DRINKING / GAMBLING

Drinking/gambling age: The legal drinking age is 18 years and the legal gambling age is 21.

ADVICE

Start out any conversation with a "Good morning," "Good afternoon," or "Good evening." Leave out this introduction and you'll start out on the wrong foot!

NO PASSPORT NEEDED

You do not need a passport to travel to any of the U.S. Virgin Islands or Puerto Rico; however, you DO need a passport if you would like to travel to any of the nearby British Virgin Islands.

Important Numbers For

RENTAL CAR AGENCIES

St. John has a variety of rental car Jeep agencies to choose from. We have our favorite, but a quick search on any St. John travel forum will turn up traveler reviews. Remember, St. John is a mountainous Caribbean island. Our roads twist and turn this way and that! And sometimes the roads are wet from rain and/or not well maintained. We recommend 4WD vehicles! And please ...drive on the LEFT!

Aqua Blu Car Rental www.aquablucarrental.com 340-776-2782

Bougainvillea Leasing Ltd. **www.stjohnjeeps.com** 800-253-7107

C & C Car Rental **www.cccarrental.com** 340-693-8164

Cool Breeze Jeep/Car Rental www.coolbreezecarrental.com 340-776-6588

Conrad Sutton Jeep & Car Rental **www.conradcars.com** 340-776-6479

Courtesy Car & Jeep Rental **www.courtesycarrental.com** 340-776-6650

Denzil Clyne Car Rental 340-776-6715 Island Hopping Rentals

www.islandhoppingrentals.com

340-228-2229

L&L Jeep Rental **www.bookajeep.com** 340-776-1120

Lionel Jeep Rental **www.lioneljeeprentals.com** 340-693-8764

Mr. Piper's Jeeps **www.mrpipersjeeps.com** 340-693-7580

Slim Man's Jeep Rental **www.slimmansjeeprental.com** 508-932-2737

Sunshine's Jeep Rental **www.sunshinesjeeprental.com** 340-690-1786

Parking in Cruz Bay

STRESS FREE PARKING

Here's a list of PAY and FREE options around Cruz Bay listed from farthest to nearest to the downtown ferry dock.

DMV Lot – FREE | Gets a fair amount of traffic – so park at your own risk. Located across and down the hill from the fire station and just above the tennis courts. 10 minute walk to town.

Mongoose Junction – FREE | You must be shopping at one of the shops or restaurants!

National Park Visitor's Center – FREE | Just find a spot. After 5 pm, the back lot opens up.

Gravel Lot – PAY | Inexpensive, long term parking located by the car barge and across from the tennis courts.

L&L Lot - PAY | Located by the police station and Extra Virgin on Prince Street. Convenient to downtown Cruz Bay.

Slim Man's – PAY | Located just up the street from the ferry dock – across from Wharfside Village.

Lumberyard Parking – PAY | Convenient to downtown shops and restaurants. The largest paid lot in town with 60 spaces. Located across from Inter Island Ferry on Cruz Bay Road. Close parking for boat trips! **www.lumberyardstjohn.com**

During High Season (November – May) parking can be a challenge and the limited free in town parking fills up quickly. If you rented a car from an agency in town, it's possible they allow parking at their business as a perk. People do find space on the street but that comes at the risk of being ticketed.

GROCERIES AND PROVISIONS

The markets are pricey on St. John compared to what you are used to. If you like good steak or seafood, consider purchasing items in the states and bringing them down frozen. Similarly, the same can be true of wine. The selection of good wines is sparse and the prices for wine are outrageous. Food and beer are reasonable enough for an island.

The most extensive selection is at the Starfish Market, but the prices range from 25%-50% more per item. Dolphin Market is similar in price but with a more limited selection. The best prices are consistently at Pine Peace Mini Mart. They do not have much in the way of produce and meats, but they always have the best prices on almost all other items. So, you could do Starfish Market for fresh meat, Dolphin Market for produce (including organic) and Pine Peace Mini Mart for all liquor items.

Starfish Market

www.starfishmarket.com

5000 - 4A Estate Enighed, Route 107, Cruz Bay, St. John, VI 00830 Store Hours: Monday - Sunday | Starfish Market: 7:30 am - 9 pm Starfish Gourmet & Wine: 8 am - 8:30 pm

Dolphin Market

www.dolphinmarkets.com

18-25 Boulon Center, Cruz Bay, St. John, USVI 0083113 Estate Carolina, Coral Bay, St. John, USVI 0083Two store locations with online shopping available. Hours 7 am-10 pm.

