

Destination Weddings and Honeymoons



Sandals Resorts Offers Exotic Caribbean Wedding Venues

Aside from the bride in her stunning dress, the wedding venue is the pièce de résistance. It's the element that sets the tone and captures the true personality of the couple. Each Sandals Resort features a distinct setting - guests can walk down a white-sand isle that leads to the most beautiful beach in Grenada, exchange vows on a sunset bluff overlooking the turquoise sea in Saint Lucia or celebrate love in Antigua at the "World's Most Romantic Resort."

Guests can fall in love with a charming, white chapel hidden among swaying palms in Jamaica or live it up in the Bahamas, where an offshore island is the perfect spot for a vibrant reception. In the premier destination of Barbados, a European wedding garden beckons an elegant ceremony.

Free Beautiful Beginnings Wedding

Sandals gives qualified clients some free wedding services. The bride receives a stunning bouquet of long-stemmed fuchsia dendrobium orchids, and the groom a matching boutonniere. For the reception, a table with eight beautiful place settings of crisp white linens, fine china, flatware and stemware are accented with a dendrobium centerpiece. When it's time for the cake cutting, a two-tier white fondant cake topped with fuchsia dendrobium orchids is simply picture perfect. The Beautiful Beginnings Wedding also includes exclusive WeddingMoons amenities such as a complimentary manicure for the bride, a 30-minute foot massage for the groom, a hosted wedding website with gift registry, and more.

Customized Weddings Inspired by Dreams

For the day they've been dreaming of most of their lives Sandals customizes color palettes, centerpieces, musical arrangements, special ceremony traditions, and more to bring the client's vision to life. For couples that need a bit of inspiration, Sandals offers five additional themes to choose from. More importantly, Sandals has an entire team dedicated to supporting the bride and groom from start to finish. From reserving and selecting the best rooms and suites for couples and their guests, and arranging the proper marriage documents, to coordinating all décor and handing the bride her bouquet moments before walking down the aisle, every detail is handled with care and attention.

Sandals Royal Caribbean



At Sandals Royal Caribbean in Montego Bay, Jamaica, newlyweds can experience the ultimate exotic honeymoon.

The recently launched Over-the-Water Villas are perched on a deck hovering over the sparkling sea. The Tahitian-inspired villas feature see-through glass floors, a Tranquility Soaking Tub for two, a hammock

hanging over the brilliant turquoise water, a private infinity pool and Jacuzzi with outdoor shower, plus, lit water for night viewing.

Visitors can experience two diverse vacations woven into one at this location. The resort's decidedly British heritage begins with the Majestic Georgian-style Great House, surrounded by manicured gardens and roaming peacocks - all complemented with well-heeled traditions like afternoon tea and a rousing game of croquet.

On the private island, the lush landscape is accented by serene pathways, romantic footbridges and Bali-inspired beach cabanas. The Tahitian-style pool offers another view of paradise where guests can meet like-minded castaways at the swim-up bar. Visitors can dine on fresh grilled specialties at the casual Bamboo Shack during their all-inclusive Jamaica vacation.



Sandals Barbados

Sandals Barbados is set along pristine Dover Beach in St. Lawrence Gap on the south coast of the island, renowned for its beautiful beaches and posh nightlife.

Romance in the Caribbean

The resort's Love Nest Suites have raised the bar on resort luxury with lavish accommodations that are the epitome of chic Caribbean design and romance. The Swim-up Crystal Lagoon Suites feature an outdoor private Tranquility Soaking Tub for two on every patio and direct access to the river pool. Just steps from the sea and the resort's beachfront pool, the grand Beachfront Village one bedroom Suites are complete with personal butler service, expansive balconies, private Tranquility Soaking Tubs and magnificent spa-style bathrooms.

Guests can dine around the world at 11 gourmet restaurants.

When the sun goes down, visitors can enjoy live music and good libations on the house. A swank piano lounge, lively British gastropub, and intimate fire pit lounges create the perfect night.

