

USVI Sample Itineraries



Compliments of Virgin Island Sailing®



<u>Day 1</u>

FIRST STOP - Caneel Bay

- Board yacht
- Casual lunch
- Snorkeling

Start your first day boarding your yacht! Have a nice casual lunch and snorkel at Caneel Bay, St. John.

SECOND STOP - Maho Bay

- Explore the beach
- Paddle boarding
- Sunset and cocktails

Sit back and relax and have a nice sail to Maho Bay, St. John. Enjoy the waves, maybe some paddle boarding, or a walk on the beach. Finish your first night watching the sunset while enjoying cocktails!

"My family rated this experience as our best-ever trip. The USVI's waters were pristine, and our experiences hiking and snorkeling was better than we expected."

– Mike Stevens



<u>Day 2</u>

FIRST STOP - Mary's Point or Whistling Cay

- Guided snorkel tour
- Explore coral reef and marine life
- Casual lunch on board

Today starts off with your morning breakfast and a short dinghy ride over to Mary's Point or Whistling Cay for a guided snorkel tour, here you will learn about the coral reef ecosystem and the fish and coral that makes up these Caribbean waters. Next, you will head back to your private yacht where you will eat lunch, relax and watch the waves go by.

SECOND STOP - Waterlemon Cay

- Hike to Annaberg ruins
- Historical tour
- Night dive around the cay

Later its just a quick sail over to Waterlemon Cay in St. John where you can enjoy a short hike to Annaberg ruins for a fascinating historical tour or check out world class fly fishing in the salt flats. The perfect ending to your fun packed day would be a night dive around the Cay!



<u>Day 3</u>

FIRST STOP - Newfound Bay

- Snorkeling
- Diving
- Excellent fishing

Relax in the warm, shallow waters of this remote bay or snorkel over the shallow barrier reefs. Vibrant, healthy "forests" of coral and lots of amazing marine life to see.

"This was a once-in-a-lifetime trip for our family and we all thoroughly enjoyed it. We created memories together that will last forever."

— Kathleen Jackson



<u>Day 4</u>

FIRST STOP - Lovango/Congo Cay Cut

- Dive Carvel Rock
- See black tip reef sharks
- Cliff jumping

The fourth day of your sailing vacation starts off with another lovely breakfast and a morning sail to Lovango/Congo Cay Cut. After your sail have a quick bite of lunch before your adventure starts! Dive the legendary Carvel Rock, make sure you look for old cannon balls and other relics! You may even get lucky and see some local black tip reef sharks! Still feeling adventurous? Ask the locals about exciting cliff jumping options for a thrilling adrenaline rush.

SECOND STOP - Magens Bay

- Sunset swim
- Paddle board
- Walk on the beach

Cap your evening off with a sunset sail to the world famous Magens Bay, St. Thomas and enjoy a sunset swim, paddle or a leisurely walk on the longest beach in St. Thomas!



<u>Day 5</u>

FIRST STOP - Magens Bay

- Wake boarding, water skiing, tubing
- Day drinking and shopping
- Games on deck and stargazing

Today is another fun filled day, start off with some water sports, Magens Bay is the perfect spot for wake boarding, water skiing and tubing. Take an afternoon dip on one of the small, secluded strips of the beach. Head back on board and enjoy lunch, or hit up a local beach bar and a boutique for some day drinking and shopping! Unwind after all your retail therapy and play some games on the aft deck before dinner and enjoy stargazing on the trampolines.

"An absolute dream vacation! Deep Blue was updated and a very comfortable boat to spend a week sailing around paradise."We are already trying to figure out dates for next year's trip!"

- Corey Dean



<u>Day 6</u>

FIRST STOP - Little St. James

- Snorkeling
- Diving
- Lunch at Pizza Pi

A relaxing day is in store for you! Sail up to Little St. James for a gorgeous snorkel/dive at "Ledges" Or "Calf and Cow". Enjoy lunch at Pizza Pi, in Christmas Cove, Great St. James (if open).

SECOND STOP - Buck Island

- Learn the history of the island
- Quiet evening
- Enjoy the sunset

By evening set sail for the historic Buck Island on St. Thomas and enjoy a quiet evening, enjoying the sunset and learning the history of the island and all of its glory.

