



# SHORE EXCURSIONS

**7**  
nights

**STAR FLYER**  
**Leeward Islands**



<b>Sat</b>	<b>Philipsburg, St. Maarten</b>
Sun	Charlestown, Nevis
Mon	Cabrits, Dominica*
Tue	Terre-de-Haut, Îles des Saintes
Wed	Deshaies, Guadeloupe
Thu	Falmouth Harbour, Antigua
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## What you need to know before booking your shore excursion:

- All our tours are offered with English speaking 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. Passengers should be fit and active to join tours which include hiking, biking, snorkelling, boating, or similar activities.

## How you can book your shore excursions:

- You can book shore excursions onboard, using our "sign-up lists" available at the library.
- Debark tours ending at the airport and transfers can also be pre-booked prior your cruise.
- In order 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.
- A minimum number of participants is required for tours; if the required number is not attained, the tour may be cancelled.
- Cancellation and changes are possible until the booking deadline. After the booking deadline, 100% cancellation fees will be charged.

## Important notes:

- Departure times of the tour are mentioned on the daily program of each port.
- The Captain reserves the right to alter the itinerary in order to suit wind, weather and local conditions.
- All information concerning excursions is correct at the time of printing. However, Star Clippers reserves the right to make changes. Last updated tour descriptions are available on Star Clippers' website and onboard the ship in a file at the library.

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### NEVIS (Charlestown)

#### NEVIS - Highlights of Nevis

Duration: 04:00 approx.

Price: 65 €

Min 8 / Max 60 participants

Transportation: air-conditioned minibus

Activity level: easy

A 5 minutes' drive takes you to the small museum of Nevis History located in Hamilton house named for one of Nevis' most famous sons, Alexander Hamilton, first ever Secretary of the Treasury in the USA. Then continue through the quaint capital of Charlestown en route to the Bath spring for an explanation of the medical benefits of the natural spring.

The tour continues along to the Fig Tree Church where a copy of Nelson's marriage certificate can be viewed from the vehicle. Enjoy the charm and tranquility of the Nevis countryside as you continue to Montpelier Plantation, laid out on 12 acres of lush and green acres. Originally a sugar plantation, this Relais & Chateaux member offers breathtaking views overlooking Charlestown and St. Kitts and is considered one of the finest inns on Nevis.

Many historical charms remain at the hotel. The canons, cobblestones and copper syrup pots reflect the period when Montpelier was a sugar plantation and home to the governor of Nevis. The 300-year-old windmill has been transformed into a candlelit dining venue, the black-and-white Georgian out-buildings turned into offices and a shop. Your driver will take you around the property. Guests will view this location but not tour or walk around there.

You will next enjoy a scenic drive traversing the southern and eastern parts of Nevis, the Nevis Peak always being visible with its central location on the island. The eastern coastline borders the Atlantic Ocean with its shades of deepest blue contrasting with the green vegetation and small banana plantations dotted along this part of Nevis.

A short stop will be made at New River Estate which is a basic but interesting open-air museum showing old machines used in the production of rum. The next stop will be at the St Thomas Anglican Church, believed to be the oldest in the eastern Caribbean. From here you will drive back to Charlestown having completely circled the island.

Please note: The tour is operated in air-conditioned minibus and driver-guides. The driver is also the guide and gives live commentary (in English) along the way. Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat, sunscreen, and water. The order of the visits may change.

#### NEVIS - Rainforest Hike at Nevis Peak

Duration: 03:00 approx.

Price: 69 €

Min 8 / Max 25 participants

Transportation: air-conditioned minibus

Activity level: strenuous

Wherever you find yourself on Nevis, your gaze is immediately drawn upwards to Nevis Peak. This potentially active volcano at the center of the island soars 3232 ft above sea level and dominates its surroundings. The slopes of the volcano and nearby valleys are covered in lush green rain forest, vibrant with life. Discover the flora and fauna of Nevis including bamboo, tropical fruit trees and green Vervetmonkeys on our moderately challenging guided hike.

During the short transfer drive to the Atlantic side of the island you will see traces of Nevis's sugar producing past; intense cultivation has exhausted the natural fertility of the soil and the last plantation closed its doors in the mid-20th century.

