

# 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

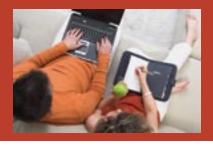
Our award-winning shore excursions offer superior quality and competitive pricing; our guests consistently rate their shore excursion experience as excellent.

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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

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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.



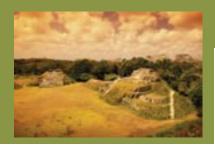
meal: This tour includes a meal—lunch on daytime tours, or dinner on evening tours.



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

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# Mayan Ruins of Xunantunich & Marimba Lunch







Approximately 71/2 hours • \$\$

The Xunantunich Mayan ceremonial center is located on a natural limestone ridge two miles from the Guatemalan border. The largest temple, El Castillo, is excavated and is partially restored. The site has three plazas, carved stelae, a partially excavated ball court, and a display center depicting the history of the site. Lunch is at a hotel, complete with Marimba show, and there is time for handicraft shopping before returning to Belize City.

Please note: Wear comfortable clothing and closed-toe shoes. Bring sunblock, insect repellent and a hat.

# **Airboat & Belize City**





Approximately 21/2 hours • \$\$

Board an air-conditioned bus for a guided tour of Belize's rich history, from its establishment by shipwrecked British sailors in 1683 to the modern day. Pass Saint John's Cathedral (the oldest in Central America), the Prime Minister's residence and many more interesting sights. Outside the city, under a Mayan thatched palapa longhouse, you will receive a short orientation and safety briefing before boarding a 450hp airboat for the ride your life. Travel one hour via a waterway to the beautiful Almond Hill Lagoon towards the manatee feeding grounds. Upon reaching your destination, you will quietly drift so that you may catch a glimpse of the docile manatees feeding. With a loud call of "clear" from your captain, you are once again speeding across the lagoon to Indian Creek. Prepare for an eye-opening ride on the pristine marsh—an entirely different world of unspoiled beauty protected by the lack of access.

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Zip along in water only inches deep to see beautiful water lilies, many colors and varieties of wading birds, turtles and maybe even a wily old croc trying to catch dinner as you glide over hundreds of acres of open marshland. All too soon you are speeding back across the Almond Hill Lagoon heading back to the outpost, where a cool drink awaits you.

Please note: Bring sunglasses, sunscreen and your camera.

# **Lost World Canopy & Rappeling Tour**







Approximately 5½ hours • \$\$\$

Board an air-conditioned bus for the scenic journey to Big Hill Station. Continuing across the beautiful Savannah Pine Ridge and through the untouched Belizean jungle. As you round the final bend, you will arrive at a small clearing in the dense forest, and enter a cavernous tunnel which leads to a primeval rain forest encircled by crevassed rock walls more than 100 feet tall, in which dwell many creatures of the night. This is where your canopy tour begins. There are five traverses, ranging from 105 - 500 feet apart, that take you across the fallen ceiling of this enormous open-air cave. You will be met by a well trained staff for your safety briefing before being suited up with your harness and helmet, after which you will be led to your orientation and demonstration. The walk to the first platform takes you through the giant doorway to the cave, along a 100-foott tunnel. Your adventure involves you gliding via suspended lines from platform to platform through and above the densely-populated forest, reaching for sunlight above the rim of the giant sink-hole. Each platform is perched on the inside face of this open-air crater, giving you an unforgettable view and experience. The last traverse takes you to a rock shelf, protruding from the side of the large tunnel-like entrance to the main cave where your tour ends with an exciting rappel down and a very close-up encounter with a huge crystalline stalagmite/stalactite column. You will be taken via bus back through the jungle to Big Hill Station for a barbecue lunch before returning to the ship.

Please note: Bring insect repellent, sunscreen and a small backpack or fanny pack. Anything you bring must be carried by you throughout the entire tour at all times leaving both hands free. Wear comfortable clothing that you do not mind getting a little dirty—jeans or shorts with sneakers. Closed-toe shoes are recommended, however strap-on sandals are acceptable. Minimum age is 8 years.

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### **Caves & Jungles of Belize**







Approximately 5 hours • \$\$\$

Enjoy the awesome natural beauty of the rain forest, uninhabited jungle rivers and caves once used by the ancient Mayans who inhabited this region. You will depart the ship on a high-speed boat for the Sabun River. Once in the river, the boat will wind its way up stream through the jungle covered banks that look like the setting for an Indiana Jones movie. After 45 minutes, the boat arrives at the Landings, a secluded farm located on a peninsula in the river. Visit the farm briefly and familiarize yourself with the 4x4 vehicle that will take you on the next leg of your journey to the Mayan Grotto Caves, through the lowlands and over the jungle mud trails. Once at the river, you will cross on a bamboo barge. Take a short walk through the dense rain forest with many species of huge trees, then you begin your cave experience. The first cave tunnels through the mountain and emerges into a tropical bowl with cliffs on all sides. The Mayans used this location as a sanctuary with protective walls still evident. Within the bowl there are many caves to explore each with different stages of stalactite and stalagmite growth. After the caving, you will have an opportunity to swim in the cool river, relax, and enjoy a snack before boarding a jungle truck for the return trip to Belize City.

# **Raiders of the Lost Mayan Caves**





Approximately 6 hours • \$\$\$

Leave civilization behind and venture from tame to wild during the course of a 75-minute drive into Belize's interior. Be prepared for the thrill of a lifetime as you gear up with helmet, light, gloves and harness and hear a safety briefing. Then you'll trek your way up a hillside trail through the Belizean jungle, seeking the Dragon's Mouth—the ceremonial entrance into the Mayan Underworld. You'll experience what you've seen in the movies—this adventure tour is not for the faint of heart. You will get dirty and wet as you travel through different levels of the Mayan Underworld, by-way-of *via ferrata*—zip-lines, swinging suspension bridges and an exciting rappel down a cliff face. Enter Xibalba (the Maya word for hell) and turn on your headlamp as your highly-trained guide leads you through a maze of multi-chambered caves filled

with magnificent formations, geological wonders and Mayan ceremonial history. Your imagination runs wild as your light hits rocks and you try to decode images that unfold before your very eyes. Feel a sense of awe as you crawl through small openings that reveal hollowed ceremonial chambers, hiding Mayan artifacts used in their ancient rituals centuries ago. Connect your safety line as you explore the upper layers of this subterranean abyss before rappeling 20 feet down a rock face. Upon landing, you re-enter the cave and continue your quest. Learn about this amazing hidden world and its formation from your knowledgeable guide as you climb over rocks, trek through underground waterholes and navigate narrow passages. A 300-foot traverse by zipline takes you over the jungle floor, from the exit of one cave into the mouth of yet another ceremonial cave, filled with protruding stalactites and stalagmites, accessible only by this jungle zipline. Test your skill as you navigate your way through a network of pillars on swinging rope bridges, before being propelled out of the mouth of the cave on an incline traverse, down to a jungle trail for the short hike back to your bus. Exhilarated and amazed, you head back to the station for the delicious jungle barbecue that waits you. Purchase photos and pick up a souvenir before heading back to the ship with memories to last you a lifetime.

Please note: Bring insect repellent and a change of clothes. During the rainy season there is a short walk through an underground pool, so your shoes and the lower portion of your pants will get wet. Wear long pants and a long-sleeve shirt, hiking shoes or tennis shoes. Sandals are not advised and flip-flop type shoes are strictly prohibited.

# Jungle Buggy & Mayan Cave Exploration







Approximately 51/2 hours • \$\$\$

Board an air-conditioned bus for the scenic journey to Big Hill Station for a short orientation and safety briefing. Before you know it, you are on a Monster Jungle Buggy, traveling through dense rain forest , weaving among the tall canopied trees and your guide tells you all about the complex ecosystems and offers tales of the ancient Mayan Civilization. This machine now becomes more than another novel tourist attraction as its true purpose becomes evident. It provides you with a 10-foot-high secure observation platform for a panoramic viewpoint of some of the most beautiful parts of Belize that remain unspoiled by virtue of the difficult

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access. The buggy moans and groans as you slowly twist, claw and crawl your way along a jungle track in mud and water sometimes up to three or four feet deep. It's a thrilling ride into a hidden world on an impossible trail that would halt any vehicle except your Monster Buggy. Your guide will escort you along the picado footpath at the edge of this Jurassic-like forest, where a myriad of vines and bromeliads hang from the rock ledges and ancient trees. For the brave-at-heart, your guides will provide helmets with lights, so you can enter into the second chamber and observe the beautiful stalagmite and stalactite formations formed eons ago. Your helpful guide will point out ancient Mayan pottery and maybe even a sleepy bat in one of the many nooks and crannies at the cave entrance. Then it's time to return through the tranquil forest to your buggy and drive away from this surreal place. Back at Big Hill Station, enjoy a tasty barbecue lunch and all the jungle juice you can drink, then your bus will be waiting to return you to civilization.

Please note: Bring sunglasses, sunscreen and insect repellent.

# Cave Tubing with Rain Forest & Aerial Trek Options

A tender transfer to Belize City and a 37-mile drive up the Western Highway brings you to the Caves Branch River and its winding path through the Maya Mountains and numerous ancient caves once inhabited by the Maya. Choose from options A or B below depending up on your fitness level and your desire for adventure.

# A. Cave Tubing & Rain Forest Trek



Approximately 5¾ hours • \$\$

A coach ride will bring you to Jaguar Paw Resort, where you will take a 45-minute hike down a jungle trail to the entrance tunnel. Your guide will point out various plants, roots and herbs once used by the ancient Maya for medicinal purposes. This trail leads into an underground cave system and an eye-opening adventure. Your guide hands out headlamps and you are ready to float in inflated inner tubes with the gentle currents taking you through the cave system. Intricate crystalline formations line the cave and the majestic rise and fall of stalagmites and stalactites add to the serene grandeur of nature. On several occasions you will emerge into the sunlight only to enter into another cave system. Finally,

it's time to head back to Belize City and the ship.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit, a t-shirt, shorts, tennis shoes (which will get wet) or aqua shoes and a towel. A change of clothes and shoes is recommended and will be welcomed after your tour. The cave system and its waterways may be of concern to those who suffer from claustrophobia and panic attacks. Minimum age is 11 years. Minimum weight is 95 lbs.

### **B. Cave Tubing with Aerial Trek Option**





Approximately 61/2 hours • \$\$\$

Enjoy the Cave Tubing tour as outlined above, along with the exciting Aerial Trek. This is a zipline that travels through the rain forest by way of an intricate harness system of pulleys on horizontal traverse cables. It lets you swing up to 124 feet between platforms that are 70 feet up in the trees, at canopy level. You'll hike 10 minutes through the rain forest to the starting platform, then the next 30 to 40 minutes are spent flying through the forest with the birds—a truly unforgettable experience! At the final platform, rappel 40 feet to the forest floor for a feast of freshly prepared rice, beans and savory chicken After lunch, your next adventure is cave tubing. Be prepared for

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# **Crooked Tree Wildlife Sanctuary**



Approximately 4½ hours • \$\$

A 35-minute ride on the Northern Highway marks the start of a tour that is a must for nature enthusiasts, especially bird lovers. Crooked Tree Wildlife Sanctuary provides habitat for more than 360 species of birds. The majestic Jabiru stork (the largest

stork in the western hemisphere with a wingspan of eight feet) can be found nesting in these wetlands. Once you have crossed the causeway that divides the large lagoon, your guide will lead you through the rustic village of Crooked Tree, famous for its abundance of cashew nut trees. Local legend has it that the cashew was the only fruit created by the Devil. The tour ends at the Smoky Mermaid Restaurant for delicious rum punch or draft beer.

### **Belize City & the Old Belize Museum**



Approximately 3 hours • \$

Tour Belize's present and past. The old British colonial capital of Belize City is the country's only genuine urban area and is the commercial and cultural center of the country. The city contains both the main sea port and a colorful mix of about one third of the country's 270,000 residents. The bus will take you to the Old Belize Museum. This cultural and historical center allows you to "take a walk" through the history of Belize as the exhibits are life-size. Old Belize highlights the major ethnic groups in Belize and the industries that contributed significantly to Belize's early economic development. After your tour of the museum, 30 minutes are allocated for shopping and rum punch is served in traditional coconut cups. On your way back to the dock, the tour continues through Belize City. You will see the oldest Anglican church in Central America, built from the bricks used as ballast in sailing ships of yesteryear, the colonial Government House (now the House of Culture) and the old Swing Bridge which is still opened by good old-fashioned manpower.

