



2014 ST. JOHN GUEST GUIDE

Welcome to St. John!

For a memorable St. John villa vacation, please take a moment to read this Guide — you'll find lots of interesting & essential information which will greatly enhance your stay on St. John.

It's our aim to be your friend and guide on St. Thomas.

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GUEST CONCIERGE

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★★ DON'T FORGET to BRING YOUR PICTURE ID! ★★

You will board a ferry to continue on to St. John, and all passengers must be prepared to provide picture ID upon request. Also, everyone departing the U.S. Virgin Islands, including U.S. citizens, is now required by U.S. Immigration to show either a valid passport OR a certified copy of a birth certificate accompanied by an official photo ID. The USVI are a "port of entry" to the U.S. mainland, so please don't forget these for the whole family. You will also need a current passport or a passport card if you plan to visit any of the British Virgin Islands during your stay (even if only a day boat trip), except for persons under 16 (who ONLY need an original birth certificate for land + sea travel ONLY). Please visit <http://travel.state.gov> for updated information, and always verify boarding requirements with your airline before you travel.

★ **ARRIVING ON ST. JOHN — VERY IMPORTANT:** We will need to know your airline's flight number, your arrival and departure times on St. Thomas, and your car rental agency so that we can provide this information to your St. John villa manager, who will coordinate your villa escort service. Please make SURE that our office receives this information from you or your agent at least **THREE WEEKS IN ADVANCE** of your arrival here, so that your vacation has a pleasant and hassle-free beginning. If your flight is delayed or cancelled, you are required to call one of us immediately (you may call collect to our office), so that your escort can make alternative arrangements and notify your car rental of your delay. You will be charged \$50 if you fail to notify us of your delay at least one hour in advance of your original arrival time.

★ **Please, please rent a car for your villa vacation!** If you have NOT rented a car for your arrival, then you must pay a private taxi to take you and your luggage to your villa (which can be very pricey, or difficult to impossible for late arrivals) on St. John. Please be very specific about your transportation needs (for example, are you traveling with a lot of luggage?), so you are assigned the right villa escort person for your group – not all escorts can carry passengers in their own vehicles due to liability insurance restrictions. And please remember, we drive ON THE LEFT.

★ **When you arrive on St. Thomas**, please contact your St. John villa manager to coordinate your escort from the ferry in St. John (if no answer, always leave a voice message...your escort IS checking his messages!). You will then need to collect your luggage and take a taxi to the ferry terminal: there is one that departs from downtown Charlotte that is a short drive from the airport, or you can travel to the East End of St. Thomas and catch the ferry in Red Hook for a shorter boat ride. Allow about 1-1/2 to over 2 hours after your plane lands for this. For all Ferry and Car barge schedules please visit <http://www.vinow.com>.

★ **If you have rented your car in St. Thomas**, you will need to pick up your vehicle and drive to the East End of St. Thomas to get on the car barge to St. John. Please be sure to contact your St. John villa manager BEFORE you head for the car barge to coordinate a meeting time for your escort to the villa. For all other car rentals, baby car seats, and for special or alternate arrangements, please contact our expert Concierges (all contact numbers and their email are above on Page 1) well before you travel to St. Thomas. *****If you want to take your rental vehicle on the CAR BARGE over to St. John, HERTZ + THRIFTY do not permit you to take their cars to St. John.**

Again, due to island restrictions here, escorts cannot carry passengers in their cars. You will be responsible for handling your own luggage. And — please consider the size of your group when you make your rental car arrangements. Be sure that your vehicle can accommodate everyone in your party AND all luggage (for example: a Jeep can carry four persons, but then has NO room for luggage). Island cars are compacts; vans here only hold up to 7 passengers. And don't forget that we drive on the left side of the road in the U.S.V.I.!

If for any reason you can't find your escort in St. John, please STAY WHERE YOU ARE. Please do NOT attempt to locate your villa on your own — we have no street addresses here, and most roads for private homes are not at all clearly marked. It would be a miracle if you found your house! That is why we arrange for an escort to help you get acquainted with our roads, guide you promptly to your villa, give you a tour of the home and its features, give you keys, and get you comfortably situated. **IMPORTANT: Please remember to take your St. John villa manager's contact numbers, as well as our office and home telephone numbers with you when you travel** so you can contact someone immediately if you are delayed, or if you cannot find your villa escort person at your designated meeting spot.

If various members of your villa group are arriving here at different times, you will need to make proper arrangements with us to ensure they are able to be met and escorted as well. One escort from the ferry or barge dock to your villa is included in your rental. Additional escorts are subject to extra charges; please inquire ahead of time so that there are no surprises.

Your villa manager/escort will give you lots of island information, a map and directions on arrival, and you'll also receive copies of local tourist publications as invaluable resources of information for you: ferry schedules, taxi fares, restaurant information, church services, water sports, and all sorts of activities on St. John. The local phone book in your villa also contains a section of island information for you.

For answers to common queries, please visit our Frequently-Asked Questions (FAQ) page at www.mclaughlinanderson.com/faqs.cfm.

In addition, our website contains information about activities and services under Destinations / Islands by Name (choose your island from the pull-down menu) at www.mclaughlinanderson.com. Please email or call our Concierges BEFORE you arrive on St. John to make advance reservations for you, as many boats, chefs, massage people, rental vehicles, etc. are booked weeks ahead.

★ **McLaughlin Anderson's VILLALIFE APP:** As soon as you have booked a villa with us, please download our free VillaLife App for iOS and Android. Before your arrival, the app will send you friendly messages reminding you to provide us with the necessary information we need from you before your arrival here. Use this info and services app and this Guest Guide during your villa stay to access information about island activities, restaurants, events and directions, or contact us for assistance. During or after your

stay, [please leave your review in VillaLife App 's Guest Book](#) – you can upload a photo, leave us your feedback, and rate your stay with us, all in a few easy swipes of your fingertips!

★ **APPLIANCES:** Please, NEVER turn your villa's air-conditioning units lower than 68° (20° C). This can cause a unit to freeze up, stop working, then flood the room later when it defrosts. Also, make sure your refrigerator's thermostat inside remains set at the MIDDLE range – don't let anyone turn the control up too high. Although this may seem logical, the high setting actually shuts down proper cooling. Just give your fridge up to 24 hours to cool all the hot items you just put into it; buy ice and use the villa cooler for your drinks.

