



SHORE EXCURSIONS

11

nights

STAR CLIPPER**Montego Bay to Antigua** (17 January 2026)

Sat	Montego Bay, Jamaica
Sun	Port Antonio, Jamaica
Mon	at sea
Tue	at sea
Wed	Santo Domingo
Thu	at sea
Fri	at sea
Sat	Norman Island, BVI
Sun	Jost Van Dyke, BVI Sopers' hole, BVI (evening)
Mon	Virgin Gorda, BVI (AM) Beach (Captain's best), BVI (PM)
Tue	St Kitts (Basseterre) AM St Kitts (South Friar's Bay) PM
Wed	St John's, Antigua

What you need to know before booking your shore excursion:

- All our excursions are led by local English-speaking guides or driver-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.
- Transportation: roads in the islands can be winding and bumpy. Vehicles used (coasters, minibuses, minivans) have generally small seats and limited space and legroom.
- Guests will be required to sign a liability waiver to participate in some activities.

How you can book your shore excursions:

- Shore excursions can be booked onboard, using the "sign-up lists" available at the Library.
- The price of the excursion will be added to your on-board account.
- A minimum number of participants is required for each tour; if the required number is not attained, the tour may be cancelled.
- 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.
- Cancellation and changes are possible until the booking deadline. After the booking deadline, 100% cancellation fees will be charged. Booking deadlines will be indicated on the Daily Program and on the booking forms.
- Transfers and tours ending at the airport can also be prepaid prior to your cruise.

Important notes:

- Departure times of the excursions are mentioned in the Daily Program of each port, which you will receive in your cabin the evening before each stopover.
- All information concerning excursions is correct at the time of printing. However, Star Clippers reserves the right to make changes. The latest updated tour descriptions are available onboard the ship in a file at the Library and on Star Clippers' website (you can download the file using the QR code).



Date of last update: 16th of June 2025

PORT ANTONIO – Port Antonio scenic tour



4:00



85 €



Easy



Minibus

Min 10 / Max 40
participants

Panoramic | Sightseeing | Beach

Discover the natural beauty and cultural heritage of Port Antonio on a scenic tour that combines history, panoramic views, and time to unwind at one of the island's most picturesque beaches. Begin with a walk through the colonial district of Titchfield, where historic wooden houses and landmarks like the DeMontevin Lodge Hotel recall the area's past. You'll also pause for a photo opportunity at the 186-year-old Parish Church, a cherished piece of local history. Continue to Folly Point peninsula, where a 19th-century brick lighthouse stands as a beacon above the Caribbean Sea. From here, enjoy sweeping views of the coastline and learn about the maritime history of the region. A highlight of the tour is a visit to the Blue Lagoon, a famed mineral spring known for its shifting shades of blue throughout the day. Your final stop is Frenchman's Cove Beach, a secluded, crescent-shaped bay framed by rocky cliffs and lush greenery. Relax on the sand, take a swim in the typically calm turquoise waters, or explore the shoreline at your leisure. With its mix of history, natural scenery, and beach time, this excursion offers a well-rounded glimpse into the charm of Port Antonio.

Please note:

- Dress for the weather (light clothing), wear walking shoes and bring a hat, sunscreen, insect repellent and water.
- For the beach stop, wear a swimsuit under your clothes and bring a towel.
- Beach chairs at Frenchman's Cove are available for rent (not included)
- The order of the visits may vary.
- Rate includes round-trip transportation from the pier, English-speaking guide, entrance fees to Frenchman's Cove Beach and Blue Lagoon, and visits to the Parish Church, Titchfield, and Folly Point.

SANTO DOMINGO – Santo Domingo, the oldest city in the New World



3:30



69 €



Moderate



Minibus

Min 15 / Max 40
participants

Sightseeing

Founded at the beginning of the 16th century, Santo Domingo is the oldest city in the New World and home to a remarkable collection of colonial-era monuments. This guided tour from the port offers a compelling look at the city's historical and cultural legacy.