Pine Peace Mini Mart

6MB Enighed, Route 104, Cruz Bay, St. John, VI 00830 Great prices on beer and standard grocery items. 340- 693-8725. Hours 7 am-10 pm.

Calabash Market

Coral Bay, St. John 00830, USVI (located just east of Shipwreck Landing) Store House: 7 am to 10 pm, 7 days a week

St. John Provisions

340-690-4131

Cuisine: grab and go

IN-VILLA FINE DINING

Stay in, relax, and leave the cooking to a professional chef. These private chefs know their way around the kitchen and will leave you wanting more. Be sure to book ahead for your evening (especially if it's a special occasion like a birthday or anniversary).

Passion Fruit Chefs www.passionfruitchefs.com

Chef Vincent Alterio www.chefvincentalterio.com

Oasis Private Chefs www.oasisprivatechefs.com

St. John Catering & Mathayom Private Chefs www.stjohncatering.com

East West Catering www.eastwestcatering.com

Ted's Supper Club www.tedssupperclub.com

Same & Jacks Catering www.samandjackscatering.com

Shaibu's Gourmet Grab & Go and Catering www.oasisprivatechefs.com 919-537-1300

Diveln www.privatechefvi.com

PLACES OF WORSHIP, ST. JOHN, USVI

Freshwater Church

Sunday Mornings in the pavilions at Hawksnest Beach on St. John. Worship begins at 10 am. Or you can watch live on the sermons page, or Facebook, or YouTube.

Dress is casual, some even wearing bathing suits and cover-ups for a post-Church swim in the ocean. Service lasts about an hour to an hour and fifteen minutes.

During the Sermon, Children's Church for kids aged 3 to 10 with a Bible story, craft and snack.

Over 1400 vacationers a year visit Freshwater Church on the beach. Their Facebook page has the most up-to-date information on all their activities. (@FreshwaterChurchVI).

Nazareth Lutheran Church

Cruz Bay, one block from dock Sunday 9 am, Sunday School 8 am 340-776 6731

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church

Right in town across from Beach Bar Parking lot Tuesday - 6 pm, Wed through Friday - 7 am, Sat - 6 pm, Sunday - 7:30 am, 9:30 am

St. Ursula's Anglican Church

Sunday 7:30 am & 10:30 am, Third Sunday 9:30 am 340-693 8580





INGREDIENTS IN A PAINKILLER:

- 2 oz. of Pusser's Rum
- 4 oz. Pineapple juice
- 1 oz Orange juice
- 1 oz Cream of coconut
- Top with fresh grated
 Grenadian nutmeg

DIRECTIONS:

Pour the Pusser's Rum, pineapple juice, orange juice and cream of coconut into a large cocktail shaker. Shake vigorously to mix ingredients. Fill a tall glass with ice. Pour in the rum and juice mix. Top with fresh grated nutmeg. And get ready to make another one!

FROZEN PAINKILLER

Bump up the "cool" factor by doubling the ingredients above and dropping them in a blender! Hit blend/grind until it's a thick icy consistency. Pour into two tall glass. Garnish with fresh ground nutmeg and serve!:

WHAT'S A PAINKILLER DRINK?

This iconic cocktail has become famous across the globe. It's cool and refreshing. The warmth of the rum combines perfectly with the sweet cool flavors of pineapple and orange juice. Add a bit of coconut and nutmeg to round out the taste in this famous tropical drink. No wonder it's arguably the most asked for cocktail in the Virgin Islands!

The Story of the Painkiller

The Painkiller cocktail was born at the Soggy Dollar Bar on Jost Van Dyke in the British Virgin Islands. Created by Daphne Henderson, it quickly became a hit among visiting boaters. Word spread, making it a Caribbean favorite.

Charles Tobias, founder of Pusser's Rum, tried to learn the secret recipe from Daphne but had no luck. Undeterred, he reverse-engineered it himself, eventually landing on the now-classic 4:1:1:1 ratio of Pusser's Rum, pineapple juice, orange juice, and cream of coconut—a version that became the widely accepted standard.