★ **BABY GEAR RENTALS and BABYSITTING:** You can rent cribs, high chairs, and a great variety of other baby gear from Christy's of St. John (340-776-6889 - <http://www.christysofstjohn.com/rentals.htm>) or from Island Baby (340-998-8327 - <http://www.islandbabyvi.com/>). For babysitters and nannies, contact VillaConcierge@mclaughlinanderson.com for assistance.

★ **BEACHES:** St. John boasts some of the world's most beautiful beaches, offering a variety of venues with swimming, snorkeling and soft white sand for limin' in the sun. A few of our favorites are listed below:

- **Caneel Bay:** Home to the Caneel Bay Resort, this beach allows you access to good snorkeling and the amenities of the resort (restaurant, gift shop and bathrooms). Accessible by car or taxi with water sports gear available for rent. \$10 parking fee.
- **Cinnamon Bay:** The longest of the many National Park beaches, Cinnamon is part of a camp ground facility and has a small general store, snack bar, showers, lockers, telephones activities desk, and several water activities available including kayaking, windsurfing, snorkeling and hiking tours as well. Accessible by car or taxi.
- **Francis Bay:** A long, sandy beach, Francis offers calm waters with good snorkeling. There is a great hike around a salt pond; this is a great place for bird-watching, and is accessible by car or taxi with portable toilet available.
- **Maho Bay:** Calm waters and fewer visitors distinguish Maho from most of the National Park beaches, although the snorkeling is just fair. A good place to spot sea turtles and stingrays; easy road access.
- **Great Cruz Bay:** This beach also provides the conveniences of a resort, with the Westin gracing its shores. However, there's no good snorkeling here. Beach accessories for rent, with a pool-side bar and restaurant. Accessible by car or taxi, with plenty of parking available. This is a good beach for children – it has paved paths for strollers, a kiddie pool, a small playground and caged parrots.
- **Hawksnest Beach:** Convenient to town, this National Park beach has ample parking and easy road access, but can get busy during high season. Snorkeling is fair—it is best for a quiet afternoon swim stop. Accessible by car or taxi.
- **Honeymoon Beach:** A peaceful National Park beach, this one is only accessible by hiking trail, making it less crowded and a great swim stop. Snorkeling is just fair, but the sunsets are fabulous!
- **Trunk Bay:** Unique for its underwater snorkeling trail, Trunk Bay is a popular tourist destination so you may want to plan an early morning visit or come when there are no cruise ships in town. It's hard to resist with its beautiful swimming and snorkeling. The beach has ample parking and is also near town. Showers, snack bar, snorkel and beach chair rental available. Accessible by car or taxi with \$4 admission charge (family passes available). Save Trunk for an early morning or late afternoon swim, when the cruise ship crowds are gone, so it feels like you are alone on one of the world's most beautiful beaches.
- **Waterlemon Cay:** One of the best snorkeling spots on the island; good for strong swimmers. Waterlemon is just beyond Leinster Bay and below the Annaberg Plantation ruins. Not as easy to get to and a short hike from the road, but a great way to combine swimming, snorkeling and a hike through sugar mill ruins! No facilities available and is a short hike (15 minutes) from parking along the road.

★ **CARIBBEAN MANNERS:** You will be rubbing shoulders with a different culture here, rich with traditions and pride. To get a friendly smile from a St. Johnian, please remember to begin all conversations with a "Good Morning," "Good Afternoon" or "Good Night." West Indians consider this to be a sign of respect and will appreciate your gesture.

★ **CHECK-IN TIME IS GENERALLY NOT BEFORE 3 or 4 pm:** If your villa is not occupied the day you arrive, you may be able to pre-arrange for an early check-in in advance of your arrival. But if other guests are departing your villa that same day, you may not physically check into your villa until 3 pm or later. Sometimes your escort can take you to your villa early, drop your luggage off there (but we're sorry, you cannot go inside while the staff is preparing your villa for you, even for a peek!), and you can go have lunch or shop for groceries or have a cold drink, then return to your villa after 3 pm with your keys and relax. Please understand - we like to have everything just perfect for you when you walk in the door.

★ **CHECK-OUT TIME AT YOUR VILLA IS 10 am SHARP!** If you wish to stay longer, you must prearrange this with your St. John Villa Manager in advance and we'll let you know if someone else is checking into your villa that afternoon or not. ***A \$250 PENALTY WILL BE CHARGED TO ALL PARTIES DEPARTING LATER THAN 10 am WITHOUT OUR PRIOR PERMISSION.** * We must give the housekeepers time to clean and prepare the villa between rentals. Besides locking all windows and doors before you go, and returning your villa keys to your Island Manager, you needn't do anything special. The maids will appreciate any food you leave behind in the fridge. They will strip all the beds and launder the bed sheets and towels. We would appreciate your not leaving wet towels in a heap, as in this climate they get musty and mildewed quickly – please hang them up somewhere in the villa.

★**CHEFS:** Allow one of our very talented and experienced chefs to treat you to an effortless evening of fantastic dining in the privacy of your own villa (great for families with smaller children). Requests for a chef must be made well in advance of your arrival to allow for scheduling, menu preparation, and shopping. Chefs' prices will vary; charges for grocery shopping, set-up and cleanup are generally included in the chef's rate. We promise that it will be a memorable evening, well spent! Catering companies with ready-to-heat cuisine are also available as another alternative to cooking. For more information on chefs and catering, please email VillaConcierge@mclaughlinanderson.com.

★**DAY TRIPS:** Take advantage of our proximity to many diversified islands! By ferry, helicopter, seaplane or airplane, islands such as St. Thomas, the British Virgins, St. Croix, Puerto Rico and other "down-island" destinations are feasible day trips. ★All travelers of all ages, including Americans, will need a **valid passport (U.S. passport cards are also acceptable for sea passage) to enter non-U.S. islands such as Tortola, and to re-enter the U.S.A.** A government-issued photo ID is required to board all ferries to and from St. John.★ Please consult your local tourist publications for up-to-date transportation schedules and rates (or contact VillaConcierge@mclaughlinanderson.com).