A local naturalist guide will be waiting to welcome you at base camp before you set off on the hike together.

The hike begins at the ruins of an old plantation in St James parish dating back to the 1650's. Nevis is truly an unspoilt paradise, and the tranquil atmosphere gives a sense of oneness with Nature. As you walk under a canopy of lush vegetation, immerse yourself in the rainforest experience and admire the luxuriant ravines and waterfalls which provide the parish of St James with its water supply. Enjoy breathtaking views of the Atlantic Ocean while your guide shares some local lore and shows you the plants and foliage used as natural remedies by generations of islanders.

This moderately strenuous hike is the perfect way to explore the rainforest and the island's beautiful interior.

Please note: The drive from the ship to the start of the trail takes approximately twenty minutes each way. A local naturalist guide will be waiting the group at base camp before you set off on the hike together. You will spend two hours walking and discovering the flora and fauna of Nevis, depending on the group's pace.

Guests are advised to wear light clothes and comfortable hiking shoes (closed shoes with grip) and to bring a hat, sunscreen, and water.



**DOMINICA (Cabrits)****DOMINICA - The Indian River Rowboat**

Duration: 02:30 approx.

Transportation: minibus, rowboat

Price: 49 €

Activity level: easy

Min 8 / Max 30 participants

Situated in the center of the town of Portsmouth to the North of Dominica, the Indian River is like a mini-Amazon teeming with life. It owes its name to the Kalinago people, formerly known as Carib Indians, who settled on its upper banks.

The river gushes down the Morne aux Diaboles mountain range and then meanders gently to the lowlands of Portsmouth where it flows into the Caribbean Sea. As it is below sea level, the water in the lower parts of the river is brackish giving rise to a unique ecosystem of flora and fauna. Some of the species, which include herons, kingfishers, and iguanas, are only to be found in this particular area of Dominica. Many of which are still present after the passing of devastating hurricane Maria. Vegetation continues to grow up and return in full force.

Experienced boatmen will take the oars and row you along the river in slow moving wooden boats so that you can appreciate the great variety of wildlife and plants on the riverbank at your leisure.

See for yourself the places where scenes from "Pirates of the Caribbean" were filmed. Upriver, you will get off the boat for a while to take a short 10-minute stroll through the botanical gardens and visit the renowned 'Bush Bar'. Try the signature rum punch, aptly named "Dynamite", a singularly potent brew. There is lots to see so don't forget to take your camera.

Afterwards you will get back into the rowing boat for a trip down river where you will board your buses and return to the ship.

Please note: There is a 15-minute drive between the port and the Indian Rivier, with a driver-guide. River local guides will take over your driver guide on the rowboat. The boat trip will be preceded by a security briefing. Rowboats can accommodate 8 passengers. You will spend approx. one hour up and down on the river. Guests are advised to bring a hat, sunscreen, insect repellent and water.

**DOMINICA - Syndicate National Park nature trail**

Duration: 03:45 approx.

Transportation: minibus

Price: 55 €

Activity level: strenuous

Min 10 / Max 20 participants

Your Excursion begins with a short, air-conditioned drive through the town of Portsmouth passing by the scenic Indian River up to the Syndicate National Park in the Northern Forest Reserve.

Your trained Forest Guide will then join you and lead you on a comprehensive hike on the Nature Trail, approximately 2000 ft. (600 mt) above sea level, narrating in detail the existing flora and fauna and exotic bird life within this Forest Reserve.

This Reserve is exclusive in that it is the last remaining habitat where one of the endemic National Birds, the Sisserou and the Jaco Parrot can be found. The Sisserou has been relocated to a bird sanctuary off island until most vegetation has returned.

At the end of your bird watching tour, you will continue to the Syndicate Resource center for refreshments. Your tour then proceeds back to the ship.

Please note: Guests are advised to wear comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat, sunscreen, insect repellent and water. The walk is approx. 1.5 hours at a gentle pace. Driving time is approximately 45 minutes (each way) between Cabrits and the Syndicate National Park, with a driver-guide.