# **Mayan Palaces of Cahal Pech**





Approximately 5½ hours • \$\$

Your day begins with a journey to the western town of San Ignacio where the Mayan site of Cahal Pech is located. You travel by air-conditioned motor coach on paved roads. Before you arrive at Cahal Pech, you'll stop for a quick snack and some shopping. Perched proudly on a hill top, Cahal Pech boasts extensive restoration to masks, facades, terraces, stairways and structures. In its heyday, Cahal Pech may have been the primary center of the central Belize River Valley region. Clusters of temples and palaces

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are arranged around a series of plazas on this six-acre site. Many of the structures have been identified as elite residences indicating that Cahal Pech served mainly as a royal compound.

## **Mangrove Tunnels & City Museum**



Approximately 3½ hours • \$

For a laid-back, low-impact glimpse into the culture and natural history of Belize, come along on this easy, interesting tour. After a tender ride to the dock, board an air-conditioned bus for a very short ride to the Museum of Belize. The museum focuses on the Mayan and colonial history of Belize. Highlights include priceless Mayan artifacts dating back some 2,500 years. After an hour and a half at the museum, you'll move on to the second portion of the tour focusing on natural history. Board a comfortable boat for a leisurely cruise up the Haulover Creek. The mangrove branches on either side of the creek meet high overhead to form a living tunnel. These tunnels are home to healthy populations of wildlife. Be on the lookout for various bird species, iguanas and crocodiles. The cruise ends at the Belize Tourism Village where you can catch the tender back to the ship.



# Catamaran Barrier Reef Snorkel & Beach Break



Approximately 31/2 hours • \$\$

Depart directly from your ship aboard a luxurious, custom-built, high-speed catamaran, cutting through turquoise blue waters inside Belize's barrier reef. The crew will provide instruction on the use of the complimentary snorkel equipment, and once the catamaran anchors in the lee of the sand atoll, you'll step into the crystal clear waters for amazing snorkeling among coral formations teeming with colorful tropical fish—ideal for beginners and experts. Enjoy a beverage as you relax on a white sand beach under a coconut tree after snorkeling.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit; bring a towel, hat and sunscreen. *Kayaks* and beach floats are provided at the beach.

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### **Rendezvous Caye Snorkeling**





Approximately 41/2 hours • \$\$

If Gilligan's Island really existed, perhaps it would be here at Rendezvous Caye, just six miles south-east of Belize City. Visit this magnificent coral island complete with coconut trees, situated right on top of the great barrier reef of Belize. Snorkeling takes place right from the beach, and abundant reef life, great coral formations, crystal clear water and warm sunshine all add up to a tropical paradise. Your guide will take you on a snorkeling tour around most of the island.

### **Turneffe Atoll Two-Tank Certified Dive**



Approximately 5½ - 6 hours • \$\$\$

Gear up at the dive center, then you'll take a 50-minute boat ride past the Barrier Reef to Turneffe Atoll—one of only four atolls in the Western Hemisphere. Your captain will select a dive site based on weather and visibility conditions, but usually includes a wall. Maximum depth on the first dive averages between 50-70 feet. You'll see tropical reef fish, and healthy sponge and coral growth. The second dive is at another dive site with similar depth.

Please note: Waiver release form must be signed. Bring your C-card.

# Wildlife River Rafting



Approximately 41/2 hours • \$\$

After a brief tender ride to Belize City you will board a motor coach and drive to the start point on the Olde Belize River. Here you'll board a motorized river raft, and travel this scenic waterway looking for crocodiles, howler monkeys, iguanas, and lots of birds. Turtles, manatees and dolphins are frequently spotted as well. Lush tropical foliage lines this waterway and several small farming villages dot the riverbanks. After about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  hours of sightseeing on the Olde Belize River, you'll once again board your motor coach and return to Belize City.

Please note: Minimum age is 10 years.

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# **ADVENTURE TOURS**

# Costa Maya Highlights & Beach Break







Approximately 31/2 hours • \$\$

At the last frontier of the Mayan civilization lies an almost endless stretch of virgin beach that can only be reached on a 4x4 adventure. Climb into an original 4x4 powerhouse All-Terrain truck which has been re-conditioned for you and your companions to ride comfortably. Your adventure is underway as your bilingual guides drive you to paradise through off-road, coastal jungle trails. During this exciting ride, keep your eyes open for tropical birds and resident iguanas, and see how local fishermen live their everyday lives. Once you are truly in the middle of nowhere, you will have an hour and a half of fun in the sun at Pelicanos Beach. Step back and admire the beach and the unspoiled Caribbean Sea. Enjoy a volleyball game in the white sand or drift further from reality in an ocean kayak. Then, hop back into the truck and start your way back to the ship off-road on an abandoned highway, after having experienced the real Caribbean.

Please note: A light snack and soft drinks or bottled water are provided at the beach. Due to the bumpy roads, this tour is not recommended for pregnant women or guests with back problems. Bring insect repellent.

# **Xpeed Boat & Beach Break**





Approximately 31/2 hours • \$\$

Brace yourself for the ride of a lifetime as you explore the Costa Maya in your very own state of the art Xtreme Xpeed boat! Feel the thrill, see the beauty, ride the waves—it's exactly the adventure

you've been looking for. A quick van ride brings you to Mahahual Town where you'll board a two-person Xpeed boat, and your guide will provide safety instruction and lessons. Beginner? No worries, these vessels are easy to master, and handling them is a breeze. Now, blast off! You'll travel caravan style through the sparkling blue waters of the Caribbean, navigating between reef systems and land. Push the throttle and feel the power as your guide leads you on a rip roaring adventure over the crystal clear waters of this Caribbean paradise! Head back to the beach for free time to swim, explore or just lie back and relax. Young and old, first timers and the experienced, this is one adventure you won't want to miss.

Please note: Minimum age is 8 years. Must be at least 18 years old and have a valid driver's license to pilot the boat. Not recommended for pregnant women or those with back or neck problems.

### **Dune Buggy Adventure**





Approximately 31/2 hours • \$\$

Board your dune buggy and set off on a caravan-style journey through coastal jungle. You may either drive or ride, but bring your spirit of adventure. Leave electricity and civilization behind as you venture into rougher roads and picture-perfect Caribbean scenes. When you reach Pelicano's Beach, you will be amazed at the untouched beauty of this area. Kick back on a hammock or go for a swim in the turquoise blue sea. There are ocean kayaks for those who want to survey the beach from a different angle or take a walk down the pristine coastline.

Please note: A light snack and soft drinks or bottled water are provided. Four guests per dune buggy driving on a rotating basis. You must be at least 21 years of age with a valid driver's license in order to drive the dune buggy (manual transmission). Bring insect repellent.

### **Bike & Kayak Adventure**





Approximately 2½ hours • \$\$

Explore the pristine coastline of Costa Maya by bike and kayak. Your guide will assign helmets and adjust the bike for your comfort, then you'll take a 30-minute ride south along the coastal dirt road past a mangrove lagoon to the sleepy fishing village of Majahual. Pass by traditional houses and restaurants. At a local beach, your two-person kayak will be waiting for you. Head out to sea in the crystal blue waters of the Caribbean as you paddle along a reef and enjoy the view of beaches lined with palm trees. Rest on the beach before riding your bike via a different route back to the pier. Bottled water is provided.

Please note: Minimum age is 12 years. Not recommended for guests over 6 feet tall due to sizes of bikes. Maximum weight is 250 lbs.

### **ATV & Beach Xplorer**





Approximately 21/2 hours • \$\$\$

Visit places more spectacular than you can ever imagine as this ATV experience takes you on jungle trails that date back to the ancient Maya and have never before been open to the public. This previously inaccessible journey begins with a safety briefing and full rider instruction; then, don your helmets and goggles and head to a breathtaking beach on your very own state of the art All-Terrain Vehicle. The ATV is fully automatic so it's ideal for beginners and experts alike. Caravan through the back of town to the off-road country of Costa Maya and the thick tropical jungle of the Yucatan. Watch for endless species of flora and fauna before you stop at a rest station to bask in the sun with a drink. You will have 20 minutes to rest up before you head out again. Take one last dip in the water before heading back to home base! The trip back will be via a coastal trail, accompanied by the view of the ocean. Stop downtown at Pelicanos Beach with 25 minutes to stroll, shop or just relax at the beach.

Please note: Minimum age is 18 years. Must have a valid driver's license to drive the ATV. Not recommended for pregnant women or guests with neck/back problems. Bring insect repellent.



# **SIGHTSEEING TOURS**

### Kohunlich Mayan Ruins with Lunch





Approximately 61/2 hours • \$\$\$

The Kohunlich Mayan ruins are situated in a secluded jungle setting near the border of Belize and you will travel by airconditioned bus as your bilingual guide explains what you will see at the ruins. View detailed Mayan temples combined with the lush green manicured gardens. See the Temple of the Large Masks, the Plaza of the Acropolis, the Plaza of the Estelas, Plaza Hundida and Plaza Merwin. Kohunlich may have been one of the most important sites in the lower Peten region. In today's world, Kohunlich's broad range of architecture, natural beauty and expansive, uncrowded seclusion set it apart from the more widely toured sites. After the tour of the site, it's off to a local restaurant for lunch and then you'll return to your ship.

Please note: Involves considerable walking over uneven terrain. This tour includes a meal—lunch on daytime tours; dinner on evening tours. Bring insect repellent.

# **Chacchoben Mayan Ruins**



Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

Experience the secrets of the mysterious and virtually unexcavated Mayan ruins of Chacchoben, hidden deep in the jungle near the border with Belize, covering an area of about 10 acres. A small portion of the site has been excavated, including a pyramid. View detailed Mayan temples with lush green manicured gardens, and compare the recently excavated ruins with the deeply buried, unexcavated ones that lie sleeping beneath the sacred ground. Return to Costa Maya by coach.

Please note: Involves considerable walking over uneven terrain. Stairclimbing is required to reach the different levels. Bring insect repellent.



# **AQUATIC TOURS**

#### **Beach Snorkel Adventure**



Approximately 31/2 - 4 hours • \$\$

Perfect for the beginner and intermediate snorkeler, this tour includes a guide and all equipment. See tropical marine life as you start your adventure from the beach and progress to deeper water as you feel comfortable. Explore the extensive infrastructure of the reef and beach as you interact with this amazing eco-system and see an amazing array of marine life. After your tour of this underwater garden, take 15 - 30 minutes to relax before returning to your waiting ship.

Please note: Minimum age is 12 years.

# Mahahual Beach with Beginning Scuba or Certified Scuba Options

These two dive opportunities are for those who are either experienced divers or those who are interested in learning to dive. Diving in Mahahual (Costa Maya) has been a closely guarded secret. But now, this region is quickly becoming one of the hottest dive spots in the dive community. Your excursion begins from the pier with a short ride through the town of Mahahual to the dive center. Your dive will take place on the magnificent Meso-American Barrier Reef system—the largest barrier reef system in the Northern Hemisphere. This particular area of the reef system you will be diving is extremely healthy and is in pristine condition. The dive sites are known for their abundance of beautiful corals and extraordinary reef formations, creating astonishing swimthroughs, and ledges. Common marine life experienced on these dives includes turtles, lobsters, stingrays, eels, king crabs, and barracuda, as well as a variety of tropical reef fish such as damsels, butterfly fish, pork fish, parrot fish and schools of Creole wrasse and blue tangs. Some divers have even spotted migrating whale sharks in this area. As if the diving wasn't enough, if time permits you will also have the opportunity to experience the local

culture and beautiful beaches of Mahahual. Once a fishing village, Mahahual is now a small town thriving with wonderful beachfront shops, restaurants, bars, arts and crafts booths, and more. Whether you are interested in shopping, great food, water sport activities or a relaxing massage on the beach, Mahahual has it all. Or, you may stay at the dive center and enjoy the beautiful beach, order some beverages and a Mexican meal at your own expense. If you choose to stay in Mahahual after the dive excursion, you will be responsible for transportation back to the ship. Choose either option A or B below, depending upon your experience level.