Just A Few Things To Remember

NATIONAL PARK

Legislation was passed by Congress on August 2, 1956, to authorize the establishment of the Virgin Islands National Park. This act limited the potential acreage of the Park to 9,485 acres on St. John (an island of 12,500 acres) and 15 acres on St. Thomas. In 1962, the boundary of the Virgin Islands National Park was expanded to include 5.650 acres of offshore areas (waters and submerged lands). They include coral reefs, mangrove shorelines and seagrass beds. The boundary was again expanded in 1978 to include Hassel Island located in the St. Thomas harbor. Together with water, the area is about 5.650 acres.

THE BEACHES OF VIRGIN ISLANDS NATIONAL PARK

The white sand beaches of the Virgin Islands have a well-deserved reputation for being among the most beautiful beaches in the world. Picture-postcard beaches fringe Hawksnest Bay, Trunk Bay, Cinnamon Bay, Saltpond Bay and many of St. John's other sheltered coves.

CONTACT THE PARK

1300 Cruz Bay Creek St. John, VI 00830 340-776-6201 x238



Just A Few Things To Remember

NATIONAL PARK

Sand is brought to the island shore by waves, tides, and currents. The sand comes from two primarily sources within the bay, marine algae that grows just offshore and from living coral reefs. Both, when broken down into tiny fragments, make sand. Without the algae and the reefs, the ready supply of sand would disappear, as would, in time, the beaches.

VISITOR CENTER

Cruz Bay Visitor Center is only a five minute walk away from the public ferry dock. The visitor center is the ideal place to start your park explorations. The center contains exhibits, a park video, brochures, maps, and books.

COSTS & FEES

Virgin Islands National Park has no admission or entrance fees.

Donations are accepted. There is a donation box available at the Cruz Bay Visitor Center.

Trunk Bay is the only beach on St. John that you'll have to pay to access and use. Fees as of 2017 are as follows: Children age 16 and under are admitted free; adults, \$5.00; individual annual pass, \$20.00; family annual pass, \$30.00.



Local Attractions

THINGS TO DO

Your guide to unforgettable beaches, off-thebeaten-path adventures, and serene escapes.



THE HISTORY OF ST. JOHN

St. John's rich history stretches back over 2,700 years, with early settlements by Indigenous peoples who migrated from South America. The Taino Indians established small villages in sheltered bays, practiced agriculture, and are credited with carving the island's famous Petroglyphs near sacred freshwater pools. Christopher Columbus named the islands, but permanent European settlement did not begin until the Danes claimed St. John in 1718 to cultivate sugar cane. By 1733, the island hosted over 100 plantations, dependent on enslaved Africans, many of whom led a major revolt that same year.

Slavery was abolished in 1848, leading to the collapse of the plantation economy and a sharp population decline. Formerly enslaved people settled the land, and small-scale farming and fishing became the primary way of life. In 1917, the U.S. purchased the Virgin Islands from Denmark, and tourism began taking root by the 1930s. A major turning point came in 1956, when Laurence Rockefeller donated 5,000 acres to create Virgin Islands National Park.

Today, with over 7,200 acres of protected land and 5,600 acres of marine reserve, St. John balances its deep cultural roots with growing tourism and development.

ACTIVITIES

Arguably St. John's greatest resource is the crystal clear waters that surround the island. Captivating and inviting ...they provide the perfect setting for visitors to enjoy a wide array of water sports. Whether your perfect day on St. John includes a charter boat excursion, snorkeling adventure, paddle board, kayaking, windsurfing, diving, deep sea fishing or discovering St. John's secluded beaches. You're sure to enjoy all that the island has to offer!