**DOMINICA - Love & Chocolate**

Duration: 03:00 approx.

Price: 69 €

Min 6 / Max 24 participants

Transportation: minibus

Activity level: easy

Love and Chocolate have been synonymous since time immemorial. This excursion will take you to an island paradise where Love and Chocolate and love of chocolate are inextricably entwined.

Enjoy a scenic tour of the island in air-conditioned comfort as you head towards your destination: the Pointe Baptiste Estate, located near Calibishie Village. The estate is a private domain stretching over 25 acres. There is a historical guesthouse from 1930, a chocolate factory with a cottage above it and magnificent gardens filled with flowers.

It all began with a love story between two. Once upon a time two British aristocrats, Lennox Napier and Elma Gordon Cumming met and fell in love. They discovered Dominica in 1931 when on a Caribbean cruise, they moved there the following year and settled near Calibishie, building a house they named Pointe Baptiste in the midst of inaccessible virgin forest.

Their grandson grew up at Pointe Baptiste but also spent time in England and France where he developed a passion for fine chocolate. Back to Dominica, he decided to study the art of chocolate to produce locally fine chocolate, building a few drying racks and making a small quantity of 80% dark chocolate from cocoa beans grown on the estate.

Although his original intention was just to make some high-quality chocolate for his own personal consumption, through word of mouth his reputation grew, and people would knock on his door and ask to buy some.

Nowadays the Chocolate factory is a small family run business; the cocoa beans are grown and harvested on the Pointe Baptiste estate using ecologically sound, sustainable practices.

Find out about chocolate making and discover the inimitable taste of this gourmet chocolate: dark chocolate (60%, 80 %, 90% or even 100% pure cocoa beans) flavored with Ginger, Coffee, Spice (Nutmeg, Cinnamon & Cloves), Hot Pepper, Lemongrass, Tangerine, Mint and Milk chocolate. Each guest will be given a bar of chocolate of their choice and can of course purchase chocolate truffles or cocoa nibs.

This excursion also includes a tour of the flower garden, one of the most beautiful in Dominica with a wide variety of mature trees, flowers, orchids and medicinal plants. The air is heavy with the scent of Jasmin, Ylang-ylang and Frangipani trees and it is a veritable paradise for birds, butterflies and nature lovers.

After the tour there will be time for some refreshments before returning to the ship.

Please note: Guests are advised to wear comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat, sunscreen, insect repellent and water. Driving time is approximately 45 minutes (each way, on a winding road) between Cabrits and Pointe Baptiste.



**LES SAINTES (Terre-de-Haut)**

A cluster of eight small islands, Les Saintes lies just six miles off the southern coast of Guadeloupe. Only two of the islands, Terre-de-Haut and Terre-de-Bas, attract any tourists, as the other six islands are little more than rocky outcrops. The locals are primarily fishermen, known for their large boats and unique head gear. Les Saintes have acquired a well-deserved reputation for beautiful beaches and reefs and attract divers from around the world. Happily though, mass tourism is unknown here and the charm of these enchanted isles remains unspoiled. The tender will take you to the tiny capital "Le Bourg", a charmingly picturesque seaside village.

**LES SAINTES - Speed boat tour and snorkel in Les Saintes bay**

Duration: 03:00 approx.

Transportation: speed boat

Price: 105 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 10 / Max 12 participants

Experience the beauty of the Les Saints Archipelago from a unique perspective during this panoramic sightseeing and snorkeling guided journey by speed boat.

Sail along the beautiful bay, passing by Ilet Cabrit, Terre de Bas, Ilet Redonde, Grand Ilet, Ilet de la Coche, Ilets Les Augustins. Then stop for a guided snorkeling session in the warm, crystal-clear waters nearest Pain de Sucre.

Please note: This tour is not suitable for guests with reduced mobility, back or neck issues and pregnant women.

Snorkeling is optional, Guests participating to the snorkeling must know how to swim. Mask, snorkel, and snorkel vest are provided (No fins). Please wear aqua shoes and your swimsuit under your clothing and bring a towel, sunscreen, sunglasses and a hat. Min age for participating in this excursion is 7 years old (minors must be accompanied by an adult).