Begin with a panoramic view of the Columbus Lighthouse (Faro a Colón), an imposing monument and the final resting place of Christopher Columbus. Designed in 1929 by British architect Joseph Gleave, the lighthouse was completed in time for the 500th anniversary of the discovery of the Americas and stands as one of the most significant commemorative structures in the region.

From there, you'll continue to the Colonial Zone, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, where a walking tour with your guide will take you past many of the area's most iconic landmarks. Highlights include the Alcázar de Colón, the Royal Houses, the National Pantheon, and the Cathedral of Santo Domingo - the first cathedral in the New World. Stroll down Calle Las Damas, the oldest street in the Americas, once frequented by the Vicereine María de Toledo, niece of the King of Spain and wife of Diego Columbus.

Following your walk through the colonial quarter, enjoy some free time to explore independently or relax. The tour concludes with a visit to the Las Atarazanas Reales Museum, which houses fascinating exhibits on shipwrecks and maritime life between the 15th and 19th centuries.

Please note:

- This tour involves approximately 1.5 hours of walking and extended periods of standing over cobblestone, uneven surfaces, and inclines.
- Internal visit included: Las Atarazanas Reales Museum. The Cathedral will be closed to visits (public holiday).
- The order of visits may vary.

NORMAN ISLAND (The Bight) – Time at leisure at the beach (no shore excursions organized)

Norman Island is uninhabited and steeped in pirate legend, often cited as the inspiration for Robert Louis Stevenson's Treasure Island. The Bight is one of the most famous bays in the British Virgin Islands. Known for its calm, sheltered waters, it is ideal for swimming, snorkeling, and relaxing. A wooden pontoon provides direct access to the beach and nearby hiking trails. The area is rich in marine life and features sea caves that are popular with snorkelers.

JOST VAN DYKE (White Bay) – Time at leisure at the beach (no shore excursions organized)

This four-mile-long island, named after a Dutch pirate, Jost Van Dyke is a favorite destination for yacht cruisers known for its casual lifestyle, protected anchorages, fine beaches, and beachside bars and restaurants. The island is adjacent to Green Cay and Sandy Spit, both small uninhabited islets ideal for swimming and snorkeling.

TORTOLA (Soper's Hole) – Time at leisure (evening stop - no shore excursions organized)

Nestled on Tortola's western tip, Soper's Hole is a picturesque marina surrounded by lush hills and turquoise waters. It blends nautical charm with vibrant Caribbean flair, and its colorful waterfront is home to boutiques, cafés, and restaurants.

VIRGIN GORDA (Spanish Town) – The Baths

 04:00	 55 €	 Moderate to Strenuous	 Safari bus (open)	Min 15 / Max 90 participants
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Sightseeing | Beach

The Baths consist of a series of small sea pools located beneath a canopy of giant granite boulders. These light-filled, sheltered grottoes create a unique swimming and exploration area. Open-top safari buses will take you to the entrance of the Baths. A path winds down to a beautiful sandy beach, where you can swim or snorkel in the emerald-clear waters or simply relax in the warm Caribbean sunshine. Another trail leads through the boulders to an equally beautiful beach at Devil's Bay. Swim and bask in the sun at your leisure. When you return to the car park, enjoy a complimentary refreshing fruit or rum punch at the "Top of the Baths" restaurant before driving back to the port.

Please note:

- **IMPORTANT:** a flag warning system is in place at the beach. A red flag signals dangerous sea conditions and strong undercurrents. When the red flag is flying, swimming is strictly prohibited; however, access to the beach and the trail through the rocks remains open.
- Participants should be in good physical condition. The footpath between the parking the Baths is a 15 min hike on uneven surfaces, steps and inclines, with approximately 250 meters up and down. The trail through the Caves (optional) involves climbing 5 step wooden ladders, stepping on wet rocks and bending under overhangs.
- Departure will be in the early morning from the ship (check the departure time on the Daily Program).
- Transportation on the island is by open-top safari bus (direct transfer, unguided).
- Wear comfortable walking shoes (sneakers or closed-toe sandals, no flip-flops) and a swimsuit under your clothes and bring a towel from the ship, sunscreen, water and water shoes.
- Cold refreshments, snacks and souvenirs are available for purchase (not included) at the Baths.
- The Baths are a popular destination and can be quite crowded.

