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Saint-Martin offers visitors an unparalleled charm. Tasty cuisine, lavish nature, an unspoiled countryside and idyllic beaches. If there is an island that embodies the spirit of the vacation, it is Saint-Martin!

Gourmets, hikers, dreamers and adventurers: can all find their dream come true on what is known as the «Friendly Island», which is bursting with all kinds of treasures. Its perfect climate and its paradisiac setting are what make the lovely island of Saint Martin an ideal destination to escape to, by yourself, with a companion, with family or friends for a stay of relaxation, discovery or sport. Everyone will find the ingredients for an unforgettable vacation on one of the most charming islands in the Caribbean.

Welcome to Saint-Martin, the Friendly Island…

Saint-Martin’s Carnival
1. A TOURISTIC «CURIOSITY»: the smallest piece of real estate to be shared between two nations. (the presence of a hundred different nationalities that promotes a mixture of cultures and languages).

2. CLIMATE: the island enjoys a tropical climate and is cooled throughout the year by the trade winds with temperatures between 27°C and 34°C maximum. The temperature of the sea varies between 26°C and 30°C.

3. LANGUAGES: French and Dutch are the official languages but English is the language of communication between the inhabitants of the island. Spanish and Creole are also spoken, but many other languages are used because more than 120 nationalities make the island their home.

4. THE BEACHES: 37 white sand and crystal clear water beaches allow you to party depending on your mood, go with family or go on a venture and discover the local flora and fauna.

5. CURRENCY: the euro is the official currency on the French side, the ‘Guilder’ is that of the Dutch side. However, the US dollar is commonly used and is accepted everywhere.

6. THE AIR SERVICE: because of its location, Saint-Martin is a true hub. There are daily flights to Europe, the United States and the rest of the Caribbean as well as with South America several times a week.
7. **GASTRONOMY**
between the traditional dishes and
gourmet cuisines, your taste buds will be
excited. With more than 500 restaurants
on the island, Saint Martin is the capital of
gastro-nomy in the Caribbean.

8. **THE VARIETY OF ACTIVITIES** :
from water sports to outdoor activities,
to a multitude of cultural events and entertain-ment... the island lends itself to
all the desires for a perfect holiday.

9. **A DIVERSE OFFERING OF ACCOMMODATIONS** :
allows you to find the perfect address
whether it’s for a getaway for 2 or family
vacation.

10. **YACHTING** :
with the best marinas in the region.

11. **A DESTINATION OF CHOICE FOR INCENTIVE TRAVEL** :
that offers a change of scenery and a
multitude of activities.

12. **ONE STARTING POINT FOR THE DISCOVERY OF OTHER ISLANDS** :
one day excursions to Pinel Island, Tintamarre or
the neighboring islands of Anguilla, St. Barths or
Saba.
The island of Saint-Martin, with an area of 93 km², is the smallest place in the world to be shared by 2 nations. France and Holland.

To the North, the Overseas Collectivité of Saint-Martin and to the South Country St. Maarten.

Lagoon of St. Martin and the Caribbean Sea
The French side’s capital is Marigot and Phillipsburg is the capital of Dutch side. It was Christopher Columbus who discovered the island on November 11, 1493, a date that is celebrated today as the island’s holiday.

After the discovery of the island, Saint-Martin was visited and inhabited by a population of adventurers, privateers and freebooters of various nationalities. The first European settlement by the Spaniards dates back to 1638.

To delineate the territory that each nation would occupy, legend has it that the best French and Dutch athletes were placed back to back and went walking in separate directions, the Frenchman towards the North and the Dutchman towards the South. The border was drawn at their meeting point. This completely invisible boundary is designated by monuments. There is, therefore, no customs control!
Between dream beaches, waters-ports, enchanting landscapes and amazing discoveries, the island offers many activities both on land and sea to discover and take part in.
Walks in the Nature Reserve or tree climbing under the canopy of the rain forest at the Lottery Farm, known the green heart of the island. 
Observation of the most beautiful species of beetles and butterflies at the butterfly farm, discovery of the mangrove by kayak, boat trip to the uninhabited island of Tintamarre, excursions in the wildest areas of the island by bike and much more, on Saint-Martin you can indulge in a different activity every day. And if the urge takes you one morning, to exchange the swimsuit or sneakers and concoct a harmonious blend of history and art, then you have to visit the Museum which showcases the heritage of the island and offers a journey through its history. And then, you can linger at the incredible art gallery of Roland Richardson. This Saint-Martiner who was born on the island in 1944, is the father of Caribbean Impressionism.
The Obelisk of the border
Built in 1648 to celebrate the 350 years of the Treaty of Concordia establishing the division of the island between France and Holland, it is one of the most photographed monuments of the island. This is one of the only visible signs that reminds us that there is a border between the two countries.