Max weight for participating in this excursion is 220 lbs/100 kg.

**LES SAINTES - Clear-bottom kayak at Pain de Sucre and relax at the beach**

Duration: 03:30 approx.

Transportation: mororboat

Price: 79 €

Activity level: strenuous

Min 10 / Max 12 participants

Explore the pristine turquoise waters of Les Saintes during an eco-friendly excursion, aboard a clear-bottom kayak.

With a short transfer by boat go to the Kayaking-base.

After a safety-briefing, begin your guided kayaking tour with your instructor along the most beautiful spot: Le Pain de Sucre.

Paddle along the crystal-clear waters, see the exquisite seabed, tropical fishes and marine life.

At your return to the base, enjoy a cocktail and relax at the beach before you go back to the pier by boat.

Please note: Participants must be able to swim. This is a very active tour and is only recommended for guests in very good physical condition. No guests with heart conditions, asthma, walking disabilities, leg injuries, chest injuries and/or recovering from surgery should participate in this tour. Neither should pregnant women.

Min age for participating in this excursion is 9 years old (minors must be accompanied by an adult).

Max height for participating in this excursion in 6.5 feet/2 meters.

Max weight for participating in this excursion is 220 lbs/100 kg.

Kayaks have 2 places. Before the tour starts, practical instructions on how to maneuver the kayaks will be given.

The kayak tour lasts approx. 1 hours, depending on the group's pace.

At the beach resort, after the kayak tour a refreshment will be offered. Beach chair, paddle, step paddle and snorkel equipment will be at disposal at the beach (at no extra fee).



**GUADELOUPE (Deshaies)**

Guadeloupe is a Caribbean Island with tropical rainforests and a volcano. Guadeloupe is also a department of France, 4306 miles away from Paris but sharing the language, culture and cuisine of the continent. Guadeloupe is a butterfly shaped island made up of two islands, Basse-Terre and Grande-Terre, separated by a sea water channel, the Rivière Salée. The economy is based on agriculture and not tourism. As a result, you won't see villages corrupted by tourism, hawking souvenirs and doing choreographed traditional dances timed for your tour. Everything that you experience in Guadeloupe will be authentic.

**GUADELOUPE (Deshaies) - Catamaran tour along Deshaies coast**

Duration: 03:00 approx.                      Transportation: catamaran  
Price: 79 €    Activity level: moderate  
Min 10 / Max 22 participants

A beautiful experience during a tour that combines the pleasure of a pleasant sailing with the joy of a break at anchor in a beautiful cove. From Deshaies, enjoy a magnificent panorama on the coast, alternating creeks and hills.

Enjoy the pleasure of sailing in the Caribbean Sea, wind in the sails. Then, drop anchor at Petite Anse ("small cove"): it is time for a swim at the end of the morning.

Snorkeling equipment is available on board for those who would like to discover the underwater.

Back on board, a snack and planter's punch and fruit juice will be served onboard while you enjoy this green setting.

Please note: This tour is not suitable for guests with reduced mobility, back or neck issues and pregnant women.

The itinerary and the tour sequence may be changed at Captain's discretion depending on weather conditions and tide.

The stop for swimming or snorkeling lasts approx. 1h / 1h15, depending on sailing time. The boat stops around 100 meters from the beach, or closer depending on the wind direction. Snorkeling and swimming are optional, and swimming experience is required to participate.

Guests are advised to wear your swimsuit under the clothes and to bring a hat, sunscreen, sunglasses and a towel from the ship. Snorkeling equipment is provided.

**GUADELOUPE (Deshaies) - Discover "Death in Paradise" filming locations**

Duration: 04:00 approx.                      Transportation: air-conditioned minibus  
Price: 89 €    Activity level: moderate  
Min 15 / Max 35 Participants

With its ideal location on the northwest side of Basse-Terre, the fishing village of Deshaies was once cut off from civilization until a road was opened connecting it to the neighboring town of Pointe-Noire. Pirates and other buccaneers put Deshaies on the map, thanks to its proximity to the islands of Montserrat and Antigua. Since 2011, The British TV series, Death in Paradise, has been filming in Deshaies. Along the streets during a walking tour in this picturesque village, discover filming locations such as the Catholic Church and the Police Station. And visit the local bars and the fishermen pier. Then the Botanical Garden with its tropical flora from around the world, its birds like the pink flamingos, the parrots, the lorikeets and others. A last stop at la Perle Beach where each season, they rebuilt the Commissioner's House.

