



Anguilla

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Why Go?

Fringed by shimmering white-sand beaches shaded by coconut palms and sea-grape trees, and filled with colorfully painted, open-sided beach bars serving sizzling barbecues, feisty rum punches and live reggae tunes, Anguilla is the Caribbean dream come true. Its crystal-clear waters and vibrant reefs offer spectacular snorkeling, glass-bottomed kayaking, and sailing to tiny islets and atolls scattered offshore.

The island's rich and varied history dates back to settlement by the Amerindians and Arawaks, with extraordinary rock art still being discovered in sites such as Fountain Cavern National Park. And unlike many nearby islands, the flat terrain makes it easy to get around by car, bicycle or quad bike.

There's a catch, of course. Anguilla is no shoestring destination and authenticity comes at a premium here. Luxury hotels and private villas cater to jet-setters craving a vacation off the radar. Visit outside high season for a more affordable taste of paradise.

When to Go

Dec-Jan Anguilla's celebrity roll call gives St-Barth a run for its money.

Feb-Apr Rainfall is lightest; from March the holiday rush starts to die down.

Jul-Aug Prices drop to reasonable levels – capitalize on breezy weather before the humidity kicks in.



Anguilla Highlights

- 1 Shoal Bay East** (p93)
Snorkeling in the turquoise waters, lazing on the sparkling white sand or hanging out at one of the beach bars on the island's best beach.
- 2 B&D's** (p90)
Joining locals devouring succulent barbecue at this roadside eatery in Meads Bay.
- 3 Prickly Pear Cays** (p88)
Hopping aboard a boat and sailing to this super-secluded mini-Anguilla.
- 4 Heritage Collection Museum** (p86)
Learning about the island's fascinating history from the Arawaks onward.
- 5 Bankie Banx's Dune Preserve** (p92)
Tapping into Anguilla's music scene at reggae-legend Bankie Banx's beachside Dune Preserve.
- 6 Wallblake House** (p86)
Touring Anguilla's only remaining plantation house.