



# SHORE EXCURSIONS

**7**  
nights

## ROYAL CLIPPER Grenadine Islands



<b>Sat</b>	<b>Bridgetown, Barbados</b>
Sun	Captain's Best, Grenadines
Mon	Grenada
Tue	Tobago Cays, Grenadines
Wed	St. Vincent (AM) Bequia (PM)
Thu	Fort de France, Martinique (AM) Beach, Martinique (PM)
Fri	Marigot Bay (AM), St. Lucia Soufrière (PM), St Lucia
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### What you need to know before booking your shore excursion:

- All our tours are offered with English speaking guides.
- The length of the tours and time spent on the sites is given as an indication as it may vary depending on weather, sea and traffic conditions and on the group's pace.
- The level of physical fitness required for our activities is given as a very general indication. Passengers should be fit and active to join tours which include hiking, biking, snorkelling, boating, or similar activities.

### How you can book your shore excursions:

- You can book shore excursions onboard, using our "sign-up lists" available at the Cruise Director's desk.
- Debark tours ending at the airport and transfers can now be pre-booked prior your cruise.
- In order to provide the best service and to avoid disappointments, please book your shore excursions as early as possible: places are limited and there is a booking deadline for each port.
- A minimum number of participants is required for tours; if the required number is not attained, the tour may be cancelled.

### Important notes:

- Departure times of the tour are mentioned on the daily program of each port.
- The Captain reserves the right to alter the itinerary in order to suit wind, weather and local conditions.
- Cancellation and changes are possible until the booking deadline. After the booking deadline, 100 % cancellation fees will be charged.
- All information concerning excursions is correct at the time of printing. However, Star Clippers reserves the right to make changes, which will be relayed to passengers during the Cruise Director's onboard information sessions. Last updated tour descriptions are available in a file at the Cruise Director's desk.

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### GRENADA (St George's)

Grenada, "the spice island", has more spice per square mile than any other place in the world. The island is fragrant with cocoa, nutmeg, cloves, ginger and vanilla, to name but a few. Despite the abundance of such crops, Grenada is very diverse in its general make-up. The island is volcanic in origin and boasts lush mountains, rain forests, volcanic crater lakes, mangroves, beautiful beaches and delicate coral reefs. Grenada's history is similar to its neighbors. Columbus discovered it in 1498 and named it Conception. However, its lush green hills were so evocative of Andalusia that Spanish sailors, no doubt yearning for their homeland, changed the name to Granada. The French and British battled for the island for almost 100 years before it was eventually ceded to the British in 1783. Grenada achieved independence in 1974. Several years later an attempt was made to establish a Communist state, which ended in the famed invasion of 1983. Although Grenada does cater heavily to tourism, there is a strong push to maintain the natural environment with one-sixth of the island's land devoted to parks and nature sanctuaries.

#### GRENADA - Trek to Bamboo Fall

Duration: 04:00 approx.

Price: 49 €

Min 20 / Max 60 participants

Transportation: minibus

Activity level: strenuous

With driver-guide

This excursion is a must for all Nature lovers; it is a wonderful journey of discovery starting at St George's and following steep winding roads culminating at the rain forest peak, an amazing spot some 1900ft above sea level. This is Grand Etang Forest, a sanctuary and nature reserve located in the islands Central Mountain Range. Here lush vegetation, towering mahogany trees, ferns and colourful tropical flowers provide a vivid background to a wide cross section of bird and animal life. If you enjoy trekking, then you will love the trail through the rainforest to reach Bamboo falls. The trek will take you over a private plantation where you will see nutmeg, cocoa, bananas, and many other vibrant tropical plants. It can be muddy and slippery, especially if it has rained recently, so please choose your footwear accordingly. Bamboo Falls is known as one of the most famous and beautiful Grenada's waterfalls and is certainly worth the 30-minute trek to get there.

Fresh local organic orange juice will be available on your return to the Cruise Terminal.