"Every spot was super beautiful, calm coves, beautiful beaches, lots to snorkel and a few hiking places!

– Katherine Gaines



Day 7 FIRST STOP - Turtle Cove

- Relaxing breakfast
- Snorkel the wreck of the Cartanza
- Swim with the turtles

Start your second to last day having breakfast before you go snorkel the wreck of the Cartanza, and old freighter with a fascinating history! Take your dinghy over to Turtle Cove to swim with the turtles!

SECOND STOP - Honeymoon Beach

- Relax and sunbathe on beach
- Explore the island
- Enjoy the local nightlife

Downwind sail to Honeymoon Beach, Water Island and enjoy lunch aboard and then spend the afternoon on the beach or rent golf carts and explore the island. After you explore head back to the boat and take a leisurely sunset stroll through historic downtown Charlotte Amalie. Spend the night at anchor in the harbor. Enjoy some local nightlife and hang out with your family/friends for your last night aboard!



<u>Day 8</u>

FIRST STOP - Charter Company Marina

Enjoy the time you have left in the US Virgin Islands by taking a historic walking tour of Charlotte Amalie. Check out Emancipation Gardens, the 99 steps and the historic Fort Christian. Partake in some more retail therapy at the vendor's plaza or in any of the downtown boutiques. By this time you will have returned your boat and headed home already wanting to book your next charter!

"We have traveled many places around the world, but exploring St. John from this beautiful boat was truly a unique and incredible experience. As a family of avid hikers, it was also wonderful to explore the many trails that were easily accessible from many of the stops we made."

- Andrew Chalnick



<u>Day 1</u>

FIRST STOP - Secret Harbor Beach Resort

- Snorkeling
- Fine dining
- Live music

Pick up at American Yacht Harbor. Off the quaint Secret Harbor Beach Resort, Nazareth Bay offers snorkeling and a spectacular sunset for guests' first night aboard. The aptly named, Sunset Grille provides fine dining in a casual atmosphere with live music.

"We had a fantastic time, the boat was great and the USVIs were beautiful VISAILING was fantastic. I will use them again."

— Alejandro Vanags



<u>Day 2</u>

FIRST STOP - Buck Island

- Swimming
- Snorkeling
- Historic District of Charlotte Amalie

Sailing with the tranquil trade winds, arrive at Buck Island for a snorkel adventure of the 190foot long old freighter. After lunch, sail into the protected bay where pirates took refuge in the 18th century to experience the vibrant Historic District of Charlotte Amalie.

"WOW!!!!!!!!!" We were looking to do something extra special for our 25th wedding anniversary and they nailed it!"

– Tina Best



<u>Day 3</u>

FIRST STOP - Honeymoon Bay

- Refreshing beach bar
- Explore Water Island
- Fort Segarra

When an island beach bar is calling, Honeymoon Bay provides waterfront concessions and ice-cold umbrella cocktails. Renting a golf cart allows exploration of the uniquely acquired Water Island and WWII-era Fort Segarra.

SECOND STOP - Saba Island

- Wildlife sanctuary
- Snorkeling
- Hike the 1000-foot trail

For the nature lover, a lunch stopover at Saba Island provides a breathtaking view of the nearly 200-foot hillside and wildlife sanctuary. As the anchor digs into Brewer Bay's powdery sand, guests snorkel in the beautiful water searching for plentiful lobsters. Fit and active guests looking for an adventurous hike can stretch their legs with a climb up a rocky trail ascending almost 1000-feet for a magnificent view of the bay, Saba Island, St. Croix, and the Caribbean Sea.



<u>Day 4</u>

FIRST STOP - Magens Bay

- Enjoy numerous water activities
- Discover unique wild life and marine life
- Explore a deep sandy cavern

Sailing around St. Thomas' wild and rugged western most cliffs and inaccessible cays, guests get a view of the Spanish Virgin Islands standing boldly on the horizon just 10 miles east. An early arrival to the top-rated Magens Bay introduces Chuckles, the giant 15-foot flamingo, and an opportunity for water activities. The bay is home to turtle feeding grounds; a mile-long sandy shoreline; rock formations with colonies of brown booby birds, energetic schools of fish, and a deep sandy cavern; and dozens of stingrays.

