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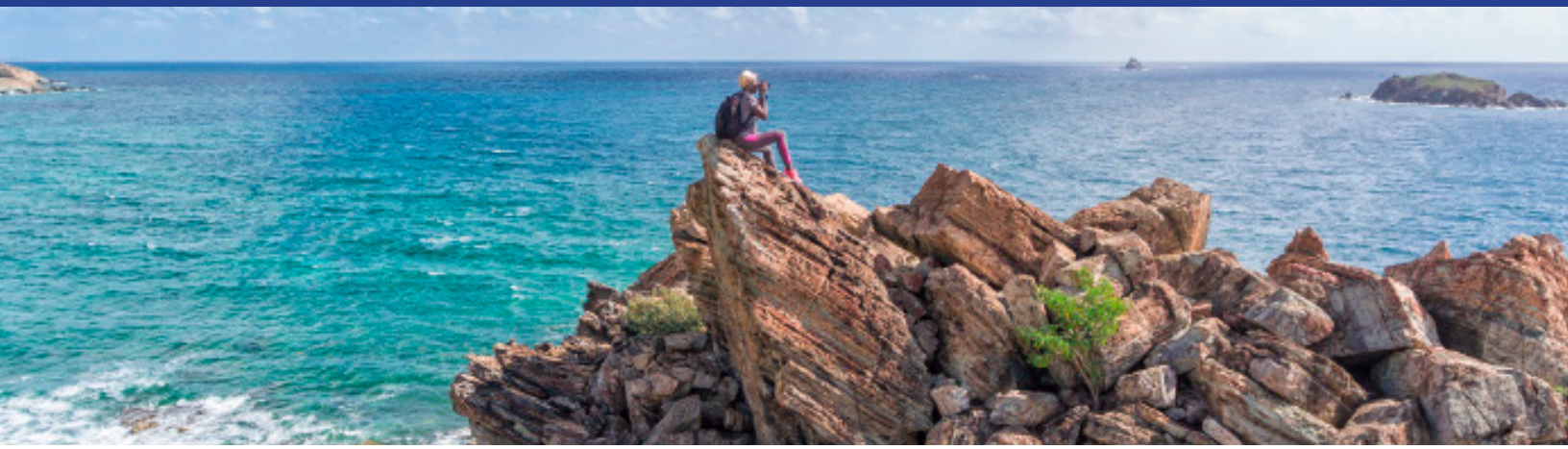

St. Maarten's Top 10 Activities

Get ready to be transported to the enchanting world of St. Maarten, where sun-kissed beaches, exhilarating water activities, and a gastronomic voyage await. Below are the top 10 activities that will help you experience the best of the island, whilst soaking up the famous 'Friendly Island' warmth and stunning panoramas.

1. Be a Night Owl

St. Maarten comes alive once the sun goes down with an exciting nightlife scene. Simpson Bay is the best for bar-hopping and dancing, whilst Maho offers the chilled vibes of local bars and lounges.

2. Hike for Views

For nature lovers, the island has several scenic trails, which offer stunning panoramic views of the entire area. The island's lush hills and coastal landscapes are perfect for outdoor enthusiasts.

3. Paddle Out into Blue Waters

Head out on a guided jet-ski tour to marvel at mega-yachts and hidden coves that showcase the island's true maritime charm. Alternatively, explore stunning bays and lagoons by renting a Kayak or SUP for the day.

4. Feel The Power

Feel your adrenaline rush at Maho Beach as planes glide over the bay for landings so spectacular that you feel like you can touch the belly of a 747.

5. Discover Marine Magic

Embark on a diving expedition, and discover an underwater wonderland of wrecks, vibrant coral reefs, and playful marine life in their natural habitat.

6. Have a Blissful Beach Day

No visit to the Island would be complete without a sojourn to one of the 37 white-sand beaches. Mullet Bay is a favourite of visitors and locals alike, that features crystal blue, shallow waters and great beachfront dining.

7. Set Sail on a Sunset Soiree

Sail around miles of coastline during a sunset cruise whilst Caribbean rhythms play in the background as the sun dips below the horizon.

8. Get Active Outdoors

Take in the island's picturesque beaches and lush hills on horseback or explore the island on Jeep and ATV tours where you can reach every corner of the island.

9. See the Island's History

St. Maarten is an island filled with rich history, unique stories, and captivating talents that can all be explored through the various museums on the island. Fort Amsterdam was built by the Dutch in 1631 on a peninsula between Great Bay and Little Bay, whilst the St. Maarten National Heritage Museum is an archive museum showcasing both the island's prehistoric beginnings and its colonial past.

10. Shop Til You Drop In Philipsburg

Delight in shopping for unique souvenirs in Philipsburg, where duty-free boutiques abound. Find everything from luxury goods, the best perfumes and local handicrafts to commemorate your St. Maarten vacation. Whilst in the capital, be sure to visit the iconic Courthouse, which is the most photographed landmark on the island.