Enjoy unspoilt nature at its finest and join us on this unforgettable Eco trek.

Please note: This tour must be considered strenuous and is recommended only for guest who are in very good physical conditions. Minimum age for participating in the excursion: 8 yrs old.

Guests are advised to wear light clothes and comfortable hiking shoes (closed shoes with grip) and to bring a hat, sunscreen, and water. Rain Forest terrain is muddy and can be slippery. Before arriving to the fall guests must cross a river and have feet up to the knees into the water.

Guests will get the opportunity to swim at the waterfall site and are advised to wear a swimsuit under a cover-up.

The drive from the ship to the start of the trail takes approximately 45 minutes each way.

#### GRENADA - Chocolate and falls

Duration: 04:00 approx.

Price: 49 €

Min 20 / Max 80 participants

Transportation: minibus

Activity level: moderate

With driver-guide

This aromatic island tour will allow you to know everything about the "Jouvay" organic chocolate production at the Diamond Chocolate Factory nestled in the village of Victoria on the west coast of Grenada. You'll find it in an 18th-century converted rum distillery, which was built by French monks. Nowadays, the factory's responsible for making "Jouvay" – one of the world's top 10 chocolates, according to National Geographic. This chocolate's completely organic and you'll learn how it's made – from the harvest of the cocoa beans, to watching them dry on trays under the Caribbean sun.

A visit to the garden of cocoa trees to see, cocoa, cloves, chili, nutmeg, flowers, fruits, followed by a delicious chocolate tasting, will conclude this pleasant visit to one of the most amazing sites in the Caribbean.

Next, proceed for a visit to Concord Fall, where nutmeg and cocoa trees grow along the flanks of the hills in the tropical forest.



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Upon arrival, relax with a complementary drink and take a refreshing swim in the lovely natural waterfall-pool (Conditions permitting). Following your visit, commence the approximately 45-minute drive back to the cruise terminal.

Please note: Guests will get the opportunity to swim at the waterfall site and are advised to wear a swimsuit under a cover-up, and bring sunscreen, a hat, sunglasses, water and a towel from the ship. Terrain at the waterfall may be slippery. The tour sequence may vary. There's not visit inside the chocolate factory.

The drive from The Carenage (St George's) to the Chocolate factory will take 1h20 minutes.

#### **GRENADA - Catamaran sailing and snorkeling tour**

Duration: 03:30 approx.

Transportation: catamaran

Price: 72 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 15 / Max 60 participants

From St. George's Harbor, you will sail on a catamaran along Grenada's west coast to stop at Molinere Bay. Here you will enjoy a snorkeling stop to discover the underwater sculpture park, located in Granada's marine protected area. These statues are sympathetically located to enhance the reef, making natural use of its varied topography. Then you will sail to Mango Bay beach (wet landing) for a second stop before a one-hour sailing back to the cruise terminal. Unlimited beverages are provided throughout, including rum punch, juices, and mineral water.

Please note: This tour is not suitable for guests with reduced mobility, back or neck issues and pregnant women. Guests must walk in ankle-deep water to (dis)embark to boat at Mango Bay. Half of the boat has shade. Snorkeling is optional, Guests participating to the snorkeling must be experienced swimmers.

Please wear aqua shoes and your swimsuit under a cover-up and bring a towel, sunscreen, sunglasses and a hat. Mask, snorkel, and snorkel vest are provided (no fins).

Unlimited beverages are provided throughout including rum punch (only after the snorkeling), juices and mineral water.

*This tour is not available for Royal Clipper call on 02-February-2024.*

#### **TOBAGO CAYS (Petit Rameau)**

Tobago Cays is comprised of four virtually deserted small islets within Horseshoe Reef. These islets are enormously appealing for those who love underwater exploration. Tobago Cays is a national park with some of the best snorkeling and diving in the world. Divers can glide over the dramatic natural architecture of Horseshoe Reef with its swirling shades of blue, gold, brown, turquoise and green shimmering beneath the surface. There are picnic and camp sites and beautiful protected anchorages for an overnight yacht stop.