SAINT KITTS (Basseterre) – Saint Kitts Scenic Rail Tour



03:00



82 €



Moderate



Minibus, Train

Min 15 / Max 80
participants

Panoramic | Sightseeing

Excursions in Saint Kitts leave from Basseterre and return at South Friars Bay (beach stop).

Experience a unique tour around the beautiful island of Saint Kitts aboard the “last Railway in the West Indies.” This tour covers 30 miles - 18 miles by narrow-gauge train and 12 miles by sightseeing bus. Originally built between 1912 and 1926 to transport sugar cane from plantations to the sugar factory in Basseterre, the railway now offers visitors a charming way to explore the island’s stunning scenery and rich culture.

Ride in double-deck railcars specially designed for touring. The upper level features an open-air observation deck with panoramic views of lush countryside, while the lower level offers air-conditioned comfort with vaulted windows, rattan furnishings, island music, complimentary specialty drinks, and a colorful narration of Caribbean history.

The train hugs the northeastern coastline, passing rippling sugarcane fields that stretch from the shore to the mountainous interior. Towering volcanic mountain ranges rise nearly 4,000 feet (1220 mt) above sea level, covered in dense rainforest. The journey includes crossings over tall steel bridges spanning deep canyons (“ghuts”), and passes through quaint villages and farms. Your conductor will highlight old sugar estates, abandoned mills, and windmills while sharing insights into the island’s unique heritage. The tour concludes with a scenic bus ride along the southern coast, offering spectacular views of Brimstone Fortress - the British “Gibraltar of the Caribbean” - before returning to the ship at South Friars Bay.

Please note:

- The train ride lasts approximately 2 hours. The order of activities may vary (train first or bus first).
- The train is slow and experiences some shaking and rattling; not recommended for pregnant guests or those with back, neck, or similar conditions.
- The group can be accommodated on the upper deck (open) or lower deck of the train, depending on the space assigned by the vendor. Complimentary drinks and restrooms are available on the train.
- Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat, sunscreen and water.
- If you plan to relax at the beach after the tour, wear a swimsuit under your clothes and bring a towel.

SAINT KITTS (Basseterre) – The essential Saint Kitts Tour



03:45



65 €



Moderate



Minibus

Min 10 / Max 60
participants

Panoramic | Sightseeing

Excursions in Saint Kitts leave from Basseterre and return at South Friars Bay (beach stop).

Your journey begins with a scenic drive through Basseterre, the historic capital city of St. Kitts. Admire traditional French architecture, Victorian buildings, old churches, West Indian cottages, and the site of a former slave market.

Continue to Brimstone Hill Fortress National Park, known as the “Gibraltar of the West Indies.” This imposing hilltop fortress, perched 780 feet (237 mt) above sea level, has witnessed over three centuries of naval battles between the British and French. Enjoy spectacular panoramic views of the coastline, countryside, and neighboring islands.

Next, immerse yourself in the beauty of Romney Manor Gardens and the renowned Caribelle Batik Studio.

This 10-acre garden setting is breathtaking, where local artists craft vibrant fabrics and apparel, making Caribelle Batik famous throughout the Caribbean. Your tour continues with a stop at Palm Court Gardens, a picturesque property offering charming views of the harbor and majestic palm trees - perfect for photos.

Finally, drive along the Kim Collins Highway to Frigate Bay, stopping at the scenic lookout at Timothy Hill for one last breathtaking vista before returning to your ship at South Friars Bay.

Please note:

- The driver-guide provides live commentary in English throughout the tour. The order of visits may vary.
- Dress for the weather, wear comfortable walking shoes and bring a hat, sunscreen, and water.
- If you plan to spend time at the beach afterward, wear your swimsuit under your clothes and bring a towel.