ACTIVITIES

- Boating Choose Private or Public. Powerboat or Sailboat, Provisioned or not, BVIs or USVIs | call for additional information
- Cruz Bay Visitor Center | 340-776-6201 | National park dock
- Horseback Riding | 340-693-5778 | Carolina Corral | Coral Bay
- Dingy/ Bareboat rentals | 340-201-6881 | Wharfside Watersports
- Deep Sea sport fishing | Caribbean Alibi | 340-626-7122
- Deep Sea sport fishing | Double Header | 340-777-7317
- Kayak/Snorkel Tours | Westin, Maho Beach, Cinnamon Bay, Trunk |
 Trunk Bay underwater snorkel trail
- Night kayak I Westin | Book online through Trip Advisor
- Massage Therapist | See pamphlets for options
- Art Clay classes | Coral Bay | Pottery in Paradise | 340-514-6594
- Art Shop/exhibitions | Bajo El Sol Gallery | 340-693-7070
- SCUBA | Low Key Watersports | 340-693-8999
- SNUBA | VI snuba | 340-693-8063
- Stand Up Paddleboard | Cinnamon Bay, Maho, St John rentals
- Parasailing | Parasail Virgin islands | 340-227-8303
- Water Island | Ferry located in Crown Bay
- Lovango Island | Ferry located at Inter-Island ferry
- Yoga | Studio | Love City Yoga
- Sup Yoga | Private lessons
- Sunset Sail champagne & Hors d'oeuvres | Westin Hotel | Book on www.cruzbaywatersport.com
- Casino | 340-715-2582 | The Parrot Club | Wharfside Cruz Bay

FOOD & DRINK

- Beach Bar \$ bar, American, live music, happy hour, all meals
- The Banana Deck \$\$\$ bar, American,
 Caribbean, seafood
- Cruz Bay Landing \$\$ bar, pub, American, Caribbean, cafe
- Drink St John \$\$ Bar, American, sunset views, live music
- S. John Back Bar- \$ Chinese, Asian, fusion
- Every-Ting Kurry, VI \$ Caribbean
- Greengo's Cantina \$\$ Mexican
- High Tide Restaurant \$\$ bar, seafood,
 American, Caribbean
- Inn at Tamarind Court \$\$ American,
 breakfast
- Lime Inn \$\$ bar, Caribbean, American, seafood, tacos
- Little Olive \$ Food Truck, Mediterranean,
 Greek, vegetarian-friendly
- Lovango Rum Bar \$\$ Pizza, Salads, Bar, live music
- Paulies \$ DELI, sandwiches
- The Refinery \$\$ bar, Caribbean

- Ronnie's Pizza \$ pizza
- Sam + Jacks Deli \$ DELI
- St John Back Bar \$ Asian Fushian
- Sun Dog Cafe \$\$ American, Caribbean,
 grill
- Tap & Still \$ American, Burgers, milkshakes, happy hour
- The Longboard \$\$ Casual, Caribbean,
 Happy hour
- The Tap Room \$\$ St John Brewer's bar, pub, pizza, wings, Happy hour
- Uncle Joe's BBQ \$ BBQ
- Upstairs bar- \$- American, bar, comfort
- Woody's Seafood Saloon \$ bar,
 American, seafood, pub, Happy hour
- Shambles \$ American, Burgers, happy hour
- The Windmill Bar \$\$ bar, pub, American, grill, live music, happy hour

Brunch

- Cruz Bay Landing
- High Tide Bar & Seafood Grill
- The Banana Deck
- Sun Dog Cafe
- Tamarind Court Restaurant and Bar

Late Night Fun

- Woody's Seafood Saloon
- The Beach Bar
- Drink VI
- Cap's Place
- The Parrot Club Casino

Places To Eat and Drink

FINER DINING

CRUZ BAY

Extra Virgin Bistro 340-715-1864
Dave & Jerry's 340-779-9614
Speakeasy 340- 210-5002
La Tapa 340-693-7755
The Terrace 340-779-8550
Ocean 362 340-776-001
Wine Shop 340-714-3944

MONGOOSE JUNCTION

Morgan's Mango 340-693-8141 1864 340-774-1864

CANEEL BAY

Zozo's 860-977-6323

You will need to park at the entrance and take a shuttle to the restaurant.

LOVANGO ISLAND

Lovango Resort 855-938-5348 Lovango Resort has a 10 min ferry that leaves from inter island boat dock (Same bay as the Cruz bay visitor center). See website for directions.

www.lovangovi.com



RESERVATIONS

Depending on the season, please check hours and times, as these are subject to change. November-March is the busy season and it's highly recommended to make a reservation. If you have a specific date you want to visit a restaurant, I would recommend doing this the first day of your vacation.