#### **TOBAGO CAYS - Discover the Southern Grenadines by sailing catamaran**

Duration: 03:00 approx.

Transportation: catamaran

Price: 75 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 20 / Max 50 participants

Cruise through the crystal blue waters and sparkling white sand beaches of the Marine National Park of Tobago Cays. Our first stop is at the Horseshoe Reef for snorkeling and swimming then on to view the exclusive Palm Island Resort. This will be followed by a rum punch and swim stop at the sparkling white sand beach of Mayreau, Salt Whistle, one of the top 10 beaches in the Caribbean. Swim and snorkel as much as you want on this truly memorable tour. You will be back at the beach for the ship's barbecue (weather permitting).

Please note: Minimal age is 12 years (accompanied by an adult). This tour is not suitable for guests with reduced mobility, back or neck issues and pregnant women. Snorkeling is optional, Guests participating to the snorkeling must be experienced swimmers. Snorkeling equipment is not provided, please bring your equipment from the ship.

Guests are advised to wear your swimsuit under the clothes and to bring a hat, sunscreen, sunglasses, a towel and water.

The itinerary and the tour sequence may be changed at Captain's discretion depending on weather conditions and tide.



**ST VINCENT (Kingstown)**

Just 18 miles long, St. Vincent is amazingly diverse in its make-up. The island seems to have it all with beautiful beaches, coral reefs, high peaks, verdant jungles, fruitful valleys, waterfalls and a volcano.

It is believed St. Vincent could have been inhabited as far back as 5000 BC by Indians from South America. In more recent times the Carib Indians, also from South America, struggled with the Europeans to retain sovereignty of St Vincent and resisted longer than on any other Caribbean Island. St. Vincent was also the scene of much conflict between the British and French with the Caribs often getting involved as well. Many of the battles resulted in great human casualties. The British gained control in 1796 and ruled the island until 1979. St. Vincent has also suffered many natural disasters including severe hurricanes, volcanic eruptions and fires. Tourism reached St. Vincent late, although yachtsmen and divers have long been familiar with the island's outstanding bays and coves that offer some of the best diving in the Caribbean. Despite growing tourism on St. Vincent, the island still preserves all of its natural beauty and is one of the most enchanting islands in the Caribbean.

**ST VINCENT Garden of Eden**

Duration: 03:30 approx.

Price: 59 €

Min 10 / Max 60 participants

Transportation: air-conditioned minibus

Activity level: moderate

Enjoy a tour through the capital, Kingstown, with its colonial and modern architecture before starting the scenic drive through the Mesopotamia Valley of St Vincent. The Marriaqua valley, with its volcanic richness, offers a spectacular panoramic view of what is often referred to as the "island's breadbasket". Banana plantations, nutmeg, cocoa, breadfruit, coconut and a multitude of root crops have thrived here for generations. You will visit the Montreal gardens, one of the two premier showplaces of the island's flora. The gardens contain a wide range of tropical plants. In this tranquil, magical setting, admire the flourishing bougainvillea, frangipanis, hibiscus and the delicate wax like blooms of the anthurium lilies. The gardens offer an excellent view over local farmland and the distant sea. After the visit you will get back on the coach and continue your scenic drive, travelling through quaint villages and getting a true glimpse of everyday life in these rural communities, where farmers work on the hillsides using machetes.

Finally, the drive takes you along the picturesque Atlantic coast and a breathtaking hilltop view of the capital directly above the cruise ship berth.

Please note: There are approx. 100 steps to negotiate, in different areas (not all together).

Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable shoes and bring sunscreen, insect repellent, a hat and water. This tour includes a long panoramic drive on winding roads (approx. 2 hours in total). Guests will spend approx. 1:30 at Montreal gardens.

**ST VINCENT - Reef life tour**

Duration: 03:00 approx.