Please note: This tour involves extensive walking (approx. 2 hours) over uneven terrain with inclines and steps to negotiate.

Guests are advised to wear weather-appropriate clothes and comfortable walking shoes and to bring a hat, sunscreen, insect repellent and water.





**GUADELOUPE (Deshaies) - Jaques Cousteau Marine Reserve**

Duration: 02:45 approx.

Transportation: air-conditioned minibus

Price: 69 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 15 / Max 40 Participants

Jacques Cousteau Marine Reserve has been part of Guadeloupe's national park since 2010. It is nicknamed Captain Cousteau's nature reserve because it featured in the famous 1950's film "The Silent World", which made Cousteau famous.

Your Cousteau adventure begins at Malendure beach where you will board a glass bottom boat and head off to the Cousteau Nature Reserve. Once on site you will go down to the lower deck 1.5m below sea level; it has been fitted out with glass panels, specially designed to provide a close encounter experience of the Silent World celebrated by Cousteau.

The second part of the tour gives you the opportunity to go snorkeling, swim alongside brilliantly colored tropical fish and be a part of this amazing underwater ecosystem.

Please note : Guests are advised to wear a swimsuit under their clothes and bring sunscreen, a hat, sunglasses, water, aqua shoes and a towel from the ship. Snorkeling equipment is not provided, please bring your equipment from the ship.

The journey to Malendure beach takes 45 minutes (each way), on a winding road.

The boat is not exclusive to Star Clippers customers. A cool drink will be served on board.

**ANTIGUA (Falmouth Harbour)**

Columbus discovered this island on his second voyage to the New World and named it after the statue of a saint in Seville Cathedral who was said to work miracles. However, no attempts were made to colonize the island for over 150 years due to its lack of fresh water. The sole inhabitants were Carib Indians until the English arrived from St. Kitts in 1632. For the next 50 years the English grew cash crops to sustain the island until 1674 when the first sugar plantation was established. For the next 300 years, sugar was Antigua's primary industry until it was replaced by tourism, less than 30 years ago.

There is no doubt that tourists are Antigua's greatest asset, and with 365 white sandy beaches, one for every day of the year; turquoise water and spectacular coral reefs, not forgetting the duty- free shopping and casinos, Antigua certainly has a lot to offer them.

**ANTIGUA - Kayak adventure in the mangrove and snorkeling**

Duration: 04:00 approx.

Transportation: air-conditioned minibus, boat

Price: 85 €

Activity level: strenuous

Min 6 / Max 16 participants

The ideal way to explore the coastal mangrove eco-system on the beautiful northeast coast of Antigua is by kayak. Knowledgeable tour guides will provide an introduction to the history and ecology of the mangroves and reefs, home to an astonishing variety of lobster, crabs, fish and bird life. This will be followed by a thrilling motorboat ride across the lagoons to Bird Island, one of Antigua's many offshore islands, where you will get the chance to swim, snorkel and explore. This is an outdoor experience that is both educational and fun. You will be taken by van (approximately 30 minutes' drive each way) from the ship to the Kayak Adventure land base located at Seaton's Village on the Northeast coast of Antigua. On arrival at the base you can change, if necessary, and will be equipped with life jackets (mandatory) and an alert whistle. After a short briefing on procedure, you will board a 20-foot motorboat for a 15-minute water transfer to the mangrove pontoon where the kayaks are moored. The guides will advise you on safety precautions and kayak handling and then you will be paired up and the kayak adventure can begin. The tour guides will lead you through an easy trail of inlets, tiny uninhabited islands, mangrove alleys and pretty bays in safe coastal waters. It is a great opportunity for learning something about the flora and fauna of the mangrove and spotting tropical birds and teeming marine life.