Places We Recommend

HIKING TRAILS

Hike in and around Virgin Islands National Park. There's so much nature and wildlife to explore on the island itself.

For a rocky hike that's about a mile and lasts about an hour or two, give Ram Head Trail a try. You'll get a beautiful view of the Caribbean Sea after you walk along a blue cobble beach. For something a little shorter with more history, choose the Cinnamon Bay Self-Guided Trail. You'll hike half a mile through forested areas and through the ruins of a sugar plantation. Placards along the way designate points of interest.

One you won't want to miss that's worth the work (2.4mi/2hrs) is Caneel Hill Trail. You'll be rewarded with what some say are the best views of all.

If you're looking for a challenging hike, try Reef Bay Trail. This trail will take you to the Petroglyphs and Lameshur plantation ruins. Be sure to take a dip in the ocean before heading back up. This trail is best to start in the morning when the sun is down and you're fresh!

Download the app **ALL TRAILS** for a more detailed map of these trails. This app works with or without service as well!



Here is a more comprehensive list of

HIKES ON STJ

Bordeaux Mountain Trail

Location: Southside | Distance: 1 Miles | Time to Hike: 1 hour 30 minutes
This is a steep, open to the sun trail. It connects the shady Bordeaux Mountain
Road with Lameshur Bay 1,000 feet below. Bordeaux Mountain is the highest
point on St. John at 1,277 feet.

Brown Bay Trail

Location: East End | Distance: 1.6 Miles | Time to Hike: 2 hours

The National Park cautions that this trail is NOT maintained! The trail begins from the ridge 0.7 miles out of Johnny Horn trail from Waterlemon Bay. The trail branches to the east and descends through a dry thorn shrub area and into a valley. The trail borders Brown Bay for a short distance and then ascends over a ridge which overlooks Hurricane Hole. The trail ends at the East End Road just a little over a mile past the Emmaus Moravian Church in Coral Bay. Ruins and an old plantation cemetery can be found on this trail.

Caneel Hill Spur Trail

Location: Northside | Distance: O.8 Miles | Time to Hike: 1 hour
This trail starts from Lind Point trail. It crosses Northshore Road at an overlook of
Cruz Bay and Caneel Bay. It joins the Caneel Hill trail at .4 miles.

Caneel Hill Trail

Location: Northside | Distance: 2.4 Miles | Time to Hike: 2 hours

This trail joins Cruz Bay with the Northshore Road entrance to Caneel Bay. The trail leads up to a scenic overlook atop Caneel Hill. The overlook is at an elevation of 719 feet. The trail continues to Margaret Hill, elevation 848 feet, and then descends to North-shore Road.

Cinnamon Bay Self-Guiding Trail

Location: Northside | Distance: 0.5 Miles | Time to Hike: 1 hour

This trail passes through sugar plantation ruins and forested areas. Placards and signs along the trail indicate historical and environmental points of interest. The trail begins near the entrance to Cinnamon Bay campground and beach.

Cinnamon Bay Trail

Location: Northside | Distance: 1.1 Miles | Time to Hike: 1 hour
This trail begins around 100 yards east of the entrance to Cinnamon Bay
Campground. This forested trail leads up an old Danish plantation road and junctions with Centerline Road.

Drunk Bay Trail

Location: Southside | Distance: 0.3 Miles | Time to Hike: 15 minutes

This trail begins at the south end of Salt Pond Bay Beach and turns to the east along the north side of the salt pond. In the past salt from the pond was harvested, some residents still collect salt during the summer months for personal uses. The windy conditions and salt have stunted the growth of many plants in the area; therefore, along the trail you will pass many short shrubs. Drunk Bay is a rocky bay and is not safe for swimming. Figures made of the coral rocks on the beach are often left by visitors.

Europa Bay Trail

Location: Southside | Distance: O.25 Miles | Time to Hike: 30 minutes

There are two trails that lead to Europa Bay area. Coming from the Reef Bay Trail on the Lameshur Bay Trail, at about 1.2 miles you come to the main Europa Bay trail on the right. This trail leads up over a small ridge and down past a salt pond, to the coral rubble beach at Europa Bay. About .1 mile further east along the Lameshur Bay trail, another trail goes off to the right and leads up along an old road, out to a point overlooking Europa Bay and Lameshur Bay.