Price: 75 €

Min 15 / Max 40 participants

Transportation: speed boat

Activity level: moderate

Depart from the cruise Terminal and cruise along the striking leeward coastline passing Fort Charlotte, fishing villages and tropical bays as we head into the bay, home to the country's oldest coconut plantation, Mount Wynne.

At Mt Wynne beach enjoy snorkeling and /or beach combing at its best. Here the therapeutic black sand makes a stunning backdrop for the huge sea fans and the sheer variety of tropical fish will delight you. St Vincent boasts some of the finest and most diverse coral reefs in the Eastern Caribbean. Have some refreshments while soaking up the sun and fun.

Please note: This tour is not suitable for guests prone to motion sickness, guests with back and/or neck problems, guests with limited mobility and pregnant women.

Guests are advised to wear a swimsuit under a cover-up and bring sun protection, sunglasses, a towel from the ship and a change of dry clothes. Take your snorkeling equipment with you. Wear swimwear under casual clothing, suntan lotion, hat, comfortable footwear.

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**BEQUIA (Admiralty Bay)**

At only seven square miles, Bequia is the largest of the Grenadines. The northern most of the chain, it lies just nine miles off the coast of St. Vincent. The island's history is one of shipbuilding and refuge. The French, British, Spanish as well as a motley assortment of pirates all sought shelter in its natural harbour. The shipbuilding industry was second only to the lucrative whaling business. During its heyday, there were nine whaling stations on the island. Only one remains today. The Scottish were actively involved in both industries, thus 10% of today's population is of Scottish descent. Life in general has not changed much during the past few centuries in Bequia. Fishing is still the main source of income followed by tourism. Bequia's serene, easy-going atmosphere is enhanced by beautiful, deserted beaches, brilliant coral reefs and tranquil lagoons, making it a true island paradise.

**BEQUIA - Tastes of Bequia**

Duration: 03:30 approx.

Price: 85 €

Min 12 / Max 20 participants

Transportation: walking tour

Activity level: moderate

Embark on a half day culinary experience, where you'll learn about and taste local Vincentian foods, drinks, and delicacies. The tour will start with a walk down the infamous Belmont Strip, a small strip of land hovering above the sea lined with local restaurants. Here, you'll pop into one restaurant to the other, and learn/taste delicious Vincentian food along the way. Across the strip, you'll sample and learn how to make Tamarind balls, you'll taste conch, Saltfish fritters with homemade relish, roasted breadfruit, pick up takeaway bakery food and you'll learn to make rum punch, before tucking into a tasty 'meal' at the final stop. Be warned, the rum tasting and rum punch making experience isn't for the fainthearted. After, you'll take a short walk to Princess Margaret beach located 10 minutes nearby, where you'll be able to independently explore the beach and relax for a few hours, before returning to the ship.

Please note: Guests are advised to weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable shoes and bring sunscreen, a hat and water.

**BEQUIA - Heritage tour: Bequia by 4x4**

Duration: 02:00 approx.

Price: 49 €

Min 8 / Max 40 participants

Transportation: 4x4 vehicle

Activity level: moderate

Bequia, once a busy center for whaling and boat building, still retains its traditions and skills based on the sea. The superb anchorage, with a traditional lifestyle, has invited many visiting yachtsmen to drop anchors in Admiralty Bay. Enjoy the charming, slower pace of life, rich in tranquility.

Let us take you on a scenic drive and gave you a true feeling of Bequia life style.

The tour begins in the capital, Port Elizabeth, where a number of shops, restaurants, small hotels and guesthouses provide a captivating scene that is equal to none. Enjoy a 2-hour tour of the island taking the main road north west of Port Elizabeth, to the Village of Hamilton, which brings us to the late 18th century Hamilton Battery. The canons that were found and remounted on the site are French, indicating the history of these islands.