Lottery Farm
Located at the foot of Paradise Peak, Lottery Farm is a former sugar factory built in 1773. Today, this park is where you can climb trees, hike or simply lounge around the freshwater pool or lunch in one of the restaurants. In fact, it is a surprising place, especially, when in contrast with the rest of the island. Nestled in the heart of the tropical forest it is a lush jewel of plant life.

www.loteriefarm.com

The Nature Reserve of Saint-Martin
The Nature Reserve is a real wildlife sanctuary for the flora and fauna of the island. It extends over a marine and terres-trial territory of more than 3200 hectares that includes some islets and marshy areas.

www.reservenaturelle-saint-martin.com

Art Galleries
Light, shimmering colors, landscapes, culture, and people are all factors that have attracted painters, sculptors, ceramists, and many other artists to settle here.

www.artlovers-sxm.com

The Marigot Market
Open everyday, the Marigot market is a cheerful bustling and bustling medley of colors and flavors. Local vendors selling fruits and vegetables, spices, meats and fresh catches of fish display their wares from an assortment of open fronted Creole shelters dotted along the seafront. Adjacent to the local market, stands of local arts and crafts surround a pretty pavilion. Artists, painters and souvenir vendors exhibit every day except Sunday.
**Tijon**
The perfumery in Grand Case manufactures its own cosmetics made from natural products and offers workshops to create your own fragrance.
www.tijon.com

**Other Places of Interest**
The sugar mill in the Spring Concordia
Peak Paradise
The old house
The Catholic Church of Marigot Philipsburg, the capital of the Dutch side

**In the Water**
Diving & snorkeling
Waterskiing & wakeboarding
Windsurfing
Surfing
Jet skiing
Kitesurfing
Sea kayaking
Stand-up paddle
Hawaiian canoe
Flyboard
Pedal boat
Deep sea fishing
Sailing or motor boating

**On land**
Hiking
Golf
Horse back riding
Bike riding tours
Shopping
Spas

**In the air**
Paragliding
Parasailing
Helicopter rides
Parachuting

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Grand-Case’s Pontoon
Fans of surfing, windsurfing, and kite surfing or water sports, fans of lazing on the beach or wading in turquoise waters, the 37 beaches of Saint-Martin have what it takes to entice you.
BEACHES

**Long Bay**
Sunset from this beach is an unforgettable moment...

**Plum Bay**
The sea is sometimes quiet enough for snorkeling but sometimes there is a high surf that is ideal for surfers.

**Baie Rouge**
Red Bay got its name thanks to the light pigmentation of its sand.

**Baie Nettlé**
2 beaches, one with on the seashore that faces the Bay of Marigot and the other facing the Simpson Bay lagoon...
**Grand Islet**
Is in the heart of the Simpson Bay Lagoon, and is accessible only by boat.

**Galibay**
Is in the shadow of Fort Louis.

**La plage des Amoureux**
Saint-Martin’s smallest beach.

**Friars’ Bay**
Is a family beach formed by a beautiful cove that is sheltered from large swells.

**Happy Bay**
Is located in a heavenly setting that is lined with coconut trees.

**Grand Case**
With its Caribbean blue waters sits just off the porch of world renowned gourmet restaurants.

**Petite Plage**
Perfect for lounging in the shadows of sea grape trees.

**Anse Marcel**
Is a magnificent beach situated near shops and marina.

**Petites Cayes**
Is more often than not deserted and is the ideal place for nature lovers.
Grandes Cayes
Is the perfect spot for surfing the waves.

Tintamarre
A magnificent haven of peace and vegetation, that sits on the open sea, in the heart of the Nature Reserve.

Pinel Island
A tiny island paradise that is ideal for children because of its shallow waters.

Orient Bay
Nicknamed «The Saint-Tropez of the Caribbean» is a paradise for nautical sports.

Green Cay
This islet is a small deserted site that is perfect for lovers of solitude.

Le Galion
Is popular with the native Saint-Martin population especially during local holidays.