After the kayak tour and return to the kayak platform, the adventure continues with a twenty-minute motorboat ride to an uninhabited island. Bird Island has two beaches, snorkeling reefs, a sunken cave and hills to be explored. It is one of 12 islands in the North Sound and is the habitat of turtles, stingray, starfish, conch, parrot fish, egrets, red billed tropical birds, frigates



and hummingbirds. You may choose to take advantage of the guided nature walk for some excellent photo opportunities, go for a swim or simply laze under a coconut tree. Snorkeling enthusiasts can take the short boat ride to the reefs and snorkel to their heart's content. Back at the kayak base you will be welcomed by some good old fashioned Caribbean hospitality before returning to the ship.

Please note: Minimum age for participating in this excursion is 7 years old (minors must be accompanied by an adult).

Max weight for participating in this excursion is 250 lbs / 113 kg, minimum height is 4 feet / 122 cm.

Double kayaks will be used. Participants must be able to swim. This is a very active tour and is only recommended for guests in very good physical condition. No guests with heart conditions, asthma, walking disabilities, leg injuries, chest injuries and/or recovering from surgery should participate in this tour. Neither should pregnant women.

Please wear a swimsuit under your clothes and bring aqua shoes, sunscreen, sunglasses, hat, water shoes and t-shirt (if sun sensitive), a bottle of water and a towel from the ship and extra dry clothes. Waterproof cameras are highly recommended.

Before the tour starts, practical instructions on how to maneuver the kayaks will be given.

There is a 30-minute transfer each way between Falmouth Harbour and the kayak base. Approx. 45 minutes kayak and 1 hour at Bird Island for snorkeling or explore the desert island. The order of the activities may change.

### **ANTIGUA - Swim and Snorkel with the Rays**

Duration: 03:00 approx.

Transportation: air-conditioned minibus, boat

Price: 75 €

Activity level: easy

Min 10 / Max 50 participants

Join us on an informative and fun excursion to Stingray City, situated amongst the coral reefs off the northeast coast of Antigua, for a close encounter with a ray. Stingrays are beautiful and graceful swimmers, gliding like flying carpets over the ocean floor. An air-conditioned bus will pick you up from the pier and take you on a 30-minute scenic drive to the quaint fishing village of Seaton's on the northeast coast of the island, home base for Stingray City.

Here you will be greeted by professional staff who will brief you on the equipment and give you safety tips to ensure fun interaction with the rays.

Afterwards, you will be taken by boat to the calm crystal-clear waters surrounding the coral reef where the stingrays live. Upon arrival at the enclosure, you will disembark on to a floating platform where your local guide will issue you with snorkel equipment and give a safety briefing before you enter the water. The warm waters on the sand bar and surrounding reef have a maximum depth of 4ft, and provide an ideal environment for everyone to enjoy meeting these amazing creatures.

Your guide will introduce you to the Rays, who are incredibly friendly, and encourage them to come to the surface enabling you to touch them gently and take photos. Stingrays have a barb midway down their long tails, but they only use it for defensive purposes when they feel threatened. Enjoy watching these majestic creatures as they glide through the waters. If you're feeling brave, you may want to feed them a little squid, along with your guide. Stingrays do not have teeth but a vacuum like mouth which sucks up their food. Many other forms of local marine life may be found at the stingray enclosure, including crabs, lobster, shellfish and starfish.

Back at the home base you can enjoy a refreshing rum or fruit punch and look through the wonderful digital photos of your adventure (these are available for purchase and make a great souvenir).

Please note: Participants must know how to swim. Children 4 years and under are not allowed. Guests with limited mobility are not allowed on the tour due to the difficulties of getting in and out of the boat.

Please wear a swimsuit under your clothes and soft-soled shoes (gym shoes, top-siders, and rubber-soled sandals) and bring a hat, sunscreen, sunglasses, water shoes, a towel from the ship and a bottle of water.

A waterproof protection for mobile and cameras is highly recommended.

There is a 30-minute transfer each way between Falmouth Harbour and Stingray city.