★**DRESS CODES:** Our islands are exceptionally informal when it comes to dress code standards. Gentlemen may leave their neckties behind! For upscale restaurants "Resort Casual" (lightweight slacks or dress shorts with a tropical shirt (with sleeves) are perfect for evenings out. For ladies, "casual elegance" is the key. For all other dining, there are very few guidelines; shorts are generally fine. However, it's not at all acceptable to go barefoot, shirtless, or dressed too provocatively (such as wearing just a bikini bathing suit top without a cover up) in any public areas other than on a beach...this is considered insultingly bad manners by our more conservative local hosts.

★**DRIVING ON ST. JOHN:** For maximum freedom and enjoyment, please please rent a car. St. John does not have house or street addresses, making it impossible for you to tell a taxi dispatcher how to find your secluded villa. Having your own car allows you to hop in on a whim and go anywhere, and you'll see much more of the island this way. You're foreign or U.S. driver's license is valid here for 90 days, and **we drive on the left here** — another adventure! All major roads on St. John are numbered, and free maps are available everywhere. The island is so small that if you get lost, just turn around and go back the way you came, or ask - we locals can give you good directions if you just tell us your ultimate destination.

★**DUTY FREE ALLOWANCES:** Americans returning to the U.S. from St. John may carry up to \$1600 in duty-free items: a family of 4 can take \$6400 in duty-free items. In addition, you may bring home up to 5 one-liter bottles of liquor per adult, as long as 1 bottle is Cruzan Rum, Chococo, or Captain Morgan, all of which are made in the U.S.V.I. (See also **LIQUOR & CIGARS**, next page). Loose precious gems (diamonds, rubies, emeralds and sapphires) and fine art are completely duty free, no matter what the cost. However, if you have the mounting and the stone in your possession, Customs will charge you duty on the stone because your loose stone is intended for jewelry. You also have a duty free allowance of 5 cartons (1000) of cigarettes and 100 cigars.

★ **GARBAGE AND TRASH REMOVAL:** Due to the nature of our roads and the secluded locations of private homes, most of our villas do NOT have door-to-door trash collection service. **Please drive your bagged garbage daily to one of the nearby metal dumpster bins**, which are stationed randomly along our roadsides. If you have maid service provided at your villa, your housekeeper will remove the trash only on her scheduled days of maid service. We highly recommend that you remove your garbage every day to prevent the unpleasant effects of heat, and to deter unwanted insects like ants coming around (see **INSECTS**, below). ★If you leave your week's trash piled in your villa when you depart, you may be charged by the villa's staff for its removal (see Security Deposits, below). ★St. John now recycles aluminum cans only...you will see containers near dumpsters for these. Please do NOT put plastics or glass in these bins, just cans!

★**GOLF:** Mahogany Run Golf Course is the closest course to St John and is situated on the dramatic coastline of St. Thomas's north side, Road 42 East. This 18-hole championship course boasts spectacular views and very challenging play. Reservations for tee times are accepted only within 48 hours of your golfing date. To reserve, please call the Pro Shop at (340) 777-6006, open daily.

★**GROCERIES:** Our villas are not rented stocked with food or drink. So, please **LET US DELIVER GROCERIES TO YOUR VILLA!** With at least one week's advance notice, we will pre-stock your villa with your order of food and beverages just before you arrive. Please visit <http://pass.mclaughlinanderson.com/> and order your groceries online. Shopping and delivery service costs 20% of your total grocery bill, plus a \$75 delivery fee. This is a wonderful and highly-recommended vacation service, especially if you are traveling with small children or arriving on island late in the afternoon or at night. Please consider using this service; it will save you rushing out to a grocery store with an island map in hand as soon as you arrive, before you get to know your way around.

If you do not order groceries to be pre-stocked in your villa before your arrival, you'll need to make an initial trip to one of St. John's grocery stores as soon as you arrive (your escort will give you directions to drive there from your villa). Starfish Market in the Marketplace is the largest and most well-stocked grocery store on the island. There is also a fresh bakery and wine shop, as well as a variety of specialty shops in the same building. Dolphin Market in Cruz Bay and St. John Market across from the Westin are also good places for fresh produce and groceries. In the Coral Bay area, there are two well-stocked mini-marts: the rather funky but well-priced Love City, and the more upscale Lily's Gourmet Market in Cocoloba Mall, which carries a good selection of cheeses, wines and other gourmet items. After you arrive, we suggest that you get settled into your villa, change your clothes, and look all around the kitchen to assess what you need before making your grocery run (you may find non-perishables left intentionally in the kitchen by the housekeeper, which will give you a head start). And please prepare yourself for the high prices of groceries on St. John – everything has to be brought in by sea.

★**INSECTS! MOSQUITOES, NO-SEE-EMS, ANTS & FLYING TERMITES:** While our island trade winds normally keep flying pests away, if our winds die or after heavy rains, they may come around. Spray with your preferred insect repellent, especially on your legs. Be very vigilant about keeping all villa screen slider doors closed tightly and your ceiling fans running. "No-see-ems" (sand flies) normally live in the earth or sand, but can appear in the late afternoons or after heavy rains, particularly at certain beaches. Again, spray with insect repellent - take a bottle of repellent with you in your car or beach bag. **ANTS:** During dry or very wet periods on the island, tiny red-brown ants will come and go in conga lines around your villa. We faithfully exterminate all our villas monthly, but these little guys don't seem to be affected for long by spraying and will hang around. To keep these tiny ants out of your way, particularly in the kitchen, keep food securely wrapped and in containers, wipe up spills and crumbs immediately, and empty your garbage frequently. At times during a heavy rain, termites can fly or crawl into any lighted room, especially through slider door tracks, and then shed their wings. If these suddenly invade your villa, **TURN OFF THE LIGHTS**, and wait until the rain dies down and the swarm passes.

★ **KEYS:** You are required to return all your villa keys (and any gate remote controls) to your St. John villa manager before you depart.

★**LAUNDRY:** Most of our villas have a washer and dryer for your use. Help yourselves, but please remember: **Help conserve precious water** by using your villa towels more than once, + only running a complete load of wash (this goes for the dishwasher too)!

★**LIQUOR & CIGARS:** We suggest that you buy your duty-free liquor on St. Thomas at K-Mart, Cost-U-Less, or at any of the major supermarkets for the best prices. Stores also sell sturdy carry-on liquor boxes at checkout (but don't tape them up — they'll be inspected at the airport). A.H. Riise on Main Street in Charlotte Amalie also offers an incredible array of every spirit imaginable, collectors' bottles, and a good choice of cigars. Cuban cigars are not sold here, and are considered contraband by U.S. Customs – this is America! (Also see Duty Free Allowances on Page 3 for more information.)