## A. Mahahual Beach & Beginning Scuba



Approximately 4 - 6 hours • \$\$\$

You will be given 1½ hours of scuba instruction and skills training in shallow water. Then, board a dive boat custom made to handle the depths and shallows of Costa Maya's dynamic reef system. You and your instructor will dive to a depth of approximately 30 feet before completing the tour as described above.

Please note: Credit cards are not widely accepted in Costa Maya, so bring cash. US dollars and Mexican pesos accepted.

### B. Mahahual Beach & Certified Scuba



Approximately 4 - 6 hours • \$\$\$

Board your dive boat and head out to the Meso-American Barrier Reef. The boat is custom made to handle the depths and shallows of Costa Maya's dynamic reef system. Enjoy your dive in this pristine environment before completing the tour as described above.

Please note: Credit cards are not widely accepted in Costa Maya, so bring cash. Currencies accepted include the US dollar and Mexican peso. Bring your C-card.

### Clear Kayak & Beach Break







Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

Experience the wonderful undersea world of coral and tropical fish while kayaking in a transparent acrylic ocean kayak. You will be transported from the pier to a local lobster fishing village where you will be outfitted with your kayak. After a quick lesson on kayaking, you're off to view the colorful reef and coral formations. Your guide will take you through an amazing circuit of coral and marine life. After kayaking, enjoy fresh fruits and a beverage on the beach. Then, you can relax in the shade of a *palapa* or participate in a game of volleyball before returning to the ship.

Please note: Minimum age is 8 years. Maximum weight per kayak is 350 lbs. Not recommended for pregnant women.

### **SNUBA Diving & Beach Break**



Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

A 45-minute bus ride brings you to a private sandy beach—one of the best in this area. Take a brief class on how to enjoy the underwater breathing of SNUBA, a magnificent underwater experience with the simplicity of snorkeling but without the heavy load of scuba. The breathing apparatus will help you to enjoy the underwater world as if you were diving but the cumbersome equipment is left behind. After your magnificent experience you can enjoy the beach, play volleyball, snorkel for a while, or just sip a beer under the Caribbean sun.

Please note: Tour includes mask, fins, snorkel and snuba equipment. Waiver must be signed. Person with asthma, heart problems, pregnancy, and epilepsy may not participate. Soda and water included. After the snuba dive, guests can use snorkel equipment at their own. A cash bar at the beach is available for drinks and snacks after the tour. Bring comfortable shoes, a change of clothes, sunscreen, towel and swimsuit. Minimum age is 8 years.

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### **ATV & Beach**





Approximately 4 hours • \$\$\$

Following a short instruction and driving course, enjoy your day on an All-Terrain Vehicle as you wind your way through the jungles of Cozumel to the Caribbean coast. Your ATV adventure takes you through the wild untamed jungle and to a sandy beach. Delight in the breeze in your face. Once the ATV portion of the adventure is over, the fun continues as you are served a buffet lunch and refreshments. Take a refreshing dip in the swimming pool or in the sea, participate a friendly game of soccer or volleyball, and of course there are lounge chairs, kayaks and other toys—a fun-filled day for the whole family.

Please note: Helmet and goggles provided for ATV ride.

# **Mayan Frontier Horseback Riding**



Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

Yeehah! It's time to for all wannabe cowpokes to head to a ranch located on the east side of beautiful Cozumel island. Once you're there, your guide will offer a brief but very complete class about riding a horse. You will be assigned a horse based on your prior experience, then you'll explore the mystic land of the Mayan civilization that once upon a time occupied this area. During the 1½-hour horseback ride your guide will explain how their ancestors used to live, which gods they worshipped and how they saw life back then. The Mayan civilization was very strong, they knew a lot about astronomy, they invented the number zero and they were great warriors. You'll have a great view of the Mayan vestiges and several caverns. Then the guide will invite you to gallop for a few minutes (conditions permitting and completely

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optional). The adventure concludes at the cantina area, complete with a swimming pool. Take a swim and order drinks from the open bar before you return to the ship.

# **Cozumel by Motorcycle**





Approximately 5 hours • \$\$\$\$

Harley-Davidson Sportster motorcycles and Cozumel-what a combination! Take a ride around the island to discover places that very few know about. Head south and experience the ancient Mayan town of Cedral and its Mayan remains. Ask your guide about the annual "Dance of the Pig." After your stop at Cedral, continue south to Punta Celerain and its historical lighthouse. Climb to the top of the lighthouse for breathtaking views, and the historical museum at the lighthouse is full of artifacts and information about the families that lived and worked at this island monument. Mount up and navigate the windy road back to the main highway, heading north along the east side or the "wild side" of the island. Your next stop is at a beach with a restaurant and bar. Relax and enjoy the surroundings over ice-cold drinks and dine on authentic Mexican cuisine. You have time to wander the beach take a swim if you like. Continue north along the scenic coastline passing several beach resorts and pristine white sand beaches. Negotiating the turn at Mezcalitos, you'll head west taking the transversal road that crosses the island heading back to the main town of San Miguel. Enter the town from the landside and maneuver toward the waterfront and the downtown plaza. Carlos & Charlie's or Margaritaville will be your final destination. You can stay in town can make your own way back to the ship.

Please note: This tour is sold per bike (not per passenger). Each bike can accommodate up to two people. A credit card and valid motorcycle license are required to participate. Minimum age to drive is 23 years old, minimum age to ride is 18 years. Rider fee is USD\$50. Tour cost includes use of bike, helmets, and Royal Marine insurance with a USD\$5,000 deductible. The deductible is fully or partially charged to the driver's credit card in the event the motorcycle is returned damaged. Choice of Harley-Davidson motorcycle models is subject to availability. Please note that the beach is known to be clothing-optional beaches partial nudity may be observed. Bring your swimsuit and sunscreen.

# **Dune Buggy & Beach Snorkel Combo**







Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

Start your engines and hold on to your hats as you journey around the island in a customized Dune Buggy convertible! From the town of San Miguel where locals live, past the tourist filled hotel district, to the picture perfect natural terrain of the eastern coast, your guide will show you the diverse regions and exotic beauty of Cozumel. Feel the wind in your hair as you drive your buggy (4 guests per car) along the scenic coastal road between the breathtaking blues of the Caribbean and the mysterious greens of a tropical jungle. Let loose on the white sands of a secluded beach located on the eastern shore and play games in the sun, take a refreshing dip in the sea or sit in the shade of an umbrella and enjoy the Mexican lunch provided. Now, get in gear for a glimpse beneath the surface of the sea. Your tour includes an off-shore beginner's snorkel experience where you can swim in the crystal clear waters of the Caribbean. A PADI-certified guide will provide snorkeling gear, safety tips and instruction before leading you out to see the colorful tropical fish and delightful array of sealife Cozumel has to offer.

# **Exploring Cozumel by Jeep & Snorkel**





Approximately 4½ - 5 hours • \$\$

The best way to discover Cozumel is to explore everything. Take a journey all the way around the island in a Jeep Wrangler (4 guests per car) and discover the most beautiful, and exciting aspects of Mexico's largest island. Drive your Jeep (4 guests per car) into the jungle interior where you'll explore the island's first Mayan settlement, the village of El Cedral. Unearth the fascinating history of Cozumel's first Mayan inhabitants and the Spanish conquistadors who followed as you visit the site of its first catholic church built next to a 2,000-year-old Mayan ruin. Feel the freedom as you journey along the eastern, undeveloped coast of the island, between the breathtaking blues of the Caribbean and the mysterious greens of the tropical jungle. Take a break and enjoy a Mexican lunch and free time for fun and games on the white sands of a private beach. When time's up, hop back into your Jeep and complete your circle around the island. Your

tour includes an off-shore beginner's snorkel experience and an opportunity to discover the colorful tropical fish and delightful array of sealife Cozumel has to offer. When your tour is complete, you may choose to return to the pier or be let off in the downtown shopping area and return to the ship by taxi at your own expense. This option is available as time allows, depending on tour return time and your ship's departure time.

Please note. Due to rough terrain, guests who are pregnant or with heart or respiratory conditions or back or neck injuries are not allowed to participate. Snorkeling is not allowed for guests with asthma, cardiac problems, diabetes or epilepsy or those taking anti-depressants, lithium, beta blockers and base vein constrictors. Minimum age to snorkel is 8 years. Minimum age to drive is 21 with valid driver's license. All cars have stick shift gears. Only biodegradable sunscreen is allowed to be used by guests who wish to snorkel due to reef damage caused by normal sunscreen.

## **ATV Jungle Adventure**



Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

This ATV adventure leads you through the Cozumel jungle to ancient Mayan holy grounds. Your guide will take you from the pier via bus or van to the jungle welcome station where you will find a single-person 250cc All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) and gear (helmet, goggles and a souvenir bandana). The journey begins with a safety briefing and then your guide leads you through the winding, narrow jungle paths full of tropical vegetation, birds and other native creatures. Along the way, you will visit some partially excavated Mayan ruins and learn about some of the history of this long abandoned civilization on your thrilling ATV Adventure.

Please note: Maximum load limit for each vehicle is 364 lbs. A waiver must be signed before driving the vehicle. Minimum age is 16 years. Bring mosquito repellent from August through November. Bring valid a driver's license, sunglasses, sunscreen and a hat. Wear light, comfortable clothing, long pants. Closed-toe shoes are mandatory. Guests who are pregnant or with heart or respiratory conditions, epilepsy or asthma, or back or neck injuries are not allowed to participate. This is a high adrenalin/impact tour. The off-road driving is very bumpy and uneven, and can be very dusty and/or muddy. Helmet and goggles must be worn at all times when on ATV. You will get dirty. The tour is perfect for beginners to advanced riders.

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### **Adventure Park, Zipline & Snorkel Combo**



Approximately 3 hours • \$\$\$

A short taxi ride brings you to the exclusive beachside adventure park where expert guides will outfit you with a harness, helmet, and climbing shoes. Then it's off to play among the six spectacular adventure towers. You can fly through the air on a zipline, cross between the towers on exciting suspension bridges, walk the raised balance beams, attempt any of the 70 climbing routes, and rappel off the highest climbing tower in Mexico while your friends and family cheer you on! This adventure is perfect for all abilities, no previous experience is necessary. Next you will be given stateof-the-art snorkel gear and be guided into the crystal clear water for which Cozumel is famous. This is one of the island's premier snorkeling areas with thousands of colorful fish and amazing underwater views accessible right off the beach. Savor an icy-cold beverage or delicious snack from the beachside bar and restaurant, or lounge by the pool in the sun. You are welcome to stay and enjoy the private beach, snorkel gear, and other amenities for as long as you would like!

Please note: Bring your swimsuit, towel and aqua shoes. Return transportation will be arranged at your convenience

### **Bike & Snorkel Beach Break**





Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

Get out and enjoy the exotic and beautiful island of Cozumel in this whistle-while-you-work (and then rest) bicycle tour. See the sights and let the stress fade away as you pedal your bike past serene white beaches, tropical vegetation and the blue-green waters of the Caribbean. Your guide will lead you along the west coast of the island on a flat, paved, scenic coastal road while a support vehicle carrying refreshments and your personal belongings follows behind. Ready for a break? Jump in! Welcome to the refreshing waters of the Caribbean Sea where you can float your way into another world. Your PADI-certified guide will introduce you to striking coral formations and brilliant tropical fish in this inspiring snorkel location. When the fins and mask come off, it's back into the lounge chair for you... Enjoy your beach break however you like. You can swim, play games or just lie on the beach and take

in the view. Once you're all rested up, you'll ride your bike back along the scenic coastal road to the pier.

Please note: Guests who are pregnant or with heart or respiratory conditions, diabetes, epilepsy or asthma are not allowed to participate. Helmet must be worn while biking. Minimum age is 12 years.

