

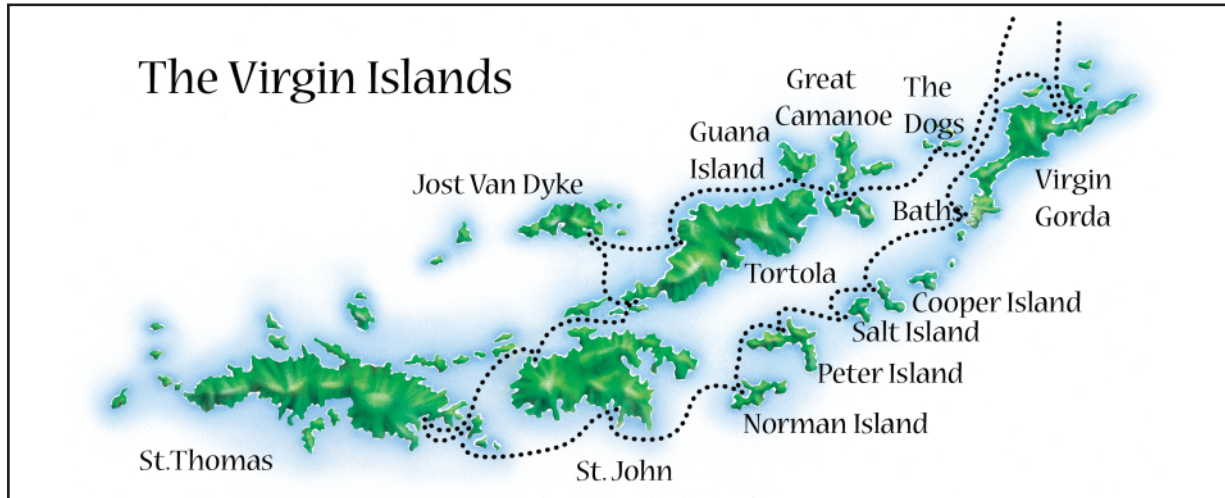


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Suggested Itineraries

14-Day USVI/BVI Cruise

If you are arriving on an afternoon flight, take advantage of our sleep-aboard program which will accustom you to life aboard. Restaurants are close at hand and your provisioning and beverage orders will be stowed prior to your arrival, meaning no worries about breakfast. Sleep-aboards are available on all vessels for 50% of the daily rate.



Day 1 - St. John USVI

Virgin Islands Cruising Guide
Pages 207 - 211 has full information.

Depart the VIP base at Compass Point Marina, St. Thomas and cruise to the north coast of St. John and your choice of anchorage. Hawksnest, Trunk, Cinnamon, Maho, Francis and Leinster Bays are part of the US Virgin Islands National Park and are within easy reach, all have numerous mooring balls available in 20-30ft of water. The balls are free for day use but have a charge for overnight.

The anchorages of St. John's north coast are sheltered and have beautiful white sandy beaches which are easily reached by your zippy 15hp inflatable dinghy. A taxi can be hailed along the road which runs behind most of these beaches, giving access the main town of Cruz Bay.

Day 2 - Soper's Hole, Tortola BVI

(Water, Ice, Supplies, Restaurants & Shopping)
Cruising Guide Pg. 93

The picturesque Soper's Hole Marina is a full service marina offering slips with water and electricity, a well stocked market is ashore. You should clear customs & immigration here before visiting the shops and restaurants. You have the choice of a slip at the marina or picking up a mooring ball in the bay. It is generally too deep to anchor.

Day 3 - Jost Van Dyke BVI.

(Water, Ice, Restaurants)
Cruising Guide Pg 88

Take in a lunchtime stop for snorkeling, kayaking and exploring on Sandy Cay (owned by the Rockefellers) and overnight at Little Harbour, Jost Van Dyke.

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"Jost", named after a Dutch pirate, is an unspoilt and secluded island which provides a number of perfect anchorages. Great Harbor has local shops, restaurants and bars including the famous Foxy's Tamarin Bar and Grill. White Bay has a beautiful white sandy beach ideal for a lunch stop. (Jost Van Dyke also has customs and immigration facilities).

Day 4 - Cane Garden Bay, Tortola BVI

(Ice, Supplies & Restaurants)
Cruising Guide Pg 89.

Famous for its picture postcard beauty and infamous for its full moon parties at the Bomba Shack. Cane Garden Bay is secure in all but a strong northerly and offers numerous bars and restaurants as well as mini-markets for supplies.