★ **LIZARDS:** Tiny tropical lizards (also known as chameleons or anoles) are everywhere in the islands. You have nothing to fear from them; they do not bite or sting, and will scamper away if you approach them. Many live inside; one will live for years behind a painting or up in the rafters and earns its keep by eating thousands of insects. Lizards are a part of our tropical life here; **please don't harm or kill them!** Our larger iguanas will mind their own business and won't bite or harm you if left alone; they're vegetarians. However, an iguana may whip his spiny tail at you if scared; if you are too close, you may get whacked. Give iguanas some space!

★ **MAID SERVICES AND CLEANING:** All of our villas are cleaned and prepared before your arrival. Most of our larger villas have maid service included in their rates, which is a "hotel-type" clean-up (changing bed linen if requested, cleaning bathrooms and kitchen, etc., but no personal services such as cooking, laundry, babysitting, etc.). After you depart, the housekeepers will clean the villa and launder the sheets and towels. It is customary to leave a tip for the housekeeper; a good rule of thumb is about \$5 per housekeeper, per day of service. If you'd like to arrange extra maid service, please call us with some advance notice. It will cost about \$60 to \$200 per visit, depending on the number of bedrooms your group is occupying in your villa and your particular island villa manager.

★ **MAIL & FEDERAL EXPRESS:** Since St. John does not have street addresses, mail and overnight packages cannot be delivered directly to your villa. **Please coordinate mail delivery needs with your St. John villa manager directly.** Bear in mind that First Class Mail can take up to a week to arrive here from the U.S. If you send a package, it must be sent Air Priority only, NEVER via Parcel Post (no matter what your Post Office in the U.S. tells you!). Express Mail can take 2 or 3 days, and 2-Day Priority Mail can take up to a week to arrive here. Airborne Express and DHL can be very slow; FedEx and UPS Overnight are your best bets for weekday delivery (but here there are no weekend or holiday deliveries).

★ **MASSAGE & SPA TREATMENTS / PRIVATE YOGA or PILATES SESSIONS:** To truly pamper yourself in Paradise, a poolside massage in the comfort and privacy of your own villa can be scheduled with one of our licensed and certified professionals (both men and women available). Please phone or email our Guest Concierges at VillaConcierge@mclaughlinanderson.com well in advance for a convenient appointment.

★ **MEDICAL NEEDS:** For emergencies, dial **911** (from a cell phone, call **340-693-7377 for St. John Search + Rescue**. If 911 does not pick up, call **776-6222** for an ambulance. (On St. Thomas, the Roy L. Schneider Hospital's general telephone number is 776-8311. For general needs, Cruz Bay-Red Hook Family Practice **776-6789** offers appointments Mondays-Fridays **8-10 am, and after 4:30 pm** – and after-hours care is available by calling 777-0112, 24 hours a day. The nurses at St. John's Myrah Keating Smith Clinic can usually talk you through something on the phone, if they know you're a tourist having a problem: 693-8900.

★ **NATIONAL PARK TOURS, BOAT TRIPS, CLASSES + WORKSHOPS:** Call Friends of The National Park at 779-4940 for schedules and prices for all sorts of great Park activities (snorkeling, hikes + terrific classes/workshops for everyone), sponsored each month.

★ **NIGHTLIFE:** Dancing, live music shows and special events come and go on St. John. For the most current information about local entertainment, please refer to the Entertainment Guide in [St. Thomas-St. John This Week](#) or either of our local newspapers, [The Daily News](#) (its "Weekend" insert comes out every Friday) or [The Island Trader](#) (available every Thursday – it's free). On St. John, buy [Tradewinds](#) - this often lists local flavor and cultural events. And check out posters on telephone poles! Sometimes The Westin and Caneel Bay Hotels offer special Caribbean dinners and shows during the winter months; please call them directly for current schedules. Some restaurants and local hotels feature live music — see our Island Dining guide below and just call the location for all current schedules and details.

★ **NOISE AND PARTYING AT YOUR VILLA (BUT NEVER AFTER 10 PM!):** Since most of our homes are in residential areas, if you plan to have a late night blast, please have it at one of our local nightspots rather than at your villa. Most residents here go to bed at about 10 pm and get up early, and they will certainly complain to us if they hear you blasting your stereo or shrieking in your pool at midnight! So, please be considerate of your local neighbors when it comes to any partying you may do while on vacation. And conversely, if anyone or anything disturbs you in your neighborhood, be sure to call us so we may help to restore the quiet you want.

★**PARKING IN TOWN:** Cruz Bay has very limited parking. But you can park at the new FREE public parking lot near the car barge dock, between The Marketplace (where Star Fish Market is) and the tennis courts. It's just a few minutes' walk from there (the sidewalk area is well lighted at night) to the Cruz Bay "downtown" area. Also, some car rental companies on St. John offer their vehicle rental customers the privilege of parking in their rental lot while they are in town shopping or dining. There are a few paid-parking lots in Cruz Bay: Smith Square Parking (774-5300), Slimman's Parking Lot located across from Wharfside Village (714-7546), open from 8 am-10:30 pm (rates: \$5 for 30 minutes, \$10 for up to 4 hours, \$15 all day until 5 pm, \$25 all day from open to close, \$10 after 5 pm, and \$40 overnight), and also in the south end of Wharfside Village.

★**PLUMBING:** Waste treatment systems on the island are far more temperamental than those in the U.S. Many of our toilets are water-saver models which make them too delicate for any foreign objects or personal products, so **please do not flush anything that you did not eat first!** And NEVER put any kind of grease or oil down the toilet or sink drains – these will shut the waste treatment plant down. Water is so very precious in the islands, so please report all dripping faucets or running toilets at your villa to us immediately!

★**POOL MEN, EXTERMINATORS & GARDENERS:** A complete **pool** cleaning and servicing is generally done just before your arrival. There should be a skimmer net near the pool deck which you can use for touch-ups between the weekly services. Our **exterminators** try to schedule their essential services during villa vacancies, but if they must be at your villa, we'll always call you beforehand to let you know. If any service persons should appear at your villa unannounced, call our office to confirm their identity while they wait outside. It is always your choice not to let them in if it interferes with your day, and we can generally ask them to return at another time. **Gardeners** usually set their own schedules and come and go at will, and most do not have access to the interior of your villa. All of our villa service people are friendly and trustworthy people; please say hello when you see them outside!