# **Cozumel Bottom-Fishing Bonanza**





Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

Enjoy Cozumel bottom-fishing at its finest. Bottom fishing is the best way for freshwater fisherman to test their skills at ocean fishing using some of the easiest methods for fishing in the beautiful warm waters of the Caribbean. The mates will be happy to share their time-tested and proven methods for catching fish. You'll be briefed prior to departure regarding sea conditions and technique used. Trust the captain and experienced crew to find the best concentrations of fish, as you drift and fish the trip away! Your half-day trip includes beverages (beer, soda or water), a snack, rods and reels, bait tackle and ice. If you catch a fish, the crew will be happy to arrange a special "catch-of-the-day" lunch for you and your party. Tight lines and great fishing!



# **Tulum Mayan Ruins Express**





Approximately 8 hours • \$\$\$

Come experience the world famous, magnificent ruins of the walled city of Tulum, the only Mayan city built right on the blue Caribbean Sea! After a short tender ride to Playa del Carmen, your guide will lead you to an air-conditioned motor coach for a scenic and informative one-hour drive to Tulum. Once there, your guide will escort you through the ruins giving a complete narration along the way. See more than 60 restored temples and some of the mysterious hieroglyphic writings still visible today. Visit the Temple of the Frescos famous for the detailed carved figures and original paints. And, perched on the edge of the Caribbean and rising high above all of the other ruins is "El Castillo" with its breathtaking view of the aqua-colored water below. Back in Playa

del Carmen, you will have up to one hour free time for shopping (depending on the tender schedule).

Please note: There is a 10-minute walk from the parking lot to the entrance of the ruins and back. A tram is available to and from for guests that do not want to walk at a cost of USD\$2 round trip (price subject to change). This tour involves considerable walking on uneven limestone and loose stones and climbing on uneven rough surfaces. Wear comfortable walking shoes; bring a hat, sunscreen and insect repellent. There is a government tax of USD\$5-8 on the use of video cameras in the ruins. No tripods and/or professional video cameras are allowed. Guests are not allowed to climb some ruins due to their fragile state. The tour ends in downtown Cozumel; the short taxi ride back to the ship is at your own expense.

# **Cozumel Highlights & Shopping**



Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

Take a trip into the colorful past and charming present of the most popular cruise ship destination in Mexico, with plenty time for shopping! You will be greeted at the pier by your bilingual guide, then board an air-conditioned motor coach for a scenic drive around the island of Cozumel. Your guide will give you an interesting narration of the largest inhabited island of Mexico, and its background. Your first stop is the oldest settlement on the island, El Cedral. Learn about the ancient history of the Mayan culture that first inhibited this tiny village where the first Catholic service was held in Mexico. Next, continue around the southern tip of the island to the east side where you will see the untamed beaches on your way to El Mirador, a popular natural limestone formation, for a photo opportunity and to stretch your legs. Sample some tequila at a real Tequila Factory, then your trip takes you back into town for a stop at Cozumel's shopping district. You may also choose to view the exhibits at Cozumel's museum with your guide (or at your own pace) or decide to stay in town and return to ship later at your own expense.

Please note: Wear comfortable walking shoes, sunscreen and insect repellent.

# A Taste of Cozumel: Mexican Cuisine Workshop & Tasting



Approximately 5 hours • \$\$

Learn how to prepare a full Mexican meal while having a lot of fun. This totally unique experience with Mexican cuisine will begin as you are greeted on the pier an escorted to a bus for a scenic ride to Playa Mia Grand Beach Park. Upon your arrival, a prestigious chef will lead you through the art and wonders of cooking fine Mexican traditional cuisine. You will have an individual work station with all ingredients and utensils ready for you to learn the secrets of preparing and serving some of the most delicious recipes from this internationally acclaimed kitchen. A full domestic open bar is offered for you to enjoy at any time. You'll discover a set of cooking skills you never knew you had! The chef will assist you every step of the way and answer your questions. He'll let you into some of the finer secrets of traditional Mexican food preparation. Finally, all participants we'll be served their own creations accompanied by fine Mexican wines and a festive atmosphere. Then, after all the "hard work," you will have leisure time to enjoy Playa Mia's beautiful facilities while you soak some sun and bathe in the crystal-clear, turquoise waters of the Mexican Caribbean before you and your newly-learned recipes are returned to your the ship.

# The Original Tequila Tasting





Approximately 31/4 hours • \$\$\$

You're invited to Cozumel's only formal taste testing of Tequila, the most famous Mexican drink. Improve your knowledge of this fascinating country's cultural heritage while delighting your sense of taste. Familiarize yourself with the origin, the production, and the diversity of Mexican Tequila. Enjoy diverse Mexican plates accompanied by a variety of Tequilas, from the (white) Tequila Blanco to the (most aged) Tequila Reposado. Learn how to appreciate an authentic Tequila, which drinks can be prepared with it, and how to drink it without losing the distinctive taste. One of our experts will guide you through this experience, which is given in a very Caribbean atmosphere, admiring the turquoise sea and the white sandy beach that will await you afterwards for

a pleasant time to digest and relax. Later, the coach will take you back to your pier.

Please note: Must be minimum 21 years old to participate. Wear comfortable clothing. Bring money for any purchases. Guests who would like to stay at the beach can return to pier later at their own expense.



### Clear Kayak & Beach Snorkel Adventure





Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

Treat yourself to an amazing adventure and see the Caribbean from a totally different point of view, gliding over a coral reef in a clear kayak. This is the ultimate "dry-snorkel/wet-snorkel" experience! Come to exclusive Uvas Beach to paddle a twoperson kayak out into the crystal clear waters of the Caribbean, but that's not all that's crystal clear! Look down through your transparent kayak to see an amazing underwater world of tropical fish swimming through fascinating coral reef formations right beneath you. When your unique journey over the sea is done, put on a mask and fins and head under the surface for a closer look at Cozumel's marine life in an inspiring snorkel excursion . Ready for a rest? Return to the beautiful beach club facilities to soak up the sun, swim in the pool or relax in the shade of an umbrella. Enjoy two included drinks and a fresh fruit plate or, if you've worked up a bigger appetite, you can order food at your own expense from the restaurant. When time's up, either return to your ship or stay at Playa Uvas and extend your day in this tropical paradise, in which case taxi coupons will be given to return to the ship on your own.

Please note. Snorkeling is not allowed for guests with asthma, cardiac problems, diabetes or epilepsy or those taking anti-depressants, lithium, beta blockers and base vein constrictors. Minimum age is 6 years. Minimum age to snorkel is 8 years. Total weight of both passengers in a kayak cannot exceed 425 lbs. Only biodegradable sunscreen is allowed to be used by guests who wish to snorkel due to reef damage caused by normal sunscreen.

### Beachside Snorkel





Approximately 2½ hours • \$

This tour is designed for the adventurous traveler looking for an extended time snorkeling. You'll be escorted to a taxi for a fiveminute ride to Sunset Beach. Meet the energetic staff of PADIcertified dive masters who will brief you on the coral reef, safety procedures and snorkel equipment. Snorkelers are free to enter and exit the snorkel site as they like. Marvel at the soft sponge coral and tropical fish awaiting you at Sunset Beach. There is something for everyone, as the water depth varies from 2 to 25 feet. You'll be able to progress to the deeper water at your own pace. Personalized instruction is available. Freshwater showers, a restaurant/snack bar, and restrooms are available. Sunscreen, t-shirts, Cuban handcrafts and genuine Cuban cigars can be purchased here.

Please note: A secure location is available for your belongings (locker fee USD\$2). The staff will coordinate your return transportation back to the ship for you. Wear your swimsuit; bring a towel, hat and sunscreen. Waiver release form must be signed. Minimum age is 5 years.

# **Cozumel Certified Scuba Diving**



Approximately 41/2 hours • \$\$

Certified scuba divers can spend four hours of magnificent fun diving Cozumel's spectacular reefs. You'll be greeted by a tour guide and dive master and escorted to a dive boat that holds between 12 and 24 passengers. You must present your C-card upon arrival. Once aboard, you'll be assisted in setting up your diving gear. Approaching the first dive site, world-famous Palancar Reef (70 to 80 feet), the dive masters will divide you into small groups (8 divers to 1 diversater) according to everyone's level of experience. Each group receives a thorough briefing about the dive plan, points of interest, and safety tips before descending to the reef. Back on board, enjoy purified drinking water as you move on to the next dive site at one of the shallower reefs (50 to 60 feet). This site will be "Captain's Choice." He will find the best location and best conditions for this dive. All the dive boats were manufactured in the US to meet US Coast Guard regulations.

Please note: Minimum age is 12 years. Certain medical requirements

must be met in order to participate. Completion of a medical questionnaire, which is administered by the tour operator, is required for participation in this tour. Valid certification card from an accredited agency is required. You must logged a dive within the last 2 years. Tour may be purchased with or without equipment. If guests decide to rent a wetsuit the cost is USD\$10. Wear your swimsuit; bring a towel.

# **Cozumel Discover Scuba Diving**





Approximately 2 hours • \$\$

Calling all beginners—come SCUBA diving in warm and amazingly clear, shallow water. This tour is designed for the noncertified diver who has never been diving and wants to discover scuba. A team of PADI instructors are dedicated to taking you step by step through an introductory course that will teach you how to breathe and swim freely underwater! After approximately 45 minutes of underwater instruction and orientation, you will be ready to gear up in full SCUBA gear and enter the water directly from the beach. The student-to-instructor ratio is 4 to 1, allowing the instructor to give you individual attention throughout the entire course and dive. A few minutes are spent in waist-deep water getting used to the new feeling of breathing underwater. And then, go diving. The instructor is with you at all times guiding you and exploring this new breathtaking world of fish and coral in a fantasy of shapes and colors. The dive reaches a maximum depth of 25 feet. This area is home to schools of sergeant majors, pairing angelfish, and lobsters. The diving equipment is new and top-ofthe-line. It is selected carefully by the instructor to accommodate optimal fit and comfort. Cozumel, with its warm and exceptionally clear waters, offers an outstanding opportunity for guests to make their first dive a remarkable experience.

Please note: Minimum age is 12 years. All equipment and transportation are provided. Certain medical requirements must be met in order to participate on this tour. Completion of a medical questionnaire, which is administered by the tour operator, is required. Wear your swimsuit; bring a towel.

### Sea Trek Helmet Diving & Pearl Farm



Approximately 2 hours • \$\$\$

Helmet diving is the easiest and most comfortable way to explore underwater. It's as simple as walking and breathing. A helmet sits comfortably on your shoulders while a continuous flow of air means breathing under water with ease. Using this intriguing technology, even non-swimmers can experience the beauty of the underwater water world and get a "fish-eye" view of a real pearl farm! A guide will stay with you every step of the way, as you view beautiful tropical fish and the largest experimental rainbow-lipped pearl oyster farm in the entire Caribbean. Your hair doesn't get wet and you can even wear prescription glasses. The maximum depth is approximately 20 feet. You'll also learn the real facts including the truth the "grain of sand" myth as to how pearls are formed and harvested. Professional guides will provide a briefing, review safety procedures and describe the tour. The underwater helmet walking portion is approximately 25 minutes. After the trek, enjoy unlimited use snorkel equipment. You'll also have an opportunity to purchase pearl jewelry. You'll also find yourself within walking distance to downtown Cozumel and its shopping centers.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit; bring a towel, a change of clothing, sunscreen, a hat and sunglasses. Minimum age is 8 years. All equipment and transportation are provided. Certain medical requirements must be met in order to participate on this tour. Completion of a medical questionnaire, which is administered by the tour operator, is required.

# Dolphin Swim & Ride



Approximately 3 hours • \$\$\$\$

This dream-fulfilling experience provides participants with the opportunity to swim with bottlenose dolphins in natural ocean coves. Before entering the ocean cove, each participant is directed by one of our knowledgeable trainers to their individual stations to be briefed about the basic guidelines of the program. View a short dolphin presentation where you will be introduced to some of the extraordinary dolphins' behavior. The first part of program is conducted on a waist-deep submerged platform. This is a very hands-on program, allowing you to get an up close and personal

anatomy lesson on dolphins as well as learning about dolphins' behavior and adaptations they have made to the environment. All participants receive a kiss and a "finshake." Then, proceed into the deeper water of a natural ocean cove to swim and touch the dolphins in their own environment. Enjoy a dolphin ride. The dolphins are directed by the trainers to swim by each participant allowing them you interact freely with the dolphins. Use a mask to see how these beautiful animals swim and glide through the crystal-clear waters. These unforgettable magical moments are captured on film and video and are available for purchase.