"Sandals Barbados is special for newlyweds. The entire resort has been designed with romance and luxury in mind, from our lush gardens filled with tropical flowers and secluded spots to the many water features on the resort which truly come alive during the dusk hours, complimented by our fire pits. Furnishings have been specially selected to cater to two persons who want to get cozy," said resort Manager Patrick Drake.

"If that image of total passion isn't enough, to add to your dream getaway, we have strolling minstrels along the property ready to serenade you on request. The dining experience is also designed around the latest food trends."



Sandals LaSource Grenada

Defying every convention of traditional design, this resort offers private plunge pools, cascading waterfalls and meandering river pools. Here, in the heart of Grenada's exclusive Pink Gin Beach on an exotic island, the intoxicating scents of spice and tropical blooms make a heady elixir for romance.

Sandals LaSource beautifully captures the island's Afro-Caribbean, European and South East Asian influences throughout three extraordinary villages – Pink Gin, Italian and South Seas. Pink Gin Village brings guests close to the water's edge with a beachfront pool and accommodations that are just steps from the sea. As grand as its namesake, the Italian Village boasts magnificent sanctuaries such as the SkyPool Suites. Guests open bedroom doors to reveal an infinity-edge plunge pool that seamlessly blends with the distant horizon. Glass mosaic tiling mimics the sky, while the surrounding coral stone brings it all back down to earth. Guests can step from their living room onto a terrace where a Tranquility Soaking Tub for two provides a delightfully surprising romantic diversion. For a touch of the exotic, the South Seas Village presents romantic and unique Rondoal Suites featuring a private courtyard with a pool.

This Six-Star Diamond award-winning resort also provides an outstanding 5-Star Global Gourmet dining experience, which includes Butch's Chophouse. This exceptional restaurant rivals New York's finest steakhouses, serving prime cuts of Wagyu beef, classics like Oysters Rockefeller and other delectable accompaniments.

Sandals Grande St. Lucian

The stunning all-inclusive resort, found just north of the city of Castries, nestled between the Caribbean Sea and Atlantic Ocean is



ideal for relaxation, exploration and romance. Sandals Grande St. Lucian offers the very best of the Caribbean. The gorgeous property features its own private peninsula and a sheltered mile-long beach cradled by mountain peaks that emerge from the island's calmest deep blue waters.

Honeymooners or visitors on a romantic getaway will experience a location full of natural beauty, rich in history, and resplendent in pure romance.

One-of-a-kind suites include the brand's signature beachfront Rondovals. These seductive circular, romantic hideaways offer the utmost in privacy and feature refined details including a 20-foot conical ceiling, marbled bathroom and an exclusive plunge pool for two. Equally remarkable, the Lover's Lagoon Swim-up Suites offer charming private patios with direct access to an inviting lagoon pool surrounded by tropical splendor.

Sandals Grande St. Lucian also features a tranquil Over Water Wedding Chapel – the first of its kind, on any island in the Caribbean – and offers spectacular panoramic views of Rodney Bay. The chapel's elegant sea-inspired décor includes a beautiful Riverstone altar, a glass aisle made up of three water-viewing floor panels, and an open-air design that invites in the natural surroundings. This unique and intimate wedding venue has enough room to seat 15 guests or accommodate up to 20 guests standing.

Barbados

Barbados is a place that celebrates living and couples can land and get married on the same day.

There are endless venue choices: Beautiful beaches, genteel plantation homes, set amongst tropical sugar cane fields, abandoned sugar mills and sailing along the placid platinum coast on a flotilla.

Couples can tie the knot at one of the 100 historical churches on the island.

Barbados has considerable wedding planning expertise and a wide range of services and products to choose from. These include bespoke cake makers, videographers and photographers who can capture the memorable moments and creative and internationally certified wedding planners.

Also available are artistic florists, who work with the amazing flora and fauna on the island, talented



entertainers and Dee Jays, as well as trained beauty professionals.

