

**“America’s Paradise” Makes the Perfect Summer Vacation**

***A Trip to St. Croix Means Skip the Passport, Don’t Skimp on the Fun***

Christiansted, St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands *(May 10, 2021)* – For travelers who’ve set their sights on going somewhere truly special this summer -- on a vacation that will be the antithesis of the drama they’ve endured during the past year -- we’d like to make the case for the stunning island of St. Croix in the U.S. Virgin Islands, “America’s Paradise.” The ideal place to establish headquarters is [**The Buccaneer**](https://www.thebuccaneer.com/), a legendary beach resort that’s been welcoming guests to this historic island since 1947.

Since St. Croix is part of a U.S. territory, no passports are ever required for U.S. residents who’d like to visit. Guests must provide proof of a positive antibodies test (an option for those who have been fully vaccinated) or a negative COVID test prior to arrival on St. Croix, but there’s no mandatory quarantining upon entry. Perhaps the best news is that visitors here won’t have to deal with a lot of the limitations they’ve experienced elsewhere in the past year. The Buccaneer features 130 rooms and suites spread out over 350 acres, plus dining venues, pools, beaches and recreational facilities ... all with plenty of room for everyone and plenty of sunshine and fresh air all around.

You can do absolutely nothing, if you so choose, because The Buccaneer provides the perfect environment for guests to master the fine art of relaxation. But these days, an even more appealing option might be getting out and actually DOING something. St. Croix boasts pleasant temperatures, soothing waters and gentle breezes all year round, which makes it an ideal venue for any number of outdoor adventures. From golf or tennis -- both available right at the resort -- to hiking or deep-sea fishing, this island was presenting countless ways to safely enjoy time with family and friends long before the term “social distancing” was even part of our standard lexicon.

The oldest family-run resort in the entire Caribbean, The Buccaneer is an especially kid-friendly property that makes an ideal getaway for children, parents and grandparents, too. Knowing that many of its guests travel as extended family units, through December 19 The Buccaneer is offering a [Two-Bedroom Special](https://www.thebuccaneer.com/offers/two-bedroom-special) so that families booking two rooms can enjoy a 50% discount on the second one when the party includes a maximum of two adults and children 18 and younger between the two accommodations. The resort also features an exclusive [Beach House](https://www.thebuccaneer.com/accommodations/beach-house), a six-bedroom private enclave that features a villa-style master suite, a private pool and the complex’s very own beach. It’s ideal for families and other small groups that want to get away from it all -- and everyone -- but in a much more luxurious and relaxing environment than they’re used to.

On the other end of the spectrum -- for that romantic party of two just beginning a new life together -- The Buccaneer is a popular spot for destination weddings and honeymoons. It’s the perfect locale for couples seeking a destination that’s truly exotic without being officially “international.” To help with the planning, The Buccaneer offers a [Honeymoons Are Forever Package](https://www.thebuccaneer.com/offers/honeymoons-are-forever-package) that provides an enhanced resort experience, including perks such as private airport transportation, a beach cabana rental, and resort credit that can be used for meals or even a beachfront massage.

From fun families to carefree couples and from active adventurers to lazy loungers, no matter what type of traveler is attracted to St. Croix, it’s now even easier to get to the island thanks to increased airlift from four gateways on the mainland: Charlotte and Miami (on American Airlines, with the MIA flight lasting less than three hours), Atlanta (on Delta Air Lines) and Fort Lauderdale (on Spirit Airlines).

Though it does require a flight to get to St. Croix, The Buccaneer recommends that guests embrace the whole “road trip” concept this year by reserving a rental car so they can truly experience an amazing island adventure. (That adventure begins with the fact that Crucians drive on the opposite side of the road!) A car enables visitors to travel to sites like the [St. George Village Botanical Garden](https://sgvbg.org/), which conserves and protects native plant species from St. Croix and other Caribbean islands; Point Udall, the easternmost point in the United States and therefore home to the nation’s first sunrise each day; and the town of Christiansted, which boasts a rich history and phenomenal restaurants.

To reach St. Croix’s top attraction, the famed [Buck Island Reef National Monument](https://www.nps.gov/buis/index.htm), visitors don’t need a car ... but they do need a boat. The Buccaneer boasts its own dock, where captains pick up guests right from the hotel property and escort them on snorkeling adventures at the reef.

For more information about The Buccaneer, please visit [www.thebuccaneer.com](http://www.thebuccaneer.com/). For more details about the island of St. Croix and the rest of the U.S. Virgin Islands, please check [www.usviupdate.com](http://www.usviupdate.com). There’s also a special [website](https://www.covid19usvi.com/covid-19/travelers) to answer questions about travel to and from the territory.

 The Buccaneer reminds all potential visitors to do their research and make informed and responsible travel decisions before embarking on a vacation, now or in the future. Please be sure to consult individual local and state requirements when planning travel.

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