The Hamilton Fort affords a spectacular view of Port Elizabeth. We continue northeast to Spring, a shallow bay at the foot of an impressive coconut grove with trees that reach 100 feet and are very old. The valley is on one of the most fertile areas of the island, which was once a sugar plantation.

The ruins of the Spring Sugar Factory now house the Firefly Hotel on an 18th century estate. We continue on a scenic drive to Industry viewing the beautiful landscape of Bequia. Making our way back we will take a ride up to the famous lookout Mount Pleasant. Back in the harbor we can enjoy the peace and tranquility of our beautiful island before heading back on board.

Please note: This tour is operated with vehicles are 4X4 vehicles, that can accommodate 8 passengers. This tour is not suitable for guests with limited mobility, pregnant women or anyone suffering from conditions (back, neck or other) which may be affected by bumpy roads. Guests are advised to weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable shoes and bring sunscreen, a hat and water.



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**MARTINIQUE (Fort-de-France)**

The island of Martinique, along with Guadeloupe, is France's westernmost "department". Martinique is not a colony, but actually a part of France, much like a state. The natives are considered French citizens. Martinique has been one of the few islands in the Caribbean that has always remained under the French. It holds a special place in French history being the birthplace of the Empress Josephine, consort of Napoleon Bonaparte. Although mountainous and volcanic in its composition, Martinique was originally named "the island of flowers" by the Carib Indians. The fertile soil on the island yields flowers and fruit like poinsettias, hibiscus, bougainvillea, bananas, papaya and pineapples. The agriculture of Martinique only accounts for part of its natural beauty as the coastline boasts beautiful beaches and coves.

**MARTINIQUE (Fort-de-France) – Balata Gardens and Habitation Clément distillery**

Duration: 05:00 approx.

Transportation: air-conditioned motorcoach

Price: 75 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 15 / Max 35 participants

*This tour leaves from Fort-de-France and ends at Grande Anse d'Arlet.*

Leaving Fort de France, you will take the Trace Road opened by the Jesuits in the eighteenth century. This is really a track rather than a road and runs between enormous bamboos and giant arborescent ferns and lianas.

The Botanical Garden of Balata, a marvelous garden, is now open to the public after 20 years of ground preparation and the careful collecting of flowers and plants by owner Mr. Jean Philippe Thoze, a botanical and landscape gardener. Walk under the trees and you will discover a multitude of botanical plants and flowers, a harmonious mix of color and form judiciously placed to delight the eye. The reception hall is located in an authentic Creole house which has been lovingly renovated.

After the visit of the gardens, you will take a panoramic road within the island to arrive at the historic Clément plantation, a genuine architectural and industrial heritage site on the island of Martinique. The Habitation Clément is one of the main rum producers on Martinique and is famous for its aged rums.

The Habitation Clément is much more than a rum distillery: it is one of the most beautiful sites in Martinique, with a "remarkable garden", a Creole Manor housestyle to discover, an emblematic place to visit an art exhibition, enjoy a rum tasting, etc.

You will have the opportunity to cross the botanical garden with a rare collection of over 300 tropical plants, to visit several rum cellars that house over two million liters of rum, and to discover the techniques and process of rum making, and to finish by tasting it!

In the old garden that borders the main house, many traditional trees provide a natural setting for the Creole manor house.

With its bee-like silhouette, the main house symbolically occupies the highest point of the estate. It is exceptionally well-preserved and decorated with ancient furniture.

At the end of the visit, drive to Grande Anse d'Arlet, where the ship will be waiting for you.

Please note: This excursion involves extensive walking over uneven surfaces with inclines and steps to negotiate and is not recommended to guests with reduced mobility.

Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat, sunscreen, insect repellent and water.

Roads are winding, so this is not the ideal tour for guests suffering from motion sickness.

Driving times: 30min from Fort-de-France to Balata Gardens, 1:00 from Balata Garden to Habitation Clément, 1:00 from Habitation Clément to Grande Anse d'Arlet.