ANTIGUA (Saint John's)

Star Clippers offers the following transfer services *(optional, at an additional cost):*

- Private transfers to Antigua Intl. Airport or to hotels.

Private transfers can be arranged from the pier to any hotel on the island, regardless of location.
Pick up from the pier for private transfers is no later than 10:00.

- Private transfers from hotels to the airport.

Private transfers can be arranged from any hotel on the island, regardless of location.
This service can only be pre-booked prior to your cruise and cannot be booked onboard.

Transfers and excursions ending at the airport can also be booked prior to your cruise.

Bookings made onboard during the cruise are always subject to availability.

If you wish to book a private transfer, we recommend that you book well in advance prior to your cruise, as the number of vehicles may be limited at certain times of the year.

For information and reservations please contact our reservations department or your travel agent.

The ship will be alongside at one of the cruise piers of Saint John's port.

ANU airport is located 8.5 km from the cruise port (approx. 20 minutes drive).

All guests are requested to leave the ship by 10:00am. There is no left-luggage service at the cruise terminal.



EXCURSIONS ACTIVITY LEVEL:

- ✓ **Easy:** excursion accessible to all participants, as it mainly takes place by bus or boat. Any footpaths and stairs that need to be negotiated are short or easy.
- ✓ **Moderate:** a certain basic level of fitness is required; excursion involving moderate walking - sometimes over uneven or unpaved paths and stairs.
- ✓ **Moderate to strenuous:** active participation is required; excursion involving walking long distances over uneven or steep terrain. May involve several flights of stairs or extended staircases.
- ✓ **Strenuous:** a good level of fitness is required; an excursion involving extensive uphill walking on inclines, uneven terrain with many steps. Excursion involving off-road driving, not suitable for pregnant women or anyone with a medical condition (back, neck, etc.) that could be affected by bumpy roads.
- ✓ **Active (sport):** Very good physical condition, stamina and skill are required. Passengers should be fit and active to participate in tours involving hiking, kayaking, snorkeling, cycling or similar activities.

The level of physical fitness required for our activities is given as a very general indication.

MAIN EXCURSIONS CATEGORIES:

- ✓ **Sightseeing:** it gives a quick but enriching overview, visiting and seeing the main attractions, landmarks and places of interest in a particular area, often including popular spots and sometimes hidden gems.
- ✓ **Panoramic:** it involves a limited number of long drives with commentary by the guide, no internal visits and - generally - limited walking between stops.
- ✓ **Active & Adventure:** Hiking, kayaking, Zip line, 4x4 off-road.
- ✓ **Outdoors:** Activities like hiking that let you explore the natural beauty of the region.
- ✓ **Wildlife:** Wildlife: Get up close to the region's fauna and learn about them in their natural habitats.
- ✓ **Snorkeling.** Guests participating in the snorkeling must be experienced swimmers. Itinerary and snorkel sites are subject to change due to sea and weather conditions. Check in the tour description to see if the snorkeling equipment is provided or if you must bring the equipment from the ship.
- ✓ **Boating:** Experience the destination from the water, whether it's sailing, cruising, or other maritime activities.

WHAT TO WEAR AND BRING WHEN GOING ASHORE ON EXCURSION:

- ✓ Unless special clothing suggestions are included in the excursion description, we recommend functional clothing and comfortable footwear.
- ✓ Comfortable shoes to help with any steep paths and uneven cobbles.
- ✓ A hat or cap, sun lotion, insect repellent.
- ✓ Water.
- ✓ For boat excursions or excursions including beach stop: swimsuit, beach towel, sunglasses, sunscreen, water shoes, snorkel mask.
- ✓ Mobile phone or camera to capture the moment.
- ✓ Ship card to get back on board.
- ✓ Some cash (US \$ is widely accepted, bring Euros for French islands).
- ✓ A copy of the Daily Program, to check last tender or last gangway time, tender schedule, lunch time, etc.
- ✓ For ports with tender service (ship at anchor), bring a rucksack or fanny pack so that your hands are free to hold on to the safety grip when boarding the tender.