★ **POOL SAFETY:** Please never, EVER dive into your pool. It is not deep enough and you could be seriously injured! Always watch all children and partying adults carefully, and please do not allow anyone to run around the pool areas or decks - someone could slip and fall. Tiles and wooden stairs, inside the villa and out, can be very slippery when wet. Be extremely cautious.

★**POWER OUTAGES:** Occasionally we have power "outages" which can last anywhere from a few minutes to a few hours. If your electricity goes out, it could be a circuit breaker in your villa - please call one of us to check on the situation for you. **During an outage, please do NOT run any water; your water pump is electric, and running faucets or flushing may cause the pump to lose its prime and the water pipe system to become air-locked.** Wait until power is restored. Flashlights, candles and matches are provided in your villa. To make the most of the situation, we suggest you take a look at the stars and enjoy the island's dazzling night sky!

★**REAL ESTATE:** McLaughlin Anderson Luxury Villas is also a real estate brokerage company for the USVI. If you'd like information about buying property in the U.S.V.I., please email Nancy Anderson at Nancy@mclaughlinanderson.com. A licensed broker, she and other expert brokers with whom she works can help provide you with quick answers.

★**REVIEWS – OUR VILLALIFE APP:** As soon as you have booked a villa with us, please download our free VillaLife App for iOS and Android. During or after your stay, **please leave your review in VillaLife App 's Guest Book** – you can upload a photo, leave us your feedback, and rate your stay with us, all in a few easy swipes of your fingertips! We would greatly appreciate your taking the time to post your feedback — it is invaluable to our villa owners and us. We want to know if we met your expectations, and if you have any suggestions or comments about your villa or your St. John experience. We don't have the opportunity to stay in our villas ourselves, so we must rely on our guests to tell us what items or amenities are lacking. If our housekeepers and other staff are doing a first-class job, or if you experienced any maintenance problems, we'd like to know about it. Good or bad, we count on our guests' feedback to continually improve our operation. So please, don't be shy; tell us the truth!

★**SAFETY:** Like anywhere else in the world, crime exists on St. John. **ALWAYS close and lock all doors and windows of your villa before retiring or leaving for any length of time. If your villa has a safe, always use it. YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR VILLA AND ITS CONTENTS DURING YOUR RENTAL PERIOD.** Secure your valuables. Don't take them to beaches or leave anything valuable in your car, and always lock your car while it's parked. Use your common sense, just as you do at home.

★**SEATBELTS& CELL PHONES:** Seatbelts are required for both front-seat passengers in the USVI - a \$200 fine can be levied if you're stopped and ticketed. Bring your cellular phone earpiece too – it's against the law (and there's a big fine) to hold a cell phone to your ear while driving!

★**SECURITY DEPOSITS:** We operate on an honor system, and will appreciate hearing from you right away if something is accidentally broken or lost at your villa. We do inventory towels and linens after your departure, and will regretfully charge your damage deposit for anything missing. So, please take care that your villa's towels aren't forgotten at the beach or in your rental car, or blown off the railings outside. Note that **waterproof makeup and sunless tanning cream** can indelibly stain your villa's towels and bed linens, and you'll be charged to replace any of these stained items in your villa. So please be cautious when using these products – bring some make-up remover with you, and let the natural sun give you a glow instead! Charges can also be levied against your security deposit for extraordinarily-dirtied villas, snaking toilets you've clogged with a foreign object, and for excessive removal of trash bags and other trash accumulated in villas at departure time. Please drive your trash to the nearest dumpster regularly, or deposit it neatly in the trash can(s) outside your villa on the days indicated if your villa offers trash collection service.

★**SUNBURN:** Our cooling trade winds and breezy villa locations can make the sun's rays feel much less intense than they really are, so monitor your time outdoors or on the ocean carefully. Don't rush a deep tan - take it very easy, and be sure to keep applying sunscreen and sun block often. You're only 18 degrees from the Equator here.

★**TELEPHONE CALLS:** ONLY AT&T and Sprint cells work here (call your cell provider before you travel!) Phone calls on landlines (if it's a local call, omit the 340- area code) are free of charge between St. John, St. Thomas and St. Croix, but calls to the U.S. and elsewhere will be charged to your account. Phone calls are quite costly between the U.S.V.I. and all other Caribbean islands. Directory Information is 913, but there's a \$1.50 charge. If you have any difficulties, please contact our office. **BEWARE:** In certain areas, your cell will pick up the signal from Tortola. Because it is a British Virgin Island, it's very expensive for international roaming. Check your signal to see if you are still on your home network, or if it has switched over to Lime, Digicel or CCT Boat Phone in the BVI, to avoid shockingly-high charges. Usually your normal cell provider will come back on when you move out of that area.

★ **TILE FLOORS:** Many of our villas have ceramic tile or marble floors, decks, stairs, and walkways. Please be careful with wet feet – some tiles, marble and wooden stairs can become extremely slick when wet, so watch your step carefully, and no running!

★**WATER CONSERVATION:** Very important! In our villas, our only source of water is rainfall, which we catch and store in cisterns underneath the house where most people have basements. We check cisterns before rentals to insure you'll have enough, but if it runs out due to excessive usage or an unforeseen plumbing problem, we then have to have water trucked to the villa in a tanker rig. Arranging a delivery to fill your cistern may take several hours. So help us conserve by never letting the water run while washing up or brushing teeth, flush only when necessary, and do your best to take "Navy" showers: wet down and turn the water off while soaping up, and then rinse off quickly. PLEASE report all running toilets and dripping faucets to your villa manager immediately!

★**IS THE WATER SAFE TO DRINK?** Our villas' cistern water is filtered before it comes out of the faucets, and we've never had anyone become ill by drinking from the tap. If you're at all wary or have a jumpy stomach, you may prefer to buy bottled water at the grocery store for drinking, brushing teeth and to make ice.

🍷 ISLAND DINING 🍷

FOR AN ELEGANT EVENING OUT...reservations required, as is "island fine" attire ~ always call ahead to confirm seasonal opening hours and schedules for live music.