Baie de l’Embouchure
Is cooled by the trade winds.

Baie Lucas
Is the last beach before crossing the border to the Dutch side of the island.

Maho Beach
World renowned because of its proximity to the Princess Juliana Airport’s runway.
Accommodations

From the 5 star hotel (the only one on the island), to a small hotel filled with charm, residential hotels, or guest houses — accommodations that are typical to the Caribbean — to the sumptuous multi-roomed villas, the island of Saint-Martin offers a large choice of establishments that all have their own character and are located in exceptional sites.
**Classified Hotels**
La plantation Hôtel 4* Orient Bay
La Playa 4*
Esmeralda resort 4*
Le golf hotel Bellevue
Fantastic Hotel Concordia
Bleu Emeraude Grand Case
Hévéa Hôtel Grand Case
Le petit hôtel Grand Case
Grand Case beach club 3* Grand Case
Hôtel Esplanade Grand Case
Centr’hôtel 2* Marigot
Colombus hôtel Oyster pond
Hommage Hôtel & residence
Belmond La Samanna 5*

**Guest houses**
Shamrock Baie Orientale
Club Fantastico Baie Orientale
La Source Baie Orientale
Adam et Eve Baie Orientale
La Plénitude Friar’s Bay
La vie est belle Friar’s Bay
Mon Rêve Friar’s Bay
Le Temps des Cerises Grand case
Over the Hill Guest House La Savane
Couleur Café Mont Vernon
Sol e Luna Mont Vernon
Oasis Créole Terres Basses

**Villas**
100% Villa Baie Nettlé
Sunsea Holidays Marigot
Carimo Marigot
Sotheby’s Marigot
Villa Rainbow Pic Paradis

Vacation rentals are becoming increasingly popular on the island in a similar manner as the rental of luxury villas where guests can take advantage of benefits such as swimming pools, jacuzzi...

**Real Estate Agencies**
Carimo
Mer et Lagon
St. Martin Sotheby’s International Realty
Sprimbarth Cap Caraibes
Sunsea Holidays
Gastronomy

«Le Télégraphe» Restaurant
Saint-Martin excites the taste buds… Its creole cuisine that remains a treasure for Saint-Martin is a subtle mixture of flavors that combine innovation and tradition. The island has consequently created an international reputation that can’t be denied.

The many choices are between fish, lobster and shellfish, succulent meats, traditional barbe-cues, mixed with local spices, Creole sauces or tropical fruits. Very often on Saint-Martin dinner at a restaurant is like taking a short trip abroad: the decor, aromas, flavors and even the accents of the service staff transports you thousands of kilometers away...

Renowned fine dining, cafés, traditional restaurants and Lolos on the beach, all make Saint-Martin the capital of gastro-nomy of the Caribbean. Discover the countless flavors of Saint-Martin...
A small island paradise, located between the Caribbean Sea and the Atlantic Ocean, Saint-Martin has countless treasures for visitors seeking privacy or for those who want to say «yes» in the tropics.

There is a wide range of activities, including tasty culinary experiences each more savory than the other, white sand beaches and turquoise waters. Charming and luxury establishments offer many services (spa, ceremonies, etc.) in a Caribbean atmosphere where everyone can create their cocoon of tenderness and well-being.

**Info on the formalities in order to marry**
Collectivity of Saint-Martin
BP 374 - 97054 Saint-Martin
Tel: +590 (0)5 90-87-61-80
Fax: +590 (0)5 90 29 63 09

**Wedding Organizers**
Fée des Caraïbes
Tel: +590 (0)6 90 74 27 07
feedescaraibes@gmail.com
www.fee-des-caraibes.com

Artemia Event Planners/
Kuta Tours and Rental
119, rue de Hollande
Marigot, 97150 Saint-Martin
gm@artemia-sxm.com
www.artemia-sxm.com

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destination

Hôtel Belmond La Samanna
Saint-Martin is the ideal destination for incentive and reward travel or seminars. In terms of an idyllic setting, Saint-Martin offers a total change of scenery while permitting cultural and nature discoveries, sports activities, relaxation and even a chance for idleness.

With its infrastructure and modern facilities, and with daily connections to Canada, the United States, Europe via Paris and Amsterdam or South America by way of Panama, Saint-Martin has without a doubt all the necessary ingredients for the success of your incentives program.