"We were very interested in exploring the National Park on St John and they made sure we saw the best of it! We went on multiple hikes and snorkeled many beautiful reefs in the national park waters. It was the best snorkeling I have ever seen. We saw multiple turtles, rays and many beautiful fish."

– Amanda Stewart



<u>Day 5</u>

FIRST STOP - Hans Lollik Island

- Total seclusion
- Exotic island
- Enjoy a night out

For a dreamt-about experience of total seclusion on an exotic island, stop at Hans Lollik for lunch. Motor sailing to Lovango and Mingo Cays provides an evening out or a remote anchorage.

"Best Service, best location and so easy to have a dream excursion."

— Rich Safranek



<u>Day 6</u>

FIRST STOP - Francis/Maho Bay

- Snorkeling
- Hiking
- Annaberg Sugar Mill Ruins

The numerous deer, donkey, goats, turtles, and friendly sharks welcome you, when pulling into Francis or Maho Bay. Whether looking for various levels of hiking or water activities, guests can choose from a dinghy excursion to Whistling Cay, snorkel reefs teeming with sea life, a hike along Francis or Maria Hope Trails, or lunch ashore with live music. Depending how your feel, spend the night at Francis/Maho Bay or continue onto Waterlemon for a late afternoon trek to the Annaberg Sugar Mill Ruins where you may be lucky enough to collect fresh papaya, sugar cane, or steam of oregano from the gardener.



Day 7 FIRST STOP - Flanagan Island

- 'Drunk' rock-people collection
- Snorkeling
- Adventurous hiking

If conditions cooperate, venture to the seldom-visited Flanagan Island nature reserve or stop in Coral Bay for lunch. Take in the most scenic destination on St. John, Saltpond Bay. Around the salt pond to Drunk Bay, you can add your 'drunk' rock-people to the collection! Enjoy the beach and snorkeling, or on the Ram Head Trail, stop along Blue Cobblestone Beach to close your eyes and just listen as the waves recede over the smooth green and blue pebbles.

SECOND STOP - Lameshur Bay

- Relaxing beach day
- Snorkeling
- Adventurous hiking

Spend the night at Saltpond Bay, or Lameshur Bay where you have endless options for exploration! Whether looking for a relaxing beach day, fun snorkeling, or adventurous hiking. Trails range from lowkey to very challenging, but there's something for everyone here!



<u>Day 8</u>

FIRST STOP - Charter Company Marina

Discover all that Lameshur Bay has to offer before returning to the marina.

"The USVI was our sailing region and it was so beautiful and so much fun. We had a blast starting and ending our trip by attending a live band performance on the back on another yacht near our anchorage in St. John and St. Thomas, we sailed to St. Croix and there's so much to do there, we snorkeled pier in Frederickstead, went to the hottest place in town for a cocktail at "The Fred", a diving excursion, snorkeling at Buck Island,LiveMusic and dinner at Christinastead, off road jeep tour of the rainforest as well as horseback riding the rainforest and swimming with them as well. we hiked Rams head in St. John and the salt pond, USVI has so much to do and see, we want to go back and see more!"

— John P. Dolan



<u>Day 1</u>

WELCOME ABOARD !! Leinster Bay – Snorkel and hike. Dinner on board.

<u>Day 2</u>

Breakfast. **Coral Bay** - Lime Out TACOS and DRINKS! **Salt Pond Bay** - Turtles! Dinner on board.

<u>Day 3</u>

Breakfast then **Honeymoon Beach. STJ** - lunch and drinks at Bikinis Beach Bar. **Cruz Bay** - Dinner and drinks ashore.

<u>Day 4</u>

Breakfast. Magen's Bay for beach, lunch and drinks. Dinner on board.

<u>Day 5</u>

Breakfast. Water Island - lunch and drinks at Heidis or Dinghies. Charlotte Amalie Harbor - Dinner and drinks ashore and any number of places. Dozens to choose from.