- **ASOLARE** (779-4747) Open nightly, seating from 5:30-9 pm. Menu: Features eclectic fusion cuisine with French and Pan Asian influences. <http://www.asolarestjohn.com/menu.pdf> Location: On Caneel Hill above Cruz Bay harbor, with deck seating available in an open-air old Caribbean home overlooking the harbor and St. Thomas in the distance. Beautiful sunset views!
- **LA TAPA** (693-7755) Open nightly (except Tuesdays) for dinner only, with seating at 6, 6:30, 8 and 8:30 pm. Menu: Wonderful Mediterranean and Spanish cuisine in a lively bistro setting. Menu changes nightly – see <http://www.latapastjohn.com/menu.html>. Frequent entertainment (please call for their schedule). Location: Downtown Cruz Bay, in an open-air setting. Very popular!
- **THE TERRACE** (779-8550) Open nightly from 5:30-10:00 pm Menu: French Inspired with inventive twists. Fresh Oyster Happy Hour 4:30-6:30 daily Location: Past Wharfside Village, right above the beach near the ferry dock. Upscale menu and service.
- **OCEAN 362** (776-0001, or email ocean362@outlook.com) Dinner nightly November-April from 5:30 pm; upstairs Sunset Lounge opens at 5 pm (closed on Sundays during May-October; dining from 6 pm). Menu: Contemporary American Cuisine by world-renowned Chef Ramesh Pillai. <http://www.ocean362.com/dinner.html> You may reserve dinner at either Ocean 362 or up in their Sunset Lounge. Location: On the water at Gallows Point Resort in Cruz Bay. *No children under 5 years old, please.*
- **VIRGIN FIRE** (777-3473, or <http://virginfirevi.com/reservations.html>) Open nightly from 5:30-9:30 pm (appetizers are half-price from 4-5:30 pm daily). Menu: See <http://virginfirevi.com/menu.html> - offering fabulous cuisine in an air-conditioned atmosphere, or dine at a quiet romantic table out on the balcony. Lively ambience, and a focus on local and organic products. Location: Upstairs at Mongoose Junction.
- **WATERFRONT BISTRO** (777-7755) Open daily for lunch, 11:00 am-4 pm + 5:30-10 pm for dinner. Menu: French-Caribbean with inventive twists - <http://www.thewaterfrontbistro.com/Home%20.html> Location: In Wharfside Village, right on the beach near the ferry dock. Upscale menu and service.
- **ZOZO'S AT THE SUGAR MILL** (693-9200, or <http://zozos.net/contact-us/>) Open nightly for dinner except Mondays; reservations required. Bar opens at 5:30 pm; Dinner 6 pm-10 pm. Menu: Fine dining with Northern Italian specialties; see <http://zozos.net/our-menu/> Location: In a restored plantation sugar mill at Caneel Bay Resort on North Shore Road. Complimentary valet parking.

MORE CASUAL; STILL FANTASTIC...Nice shorts and shirts are just fine here!

- **CAFÉ ROMA** (776-6524) Open nightly for dinner, 5-10 pm. Menu: Italian dining featuring veal, chicken, seafood and vegetarian specialties, as well as fantastic Neapolitan-style pizzas. Location: Cruz Bay, in an air-conditioned setting.
- **DA LIVIO RISTORANTE ITALIANO** (779-8900) Open every night (except Mondays between Easter and Thanksgiving) for dinner, 5:30-10 pm. Menu: Authentic Italian; pizza and homemade pasta: http://www.dalivio.it/4/menu_80039.html Location: In Cruz Bay, next door to Conrad Sutton's. Both air-conditioned and outdoor seating are available.
- **MORGAN'S MANGO** (693-8141) Open daily for dinner, 5:30-10 pm. Bar opens at 5 pm (half an hour later in the summer). Reservations recommended! Menu: Contemporary Caribbean fare using fresh local juices and seasonings to bring a true island flair to fish, steak, and chicken and fresh lobster selections: <http://www.morgansmango.com/menu.php> Frequent live music (please call for schedule). Location: Across from the National Park Dock in Cruz Bay in an open-air setting, next door to Mongoose Junction.

●**OCEAN GRILL** (693-3304) Open every day for lunch, 11 am-3 pm, + for dinner from 5:00 until closing. Menu: Upscale California cuisine with island flavors: <http://www.oceangrillstjohn.com/menu.php> Location: A shaded open-air setting in Mongoose Junction, next to The Deli Grotto. Excellent sandwiches and salads. Live music November through May...please call for details.

●**RHUMB LINES** (776-0303) Open 7 days a week- dinner 5:30-10 pm, Sunday brunch 10 am-2 pm. Menu: Pacific Rim cuisine with pu-pu platters, pad Thai, salads, and some spicy entrees. Brunch has breakfast + lunch items with a build-your-own Bloody Mary bar. Live music. <http://www.rhumblinesstjohn.com/menu-pupu.html>. Location: in Meada's Plaza, Cruz Bay across from Café Roma, with fun open-air tiki huts.

●**THE LIME INN** (776-6425 or 779-4199) Open Monday-Friday, lunch 11 am-3 pm, + dinner Monday-Saturday, 5-10 pm. Menu: Specializing in grilled fish, steaks and Caribbean lobster, with nightly chicken and pasta specials. See menu at <http://www.thelimeinn.com/#!/menu/c8s0>. Location: Relaxed open-air dining in the heart of Cruz Bay.

CASUAL ALTERNATIVES...shorts and T-shirts are just fine here too!

●**BAKED IN THE SUN** (693-8786) Open Monday-Saturday for breakfast + lunch, 6 am-5 pm (closes at 2 pm on Saturdays; closed Sundays). Menu: Fresh-made breads, pastries, eggs, sandwiches, salads and a daily special. Location: Next to Kilroy's Laundry + Dry Cleaning.

●**BANANA DECK** (693-5055) Open for lunch daily (except Wednesdays), 11 am-4 pm, and dinner 5-9 pm. Menu: American and tropical cuisine with a wide variety of appetizer and entrée selections. Bloody Mary bar on Saturdays + Sundays 11 am-3 pm. <http://www.thebananadeck.com/id1.html> Location: Across street from Wharfside Village, in an open-air setting overlooking Cruz Bay Harbor.