**MARTINIQUE (Fort-de-France) - Fort-de-France food safari**

Duration: 02:30 approx.

Transportation: walking tour

Price: 55 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 8 / Max 24 participants

Small groups (12 persons)

A unique Food Safari for all culinary globetrotters! What better way to get to experience a new culture than by tasting all the local specialties? A walking tour through the heart of Fort de France is the ideal way of getting to know this vibrant creole capital. Groups are kept deliberately small so as to ensure a really personal, tailor-made experience.

During the tour you will absorb many fascinating facts about Fort de France, its history, architecture and local customs, interspersed with tidbits of gossip as you eat your way through to a deeper understanding of the "Island of Flowers" as



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Martinique is sometimes known.

The tour starts up on picturesque Savannah square. Iguanas are frequent visitors to this pleasant shady park so you may well get some unexpected company.

All the tasting stops have been carefully curated to highlight the best of Fort de France cuisine, including traditional pastries and sweets, sugarcane juice, and visits to shops only patronized by the locals.

To whet your appetite, a stop at Fort de France's colorful local market is included. The air here is redolent with the scent of spices: cinnamon, vanilla and saffron, and the bustling atmosphere, lilting creole accents, and stalls overflowing with exotic fruit and vegetables combine to make this an extraordinary multi-sensory experience. Your guide will give you an insider's view of the market, revealing all its little secrets and pointing out local specialties.

You will be able to admire the impressive architecture of the Schoelcher Library, a weird and wonderful mix of Romano-Byzantine, Art Nouveau and Neo-Egyptian styles, first presented to the public in Paris and then dismantled and shipped over to Martinique. You will see the cathedral dedicated to St Louis, built in the late 19th century in Romanesque revival style.

Halfway through the excursion, a small sitting break will be taken in a local restaurant to taste a typical dish made with seasonal products!

Please note: This excursion involves extensive walking and is not recommended to guests with reduced mobility.

Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat, sunscreen, and water. This tour does not include any inside visits.

### ST LUCIA (Marigot bay)

A lush island of tropical beauty, St. Lucia is part of the Windward Islands. Its 238-square miles are covered with rain forests, banana plantations, palm-lined beaches, mountains and even a drive-in volcano. Like many of its neighbours, St Lucia was a hotly disputed territory, with Britain and France battling for possession. Indeed, the island changed hands no less than 14 times, earning it the nickname of "the Helen of the Caribbean". The English eventually gained control until independence was granted in 1979. St. Lucia has also had its share of natural disasters, including several fires and hurricanes. Though tourism is now the island's economic backbone, sugar cane was the primary industry from the 1800's to 1960. Among St. Lucia's most noted attractions are the Pitons, two volcanic cones rising up from the sea that have become a symbol of the island itself. Today, St Lucia offers its guests a wide range of natural charm with beautiful beaches, lush scenery, fishing villages unchanged by time and friendly Caribbean hospitality.

#### ST LUCIA (Marigot bay) - Soufrière Tour and Caribbean Coast

Duration: 05:00 approx.

Transportation: air-conditioned minibus

Price: 82 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 20 / Max 80 participants

Lunch included (drinks not included)

**This tour leaves from Marigot bay and ends in Soufrière bay**

Departing from beautiful Marigot Bay, you will travel along the western coast, bypassing the fishing villages of Anse la Raye and Canaries, before the descent into the town of Soufriere. The sight of the majestic Pitons, two great peaks which have come to be a symbol of the island itself, will fill you with awe. Arrive at the Villa des Pitons (or similar) for a delicious Creole lunch. Nestled on the hillside this enchanting resort affords a spectacular view of St. Lucia's rain forest.