Newlyweds can indulge in a wide range of activities while on their honeymoon, including taking a Jolly Roger Cruise. An all-day open bar with barrels brimming with the Captain's famous Barbados Rum Punch is available. Visitors can swim with the turtles along the west coast or for the more adventurous, take a

walk on the plank or rope swing.

Honeymooners can also enjoy the spectacular scenery and beauty of the island, including at the Harrison's Cave, where they can view the rushing streams and calm glassy pools as they travel by tram, or they can witness the breathtaking crystalized limestone formations.

Barbados is home to several championship golf courses designed by world-leading architects Tom Fazio and Robert Trent Jones Jnr. Golfers can enjoy the lovely Caribbean sunshine and clear blue skies as they work on their strokes on the superbly maintained fairways and greens which surround the Royal Westmoreland Estate, or tee off at one of two of the prestigious and exclusive Sandy Lane golf courses.

Afternoon tea and cricket are two of the British traditions that Barbados has retained.



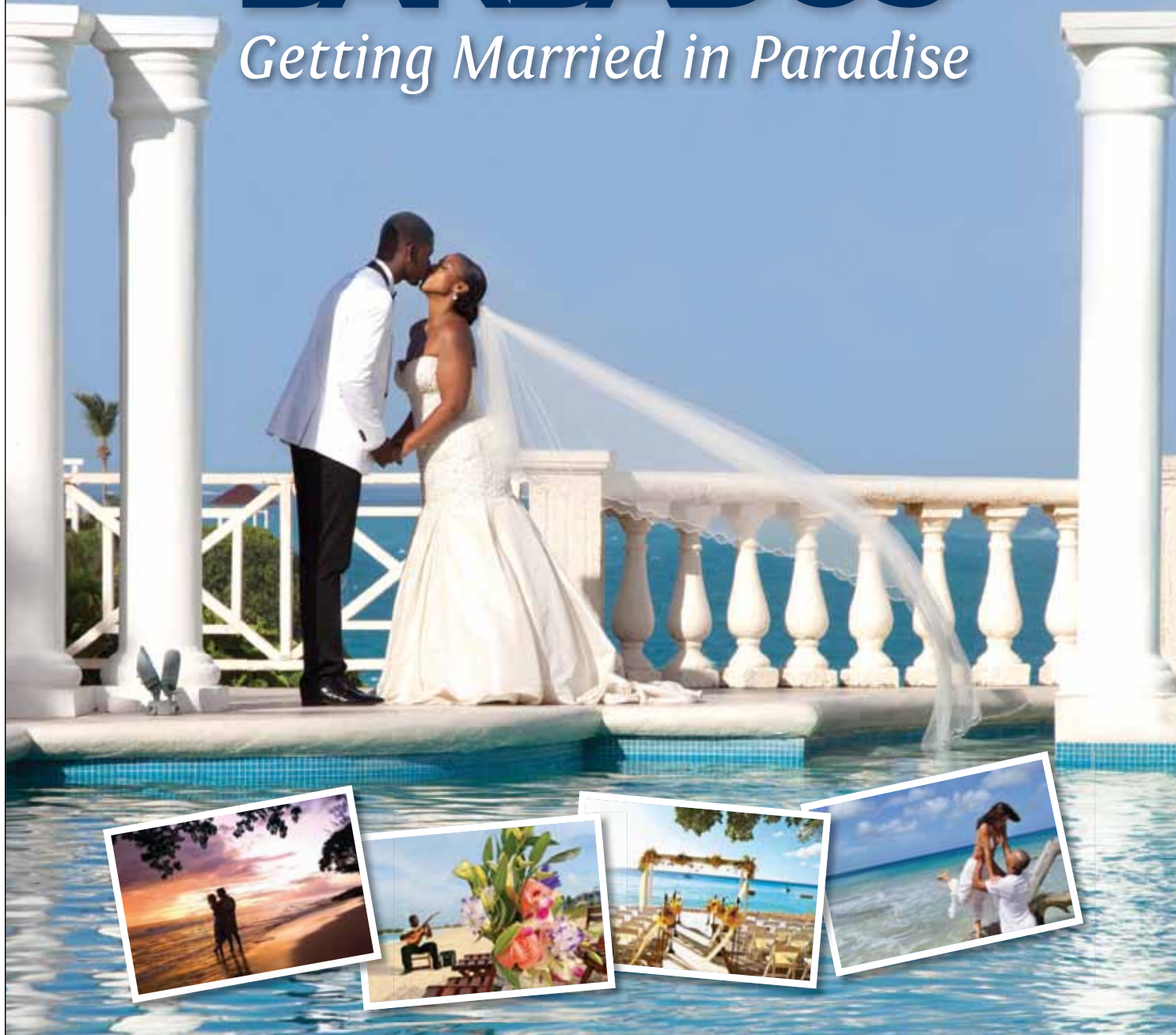
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St. Lucia