Please note: Pregnant women are not allowed to participate.

### **The Dolphin Encounter**





Approximately 31/2 hours • \$\$\$

The Dolphin Encounter Program is great for swimmers and non-swimmers alike. Your adventure begins with a short transfer to Chankanaab National Park where a morning of fun with a dolphin awaits! Chankanaab National Park offers beautiful beach areas, snorkel and scuba shops where gear may be rented and restaurants and bars scattered throughout. The most exciting part of the excursion is the Dolphin Encounter. Standing on a submerged platform, you will be able to pet and kiss the dolphin. Participate in various behaviors like the sing, splash, marvel at the dolphins' speed in the fast swim and other fun activities. Photos and a DVD will be available for your viewing and purchase after the program.

Please note: A lifejacket must be worn during the dolphin program. Pregnant women are not allowed to participate.

### **Dolphin Swim Adventure**





Approximately 51/2 hours • \$\$\$

The Dolphin Swim Adventure adds a new dimension to interactive dolphin experiences. At the dock where you will hear a brief orientation on the day's activities, then you'll transfer to Chankanaab Park by taxi. Put your belongings in a locker, and a trainer will give details about upcoming activities and safety procedures. You will then enter the water standing on a submerged platform for an introduction to your new dolphin friend. Enjoy plenty of contact as you get to touch the dolphin and pose for a

fishy kiss. A professional photographers and videographers will catch all the action. Next, your trainer will lead you into deeper water. Wearing a lifejacket, you will perform various close contact behaviors with the dolphin, such as holding on to its pectoral fin as it pulls you around, or dancing belly to belly. During the final part of your experience, you will don a mask and snorkel to accompany your dolphin and trainer into the water. There you will marvel at the grace and intelligence of these amazing animals as you watch them swim next to you. Once you leave the water you'll have time to rinse off in the freshwater showers and view your video and photos. Check out the boutiques before you return to the pier.

Please note: A lifejacket must be worn during the dolphin program. Pregnant women are not allowed to participate. Minimum age is 8 years.

## **Dolphin Trainer**







Approximately 5½ hours • \$\$\$\$

Transfer to the dolphin facility where you will be greeted by a guide and offered a tropical fruit drink. The staff will provide you with towels, lockers and snorkeling equipment for your use during your time here. Then you will be welcomed by one of our knowledgeable trainers to start your dolphin trainer program where you will be in close contact with the dolphins while assisting our trainers in every aspect of their work including feeding and behavioral training techniques like hand signals and the use of positive reinforcement. Participants will be taken on a "behindthe-scenes" tour. Visit the "fish house" and laboratory where they will learn to prepare the dolphins' diets and learn about basic husbandry, training techniques, daily reports and medication. Learn the anatomy of dolphins and participate in an interactive training lecture. After refreshments in the cafe, you will be provided with a mask and snorkel and be guided to the snorkeling cove to view marine and fish life with safety and ease. The third part of program is conducted on a waist-deep submerged platform. This is a very hands-on program, allowing you to get an up close and personal anatomy lesson on dolphins as well as learning about dolphins' behavior and adaptations they have made to the environment. All participants receive a kiss and a "finshake." Then, proceed into the deeper water of a natural ocean cove to swim and touch the dolphins in their own environment. Enjoy a

dolphin ride. The dolphins are directed by the trainers to swim by each participant allowing them you interact freely with the dolphins. Use your mask and snorkel to see how these beautiful animals swim and glide through the crystal-clear waters. Enjoy lunch at our beautiful restaurant overlooking the Caribbean Sea before returning to the ship. You will receive a Dolphin Trainer Certificate, a Dolphin Trainer t-shirt, two photos and two drinks.

Please note: This is the only dolphin tour that allows participants to spend 40 min with the dolphins in the water. Use of towels, lockers and snorkeling equipment, refreshments and lunch are included. Pregnant women are not allowed to participate.

### **Power Snorkel**





Approximately 2 hours • \$\$

On this unusual tour, you will be greeted at the pier by your guide; then it is just a short ride to one of Cozumel's best dive spots where your Aqua Scooter awaits. You'll receive in-depth instruction on how to operate the scooter and snorkel equipment by a certified dive master. Then, it's off with your guide to enjoy the incredible views lying just below the water's surface. Skim near the surface faster than you can swim and dive down to take a closer look. Your Aqua Scooter glides you along on your guided tour past sea fans, coral and an array of amazing marine life.

Please note: Provided equipment includes snorkel gear (vest, snorkel, mask, fins) and an Aqua Scooter. Minimum age is 12 years. Maximum weight is 240lbs. Wear your swimsuit; bring sunscreen, a towel and a change of clothes. This excursion is not recommended for guests with a heart condition or asthma.

#### Snuba Adventure





Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

Ready to take the next step beyond snorkeling, but not sure about scuba diving? Snuba is for you. It's a combination of snorkeling and scuba diving, and introduces you to the amazing underwater world without the cumbersome equipment necessary to go scuba diving. It's fun, safe and easy. You haven't experienced the Mayan Caribbean unless you have seen what its underwater world has to offer. After approximately 15 minutes of instruction, your

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divemaster will take you into shallow water where you will be able to try out your skills and build your confidence. Once you are ready, proceed out to deeper water (15-18 ft), where you will find schooling fish and brilliant coral formations. Visit lobsters, parrotfish and pairing angelfish in their own habitat. You will be fascinated by the myriad of brilliant colors that surround you in this incredible underwater world. You will spend approximately 20 to 30 minutes in water during your snuba dive.

Please note: Minimum age is 8 years. All equipment and transportation are provided. Certain medical requirements must be met in order to participate on this tour. Completion of a medical questionnaire, which is administered by the tour operator, is required. Wear your swimsuit; bring a towel.



### Speed Boat Escape & Beach





Approximately 4 hours • \$\$\$

Experience this high-impact, high-adrenaline tour. It is just a short ride to a local beach where your two-person speed boat awaits. You'll receive safety equipment and an orientation on the boat, then get behind the wheel and head out past sugary white beaches, hidden lagoons and local wildlife. Feel the rush! After your ride, head back to the beach club to taste a Mexican grilled buffet lunch. Bask in the sun, swim in the ocean, explore the beach, join in a friendly game of volleyball or just relax under your beach umbrella. Included are two soft drinks or water, buffet of seasonal fresh fruits, chicken fajitas, quesadillas, chips, salsa, and nachos with cheese, and round trip transportation.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit, sunscreen and a hat. Bring a towel, aqua shoes and insect repellent. Minimum age is 6 years. Minimum age to drive the boat is 18 years. Maximum of 650 lbs per boat. Two guests per boat. Pregnant women and guests with asthma, epilepsy, neck/back problems are not allowed to participate in this tour. A waiver form must be signed. Maximum speed of the boats is approximately 20 mph. You are required to wear a life jacket while in the boat. Time at the beach is approximately 11/2 hours. Freshwater showers are available.

## **Atlantis Submarine Expedition**





Approximately 21/2 hours • \$\$\$

Your dive adventure begins aboard the transfer ferry that will take you on a 15-minute cruise along Cozumel's west coast. Upon arrival at the dive site you will board a real US Coast Guard-certified submarine and cruise the ocean floor at the island's famous and unique attraction of Chankanaab Reef—an environmentally protected marine park. Through large windows, marvel at the huge variety of tropical fish and magnificent 30-foot coral heads. An experienced co-pilot will be happy to answer your questions. After the 40-minute dive, you will be met by the transfer ferry that will return you to the cruise ship pier.

Please note: Minimum age is 4 years. Minimum height is 3 feet. Please confirm weight restrictions before booking this tour. To board the submarine, you must climb backwards down a step ladder.

### **Fury Catamaran Snorkel & Beach Party**

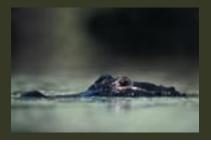




Approximately 3½ hours ● \$

Since 1992, Fury has been offering extreme in Cozumel. This 65-foot state-of-the-art custom-built catamaran feature a stairway to the ocean, freshwater showers, big shaded lounge with comfortable tables and seats, spacious sun deck, a bar and two restrooms. You'll head to one of Cozumel's great snorkel sites to snorkel in the crystal-clear waters of the Mexican Caribbean viewing colorful sealife. After snorkeling, the boat sails along the beautiful coast of Cozumel to a pristine, private beach—one of the finest beaches on the Yucatan Peninsula. Once at the beach, go kayaking, relax on a float in the warm water or swing in a hammock. Don't forget to enjoy ice cold beers and delicious Margaritas! An optional lunch is also available for purchase. Finally, as you ride the waves back to your ship, the catamaran's friendly crew will have you dancing on deck to classic beach party tunes.

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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, 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 31/2 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 - \$\$

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 3½ - 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

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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**

### **Honey Suckle Beach Trail Ride**



Approximately 21/2 hours • \$\$\$

Mount your horse and ride along the powdery, white sand beaches of the North Coast, West Bay District of Grand Cayman. From atop your horse, you will have an excellent view of the reef protecting the natural lagoon. You will have the opportunity to take your mount into the water, a few feet from the shore. You will walk, trot or canter, depending on your own ability. After your exhilarating ride, you will return to the stable for the trip back to the cruise terminal.



# SIGHTSEEING TOURS

# **Butterfly Farm Express**





Approximately 1 hour • \$

Experience a magical encounter with some of nature's most beautiful creatures. Bring your camera and plenty of film! You will be met on the pier by a friendly staff member who will escort you to a waiting shuttle bus for the short trip to the mystical world of butterflies at the Butterfly Farm. Step into the tropical garden filled with butterflies from around the world. Stroll among the manicured gardens, ponds and waterfalls among spectacular tropical flowers and over 1,000 colorful butterflies. You will be surrounded by a myriad of colors as your guide explains the fascinating habits of butterflies, their life cycle and the miracle of metamorphosis. There will be free time to revisit your favorite areas of the complex or relax on the spacious, covered

porch. When it's time to leave the shuttle bus will return you to downtown George Town with plenty of time for shopping or an afternoon shore excursion.

### **Butterflies & Beach**





Approximately 31/2 hour • \$\$

Your adventure begins as you board a waiting bus near the pier for your journey to Grand Cayman's unforgettable Butterfly Farm. Prepare yourself for an encounter with some of nature's most colorful creatures as you as you make your way out of the downtown area. Upon arrival, your guide will introduce you to this tropical garden teeming with butterflies from around the world. Experience a myriad of colors amid the lush local flora, as your expert guide explains the fascinating habits of these beautiful creatures as well as the miracle of metamorphosis. After enjoying the wonder of the butterfly world, it's time to enjoy another of nature's wonders—the powder white sand and crystal blue waters of Seven Mile Beach. Enjoy a welcome drink (non-alcoholic) upon arrival at Grand Cayman's newest beach destination, Sea Grape Beach, located on world famous Seven Mile Beach. Relax on your own personal lounger with an umbrella, take a dip in the refreshing Caribbean waters or visit the bar and grill for some local specialties.

# The Trolley Roger





Approximately 1 hour • \$

Grand Cayman's rich history and folklore of pirates and hidden loot awaits you on the one and only Trolley Roger. Permission to come aboard maties, and bring yer wee ones too for a swashbuckling tour of George Town, Grand Cayman. Your expert guide relates the entertaining history of the island and its colorful past. This unique open-air trolley will take you past many of the 600 banks adjacent to some of the oldest buildings in Grand Cayman, the central park area and the statue of National Hero, Jim Bodden. You will pass through the beautiful residential area of South Sound, where you will see the intricate decoration of old-time Caymanian houses nestled amongst a myriad of tropical Caribbean flowers and trees. After a short stop at a favorite local

beach, the journey continues along the scenic coastal road towards Hog Sty Bay and the harbor area, passing McCoy's Villa with chance to take a photo of this immaculately restored house. The tour ends in the center of George Town, where you can pick up some treasures of your own at the shops or return to the nearby cruise ship terminal.