Francis Bay Trail

Location: Northside | Distance: 0.5 Miles | Time to Hike: 30 minutes

This trail begins at the west end of the Mary Creek road. The trail passes through a dry forest and leads past the Francis Bay Estate House and onto the beach. There is a mangrove forest and brackish pond at the end of this trail. A viewing area close to the mangrove forest allows an opportunity to bird watch. Snorkeling is good from the beach. The deep-water around Mary Point should be avoided.

Johnny Horn Trail

Location: East End | Distance: 1.8 Miles | Time to Hike: 2 hours

This trail begins at Waterlemon Bay and crosses the ridges southward to the paved road at Emmaus Moravian Church in Coral Bay. The trail passes through sunny, dry forest.

Lameshur Bay Trail

Location: Southside | Distance: 1.5 Miles | Time to Hike: 1 hour 15 minutes
This trail connects Lameshur Bay with Reef Bay trail. The hiking is through dry, open
forest. 1.2 miles from the Reef Bay junction, a spur trail leads 0.3 miles to a salt pond
and coral rubble beach at Europa Beach.

Leinster Bay Trail

Location: Northside | Distance: O.8 Miles | Time to Hike: 30 minutes
The trail follows the old Danish Road eastward along the shore from the Annaberg picnic area to Waterlemon Bay. This is a good place to swim. Snorkeling at Waterlemon Cay is very good.

Lind Point Trail

Location: Northside | Distance: 1.1 Miles | Time to Hike: 1 hour
This trail connects the National Park Visitor Center in Cruz Bay with Honeymoon
Beach and Caneel Bay. The trail ascends .4 miles to the scenic Lind Point overlook.
The overlook is at an elevation of 160 feet and offers a great opportunity to take
pictures of Cruz Bay. A side trail at .7 miles leads to Salomon Beach. The trail
weaves through semi-dry forest and cactus scrubs.

Petroglyph Trail

Location: Southside | Distance: O.2 Miles | Time to Hike: 15 minutes
This trail starts 1.5 miles down the Reef Bay trail. Mysterious rock carvings are located at the end of the trail. In rainy season, a small waterfall and stream run through the rocks; in dry season, the stream becomes small brackish pools.

Ram Head Trail

Location: Southside | Distance: 1 Miles | Time to Hike: 1 hour

This trail begins at the south end of Salt Pond Bay Beach. This rocky trail leads to a blue cobble beach and then leads back up the hillside to an overlook 200 feet above the Caribbean Sea. Use caution when walking near the edge of cliffs.

Reef Bay Trail

Location: Southside | Distance: 2.2 Miles | Time to Hike: 2 hours

This trail begins on Centerline Road. The trail descends 937 feet through a shady forest. There is a variety of plant life to be seen while hiking. The visible remains of four sugar estates and a more recent farming community are found along the trail. The trail ends at the Reef Bay Plantation ruins near Genti Bay.

Salt Pond Bay Trail

Location: Southside | Distance: O.2 Miles | Time to Hike: 15 minutes
This trail begins at the parking area 3.9 miles south of Coral Bay. The trail leads
down to Salt Pond Beach through cactus and scrubland. There is good snorkeling
and swimming at this beach. This area is usually particularly hot and sunny.

Yawzi Point Trail

Location: Southside | Distance: O.3 Miles | Time to Hike: 30 minutes
This trail leads from Little Lameshur Bay Road through thorny vegetation to isolated coves.



Highly Recommend

BEACHES

St. John offers a wide range of beaches, from the expansive Cinnamon Bay to the more secluded Hawksnest Beach, Lameshur Bay, and Salt Pond Bay. While Trunk Bayoften ranked among the world's most beautiful and pristine beaches—is not to be missed, St. John has much more to offer. Visitors are encouraged to explore all the beaches or return to a favorite. Many beaches pair well with a hike or swim, and some are only accessible by swimming, snorkeling, or kayaking, though chartering a boat or guided excursion is also an option.