Day 5 - Marina Cay BVI

(Water, Ice, Restaurants)
Cruising Guide Pg 134.

Cruise up to Monkey Point on the southern end of Guana Island for spectacular snorkeling . Overnight at Trellis Bay or nearby Marina Cay, a tiny island off Tortola that is protected by a reef guaranteeing fantastic snorkeling. There is a Pussers restaurant and store should you choose to relax with a drink and dine ashore.

Day 6 - Virgin Gorda BVI

(Water, Ice, Supplies, Restaurants & Shopping)
Cruising Guide Pg 150 - 160.

Snorkel the Dogs (Great, George, West & Seal) which are all protected National Trust islands) and overnight at one of Virgin Gorda's sheltered locations. Virgin Gorda (The Fat Virgin as named by Columbus) is the home of Bitter End Yacht Club, Biras Creek, Saba Rock and Prickly Pear.

Day 7 - "Lay Day" or Anegada BVI

(Bar & Restaurant)
Cruising Guide Pg 169.

Virgin Gorda is a perfect lay-day location, some folks will take a taxi ride to The Baths from Leverick Bay which is a wonderful island tour. Alternately and weather permitting, you may wish to make an early

start and travel to Anegada for the famed lobster of the Anegada reef hotel. Anegada, 28ft at its highest, is a limestone island which has claimed over 300 wrecks so must be ventured to only imperfect conditions. Keen fishermen may wish to try their hand at bonefishing on the flats.

Day 8 - Cooper Island BVI

(Water, Ice, Bar & Restaurant)
Cruising Guide Pg 146.

The magnificent boulders of The Baths attract most visitors to Virgin Gorda who go to swim and enjoy the unique rock formations and exciting walks through the pools and caves to Devil's Bay. Continue on to overnight at the beautiful Cooper Island and bar-b-cue afloat or dine ashore at the Cooper Island Yacht Club.

Day 9 - Wreck of The Rhone "off" Salt Island BVI

Cruising Guide Pg 146.

On to Salt Island (named because of its importance to Her Majesty's Navy as a source of salt harvested from the three evaporating ponds). The west coast of Salt is the final resting place of the HMS Rhone the pride of the fleet in her day and is now reputedly the best wreck dive in Western hemisphere. Salt Island is a great lunch stop before setting a course to Road Town, Tortola, for some shopping or sightseeing. Alternatively try Brandywine Bay if you prefer quality time away from the crowd. Brandywine Bay Restaurant is situated on the head of the bay and offers wonderful views as well as great food.

Day 10- Peter Island BVI

(Water, Ice, Supplies, Restaurants & Shopping)
Cruising Guide Pg 141.

Re-Cross Sir Francis Drake Channel and overnight at either Great or Little harbour, Peter Island. Peter Island Yacht Harbour offers 20 slips, so tie up and blend up some Pina Coladas, microwave some popcorn and relax on island time.

Day 11 - Norman Island BVI

(Bar & Restaurant)

Cruising Guide Pg 137

Cruise to the Indians a group of sharp peaks jutting from the seas about 1 mile off shore to pick up a National Parks mooring for some snorkeling on the reef which immediately surrounds the islands, then continue to Norman Island.

Known as "Treasure Island", Norman Island is steeped in history and legends of pirates and buried treasure..... is food for thought as you kayak ashore to explore or snorkel the caves which are populated with a breathtaking array of colourful tropical fish. Overnight at The Bight and enjoy some lively entertainment aboard the Willy T (a tall ship restaurant named for William Thornton - the architect of the U.S. Capital Building).

Day 12 - Lameshur Bay, St. John, USVI

Cruising Guide Pg 212

Back into US waters and the idyllic anchorage of Lameshur Bay on the South East Coast of St. John. wonderfully secluded with great snorkeling, bar-b-cue afloat and laze under the clear starey skies.

Day 13 - Hawksnest Bay, St. John, USVI

Cruising Guide Pg 207

Cruise to Caneel Bay on St. John's West end and head into Cruz Bay to clear customs and visit the vil-lage. Caneel Bay Resort offers fine dining. Overnight at Hawksnest Bay which offers more protection than Caneel.

Day 14 - Benner Bay, St. Thomas, USVI.

Back across Pillsbury Sound to St. Thomas and VIP Yacht Charters, enjoy those last photo opportunities aboard and grab a Taxi, saving some time for last minute duty-free shopping in downtown Charlotte Amalie. 