Please note: This is an open-air trolley pulled behind a vehicle. Guests should dress accordingly on windy, rainy or cooler days. There is a considerable walk from the terminal to the bus terminal. Guests in wheelchairs must be able to step up and down from trolley. Wheelchairs must fold up and fit in back of the vehicle.

### **Thriller Sea & Sand Adventure**





Approximately 2¾ hours • \$\$

Get ready for the ride of your life as you board the Grand Cayman Thriller Boat! Feel the power of the engines as this off-shore racing boat pulls away from the dock and accelerates toward a day of fun in the sun. You'll fly across the water at speeds of 50-60 mph as you journey south, taking in the beautiful shoreline of Grand Cayman. You'll then race to the Northwest point past the turtle farm before slowing down for a short stop at Grand Cayman's newest beach destination, Sea Grape Beach, on Seven Mile Beach. Step down onto the powder-white sand and relax in a beach chair for a little over an hour. Walk the beach, play in the crystal-clear Caribbean waters, or try a cold drink at the bar. The time is your to enjoy and soon you'll board the thriller for a heart-pounding ride back to George Town Harbour to enjoy the rest of your day.

# **Cayman Sightseeing Adventure**



Approximately 21/2 hours • \$

Come along for a fun-filled tour as you discover the colorful sights and sounds of Grand Cayman! First, you'll journey into downtown George Town and view several of the most famous landmarks—Fort George, the Legislative Assembly Building, Heroes Square, the Peace Memorial and many of Cayman's numerous banks. At the Conch Shell House, take several photos of this beautiful home built in 1935 made with 4,000 conch shells. Next is the Rum Cake Factory, for a taste of Grand Cayman's world famous rum

cake, followed by a trip straight to Hell! On the way to the rock formations that bear this unfortunate name, you'll pass famous Seven Mile Beach , the Hotel Zone, the Governor's Mansion and the Old Homestead. While at Hell, you'll have the opportunity to send a postcard to family and friends postmarked from the Hell post office. Then, enjoy a 30-minute stop at Seven Mile Beach for photos and to dig your toes into the powder white sand or just enjoy the Caribbean water before returning to the ship.

Please note: Wear comfortable shoes; bring your camera. Guests who decide to stay at Seven Mile Beach are responsible for their own transportation back to ship.

### **Cayman Islands Heritage Tour**





Approximately 31/2 hours • \$\$

Enjoy your visit to Grand Cayman experiencing the rich history and some of the exotic fauna and wildlife. Board an airconditioned bus and head south, through the historic South Sound area, past Smith Cove and along the coast, to explore the colorful history and wildlife of Grand Cayman. Your first stop, Pedro St. James "Castle," is the birthplace of democracy in the Cayman Islands. Visit the completely restored great house built in 1780, stroll through the beautiful gardens and other restored buildings overlooking the Caribbean Sea. Experience dazzling thunder and lightening storms inside the unique multimedia theater. From there, the tour will continue on to the Queen Elizabeth II Botanic Park—76 acres of natural and manicured grounds, restored Caymanian homes, brilliant native flora and fauna, native wildlife and the famous blue iguana, found only on Grand Cayman. Stroll by a riot of tropical color as you learn interesting facts about life past and present in Grand Cayman. After your tour of these beautiful gardens, it's time to board your awaiting bus for the journey back along the coast to downtown George Town.

# **Stingray Observatory & Island Drive**



Approximately 2½ hours ● \$\$

This great land and sea tour combination includes the Cayman Turtle Farm, Hell and world-renowned Stingray City, without getting wet! During the land tour you see Grand Cayman landmarks beginning with a trip to "Hell." Here you will see the jagged rock formations that have fascinated tourists for years. If you wish, you may send a postcard to friends with an intriguing postmark. Next is a visit to the Cayman Turtle Farm, the only commercial sea turtle nursery in the world. At Stingray City, you will observe the graceful southern stingrays from the observatory without getting wet. You will watch dozens of these gorgeous, friendly creatures in their natural habitat as the diver feeds and interacts with them. The diver will assist in creating great photo opportunities of the stingrays. While relaxing in the spacious observatory you will receive narration to provide additional information about these fascinating creatures. Return to the bus and drive past renowned Seven-Mile Beach where blue waters meet sparkling white sands. Watch for Government House, the colonial-style mansion where His Excellency, the Governor, resides, and other George Town landmarks.

# Grand Cayman Heritage & Boatswain's Beach Turtle Farm



Approximately 2¾ hours • \$\$

Come along for a fun-filled day as you discover colorful Grand Cayman! First you'll journey into downtown George Town and view several of the city's most famous landmarks. You'll pass by Fort George, the Legislative Assembly building, Heroes Square, the Peace Memorial and many of the numerous banks for which Grand Cayman is famous. After that, your tour goes straight to Hell. You'll head North along famous Seven Mile Beach as your guide points out various points of interest along the way. You'll pass by the hotel zone, world-famous Seven-Mile Beach, the Governor's Mansion and the Old Homestead (an original Caymanian home) on your way to the unique natural limestone formations that gave Hell its unique name. You'll have the opportunity to send a postcard to family or friends postmarked from Hell. Next stop is the Turtle Farm at Boatswain's Beach where you'll encounter magnificent green sea turtles weighing up to 600 pounds. Hold one of the yearlings at the touch tank and meet Cassidy at the Caiman Exhibit. You may encounter Kemp's Ridley, loggerhead and hawksbill turtles. End your tour with a visit to the Rum Cake Factory for a taste of Grand Cayman's renowned specialty before returning to downtown George Town.

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### **Stingray City & Island Drive**





Approximately 41/2 hours • \$\$

Begin your tour with an overview island drive, including such attractions as Seven Mile Beach, the rock formations of "Hell," and a stop at a local rum center. You will be taken to the marina to board a covered boat for a trip to Stingray City. Snorkel equipment and life vests will be issued, along with instructions on snorkeling and precautions in feeding the stingrays. Snorkel in four-foot deep water to meet, feed, feel and film the beautiful stingrays!

Please note: Wear your swimsuit. Bring a towel and camera.

### **Stingray City Sandbar Experience**





Approximately 21/2 hours • \$\$

National Geographic describes this as "one of the most rewarding experiences in the Underwater World." At the inland lagoon of North Sound, board a covered boat for a 30-minute cruise to Stingray City. Divers will hand-feed the rays to bring them closer to the boat. Pet the stingrays in only four feet of water at the sand bar. Certified instructors assist during the optional snorkeling time. Time spent with the stingrays is approximately one hour. Snorkel equipment is provided (no fins permitted).

Please note: Wear your swimsuit and bring a towel.

# Captain Nemo's Snorkel Safari





Approximately 1¾ hours • \$\$

Enjoy the best of two kinds of undersea viewing! This tour is ideal for all the family, snorkelers and non-snorkelers alike. After a short bus transfer, you'll board the *Nautilus*, the largest, most luxurious semi-submarine in the world. A fully narrated tour tells you the history and mystery of the ghostly shipwreck, the *Cali*. Then it's on to the spectacular, colorful Cheeseburger Reef, where divers will hand-feed the fish at your window. Now it's your turn!

Snorkeling from the spacious deck of the *Nautilus*, you can expect to see a huge variety of tropical fish, including stingrays, parrotfish, sergeant majors, tarpon and angelfish. Feed them if you wish and have them literally eating out of your hand! Non-snorkelers can watch the action from above or below the water. Snorkeling equipment, safety vest, professional instruction, supervision, ice water and transportation are all included.

Please note: Snorkeling time is approximately 40 minutes.

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





Approximately 4 hours • \$\$\$

Grand Cayman is a paradise for divers with translucent waters and dazzling marine life. Dive today from a luxury dive boat. The first of the tank dive is usually on the famous "west wall," to an average depth of 70 feet. The wall features many crevices and overhangs teeming with hard corals, colorful sponges and beautiful gorgonians. After the appropriate surface interval, the second site will be on one of Cayman's coral reefs or ship wrecks. These shallow dive sites attract a colorful and diverse collection of fish and other marine life. Professional instructors will be available at all times. For the underwater photographer, the boat is camerafriendly with freshwater rinse tanks.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit; bring a towel. Bring your C-card. Scuba equipment is provided. Waiver release form must be signed. Drinking water is provided and coolers are available for those who bring their own refreshments. Freshwater showers are available. Minimum age is 15 years.

## **Discover Scuba Diving**





Approximately 3 hours • \$\$\$

This program is designed as an introduction to the sport of scuba diving. You'll start off with a brief lecture followed by time in the pool getting familiar with the dive equipment for approximately 1½ hours. Then, once everyone is comfortable, make your way out of the pool and straight into the Caribbean Sea for a guided Scuba dive over Casuarina Reef Marine Park. While experiencing the sensation of weightlessness in the underwater world, expect to encounter some amazing tropical fish, corals and creatures

such as sergeant majors, angelfish, parrot fish, damsels, trumpet fish—maybe even a lobster or an eel! The dive lasts approximately 30-45 minutes.

Please note: Completion of a medical form is required. Guests with any known medical conditions must have a doctor's note to participate. Minimum age is 12 years.

### **Ray Runner Mini-Boat**



Approximately 3 hours • \$\$

This is a small, personalized tour, for those who wish to avoid the large crowds. Full mini-boat driving instructions will be given and a guide/diver will accompany you on this tour. Start by taking command of your own boat and speeding out to world-famous Stingray City where you will experience the thrill of swimming with and feeding stingrays —truly wondrous creatures of the sea. From Stingray City, re-board your boat for the short trip to the underwater world of the Coral Gardens where you will snorkel the colorful coral reef and may even catch sight of one of Grand Cayman's green sea turtles. From Coral Gardens you will pilot your boat back to the dock and board a bus for the return trip to George Town for shopping, or return directly to your ship.

Please note: Snorkel gear and flotation devices are provided or you can bring your own. Not recommended for guest with neck or back injures or women who are more than one trimester pregnant.

# **Cheeseburger Reef Kayak & Snorkel**



Approximately 21/2 hours • \$\$

Your tour will leave the cruise terminal for a short walk to the kayak departure point. Snorkel and safety equipment will be issued, and you will hear a full safety briefing and instructions. Then, you will board your kayak for a scenic kayak paddle in the crystal clear waters of Grand Cayman for a snorkel break at the wreck of the *Cali*, a masted schooner blown up by the British Corps of Engineers due to its potential hazard to the port. After re-boarding your kayak for the short paddle to Cheeseburger Reef, you will then slip into the water for some snorkeling around Cheeseburger Reef. Enjoy the magnificent views of the colorful coral reef, teeming with tropical sea life, accompanied by your

guide. Hop back into your kayak for a leisurely paddle back to your departure point. From here, it will be a short walk back to the cruise terminal or time for shopping in George Town, if you wish.



# **Atlantis Submarine Grand Cayman**





Approximately 1½ hours (45-minute dive) • \$\$\$

On board the state-of-the-art, air-conditioned, 48-passenger *Atlantis XI* submarine, you'll embark on a breathtaking voyage to explore the beautiful sponges, intricate corals and exotic tropical fish within a few feet of your large viewport. The submarine cabin maintains sea level pressure (easy on the ears). A space-age adventure under the sea!

Please note: Those concerned about safety should note that the Atlantis is naturally buoyant; if there are any systems problems, the submarine will simply rise to the surface. Children less than three feet tall are not permitted. In order to enter the submarine, you must climb backwards down a short step ladder.