- Trunk Bay
- Cinnamon Bay Beach
- Hawksnest Beach
- Jumbie Beach
- Salomon Bay Beach
- Honeymoon Beach
- Denis Bay Beach
- Vie's Beach / Hansen Bay Beach
- · Haulover North Beach
- Haulover South Beach
- Brown Bay Beach
- South Shore Beaches
- Salt Pond Bay Beach
- Drunk Bay Beach / Ram's Head Beach
- Little Lameshur Beach
- Great Lameshur Bay Beach



Highly Recommend Spots For

SNORKELING

Waterlemon Cay

This deserves the title of most popular snorkeling destination on St. John. Beginning in the parking area for Annaberg Plantation – enjoy an almost 1.0 mi flat hike along Leinster Bay to reach Waterlemon Cay. Follow the Leinster Bay Trail until it splits. Bear left and follow the trail along the shoreline until you're at a point closest to the cay. Entry is rocky and snorkelers should be aware of urchins. Once in the water – head straight, across the narrow channel. This is where you'll likely see large orange and yellow cushion starfish. Head counter clockwise to use the current to round the cay. Along the way you'll see beautiful hard and soft corals and a large variety of Caribbean tropical fish. There can be very strong currents on the outer edge of the cay. Always snorkel with a buddy and never exceed your physical ability or experience.

Maho Bay

Water entry is shallow sandy bottom, ideal for younger kids. This shallow water extends 10-20 yards off the beach before transitioning to large seagrass beds. Feeding on these grasses are sea turtles, conchs and rays. In fact, Maho Bay is one of our TOP PICKS for seeing sea turtles on St. John. So get on your mask and fins and keep your eyes open for these amazing marine creatures! Masks and fins for rent on the beach!

WATER SAFETY

Snorkeling is one of the most enjoyable things to do on St. John. But even a confident swimmer can be distracted. Make sure you stay within your physical limitations. Be aware of your surroundings. Never snorkel alone. Watch for strong currents, waves, boats, jet skis, changing weather and the distance you've traveled.

Haulover North

Haulover North has some of the most dramatic underwater structures and corals on the island. It's located on the east end of St. John at the edge of the Virgin Islands National Park. Follow East End Road beyond Coral Bay. As you head down a steep hill, you'll see a sign notifying you you're leaving the VINP. Pull over and find a place to park along the left hand side of the road. From there you'll follow a narrow path about 100 yards heading north east. The "beach" at Haulover North is mostly coral rubble. Best entry is in the center of the beach where the sandy bottom comes closest to the shoreline. The best reef corals and fish are located to the left as you face the water. Snorkeling in 5' to 15' of water, you'll discover beautiful rocky patch reefs covered in corals. Large sea fans and gorgonians wave in the current surrounded by mustard corals and brain coral and fire corals. Conditions at Haulover North depend on wind and waves. Its northeast facing location can make conditions challenging. Always snorkel with a buddy and never exceed your physical ability or experience.

Henley Cay

Located just off Caneel Bay Resort, you'll see an 11 acre cay. To get to it, you'll need to visit by charter or kayak tour. It's totally worth it! Once you've crossed the Durloe Channel, you'll find a protected sandy cove on the western side of the cay. The reef system off Henley Cay is fed by the current passing between the cay and St. John. You'll see gorgonians and sea fans, brain corals, fire coral and healthy populations of reef fish. There can be very strong currents on the outer edge of the cay. Always snorkel with a buddy and never exceed your physical ability or experience.

Salt Pond

This area can get a bit crowded but offers some nice snorkeling, especially in the center of the bay.

Yawzi Point

Just over 1.5 mi from the entrance, past Great Lameshur Bay (a stone and pebble beach), you'll come to Lameshur Beach. With ample parking, a beautiful soft sand beach and some spots to grab shade – this is the perfect spot to call "base camp" on your snorkeling adventure.

You have a couple of options for getting to Yawzi Point. First, you can take the short hike down the path that runs along the eastern side of Little Lameshur Bay. DO NOT mistake the path for the narrow road that leads to the VIERS research building. About half way out you will see a narrow path that leads down to the water to your left. When you reach the bottom, there is a convenient mini cobble "beach".

Trunk Bay

Jewel in the crown of the VI National Park is Trunk Bay. It is the most photographed beach in the Caribbean, and is a perennial TOP 10 Caribbean Beach. And Trunk Bay deserves every bit of its fame!

Trunk Bay is perhaps the most family-friendly beach on St. John. It is the only beach that <u>charges an admission fee</u>. It's also the only beach with lifeguards. But you'll also find showers, bathrooms, food and drink concessions and beach chair and snorkel gear rentals, as well as picnic areas with grills and a covered pavilion.