St. Lucia has for the past decade etched out quite a robust reputation as one of the region's leading players in the multimillion dollar romance/weddings niche market.

The island has iconic and stunning scenic vistas that dot the length and breadth of the island, among them being home to a UNESCO World Heritage site that includes a one-of-a-kind drive in volcano, beautiful white and black sand beaches and some of the most incredible preserved historical and cultural backdrops anywhere in the world.

St. Lucia offers a whole range of wedding venues in addition to resorts. You could get married on the beach, on a yacht, in a lighthouse, at the botanical

garden, a private villa, a plantation estate, or even under water! You will find no more picturesque backdrop for your wedding photos than the magical Piton Mountains. The Diamond Botanical Gardens boasts dozens of waterfalls and lush flowers.

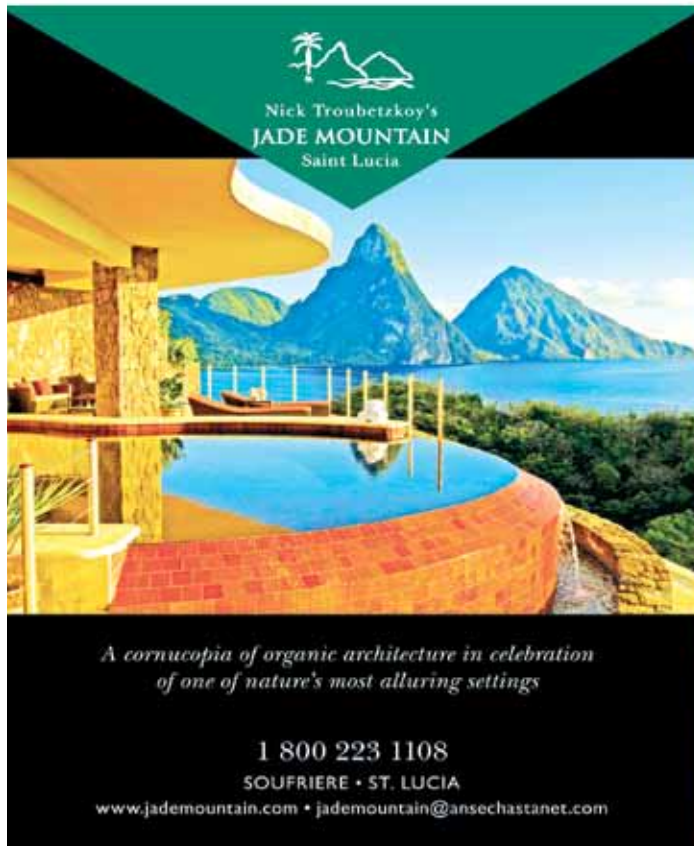
The island is ideal for sailing and water sports. For adventurous couples, zip-lining, hiking or biking through the rainforest, or taking to the skies for a helicopter tour over the lush landscape is the perfect precursor to a candlelit dinner on a private beach overlooking the enchanting Piton Mountains.