# Seaworld Explorer Semi-Submarine Reef & Shipwreck Expedition



Approximately 1 hour • \$

The new *Seaworld Explorer* is a state-of-the-art semi-submarine developed for comfort and maximum viewing of the shallow reefs. The vessel does not submerge. You descend into the hull of this cruising underwater observatory and sit in air-conditioned comfort five feet below the surface of the water. As you explore you will view an abundance of marine life through large, clear windows. *Seaworld Explorer* departs from the dock right by the cruise ship dock in downtown George Town. The first site you visit is a dramatic shipwreck, the *Cali*, a steel schooner built in 1900. This ship ran aground 100 yards off the coast of Grand Cayman in 1944. From here, your captain takes you to Cheeseburger Reef. Be sure to have your camera ready when the diver enters the water and begins to feed the hundreds of multicolored tropical fish right in front of your window. A knowledgeable marine expert will

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provide answers to your questions and informational narration on the amazing underwater world around you. Hear more tales of the high seas as the *Seaworld Explorer* takes you to see the wreck of the *Balboa*. The *Balboa* is a 375-foot freighter traveling from Cayman to Cuba when she encountered one of the worst hurricanes in the island's history in 1932. The *Seaworld Explorer* then brings you back to the dock in the heart of George Town.

### **Glass-Bottom Boat**





Approximately 1 hour • \$

Welcome aboard the *Reef Roamer*—a glass-bottom boat! View the beautiful, exciting underwater world of Grand Cayman, where the reefs abound with awesome shipwrecks, tropical fish, sponges and vivid coral. Take in a panoramic view of the famous Seven Mile Beach and the ever-changing colors of the ocean.

### **Land & Sea Combination**





Approximately 3½ hours • \$\$

Explore the marine paradise of Cheeseburger Reef and the ghostly shipwrecks of the *Cali* and *Balboa* on board a semi-submarine. An expert narrator and fish-feeding divers make it a true adventure! Then, step aboard a bus for a tour past the Governor's residence located on Seven Mile Beach. Next is a visit to "Hell," named for its unusual rock formations. Along the way, one of the island's rum-cake centers provides a sample of this island delicacy. Return to the cruise ship landing, where you are within walking distance of the downtown shops.

### Nautilus One Semi-Submersible





Approximately 11/4 hours • \$\$

After a short bus transfer, you will board the Nautilus semi-sub for an exciting undersea tour, gliding gracefully through Cayman's tropical waters, but never completely submerged in a spacious, airconditioned underwater observatory. A marine expert tells you the history of the ghostly *Cali* and *Balboa* shipwrecks. At Cheeseburger Reef a diver hand-feeds the fish at your window.

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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 21/2 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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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 11/2 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

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 1½ - 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.

## key west, florida





## **ADVENTURE TOURS**

## **Key West Nature Kayak**



Approximately 21/2 hours • \$\$

No experience is necessary on this guided kayak tour. Watch for white herons, egrets, eagles and marine life, and even a manatee as you paddle a short distance across Cow Bay Channel, the main channel that separates Key West from the rest of the Keys. View exclusive homes, narrow winding mangroves and the famous salt ponds of Key West. Stable single and double kayaks are available.

Please note: Bring a spare pair of shorts as the kayak seats get wet.

## **World-Class Light Tackle Fishing**





Approximately 4 hours • \$\$\$

"Light tackle fishing" is a form of angling unique to Key West, pitting the lightest lines against the biggest fish. Fly, spin and plug fishermen target sailfish, tarpon, permit, king mackerel, snapper, yellowfin and blackfin tuna, grouper and sharks. Key West holds more than 300 IGFA world records—the next could be yours!

Please note: A minimum number of participants required for this tour to operate. Approximately 3¼ hours on the boat. The captain will determine the fishing location depending upon the conditions of the day.

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## The Trails of Margaritaville: A Walking Tour





Approximately 2 hours • \$

Learn about Jimmy Buffett's remarkable life during this funfilled stroll through Old Town Key West. Your tour begins at Captain Tony's Saloon where Jimmy started his singing career. The adventures behind his life and songs that unfold as you see Jimmy's first house on the island, the birthplace of *The Songs You Know by Heart*. Discover the location of the Shrimp Boat Sound Recording Studio, still in use today, and see the historic harbor filled with beautiful tall ships and funky shops. You'll stop at the bars where Jimmy played and sang, including Margaritaville, where you can relax and feel the magic and spirit of the island that inspired Jimmy Buffett.

#### **Butterfly Conservatory & Aquarium Tour**



Approximately 21/2 hours • \$

A short ride from the dock, the Key West Butterfly and Nature Conservatory houses an impressive collection of flowering plants, cascading waterfalls and trees and 50 to 60 different species of butterflies and birds from North, Central and South America, Africa and Southeast Asia, all in a climate controlled greenhouse. Browse through the Gift Shop before you continue to the Key West Aquarium—Key West's oldest attraction dating back to 1935. It is home to hundreds of different species of local sea-life including grouper, moray eels, barracuda, tropical fish, tarpon, sharks and parrotfish, as well as the unique "Atlantic Shore" exhibit with its local and in depth perspective of the mangroves.

## **Old Town Trolley & Conch Train**



Approximately 1 hour • \$

This tour is a "must" for all first-time visitors to Key West. Enjoy a one-hour narrated tour by comfortable trolley bus or the unique Conch Train. Your driver/guide will point out Ernest Hemingway's home and museum, Audubon House, and the "little White House," where Harry S Truman relaxed from the pressures of the Presidency, as well as other Conch Republic highlights. Return to the ship or browse in the shops at the pier.

#### Pirate Soul & Shipwreck Museum



Approximately 2½ hours • \$

Your tour will begin along side your cruise ship where you will be met by one of the Pirates of Pirate Soul. As you enter Pirate Soul you will be taken back to Port Royal, Jamaica, in the late 1690s and realize that you have arrived in the ultimate pirate museum. Within the winding alleys of the museum you will see a unique collection of 500 museum-quality, authentic pirate artifacts coupled with elements of interactive technology revealing a historic adventure through the Golden Age of Piracy and the lives of the era's most infamous pirates. With the "please touch" approach and audio-animatronics of a theme park, you will undertake an awesome pirate journey both above and below deck, filled with compelling lore, surprising facts and an abundance of sensory perceptions. Interact with historical facts, myths and folklore of many of the best-known pirates and privateers. Expect the unexpected as you enter the world and the lives of these most daring heroes and villains! See the original journal of Captain Kidd's last voyage, the only authentic pirate treasure chest in America originally belonging to Captain Thomas Tew, Blackbeard's original blunderbuss, a rare 1696 "wanted" poster for the dreaded Henry Every, an assortment of rare pirate gold, cannonballs, weaponry, flags, books, maps, clothing and original pirate broadsides and proclamations. Artifacts on loan from the North Carolina Maritime Museum and Delaware Art Museum will be on display. Conclude your 300-year-old voyage back in time in the Pirate Soul Shoppe, the source for piratical paraphernalia, apparel, gifts and memorabilia. Next you will visit the Key West Shipwreck Historeum where lumbers, wreckers and salvagers will thrill you with tales of the 19th and 20th centuries. See a short film describing Key West's maritime history and the salvaging that helped make it the richest city in America. Upstairs, you will meet the 150-year-old Mr. Tift, working in his storeroom. Feel free to wander through the rest of the museum. For the more energetic, the 65 foot wrecking tower offers the best view of Key West.

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#### **Truman Little White House & Train/Trolley**



Approximately 2 hours • \$\$

Built in 1890, the Little White House in Key West was where Harry S Truman came for rest and relaxation during his presidency. Over the years, illustrious visitors to the house include President John F. Kennedy, British Prime Minister Harold MacMillan, President Jimmy Carter, and Colin Powell. After your visit here, board the train or trolley to see Key West's famous sights—Ernest Hemingway's home and museum, Audubon House, Sloppy Joes, the Historical Harbor, the schooner Western Union, and the marker indicating the southernmost point of the continental United States. At the end of your guided tour you will be free to follow the signs and walk back to the cruise ship docks. The walk can be as much as five blocks (about 400 yards) or just two blocks depending on where the ship is berthed.

#### **Orchid Gardens Walking Tour**





Approximately 2 hours • \$

Combine the beauty and mystique of orchids with Key West's colorful history and charm on a leisurely, guided walking tour of three exotic Key West gardens filled with hundreds of blooming orchids. First is Heritage House's romantic and colorful garden, which includes the Robert Frost Cottage. In this historic garden, Robert Frost, Tennessee Williams, Tallulah Bankhead, Gloria Swanson and many others spent their winter days. More than 200 orchid plants were willed to the Heritage House by a notable orchid lover to excite and enliven the senses. Next you will stop at Nancy Forrester's Secret Garden—a lush, cool garden oasis. This magnificent property was purchased, protected and preserved from development by Nancy Forrester, an "environmental artist." There is no place like it in Key West—this acre is a naturalized woodland that abounds with lush, tropical plants and trees, exotic orchids, and rare and unusual palms, all under a canopy of 100-year-old fruit trees. Some of these fruit trees, such as breadfruit, were planted in the early 1800s by sea captains, and have been allowed to grow and thrive in Key West's secret rain forest. Your final visit is to a unique tropical interior garden, Garden of Casa Antigua on Simonton Street, steeped in Key West history and considered one of Key West's most unusual properties. Author Ernest Hemingway fell in love with Key West here, and this is where he wrote *A Farewell to Arms*. With an atrium, fountain and pool, it is a lovely tropical garden retreat filled with orchids and other exotic blooming plants and foliage.

Please note: The tour will end at Casa Antigua in Old Key West. The guide will offer to direct guests wherever they wish to go at the conclusion of the tour, and will also offer to walk back with any guests choosing to return to the ship. It is a 10- to 12-minute leisurely walk back to the ship.



#### Catamaran Sail & Snorkel





Approximately 3 hours • \$

Your adventure begins as you board a state-of-the-art catamaran, sailing out to North America's only living coral reef. For the ultimate in sailing comfort, the boat features a stairway to the sea, a restroom, showers, a shaded lounge and large sundeck. Snorkel with first-class gear and professional instruction by the friendly crew to make your time in the water most enjoyable. Soda, beer and wine will be served on the return trip.

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





Approximately 21/2 hours • \$

The captain and crew provide you with a unique and informative eco-tour of the only living coral reef in the continental United States, just six miles offshore. This is one of the most biologically diverse marine eco-systems in the world! Majestic elkhorn and impressive brain coral, sturdy in appearance yet fragile and vulnerable, stand sentry for the more than 300 species of fish that complete the colorful intriguing seascape. Special glass "windows on the reef" provide continuous viewing for all passengers. Explore dramatic underwater vistas generally reserved for scuba divers. Marvel at the tropical splendor of an undersea world aboard a state-of-the-art catamaran.

## ➤ nassau, hahamas



To participate in these shore excursions, you must walk about  $\frac{1}{2}$ -mile to reach the tour and motor coach staging area.



## **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 waist-deep water.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit and bring a towel.



## 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.

## nassau, baha<u>mas</u>



## **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 3½ 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.

## ➤ roatán, honduras





#### Roatán West Side Island Tour



Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

A naturalist guide will accompany you on an easy 50-minute walk through the Carambola Botanical Garden—a jungle garden offering hummingbirds and tropical plants, and a snack on fresh fruit. Enjoy 20 minutes of free time at the Butterfly Farm (butterflies, parrots and toucans), and approximately an hour to shop in West End Village or just relax over Honduran coffee at the beautiful meeting point built on the water. A musical ethnic group of dancers of the Garifunas tribe will entertain you, demonstrating how to dance la punta.

Please note: Wear comfortable shoes; bring a hat, sunglasses, insect repellent and sunscreen.



## Shipwreck Snorkeling & Beach



Approximately 41/2 hours • \$\$

This unforgettable day combines relaxation and adventure. After a short transfer, you'll cross a private bridge to Fantasy Island Beach Resort, located on a remote, private island. Tropical, white, sandy beaches are surrounded by lush mangroves, palm and pine forests and untouched coral reefs in clear, blue Caribbean waters. Enjoy a tropical welcome fruit punch, then simply relax in a beach chaise or swim in the clear waters. Your snorkeling adventure will start from the unique snorkel gazebo placed in the water within swimming distance of a mysterious shipwreck, a sunken airplane,

## roatán, honduras

a beautiful shallow reef and a dramatic snorkeling reef wall just a giant stride away. You will be divided into groups according to your snorkeling and swimming abilities. Each group is assigned to a snorkel guide who provides snorkeling equipment (fins, snorkel, mask and snorkel flotation vest). A demonstration of proper fit and use is given along with a safety briefing about snorkeling. If you are a beginner, don't worry! You will receive extra attention and after a short practice snorkeling in the reef area, your guide will decide if it's appropriate to allow you in the shipwreck snorkeling site (an area that involves swimming and sometimes is affected by currents) or if it's better for you to remain in the shallow reef, nearer the shore but nonetheless excellent. Feel free to use the freshwater showerheads near the beach. Finish your tour at your leisure choosing freely among spending more time in the sandy beach, having a walk in the nature trail or shopping before embarking your bus to return to the ship.