**ANTIGUA - Canopy Tour**

Duration: 03:45 approx.

Price: 89 €

Min 4 / Max 40 participants

Transportation: air-conditioned minibus

Activity level: strenuous

The Antigua Canopy Tour is a unique eco-tour through Antigua's lush rain forest, an unforgettable journey through verdant forest, high above the trees.

After a 30-minute drive you will arrive at the Antigua Rainforest Company, where you will be greeted by Rangers and there will be a briefing session to prepare you for the excursion and then the exhilarating tree top adventure can begin.

The tour starts out at the Old Pump House with a walk over a suspension bridge spanning a gorge in order to access the zip lines for your aerial journey. There are zip lines from 52 feet to 328 feet in length criss-crossing the gorge; the topography of the area means that the excursion will mostly be above the treetops, entering and exiting via a "corridor" in the foliage at either end. In all there are a series of 12 zip lines, 3 aerial walkways and 2 suspension bridges, giving you a wonderful bird's eye view of the flora and fauna and a feeling of "total immersion" in the forest environment. There are some short treks into the gorge and then a series of connecting zip lines which criss-cross the area at tree canopy level. The gorge is full of fascinating plants and exotic fruit and has a definite tropical feel, especially when you take a break in our tree house, hidden away from the rest of the world! The terrain features tall trees, prominent boulders, a rock pool and a small waterfall.

Please note: Minimum height for participating in this excursion is 4 feet / 122 cm. Minors must be accompanied by an adult).

Max weight for participating in this excursion is 235 lbs / 106 kg.

This tour is not recommended for pregnant women, persons with a history of heart conditions, fear of the heights, seizures, back, knee or shoulder problems or any other pre-existing health issues.

Guests are advised to wear comfortable clothing (jeans or bermuda length shorts are recommended, sneakers or sandals (no flip-flops), and shirts with short sleeves (no sleeveless tops). Guests are advised to bring a hat, insect repellent, sunscreen, a change of shirt and water. For guests with long hair, we suggest wearing it in a ponytail or a bun. Helmet, hairnet and gloves are provided, participants will have to sign a waiver.

There is a 40-minute transfer each way between Falmouth Harbour and the canopy base.

**ANTIGUA - Make your own rum**

Duration: 2:00 approx.

Price: 72 €

Min 4 / Max 15 participants

Transportation: air-conditioned minibus

Activity level: easy

The traditional history of modern-style rum tells of its invention in the Caribbean, in the 17th century, by slaves on sugarcane plantations, who discovered that molasses, a by-product of the sugar refining process, could be fermented into alcohol, and then distilled.

What better way to learn of the history of Caribbean rum in a fun and interactive class and then create and conceive your own bespoke 750ml bottle of flavoured rum complete with label under the watchful and helpful eyes of experts in a 90 minutes rum masterclass?

You will be met at Falmouth jetty and driven the 5 minutes or so to picturesque and historic Galleon Beach.

Now the fun begins: our experts will show you how to create truly exceptional and unique rum. They will take you through a selection of rum flavouring samples to help you create your own rum blend as unique as your imagination. The characteristics of rum are varied and unique. We'll teach you the art of tasting and blending your rum during the distillation process to create a perfect bottle for you.

Each guest works with their own pot still to create a bottle of rum truly unique to them, distilled in the traditional West Indian way. By the end of the class you'll take away a 750ml bottle of your own exceptional bespoke rum. Once you've created your rum, we'll take you through the bottling and labelling process to ensure it looks as distinctive as the rum you've created. Personalised labels and a wax sealed bottle ensure you can take your rum home safely and proudly share your one-of-a-kind creation.

Then it's time for the short journey back to Falmouth jetty and your awaiting ship.



**SAINT BARTHELEMY (Gustavia)**

The Island of St Barthélemy, commonly known as St. Barts, is located at 18° N 63°W, in the northeastern corner of the Caribbean Sea. Steep hills divide the island into several valleys, usually open to the sea on one side. Each valley is distinctive with unique variations of topography, flora, density of settlement and character of architecture. This diversity creates the illusion of being on a much larger island. The shoreline includes 14 beaches of various sizes, all covered with gleaming white sand. Many are protected from ocean swells by a fringing reef all by law, are public and free. Several offshore areas are included in a marine reserve.