<u>Day 6</u>

Breakfast. **Buck Island** - stop for cool snorkel and lunch aboard. **Cowpet Bay** for dinner ashore at Elysian.

<u>Day 7</u>

Breakfast. Little St. James - snorkel. Beergaritas from Pizza Pi. Lunch on board. Water Bay for dinner at Margaritaville or Redhook. Muller Bay for dinner and Redhook 500!

<u>Day 8</u>

Breakfast and noon drop off ashore at **AYH Marina**.

"This is so far, the best Boat we have chartered; great distribution in all 3 levels, looks like brand new, rooms are very comfortable (from the five rooms, 3 of them look like Master bedrooms!) and we experienced one of the best sailing we ever had."

— Edgar Londono



<u>Day 1</u>

WELCOME ABOARD!! Sail around the East End of St. Thomas for **Magen's Bay**. Lunch ashore and dinner on board.

<u>Day 2</u>

Breakfast. Head to **Lovango** for lunch at Zozo's H2O, **Red Hook** for overnight and dinner on board.

<u>Day 3</u>

Breakfast. Sail along the North Shore of St. John, stop at **Hawksnest** for snorkeling. Sail to **Francis Bay** to overnight, Maho Crossroads for lunch & drinks/live music, then dinner on board.

<u>Day 4</u>

Breakfast. **Waterlemon Cay** and **Leinster** for snorkeling and easy hike sail to **Hansen Bay** for lunch at LimeOut. Make your way to **Salt Pond** or **Lameshur** for quiet overnight and dinner on board.

<u>Day 5</u>

Breakfast. Nice longer sail to **Water Island**, lunch at Heidi's or Dinghy's. Overnight in **Lindberg Bay**, dinner at Emerald Bay Resort. Or, choose to anchor in **Long Bay**, marina slip at Yacht Haven Grande for dinner & shopping downtown.

<u>Day 6</u>

Breakfast at Emerald Cafe then head back east and motor through **Long Bay** for the scenery. Pick up a ball on **Honeymoon** and spend some time in **Cruz Bay** for shopping and dinner.

<u>Day 7</u>

Breakfast. sail to **Christmas Cove** for lunch at Pizza Pi and snorkeling, overnight on mooring or spend the afternoon and evening in **Secret Harbor** on anchor (it's very calm here.)

<u>Day 8</u>

Early breakfast at Cruzan Beach Club in Secret Harbor, then back to the **marina**.

"Best vacation I have ever had. Truly had to make no decisions which is what a vacation should be!"

– Jason Nash



<u>Day 1</u>

12pm – Pickup at **American Yacht Harbour** dock in St. Thomas (crew will arrange transportation and provide rendezvous info)

1pm – Lunch and snorkeling at Caneel Bay, St. John, USVI

3pm – Relaxing sail to **Maho Bay**, St. John. Enjoy paddle boarding, a walk on the beach or snorkeling with the sea turtles. Watch the sunset while enjoying cocktails and hors d'ouevres and enjoy an evening of good food, games and togetherness.

<u>Day 2</u>

8am – Breakfast then dinghy over to **Mary's Point** or **Whistling Cay** for a guided snorkel tour, learning about the coral reef ecosystem and fish/coral ID.

11am – **Back to the boat** for Lunch and relaxation.

3pm – Enjoy a leisurely sail to **Waterlemon Cay**, St. John. Enjoy a short hike to the **Annaberg ruins** for a fascinating historical tour or check out great snorkeling, world class fly fishing in the salt flats or simply relax and enjoy the calm of the afternoon.

8pm - Night dive around Waterlemon Cay!

<u>Day 3</u>

8am – Breakfast followed by a nice hike/snorkel at **Waterlemon Cay** (depending on what was accomplished day before) OR a quick motor sail up to **Newfound Bay** to try your hand at snaring a Caribbean lobster!

1pm – Shoot over to **Coral Bay** to enjoy fresh cocktails, tasty tacos and a fun, festive atmosphere at Lime Out OR sail to **Salt Pond Bay**. Enjoy a quiet afternoon on a gorgeous white sand beach surrounded by gorgeous views. Other options include snorkeling at **Booby Rock**, a dive excursion or hike **Rams Head** for an epic sunset view!