Visitors will find nearly a 1/2 mile of white sand beach with palms and sea grapes as your backdrop. And only a few yards off the beach is Trunk Cay and the Virgin Islands National Park Underwater Snorkeling Trail. Follow the underwater markers which identify fish, corals and marine life that are common in these waters.

BEST SNORKELING FOR CHILDREN

Maho Bay

Easy access, shallow water, shade and a good chance you'll see turtles, rays and lots of fish!

Caneel Bay Beach

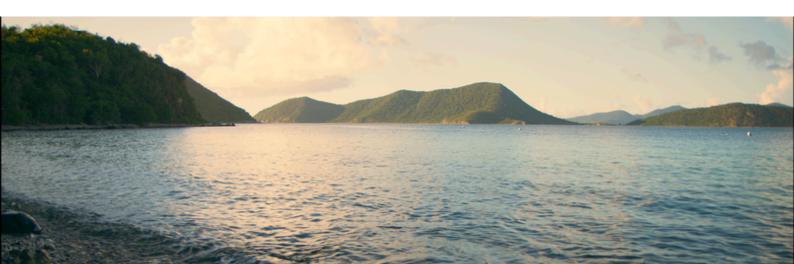
Shallow entry, calm waters and plenty to see close to shore.

Trunk Bay

Virgin Islands National Park snorkeling trail and lifeguards. Plus showers and restrooms.

Cinnamon bay

Soft white sand, aqua water and small cay off the beach – just like Trunk Bay Beach. Facilities include a camping, snack bar/grill, showers, restrooms, and water sports rentals.



Our Recommendations On

POWERBOAT RENTALS & CHARTERS

Ask any visitor or local what they love about St. John, and you'll hear about the beaches, National Park, snorkeling, tropical weather, and laid-back beach bars. Want to experience it all in one day? Go boating. It's one of the top highlights of a St. John vacation.

Check out the boat charters listed below and let them know what kind of trip you're planning—whether it's a party with friends, a family outing, a wedding event, or a luxury private charter. Share where you'd like to go, and they'll offer expert suggestions. Start planning the best day of your trip—your day out on the water.

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Cruz Bay Watersports
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www.cruzbaywatersports.com

Over the Line Boat Charters 340-513-1285 **www.otlcharters.com**

Take It Easy 340-677-1320 www.takeiteasyvi.com

Sunshine Daydream Charters 340-776-0928 www.sunshinedaydreamvi.com

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Island Roots Charters 340-643-5000

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Stormy Pirates Boat Charters 340-775-7990 **www.stormypirates.com**

Local Legend Charters 340-690-5584

www.LocalLegendCharters.com

WHAT TO EXPECT: ST. JOHN BOAT RENTAL AND CHARTER COSTS

There are a variety of options when it comes to boat rentals in St. John. Many boat charters cater to groups of 6, but several can accommodate 10 or 12 passengers. Prices vary by type of boat, size, capacity, and amenities. A half day charter on a center console averages \$400-\$600; and on a Sea Ray around \$750-\$900 for a half day. For a full day rental on a center console the range is \$500-\$1000; and full day on a Sea Ray about \$1,300-\$4,000. Meals are generally not included; some boats do have snacks and a few include ice, soft drinks, and water. You are welcome to bring your own or stop at a beachfront bar for lunch and refreshments. Check whether the captain's fee is included in the rate or additional. Captain's rates are around \$100 for half day, \$200 for full day.

Very few boat rentals are available bareboat; and the few that do require the renter to have strong knowledge of the area's waters. Fuel is another consideration; it is included in some boat rental rates, for others, it is additional based on usage. How much fuel is used is a factor of boat type and of distance traveled. Budget \$75-\$200 for fuel on a half day boat trip, and \$150-\$300 for a full day. Want to head over to the British Virgin Islands on your boat trip? Be sure to have your passport with you. It belongs to another country; and there will be a custom's fee custom's charge of around \$65-\$85 a person. If you explore and play within the U.S. Virgin Islands, then there are no additional fees related to customs. Gratuity is usually not included in the boat rental rates and your captain and crew appreciate tips.

