



Cayman Islands

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Why Go?

Some two million tourists visit the Cayman Islands each year. Most of them are cruise-ship passengers, who spend a few hours shopping, sunbathing or swimming with sting-rays, before pulling out of port. Others hunker down near Seven Mile Beach, enjoying their all-inclusive resort on one of the Caribbean's most beautiful stretches of sand. And a lucky few venture further.

Cayman is an undeniably cosmopolitan place – nearly half the population is from somewhere else – but its rich local culture is alive and well, especially in Bodden Town, East End and Cayman Brac. Explore the North Side and the Sister Islands to discover lush forests, diverse birdlife, mysterious caves and untrammelled beaches. Under the waves lie amazing underwater walls and accessible shipwrecks.

Dive in. It takes only a small sense of adventure to uncover Cayman's greatest treasures – the warm hospitality and the fantastic natural phenomena above and below the sea.

When to Go

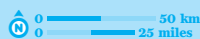
Dec–Apr High season, temperatures average a pleasant 75°F (24°C) and humidity is at its lowest. Accommodations fill up and prices are significantly higher.

Sep–Oct Rainfall is highest, with frequent afternoon showers that clear as quickly as they arrive. Some venues close during these months (especially on Little Cayman and Cayman Brac).

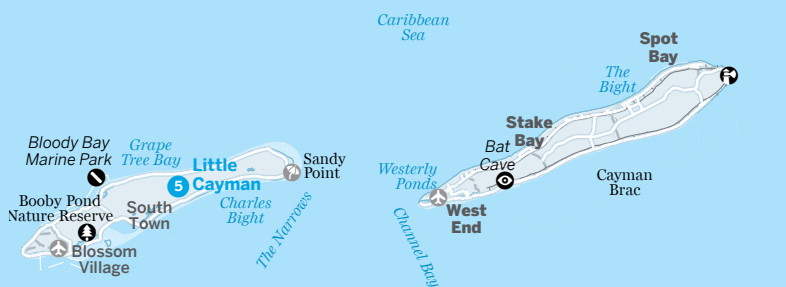
Nov Pirates Week is a super fun, island-wide event that takes place in early November.



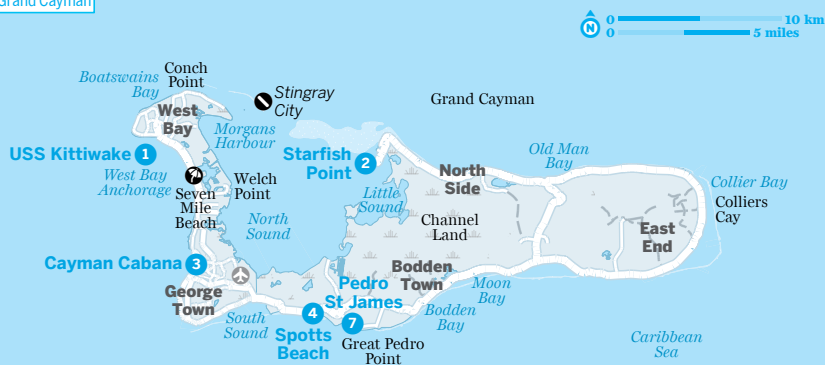
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Cayman Brac & Little Cayman



Grand Cayman



Cayman Islands Highlights

- 1 USS Kittiwake** (p261)
Discovering the ins and outs of this US Navy ship, 60ft below the surface of the sea.
- 2 Starfish Point** (p272)
Counting the sea stars on an otherwise deserted beach.
- 3 Cayman Cabana** (p265)
Making new foodie friends and sharing a

- delectable locavore dinner under the stars.
- 4 Spotts Beach** (p271)
Snorkeling with sea turtles at this little-known public beach.
 - 5 Little Cayman** (p277)
Marveling at pristine coral reefs, spying on birds and swinging in hammocks on the smallest Cayman Island.

- 6 Cycling** (p281)
Enjoying smooth roads, little traffic and gorgeous seaside scenery while exploring Grand Cayman on two wheels.
- 7 Pedro St James** (p271)
Learning about the history of an island through the history of a house.