St. Lucia has won the award for "The World's Leading Honeymoon Destination" from World Travel

Awards nine times.

The island has consistently played host to the annual wedding symposium that has brought together top wedding experts from the U. S., U.K. and the Caribbean to discuss leading trends in that niche sector.

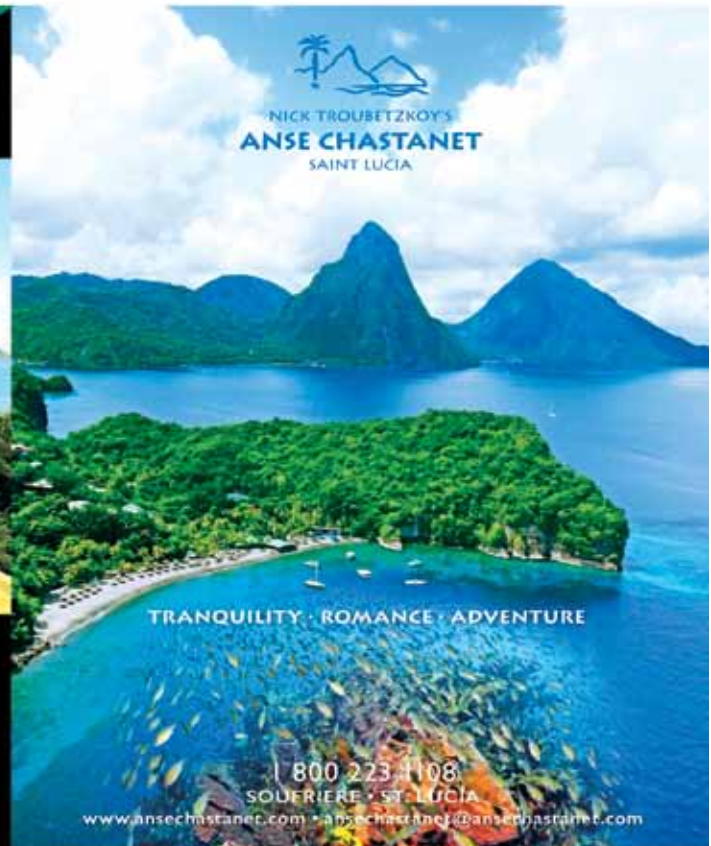
St. Lucia boasts a cadre of wedding/honeymoon insiders who have played a pivotal role in leading a transition that deliberately highlights the strong linkages that are critical to ensuring the tourism dollar filters to every sector of society. The beneficiaries range from musicians and singers who perform at weddings to fashion designers, interior decorators, photographers and farmers.



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Guyana

Guyana tourism officials say some travellers who love the Caribbean are now seeking more than white sandy beaches for wedding locations and Guyana provides appealing and unique options.

"It's not only the breath-taking backdrop of the Mighty Kaieteur Falls that beckons. The concept of hearing the words 'Dearly Beloved' on the Iwokrama Canopy Walkway high above the Amazonian Jungle is doable and very unique," Guyana's former Tourism Minister, Cathy Hughes, said.

"The extremely wide variety of purely natural, ecological vistas that make up Guyana's landscapes is simply mind-blowing. And we're becoming more and more creative."

Visitors and overseas Guyanese can tie the knot at one of the rustic resorts, at the multi-tiered Orinduik waterfalls, or at one of the city's landmarks, which

includes the Kissing Bridge in the Botanical Gardens.

Legislation to reduce the waiting period for non-nationals wishing to get married in Guyana from 15 to 2 days and to allow for the quick delivery of marriage certificates, is expected to be approved in a few months.

Roraima Airways has been in the forefront of enhancing event planning for weddings and promoting wedding services and products available in Guyana, through the annual Wedding Expo, which was first held in 2009.

Chief Executive Officer of Roraima Airways, Captain Gerry Gouveia, stressed at the launch of the 2016 expo, the importance of the event as it coincides with the development and advancement of the tourism sector in Guyana.