Your journey will continue to an award-winning historical site, the Soufriere Estate's Diamond Botanical Gardens, Waterfall & Mineral Baths. Established in 1745, it is one of the oldest estates on the island and was a portion of the 2000 acres of land that was granted to the owners by King Louis XIV in 1713 in recognition of their services to the Crown & Country. A guided tour takes you through the beautiful Botanical Gardens and the falls which cascade down through mineral-streaked rock walls and jungle thick ferns. The water forms a stream that flows through underground pipes to a series of baths at different temperatures. These mineral baths were originally built in 1784 by the Baron De Laborie and were restored in 1925 by the owners of the estate. These hot mineral springs are enjoyed today for therapeutic bathing. The gardens themselves are quite beautiful and after your guided tour there will be an opportunity to purchase a postcard or small souvenir before departing. Driving up through lushly verdant rainforest you will enter the world's only drive-in volcano, La Soufriere. The roads lead you right up to the remnants of a volcanic crater; a moonscape of barren earth and gravel where pools of muddy water bubble and belch out clouds of steam and a smell of sulphur pervades the atmosphere.



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After your informative tour you can enjoy a warm refreshing dip in the sulphureous pool below the bridge.

Please note: Passengers should note that the road to Soufriere is very winding so people who suffer from motion sickness should take necessary precautions before the tour.

A buffet lunch will be provided. Beverages are not included during lunch, but you will be offered a welcome drink.

Guests are advised to wear a swimsuit under weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat, sunscreen, insect repellent, water and US \$ or credit cards if they want to purchase gifts of additional beverages.

Please note that the sulphureous water in the pool can cause a chemical reaction; if you wish to bathe, please do not wear any jewelry or light-colored swimsuits which could be damaged. Swimming goggles come in handy, as the water may irritate the eyes, and water shoes can be also useful.

### SAINT LUCIA (Soufrière bay)

#### SAINT LUCIA (Soufrière bay) - Natural attractions of La Soufrière

Duration: 03:00 approx.

Transportation: air-conditioned minibus

Price: 52 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 10 / Max 80 participants

This tour begins with a leisurely drive through the town of Soufrière, bypassing the town square and the Cathedral. Your journey will continue to the Sulphur Springs, known as the Caribbean's, only drive-in volcano. This historic site is the result of volcanic eruptions over 300,000 years ago. The sulfurous atmosphere is immediately apparent and sulfur water has been proved to have many medicinal properties, so don't be afraid to breathe deeply and inhale the sulfur laden air. The Botanical Gardens and Diamond Baths are very famous, and it is said that Josephine de Beauharnais, later the Empress Josephine, wife of Napoleon, bathed in the waters. Admire the tropical plants along the pathway and the magnificent waterfall before getting back on the bus.

After a short drive you will arrive at the Villa des Pitons Restaurant for complimentary drinks and enjoy local rum or fruit punch while relaxing on the verandah. Be sure to have your cameras at the ready, the view of the two majestic twin peaks soaring out of the sea at Soufrière Bay makes for a splendid photo opportunity. The tour ends with a short drive down to the jetty where your ship awaits.

Please note: Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat, sunscreen, insect repellent, water and USD if they wish to purchase a small souvenir.

#### SAINT LUCIA - Morne Coubaril Estate and Hotwire Pitons zip line ride

Duration: 02:30 approx.

Transportation: air-conditioned minibus

Price: 79 €

Activity level: strenuous

Min 10 / Max 40 participants

The fun filled activity combines the adrenaline rush of zipping under the sheer Petit Piton, with breathtaking views of the historic town of Soufrière and the Caribbean Sea.

Depart ship and take a short drive through the rustic town of Soufrière up to the Hotwire Zipline Adventure Park at Morne Coubaril Estate in Soufrière. On arrival you are taken for a guided tour of this working plantation through a small village of huts made from sticks. The surrounding gardens are well stocked with the plants and flowers indigenous to the island.

Your guide will then lead you up the estate driveway to manioc house where you will learn how cassava bread is made., you will learn about the process of de-husking a coconut and oven drying copra, before sampling some coconut water and jelly. After enjoying the bay view from the point, you will also get the opportunity to taste a ripe cocoa bean at the cocoa and coffee house before seeing the process of fermentation and bean drying, and the cocoa dance used to polish the dried beans.