Please note: Wear your swimsuit; bring a towel, comfortable shoes, hat, insect repellent and cash.

#### Semi-Submarine Boat Ride & West End Village



Approximately 31/2 hours • \$\$

Admire the coral reef from the large, clear windows of a semi-submarine—a moving underwater observation compartment that travels a few feet below the surface. The guide on board is an expert dive master who will explain the underwater environment. Then there's time for shopping at West End Village or just relaxing at a meeting point built on the water with a cup of Honduran coffee, lemonade or iced tea. A musical ethnic group of dancers of the Garifunas tribe will entertain you, demonstrating how to dance *la punta*.

Please note: Wear comfortable shoes; bring a hat, sunglasses, insect repellent and sunscreen.

## san juan, puerto rico





#### **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 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 3½ - 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 2½ 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 3½ 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 park-like 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.

## santo domingo, dominican republic





#### **All-Inclusive Beach Day**





Approximately 5 hours • \$\$

Dominican Republic's renowned resorts and hotels are dotted along its 200 miles of idyllic sand beaches and dramatic coastline. Treat yourself to a morning or afternoon in paradise at a beautiful beach resort on the pearl-white sands of Boca Chica Beach. You'll be entranced by the postcard setting, friendly staff, fun Caribbean music, sparkling drinks and excellent food and snacks!

Please note: Tour is not suitable for guests with walking difficulties.

## Panoramic Santo Domingo: the Oldest City in the New World



Approximately 6 hours • \$\$

Visit the oldest city of the New World and learn the details of its impressive history. Start with a brief photo stop at the Columbus Lighthouse—Faro a Colón—where the tomb of the Great Admiral was transferred in 1992. Your coach enters the Old Town to drive past Columbus Palace, Alcazar de Colón, at the Spanish Square and Santa Maria la Menor—the first Cathedral of the New World at Columbus Park. Take a break at a terrace in a colonial setting before you visit a souvenir store, and from there you will head to your lunch venue. Ride to the Plaza de la Cultura, Independence Street, Independence Park and the National Palace before you return to the ship.

Please note: There is little walking involved in this tour. Guests using folding wheelchairs can participate, however will not be able to see the amber collection at the Amber Museum, which is on the 2nd floor; no elevators are available.

## santo domingo, dominican republic

#### **Highlights of Santo Domingo**



Approximately 3% hours • \$

Join this sightseeing tour that showcases some of Santo Domingo's most interesting sights—Alcazar de Colón (Columbus Palace), Fortaleza Ozama (Ozama Fortress), the Malecon (George Washington Boulevard) and upscale hotel areas. Watch also for the National Palace (the official office of the President). From there you will travel to the lush Botanical Gardens that encompass two million square meters of luxuriant foliage. Tour the gardens by train with a specialized tour guide. Upon returning to Santo Domingo, there will be time for shopping for arts, crafts, paintings, rum, cigars and other Dominican products.

## Santo Domingo Historical Walking Tour



Approximately 3½ hours • \$\$

Step back in time to experience Santo Domingo in the year 1502 as you walk through the old colonial core—a majestic walled city that has been restored to its original elegance. You will see some of the oldest historical landmarks of the Americas, including a visit to Don Diego's house (Alcazar de Colón). Diego Columbus was Christopher Columbus' son, and was Viceroy of Santo Domingo. Gain an insight into the way the Viceroy and his family lived in this former Spanish Colony. Next you will see the oldest street in Sant o Domingo—*Calle Las Damas*—and the Museo de las Casas Reales, where you will learn all about the discovery of the Americas. View the first cathedral of the New World, Santa Maria la Menor. For those who love history this tour is an unforgettable experience. Along the way you will have an opportunity to buy some Domincan arts and crafts, Dominican rum, handmade cigars, and amber and larimar gemstones.

Please note: Tour is not suitable for guests with walking difficulties; nor for wheelchairs.

## santo tomas de castilla, guatemala





## Maya Ruins of Copán & Honduras Countryside





Approximately 9 - 10 hours • \$\$\$\$

Travel into Honduras by chartered small aircraft to visit Copán—the Paris of the ancient Mayan world. A short drive leads you over a dirt road to the ruins of Copán. Enjoy a 2½-hour, 1¼-mile stroll to see the pyramids, temples, and stelae. Marvel at the well-preserved Ball Court, ponder the peculiar inscriptions on the magnificent stelae, and admire the famed Hieroglyphic Stairway. Visit the New Sculpture Museum, then you will stop for lunch in the town of Copán. Step into the local museum or shop for local souvenirs before you fly back to Guatemala and the ship.

Please note: Bring your passport.

## **Quirigua Archaeological Ruins**





Approximately 4½ hours • \$\$

Visit Quirigua National Park—a Mayan city that once ruled the region. Disembark the motor coach and walk the stone pathway onto the grounds. View the monuments lining the central plaza and study the intricate carvings on the stelae, altars and zoomorphs which reveal vivid portraits and bizarre glyphs. Your guide will explain the engineering techniques used to construct Quirigua. After concluding the walking tour of the city, re-board the transportation for your return to the ship.

## **Waterfall Discovery Trek**





Approximately 31/2 hours • \$\$

This tour takes you to the Las Escobas site for a nature walk and visit to the waterfalls and pools. The site is located within the protected Natural Reserve of the San Gil Hill and run by a non-profit organization called FUNDAECO. Their main goal is the sustainable development of the site and the local communities. The site has several trails that lead to the different pools and waterfalls located within. This river is called the Las Escobas and it provides fresh purified water to the local communities of Santo Tomas de Castilla and Puerto Barrios. FUNDAECO requests that guests do not wear perfume, insect repellent or other substances that might contaminate the water and also recommend that swimming is limited to 15 minutes.

#### The Maya City of Voices: Tikal by Air





Approximately 9 - 10 hours • \$\$\$\$

Journey to the savannahs and rain forest of northern Guatemala to visit the famed Maya ruins of Tikal. Transfer to a nearby airport for flight by chartered airplane to the vast northern region of El Peten. Depending on the size of the airplane, the flight will take from 40 minutes to one hour. Upon arrival at the Mundo Maya International Airport, board a bus and enjoy a fifty-minute drive while an English-speaking guide provides an overview about the region in preparation for the visit to Tikal, one of the greatest Maya cities known and studied to date, declared by UNESCO World Heritage Site. Disembark at the entry to the grounds of Tikal and begin a guided hike along dirt roads and pathways leading back in time. A mysterious realm unfolds as you enter the forest surrounding the ruins. Your guide will explain the cosmic vision of life at the peak of rule of the Maya. After a kilometer of walking, the various structures that comprise the Great Plaza will come into view. Their magnificent architecture can still be admired after hundreds of years, and you will marvel at the size of the Central Acropolis and North Acropolis and will be awed by Temples I and II and Temples IV and V, which tower above the tree-line. Retrace your steps back to the picnic area near the entrance where a freshly-cooked meal including chicken with

vegetables, rice and your choice of beverage will be served. Relax and reflect upon magnificent remnants of the Maya culture before boarding transportation for the return trip to the airport for your flight back to the port and the comforts of your ship.



#### **Amatique Resort with or without Lunch**



Varies • With lunch \$\$: Without lunch \$

Travel round trip from the ship to the Amatique Bay Resort by either water taxi or taxi cab (rates indicated below). Activities include use of the pool with a large pool bar, water slides, private beach, a butterfly and turtle garden, the Jade Museum, a souvenir shop and a beach volleyball court. For those who so choose, included is a delicious barbecue buffet lunch (at a cost of \$20 per person). Extra cost options include drinks, fishing, bicycles, jet skis, diving lessons, kayaks, water bicycles and golf carts.

Please note: Bring your swimsuit, towel, sunscreen and a hat. Drinks are NOT included but can be purchased at the resort. Water taxi: \$8 one way and \$15 round trip (last departure from the resort is at 3:30pm); Taxi: about \$15 per person round trip based on four guests.

## **Banana Plantation & Motagua Valley Drive**





Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

The tour will begin with a drive through the beautiful Motagua Valley, as you enjoy the sights of lush tropical vegetation and banana plantations. Upon arrival at Omagua Banana Plantation, visit the production plant to see how the Chiquita Banana fruit is carefully chosen, cleaned and packed. Board the bus again to drive through part of the plantation before departing to Marbrissa Hotel, where you will be treated to refreshments while you admire the view of Amatique Bay and the port town of Puerto Barrios. Return to the pier in time for lunch.

#### A Tale of Two Towns





Approximately 3 hours • \$

Your journey begins at the pier where you will be greeted by your guide. Leaving the port, you will travel through the main streets of Santo Tomás de Castilla. Enjoy a short ride along the seashore, passing the Naval Base as well as the Belgian Cemetery where Belgium pioneers of the 19th century are buried. Then you will continue to Puerto Barrios, capital of the Izabal County. With a history dating back to the 18th century, Puerto Barrios has a frontier-town atmosphere. Here locals and foreigners alike once fought to reap the benefits of the banana, coffee and sugar trades. Today, Puerto Barrios is one of the most important commercial ports in Guatemala. Your tour will end with a visit to Amatique Bay Resort, a five-star property, where you will enjoy a refreshment and have a couple of minutes to shop for local handicrafts, before heading back to the ship with many memories to share!

Please note: Wear comfortable clothing, sunglasses and insect repellent.

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#### 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 51/2 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 3½ 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 air-conditioned 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 airconditioned 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 3½ 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 eco-system. 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 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.

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## Champagne Catamaran Sail & Snorkel to St. John





Approximately 4 hours • \$\$

Sail to the enchanted palm-fringed island of St. John by catamaran. The brisk sail across Pillsbury Sound brings the catamaran to its special mooring destination where you can swim, snorkel, beach comb or simply relax under the palms. Enjoy a snack on board, with champagne and other beverages after swimming and snorkeling, then make the downwind return sail to St. Thomas.

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

## **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.

## ➤ tampa, florida





#### **Historic Tampa & Transfer to Airport**



Approximately 3½ hours • \$\$ (available to guests with flights after 3:00pm)

Tampa is a colorful city with a fascinating history. Native Americans first settled at the mouth of the Hillsborough River the area that is now the downtown business district. Today, you will visit the University of Tampa, located in the original Tampa Bay Hotel. Built in 1890 as a luxury hotel by railroad tycoon Henry B. Plant, this beautiful Victorian building is a National Historic Landmark modeled after the Alhambra in Spain. Stroll through some of the public rooms as you hear the history of this hotel. Continue with a drive through the Hyde Park area and along Bayshore Blvd with its beautiful old mansion facing the bay. Also included in the tour will be a drive past the St. Petersburg Times Forum—Tampa's hockey and entertainment arena. Ybor City, once the cigar capital of the world, is now Tampa's entertainment district. The cigar industry moved to from Key West to Tampa more than 100 years ago. Keep an eye out for the "Shotgun Houses" that housed the immigrant cigar workers who settled here. Hear the history of the immigrants that settled in this part of Tampa and shaped this city. A stop at Centro Ybor allows for a short break. Whether you choose to enjoy café con leche (sweet Cuban coffee) or a light snack at one of the many restaurants in this historic area, you will be surrounded by item old and new. Finally, drive past the Columbia Restaurant—the oldest Spanish restaurant in the USA. It has grown from a local corner café to a world-famous restaurant covering an entire city block. Note the exquisite tilework on the outside of the building. En route to Tampa International Airport, you will see the New York Yankee's Spring Training location, Legends Field.

Please note: Available only to guests departing Tampa International Airport at 3:00pm or later.

## general information

#### 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.