●**BEACH BAR** (777-4220) Open daily for lunch and dinner, 11 am-11 pm. Menu: Bar menu with casual fare of burgers, sandwiches, salads, and seafood and drink specials. <http://www.beachbarstjohn.com/index2.htm> Live music! Location: Open-air bar at Wharfside Village, Cruz Bay.

●**CHATEAU BORDEAUX** (776-6611) Lunch served Monday-Friday 11 am-4 pm; breakfast 7 am-11 am. Menu: French-Caribbean, and more: <http://www.chateaubordeaux.net/sample-page/> Location: Open-air dining on the ridge of Bordeaux Mountain on Centerline Road with spectacular views. (Open for dinner, by reservation only ** More Upscale).

●**FISH TRAP** (693-9994) Open Tuesday-Sunday for dinner, 4:30-9:30 pm. Menu: Fresh seafood caught daily, as well as delicious chicken, steaks, burgers and pasta dishes. Desserts are also a specialty. <http://www.thefishtrap.com/Fish%20Trap%20Dinner%20menu.htm> Location: Raintree Court in Cruz Bay, a casual patio setting. Fish Trap also has a fresh seafood market, open noon to 6 pm – call 776-0580.

●**PAPAYA CAFÉ** (779-2665) Open Monday-Friday, 7 am-6 pm; Saturday + Sunday, 8 am-3 pm. Menu: Coffees, teas, smoothies, milkshakes, ice cream, pastries, maps + guidebooks, photos and gifts, all set within a bookstore. Location: The Marketplace, 1st floor.

●**UNCLE JOE'S BARBECUE** (693-8806) Open daily from 11:45 am-9 pm. Menu: Barbecue that's so good and very popular; phone in your order before leaving home like the locals do. Your BBQ is cooked to order; that way you'll have only to wait long enough to have a beer and watch the world walk by until your name is called. Location: downtown Cruz Bay, across from the Post Office. Cash only.

●**CRUZ BAY LANDING** (776-6908) Open daily 7 am-9 pm, for breakfast (till 11 am), lunch and dinner. Menu: Great food and specialty coffee bar – shuffleboard too! <http://www.cruzbaylanding.com/home.html> Location: In Cruz Bay, right across the park from the ferry dock.

● **DELI GROTTTO** (777-3061) Open daily; breakfast + lunch Monday-Friday 7 am-6 pm; Saturday 8 am-6 pm; Sunday 8 am-3 pm. Menu: Delicious gourmet sandwiches, soups, salads and take-outs, homemade bread, fresh-baked pastries and beach picnic fare. http://www.virginislandsthisweek.com/menus/deli_grotto_menu.html Location: Air-conditioned setting in Mongoose Junction. Cash only.

● **JOE'S RUM HUT** (775-5200) Open daily 11 am-10 pm. Menu: Pizza, subs, wraps and salads, and their famous Mango Mojitos! <http://www.joesrumhut.com/Menu.html> . Location: Waterfront in Wharfside Village (the shopping center next to the ferry dock in Cruz Bay).

● **SUN DOG CAFÉ** (693-8340) Open for lunch 7 days a week 11 am-4:30 pm, dinner 5:30-9 pm, and Sunday Brunch 10 am-2 pm. Menu: Eclectic dining including Tuna Tuxedo, hot dips, hummus, a variety of salads and sandwiches – something for everyone. See menus at <http://www.sundogcafe.com/menus.html>. Location: A laid-back outdoor café in the courtyard of Mongoose Junction, Cruz Bay.

● **WOODY'S SEAFOOD SALOON** (779-4625) Open daily 11:00 am-1:00 am (till 2 am Friday + Saturday nights). Menu: Bar-style food with great burgers, seafood and a famous happy hour - a crowded, popular scene. <http://www.woodysseafood.com/sites/default/files/ToGo%20-%20Woodys.pdf> Location: in the heart of Cruz Bay, in a sidewalk open-air setting.

EATERIES IN CORAL BAY + EAST END :

● **AQUA BISTRO** (776-5336) CASUAL - Open daily for lunch + dinner from 11 am-9 pm. Bar open late (depending on crowd). Menu: Mediterranean, Italian, & American cuisine served in an outdoor restaurant/bar setting overlooking Coral Bay harbor, surrounded by small eclectic shops. Great steaks, and their not-to-be-missed Tuna Ponzi special on Friday nights. <http://www.aquabistrostjohn.com/Aqua-Bistro-menu.htm>. Live music (please call for entertainment schedule). Location: in Coral Bay, in Coccoloba Center on Road 107.

● **SWEET PLANTAINS** (777-4653) CASUAL/UPSCALE -Open for dinner every night except Tuesday), 6-9:00 pm. Best to call ahead for a table here. Menu: <http://www.sweetplantains-stjohn.com/dinner.htm> A creative menu with a Caribbean focus, plus East Indian curries + jerk meat, prepared with good nutrition in mind - in a casual bistro setting. Location: In CORAL BAY on the harbor, Road 107.

● **MISS LUCY'S** (693-5244) Very Casual/Casual - Open Tuesday-Saturday for lunch, 11 am-4 pm + dinner 5-9 pm. Menu: International and West Indian cuisine with a variety of seafood, with the option of seating inside and screened in, or outside overlooking Friis Bay. The always-popular **Sunday Jazz Brunch (from 10-2 pm)** is a St. John tradition (arrive early on Sunday to grab a table and enjoy the scenery before they open at 10). There is also a popular monthly Full Moon Pig Roast + Fish Fry. Just be prepared to wait for your meal! Call for more information. Location: A scenic drive through Coral Bay in the direction of Salt Pond beach, on Road #107.

● **SKINNY LEGS** (779-4982) Very Casual/Casual -Open daily; lunch and dinner from 11 am-9 pm. Menu: A no-frills spot with bar fare featuring popular charcoal-grilled burgers, hot dogs, salads and sides. <http://skinnylegs.com/menu.htm>. Live music, sometimes. Location: Coral Bay.

● **SHIPWRECK LANDING** (693-5640) Very Casual/Casual -Open daily from 11 am-9 pm. Menu: Eclectic cuisine with seafood specialties and an extensive rum bar. Great for lunch, cocktails or an evening meal. <http://www.shipwrecklandingstjohn.com/menu.htm> Open deck with sea breezes; occasional live music – call for upcoming bands! Location: on Coral Bay Harbor. It's always best to call ahead for reservations for this popular restaurant.