He said the event allows small



Newlyweds celebrating in Guyanese style with fresh coconut water

businesses to exhibit their products during the competition period.

According to veteran exhibitor, Debra Dey of Executive Office Services, "We have been on board with the Wedding Expo from the inception. I have noticed a significant jump in sales soon after taking part in the event. I feel it's very good exposure for businesses because of the large numbers that visit. The crowd is from a wide cross-section of people."

Roraima Duke Lodge is one of the properties that offers all-inclusive wedding packages. This includes a honeymoon room at Duke Lodge or Residence Inn on the wedding night, and a day tour at Arrowpoint Nature Resort for the wedding couple.

With the package, newlyweds are also entitled to complimentary admittance at the Roraima Executive Lounge at the Cheddi Jagan International Airport and a 50 percent discount on a trip to Kaieteur Falls.



This couple chose the rustic Arrowpoint Nature Resort for their special occasion

St. Vincent and the Grenadines

St. Vincent and the Grenadines offers couples the opportunity to say “I Do” against the stunning backdrop of the open ocean to the sound of waves lapping against the beach, or under an arching canopy of trees amidst the flora in a garden wedding.

Location choices include several parks or the Botanic Gardens that has 20 acres of lush greenery, vibrant plant life and manicured lawns.

The islands of Bequia, Canouan, Union Island and Mayreau also provide ideal locations to tie the knot.

Bequia is SVG’s second largest island and a thriving destination for yachting, diving and beach weddings. Couples can say “I do” against a backdrop of white sails and wheeling white birds.

At less than four miles in length, **Canouan** is nevertheless home to world-class resort hotels which provide the fullest amenities for weddings. The island has several picturesque, wedding-friendly beaches – including Grand Bay, Glossy Bay and Windward Bay – whose warm and gentle waters create an embracing atmosphere.

While visitors to **Union Island** enjoy the hotels, guesthouses, tours, restaurants, markets and boutiques, marriage-minded folk will be thrilled by its exquisite beaches.

The smallest of the Grenadines with a population of only 300, **Mayreau** is a cozy place, the home of warm and welcoming fisher folk with strong ties to the land and

sea. With brilliant white sand and clear water, the island’s beaches rank among the world’s best.

Petit St. Vincent, with its 115 acres of pure nature and just 22 guest cottages, combines opulent service with cozy seclusion. Renowned as wedding specialists, the island has a wide variety of locations and packages. You can even rent the entire island for your ceremony.



Sail the archipelago of St. Vincent and the Grenadines climaxing with snorkeling in the world renowned Tobago Cays Marine Park

Located just off St Vincent, **Young Island**, with its lush vegetation and exquisite ocean views exude romantic passion and energy that has made it a prime destination for weddings for people from all over the world. The entire island can also be rented.

For those opting for a resort wedding, they will be in the capable hands of wedding event experts who take care of the bride and groom’s every needs. Bequia Beach hotel, located on Friendship Beach and Buccament Bay Resort, which offers a five-star Caribbean experience, are highly recommended for resort weddings.

There are numerous historic churches across the island. These include the Kingstown Methodist Church, a revered and well-known landmark which was built by Methodists at the end of the 18th century; St Mary’s Cathedral of the Assumption, with its intricate architecture and commanding presence; and St. George’s Cathedral, where illustrated stained glass windows and an ornate chandelier greet those who enter this Georgian-style Anglican church.



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A part of both Central America and the Caribbean, Belize has the highest concentration of ancient Mayan sites and the largest cave system in Central America. Mayan temple weddings can be done at any of the country's Mayan sites, incorporating history and an unbelievable view.



One of the several Mayan temples.

Belize, the only English-speaking country in Central America, offers incredible inland activities for nature lovers and the ultimate beach vacation. A visitor can be exploring the ancient Mayan sites during the day, and be back on the beach in the evening.

For those that love being on the water, a Sailboat and Catamarang wedding is recommended. The bride and groom can exchange vows on the Caribbean Sea while overlooking the world's second largest barrier reef.