Addresses to help organize your meeting and seminars:

**Belmond La Samanna**
Low Lands
Tél. : +590 (0)590 87 64 00
A ballroom and other spaces as well as villas can be made available for events and meetings.
[www.belmond.com](http://www.belmond.com)

**Hommage St-Martin Marina & Spa**
Nettle Bay
Tél. : +590 (0)590 87 54 54
Has a unique meeting space with a panoramic view of the lagoon and swimming pool. 10 to 150 people. Well equipped, air conditioned, Wi-Fi access.

**Secret Resorts Saint Martin**
Opening Feb 2020

**Receptions**
**Rising Sun Tours**
Info@risingsuntours.com
Tél. : +590 (0) 590 87 14 22
Fax : +590 (0) 590 87 14 23
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Tél. : +1(721) 520 5663

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Phone : +590 690 11 77 77
Office : +1 721 545 4541

Other establishments also offer accommodations for meetings and events.
Day 1
/ Arrival on the island.
/ Discover your accommodation.
/ Enjoy a rum punch «saint-martinois.»
/ Take your first sea bath.
/ Dine in one of our local restaurants, called «lolas» in Grand Case.

Day 2
/ Have breakfast at Bacchus or on the market (a bush tea and a Johnny cake).
/ Make your first tour of the island by car to locate.
/ Stop at the Sunset Beach Bar for lunch and see the landing of the planes.
/ Take a sunbath at Mullet Bay and watch the sunset of Sun.
/ Dine at Grand Case at Caribbean Bistro to get some strength. The next day will be fun and full of adventures!
Day 3
/ Discover Pic Paradis with a guide via the Loterie Farm Trail. You can admire the 360° view at the top of this highest point on the island.
/ Then relax by the natural pool of L’Eau Lounge while enjoying a Creole plate or the famous chicken curry.
/ End your day with the «night life» at Sin Marteen (Dutch side of the island) with casinos, bars and clubs in Maho and Simpson Bay. The atmosphere is assured on Friday and Saturday.

Day 4
/ Discover the island from the sea
/ Rent a private boat or take a group excursion to discover the Creole rock, the small island of Tintamarre, the Pinel islet and the beauty of the coast of Saint-Martin. You can swim with the turtles.

Day 5
/ Do some shopping at the Marigot market. On Wednesdays and Saturdays, you will find fresh fish, Caribbean spices, ... in Mangot, you can also discover Fort Louis. Philipsburg, rather known for the hifi and jewelry, deserves a moment of attention.
/ Enjoy a moment of relaxation with a perfume creation session at Tijon Parfumerie.
/ In the evening, dine on the village square of Orient Bay in one of the restaurants of your choice. And then enjoy a live concert at the Blue Martini in Grand Case.

Day 6
/ Discover one of our neighboring islands:
- Anguilla for its beautiful beaches or a round of golf.
- St. Barts for luxury, shopping, the joy of living or «visiting» Johnny.
- In the evening, enjoy a dinner at Sol and Luna in Cul-de-Sac, northeast of Saint-Martin.

Day 7
/ Spend the day in Orient Bay, enjoy the beach and all the water sports available to you: jet ski, banana-boat, parasailing, ...
/ Enjoy your last evening and dine at one of your favorite restaurants discovered in the week.

Day 8, day of departure...
Saint-Martin is an island that offers much more than elsewhere! It offers all year long a multitude of festivities and events of all sorts. Below is a list of recurring and ‘can’t miss’ events.

**JANUARY**
/ Tuesdays of Grand Case  
Every Tuesday from 6:00 pm, Grand Case is in celebration. An event that combines the best of local gastronomy, music, spectacles and artisanship.

**FEBRUARY**
French Side Carnival

**MARCH**
/ Heineken Regatta  
(1st week-end of March)  
This is an important time of the year for the island. This regatta is designed to bring together internationally renowned sailing professionals.
/ Art lovers’ Week-end  
Open door event in the art galleries of all the artists, painter and sculptors of the island.
/ Mid-Lent Parade
/ Tuesdays of Grand Case

**APRIL**
Easter Holidays  
A total immersion in the ambiance and the traditions of Saint-Martin where barbeques, music and domino games are the order of the day.
Dutch Side Carnivale  
Tuesdays of Grand Case

**MAY**
Fish day in Cul-de-Sac  
(1st of May)  
Celebration of the abundant variety of fish on the island. On the program are : fish tastings, a presentation of the varieties of fish and music.
Saint-Louis Village Festival  
Culinary specialties, sporting events, tradition and culture are honored.
Black History Week  
(week before the 27th of May)  
Festivities around the commemoration of the abolition of slavery on Saint-Martin.