The capital Gustavia, surrounds a harbor of picture book beauty, lined with boutiques and cafés. St Barts with its mountainous landscape leading down to picturesque azure water coves and beaches is undoubtedly one of the jewels of the Caribbean.

**ST BARTHELEMY - Sailing the Leeward Coast of St. Barts**

Duration: 03:00 approx.

Transportation: boat (catamaran)

Price: 119 €

Activity level: moderate

Min 12 / Max 16 participants

All aboard for a relaxing tour sailing round the island, to give you the chance to admire the beautiful scenery. Then the captain will drop anchor in the bay of his choice so you can enjoy some leisure time. Sunbathe, swim from the boat into the warm sheltered waters of the bay, snorkel, lounge on the trampoline net, or just read a good book in the shade of the bimini. The crew will serve refreshments before you set sail back to Gustavia. After the tour, you will still have time to stroll around Gustavia.

Please note: Minimal age is 12 years (accompanied by an adult). This tour is not suitable for guests with reduced mobility, back or neck issues and pregnant women.

Snorkeling is optional, Guests participating to the snorkeling must know how to swim. Snorkeling equipment is not provided, please bring your equipment from the ship.

The itinerary and the tour sequence may be changed at Captain's discretion depending on weather conditions and tide.

Guests are advised to wear your swimsuit under the clothes and to bring a hat, sunscreen, a towel from the ship and water.

**ST MAARTEN (Philipsburg)**

**Debarb tours ending at the airport and transfers can be pre-booked prior your cruise.**

**ST MAARTEN - Two nations, one island -scenic island tour (ending at the airport)**

Duration: 04:00 approx.

Transportation: air-conditioned vehicle

Price: 59 €

Activity level: easy

Min 15 participants

*This excursion is suitable for passengers disembarking in St Maarten who have flights leaving SXM airport after 3:30 pm*

Saint Maarten is one of the most unique destinations in the Caribbean. Since 1648 the island has been divided between the French and the Dutch with both sides maintaining their very distinct personality and heritage. The French side, Saint Martin is quiet and refined with gorgeous white beaches, French cuisine and sophisticated resorts.

The Dutch side of Sint Maarten has a more obvious Caribbean flavour with its brightly coloured buildings and tropical flair. St Maarten's capital is Philipsburg which bustles with duty free shopping, quality dining and an active nightlife. Practically, the whole island's economy is based on tourism with around 70% of the population working in the tourist sector. The island is also duty-free, which of course enhances its attractiveness for tourists.

Departing the Harbor at 9am, you will be dropped off in nearby Philipsburg for a one-hour browsing and shopping on famous Front Street (shops open at 9 am) or for a leisurely stroll along the boardwalk to enjoy the turquoise waters of Great Bay.

After enjoying the Dutch Capital, you will be driven past the salt ponds, once the main source of revenue for the island to Oyster Pond, where you will cross the border to the French side.

Following the road to the charming village of Oyster Pond you will arrive at Coralita lookout point. Here kite surfers can often



be photographed catching the waves, while in the distance the island of St Barth can be seen. After a short stop the journey continues towards Orient bay, well- known for its clothing optional beach and the the village Grand Case until you arrive to Marigot, the capital of the French side of St. Martin.

Here you will stop for approximately one hour, and you will have time for some more souvenir hunting, duty free shopping and/or time to enjoy a coffee in a typical French café.

Leaving the charming French capital of Marigot you will be driven through Bellevue on the way to the border where you will cross back the Dutch side of the island. Then you will cross the Simpson Bay causeway, the newest and longest bridge on the island. You will arrive at 12h30 at Princess Juliana International airport.

**Star Clippers also offers the following services (optional, upon reservation):**

- **Shared transfer to “Princess Juliana” International Airport (SXM)**

Guests who have purchased a shared transfer cannot choose their pickup time. There will be one fixed departure from the port at about 09:00am. This transfer is suitable for guests whose flight leaves after 12:00.