<u>St Croix Option!</u>



Day 4-5: Interested in exploring the largest island in the VI territory? St. Croix is a quiet, friendly island with a fascinating history and a burgeoning restaurant industry. Located appx. 35 miles south of St. Thomas and St. John, it's an exciting "beam reach" sail to and from St. Croix, with the one-way trip being 4-5 hours of exciting, open water sailing. Once arrived in STX, you'll enjoy world class diving on the North Shore, snorkeling with sea turtles at Buck Island and fascinating historical relics and stories! If permissible, your crew can help rent a car and go explore the rainforest, beautiful beaches and enjoy the local culture. Fancy a round of golf? Check out the Buccaneer for a unique island golfing experience. Don't forget to stop by the Norma's Domino Club to enjoy local concoctions and feed the beer drinking pigs! History buff? Tour Fort Christian, Fort Frederick, Estate Whim or the famous Cruzan Rum factory. Sail back to St. Thomas the morning of Day 6.

<u>Day 4</u>

8am – Breakfast. Enjoy an early morning hike up the **Ram's Head Trail**. Return to the vessel for a relaxing, mid-morning sail to the **Lovango/Congo Cay** cut.

1pm – Lunch. Feeling adventurous? Dive the legendary **Carvel Rock**, making sure to look for old cannon balls and other relics. You may even get lucky and see some local black tip reef sharks. Not a diver but still looking for an adrenaline rush? Ask your captain about some local cliff jumping options or try to surf the cut at **Mingo Cay**.

5pm – Sunset sail to the World Famous **Magens Bay**, St Thomas (weather dependent) and enjoy a sunset swim, paddle or walk on the longest beach in St. Thomas!

<u>Day 5</u>

8am – Breakfast followed by WATER SPORTS! **Magens Bay** is the perfect spot for wakeboarding, foiling, water skiing and tubing. Not into the action? Hide out on one of the small, secluded strips of beach where you'll have the place to yourself!

12pm – Lunch Enjoy some time on the beach or visiting the **Magens Bay Beach Bar and Boutique** for some day drinking and shopping fun. Beach'd out? Try an island tour!

<u>Day 6</u>

8am – Breakfast. Motor sail up to **Little St. James** for a gorgeous snorkel/dive at *"Ledges"* or *"Calf and Cow"*. Enjoy lunch at Pizza Pi, in **Christmas Cove**, Great St. James (if open).

4pm – Set Sail for historic **Buck Island** (STT) and enjoy a quiet evening, enjoying the sunset and learning the history of Buck Island and it's highlights.

<u>Day 7</u>

8am – Breakfast. Snorkel the **wreck of the Cartanza**, an old freighter with a fascinating history! and/or dinghy over to **Turtle Cove** to swim with the turtles!

11am – Downwind sail to **Honeymoon Beach**, Water Island. Enjoy lunch aboard and then spend the afternoon on the beach or rent golf carts and explore the island.

5pm – Dinner. Take a leisurely sunset sail through historic downtown **Charlotte Amalie** and enjoy cocktails/hors d'oeuvres while your crew provide a fun, historical tour of the area. Spend the night at anchor in the harbor or stay on the dock at **Yacht Haven Grande** (dockage at charterer's expense). Enjoy some local nightlife or talk to your crew about throwing an epic theme party!

<u>Day 8</u>

8am – Breakfast. Try a walking tour of historic Charlotte Amalie! Check out **Emancipation Gardens**, the **99 Steps** and the historic **Fort Christian**. Take advantage of duty free shopping at vendor's plaza or in any of the downtown boutiques.

11am – **Return to the boat** to pack for a noon departure. Crew will arrange transportation to your hotel or the airport.

12:01pm – Book your next charter!

Sailing in the U.S. Virgin Islands



"One of our favorite things is sailing, we sailed to St. Croix and back and it was great, they make sure you are safe and enjoy the sail, we even caught a fish and Jen prepared it for our dinner that evening. Wonderful team, beautiful boat and accommodations. Highly recommend sailing Starfish, you will love every minute!"

– John P. Dolan

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