FUN IN THE SUN!



PLEASE — ASK OUR CONCIERGES TO RESERVE SERVICES WELL IN ADVANCE TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!

Email our expert Guest Concierge Team (VillaConcierge@mclaughlinanderson.com), or call them at (800) 537-6246 (Mondays-Saturdays), or (340) 776-0635 EXT #2 for complete information and to prearrange days and times for activities — please book early!

Here are a few of our recommendations for some great times on St. John:

● **BOATING:** Rent a powerboat! You'll find a wide variety of **powerboats**, from small 22' Makos to high-speed racers. Most are fully equipped with an experienced captain (a must if you're not familiar with our waters or an experienced boater), Bimini tops, VHF radios, charts, ice chest and more. Explore nearby islands and picnic, tan, swim and snorkel.

● **DAY TRIPS:** Take a trip to St. Thomas or to the British Virgin Islands (valid passports required for BVI trips) via the public ferries. Please refer to *St. Thomas-St. John This Week* for fares and departure times, or even better, call ferry companies for their schedules *du jour*.

● **DIVING:** PADI 5-star facilities have varied excursions for reef, wreck + night Scuba dives available. Ask us for good recommendations.

● **KAYAKING and VIRGIN ISLANDS ECOTOURS:** Learn about local ecology and get a little exercise on an excursion with Virgin Islands Ecotours on St. John. Combine a guided **kayak** sea tour with an easy and fascinating nature walk, and snorkel off a beautiful beach.

● **FISHING TRIPS:** Head out to sea on a small or large captained boat for some bottom **fishing or deep-sea fishing** - compete with the locals for record marlin! Experienced guides know all the good spots, and will provide everything you need. We can also book **fly fishing** tours on St. John and on Anegada in the British Virgin Islands.

● **HIKING:** St. John has numerous trails available for beginners to serious hiking enthusiasts! Park Ranger-guided excursions and hikes through the National Park; contact the National Park Service, 776-6201. Be sure to visit the Annaberg Mill ruins to see a preserved historic sugar plantation. St. John also offers informative nature walks with several private guides (also see "National Park" info, above).

● **HORSEBACK + DONKEY RIDES:** The Carolina Corral in St. John offers guided day trips on horse or donkey riding through beautiful trails with spectacular views of the surrounding islands. First-timers and experienced riders welcome; children's parties available. Call 693-5778.

● **WAVE RUNNERS:** Instruction, rentals and tours are available, departing from The Westin for trips outside the National Park boundaries. Your guide will take you on an ocean tour – what a great way to see the islands!

● **PARASAILING:** For the heart-stopping experience of sightseeing and hang-gliding all at once, try the once-in-a-lifetime thrill of floating high above the ocean and seeing miles and miles into the blue distance. Cruz Bay Watersports (776-6234) offers a boat out of The Westin.

● **SAIL AWAY FOR THE DAY:** Let us book a **day sail** with drinks and lunch for your group - small intimate group sails and larger, party-type cruises available (half-day, full-day, sunset and dinner cruises offered). Or take an adventurous and exciting day trip through the U.S. and British Virgin Islands waters to the world-famous Baths in Virgin Gorda with the fun crews – a must see! **(Be sure to bring your passport!)**

●**SNORKELING:** Some favorite spots are at Haulover Bay out at the very east end of St. John (don't forget to stop at Vie's Snack Shop for some conch fritters & johnny cake), around Waterlemon Cay by Annaberg Plantation (about a 30-minute walk), or off Francis Bay (when facing the ocean, go to the very right of the beach). For gear + tours: Low Key Watersports (693-8999), Paradise Aqua Tours (776-6226 x 239) at Maho Bay, or Arawak Expeditions (693-8312). Or try a kayak + snorkel trip (call us for this fun combo!) **NEED TO RENT snorkel equipment, kayaks or small boats in Coral Bay?** Try Crabby's next to Coccoloba Mall + Aqua Bistro Restaurant (<http://www.crabbyswatersports.com/>).

●**TENNIS:** St. John has a lighted public tennis court just up from the car-barge dock. There are also courts at The Westin Resort, with professional lessons available by appointment.

●**WINDSURFING & KITEBOARDING:** Take advantage of our brisk trade winds and explore on a windsurfer or a kayak for an up-close look at our beautiful azure waters and sea life. Take **windsurfing, kitesurfing or boogie board lessons** from an expert right on Cinnamon and Caneel Beaches, and rent a windsurfer or a kayak by the hour or by the day.

AND FOR SOME FUN OUT OF THE SUN...

●**MASSAGE:** Pamper yourself with a relaxing, private poolside massage for you and your sweetie, the ultimate vacation luxury. Licensed professional men and women are available with your advance reservation. Need we say more? Ask for our recommendations for excellent massage therapists.

●**SHOPPING:** Mongoose Junction and Wharfside Village in Cruz Bay both offer a number of shops, island-style to chic boutiques. Be sure to explore the little shops from Coral Bay to internationally-famous Sloop Jones's hand-painted clothing on Round Bay on St. John's East End.

●**YOGA:** St. John has several yoga studios (in Mongoose Junction, Concordia Eco Camp, and at the Coral Bay Ag Center) where you can drop in - or you can schedule a yoga instructor to come to your villa. Just email VillaConcierge@mclaughlinanderson.com.

●**LIVE MUSIC:** You can find blues, country western, steel pan and other live entertainment at various restaurants and bar's- just check the **weekly listings in the St. John newspapers**. Don't miss out on Miss Lucy's Restaurant Full Moon Pig Roast/Fish Fry if you happen to be on St John during a full moon.

●**SABOR LATINO!** and **LOCAL COLOR:** On Friday afternoons + early evenings, go to Cap's Place, across from the Post Office - a sidewalk bar that blasts Santo Domingo 'bachata' and Mexican 'corridos' out into the street. When you've had enough 'bachata,' cross the street and check out Patrick's West Indian Rum Shack in the public parking lot. You can stroll around Cruz Bay, sit on a park bench to watch passengers arrive on the ferry, and kick off your shoes and walk along the sand in front of Wharfside Village. In Coral Bay, go to Sputnik's Bar and Clean Plates Restaurant for Jamaican Food and locals to meet - tell them we sent you and directly experience the warmth of our culture here.