The highlight of the tour is our mule driven sugar cane mill and the chance to enjoy some delicious fresh cane juice.

After the tour, you will be equipped with harness, helmet and gloves and be given a safety briefing and training demonstration before setting off on your zip line adventure. The first platform offers a panoramic view of the bay and the awe-inspiring Pitons. While you whizz safely between giant Banyans, your experienced guides will provide a running commentary on the eco-system and the spectacular views provided by this zip line trail, built to US standards.

Eight zip cables move you effortlessly through the estate and you can take your own aerial photos of the Piton and town below, before being carried into a canopy of banyan, coconut, plum and mango trees and across a bamboo-shadowed gorge. The zip





lines offer a total immersion in the natural environment.

After your Zip line Adventure, you will be escorted to a typical local restaurant to enjoy some refreshment including juice made from fruit produced on the estate. The restaurant is surrounded by gingerbread cottages which house our gift shop.

Please note: This excursion combines the adrenaline rush of zipping as well as a short sightseeing tour.

Minimum age for participating in this excursion is 8 years old (minors must be accompanied by an adult).

Max weight for participating in this excursion is 220 lbs / 113 kg.

This tour is not suitable for guests with fear of height, pregnant women, persons with heart or respiratory conditions and is recommended only for Guest who are in very good physical conditions. Participants will have to sign a waiver.

Guests are advised to wear comfortable clothing (jeans or Bermuda-length shorts are recommended), sneakers or sandals (no flip-flops), and shirts with short sleeves (no sleeveless tops). Guests are advised to bring a hat, insect repellent, sunscreen, a change of shirt, water and US \$ or credit card if they wish to purchase any items at the gift shop. For guests with long hair, we suggest wearing it in a ponytail or a bun. Helmet, hairnet and gloves are provided. Participants will have to sign a waiver.

### BRIDGETOWN (BARBADOS)

**Debarb tours ending at the airport and transfers can be pre-booked prior your cruise**

#### **BARBADOS - Farewell to Barbados island discovery tour (ending at the Airport)**

Duration: 04:30 approx.

Transportation: air-conditioned minibus

Price: 75 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 20 / Max 32 participants

**This excursion is suitable for passengers disembarking in Barbados who have flights leaving after 4:00pm**

Your tour starts along the famous West Coast of Barbados, allowing you to catch a glimpse of the lives of the rich and famous who own villas there. Along the route you will pass through Holetown and Speightstown two typically charming Caribbean towns. Next you will head inland, and your first stop will be at Farley Hill National Park with its Great House ruins and vibrant gardens with a large variety of plants and trees and a spectacular view of the East Coast. Enjoy a leisurely stroll through the park before going on to discover the East Coast up close.

Moving on from here you continue along the coast for a while with another picture stop at Bathsheba, the famous surfing spot in Barbados.

Next, stop for a refreshing drink before you drive up the hill to historic St. John's Parish Church which offers incredible views of the picturesque East Coast. Enjoy this breathtaking scene one last time, from 800 feet above sea level. The church building and grounds are a treasure belonging to the Barbados National Trust.

From here a short drive will take you to the Airport where you will find your luggage ready to be checked in.

Please note: The luggage will be loaded on a separate luggage truck and delivered to the Airport at the end of the tour. Guests will need to retrieve them at the airport before check-in.

#### **Star Clippers offers also the following transfer services (optional, upon reservation):**

##### **✓ Shared transfer to Barbados airport (BGI)**

Guests who have purchased a shared transfer cannot choose their pickup time. There will be one fixed departure from the port at about 09:00am, the arrival at the airport will be around 10:00am. This transfer is suitable for guests whose flight leaves after 1:30pm.

##### **✓ Private transfers to Barbados airport (BGI) / to hotels**

Latest pick-up time from the pier will be at 10:00am.



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