**JUNE**
Saint-Martin Billfish tournament  
Deep sea fishing tournament
Music Festival (June 20 & 21)

**JULY**
I love my ram  
(1st Sunday of the month of July)  
This event centers on animal raising and agriculture. On the program: election of the most beautiful ram goat, sampling of local dishes, homage to local ancestors and validating the patrimony of Colombier.
14th of July, French National Holiday
Airline Companies
- Air Antilles Express www.antillexpress.com
- Air Canada www.aircanada.com
- Air Caraïbes www.aircaraibes.com
- Air France www.airfrance.com
- Air Transat www.airtransat.com
- American Airlines www.aa.com
- Caribbean Airlines www.caribbean-airlines.com
- Copa Airlines www.copaair.com
- Dutch Antilles Express www.flydae.com
- Delta www.delta.com
- Insel Air www.flyinselair.com
- Jet Blue www.jetblue.com
- KLM www.klm.com
- LIAT www.liatairline.com
- Pawa Dominicana www.pawadominicana.com
- Seaborne Airlines www.seaborneairlines.com
- St Barth Commuter www.stbarthcommuter.com
- Spirit Airlines www.spirit.com
- Sunwings www.flysunwing.com
- United www.united.com
- Wesjet www.wesjet.com
- Winair www.flywinair.com

Airports
International Princess Juliana Airport, Simpson Bay: Direct flights to the United States, Europe, South America and the Caribbean.
International Airport of St-Martin Grand Case Tél.: (+590) 590 875303 Direct flights to Saint-Barthélemy and Guadeloupe. Connecting flights with Orly Airport, Paris with a stopover in Pointe-à-Pitre (Guadeloupe).
Marinas
Saint-Martin presents one of the most beautiful sites of the Caribbean as regards pleasure and cruising.

**Marina Fort Louis**
Front de mer - Marigot
Tel.: + 590 (0)590 51 11 11
www.marinafortlouis.com
VHF canal 16 Quay side slots of up to 60 meters, Draught of 3.50 meters

**Formalities**
A valid passport is mandatory for citizens of the EU as well as for Americans, Canadians, etc. Travel with a pet requires its health records. No vaccination required.

**Time Difference**
Compared to metropolitan France, is -5 hours in winter and -6 hours in summer.
Compared with New York, -1 hour in winter.
Compared to Rio de Janeiro, -1 hour in winter and -2 hours in summer.

**Climate**
Saint-Martin enjoys a subtropical climate that is particularly healthy, warm and sunny. The average temperature is around 25°C throughout the year. There is no real rainy season, but it is customary to say that there is a ‘large season with light showers’ and a ‘short season with heavy showers’. There are sometimes lots of rain showers during the day that are of short duration. After the rain comes the gorgeous weather.

**What to pack**
Summer wear year-round, swimwear, t-shirt, shorts, etc. Essentials: Sunscreen (sunglasses and sun screens with maximum protection) and anti-mosquito protection.

**Telephone calls**
From France to Saint-Martin: +590 + 6 digits of the Subscriber
From France to Sint Maarten: +1721 + 7 digits of the Subscriber
From Canada to Sint-Maarten: + 1721 + 7 digits of the Subscriber
From Saint-Martin to Sint Maarten: + 1721 + 7 digits of the Subscriber
From Saint Martin to France: same prefix as in Metropolitan France.

**Maps**
Maps are distributed at the Office of Tourism and at the airports, hotels, restaurants...

**Currency**
The Euro for Saint-Martin and the Netherlands Antilles Guilder (NAF) for Sint Maarten are the official currencies of the island. The US dollar is also accepted on the island as well as most credit cards. Travelers will also find a large number of automatic teller machines and «Currency Exchange Points» available to them.

**Languages**
The French and Dutch languages are the official languages. English is the mother tongue of the local Saint-Martiners and serves as a link between the two parts of the island, as well as Creole or Spanish.

**Move**
It is very easy to move on the island! Taxis, buses and minibuses provide a relatively complete service to all points of St. Martin at any time of the day. At night, taxis are also at your service. Lovers of a certain lifestyle will be able to discover the surroundings in a luxury car thanks to VIP transfers.