For a wedding with a difference, visitors can opt for a Sandbar Wedding. The sandbar is a strip of sand in the Caribbean Sea, in the middle of nowhere, where couples can say their "I Do's" surrounded by

crystal clear water and beautiful skies.

And for an experience like no other, an Underwater Wedding is recommended. According to the Belize Tourism Board: "Weddings are always memorable, but a scuba wedding will surely provide an experience like no other."

Nature lovers can opt for a Waterfall Wedding, which, among other things, provides a breathtaking backdrop for wedding photos.

According to Belize tourism officials, the most popular weddings are barefoot weddings on a sandy beach at sunset.

After the wedding, visitors to Belize who love the outdoors have exciting options.

"Whether your intention is to be boldly adventurous by ziplining through the rainforest and scaling an ancient Mayan temple, or to relax placidly by the turquoise clear sea, there is so much to do and marvelous things to see in Belize, that it keeps you wanting more," said Director of Tourism, Karen Bevans.

A new cruise ship port, additional airlift and room stock, as well as several new large scale investments are fuelling tourism growth in Belize. An increase in airlift will boost tourism arrivals for the upcoming winter season.

WestJet began operating a nonstop flight between Belize and Toronto in October.

"A direct flight has been highly requested by visitors and industry stakeholders. It will make travelling to Belize so much easier and more convenient as this will eliminate connection or layover time. This direct flight is absolutely going to

boost our arrival numbers further, especially where the Canadian market is concerned," the Director of Tourism said.

Flights from the U.S. market are also increasing. Southwest Airlines will begin operating a seasonal flight between Belize and Denver, Colorado in March, 2017. Tropic Air also has an additional flight twice a week - Tuesday and Saturday - from Cancun, Mexico.

Norwegian Cruise Line's Harvest Caye port is scheduled to officially open in mid-November, 2016. The cruise line will have four calls per week.

Belize currently has a total of 8,257 rooms. The current room stock is expected to increase by roughly 600 more rooms between the remainder of 2016 and in 2017.

Mahogany Bay Village, a luxury accommodation set to open in early 2017, will be the first Hilton Worldwide property in Belize, under the Curio collection.

Lighthouse Reef, Blackadore Caye, Caye Chapel and Placencia are some of the new large-scale tourism investments, while several properties are expanding. The new projects are expected to generate employment for 18,000 people.

Last year, 341,125 overnight visitors went to Belize. Arrivals for 2016 are expected to increase by just over 11 percent.

Ambergris Caye, Belize's largest island known for its Caribbean beaches, water sports and scuba diving, was named as Mexico and Central America's Leading Destination in the Caribbean at the 2015 World Travel Awards.



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Antigua and Barbuda

Antigua and Barbuda, which boasts some of the world's most romantic and secluded locations, offers stunning backdrops for the Big Day with a range of options, from barefoot on the beach to classical in the cathedral.

No waiting period or residency requirements for a wedding license to be issued and an array of wedding planners, means arranging the Big Day is a breeze and as stress-free as possible.

Antigua and Barbuda is renowned for its 365 beautiful beaches and clear azure blue water. It also boasts captivating culture, exhilarating activity and rich historical treasures with something to appeal to all seeking the ultimate romantic setting for declarations of love.

For many, the classical beach wedding is the only option. Antigua and Barbuda pride themselves on their pristine pink and white sandy beaches and with 365 to choose from, there is something to suit every taste. You can paddle your feet in the waves as you confirm your love, with the sound of steel pan bands in the background.

Newlyweds in search of relaxation, can choose to pamper themselves in the luxurious spa resorts, enjoy his-and-hers massages and take relaxing therapies available at the many boutique hotels.

More adventurous newlyweds can try their hand at sailing, diving or snorkeling. They can also jump in a jeep and travel deep into the islands' many national parks in search of wildlife, or visit the Frigate Bird Sanctuary.

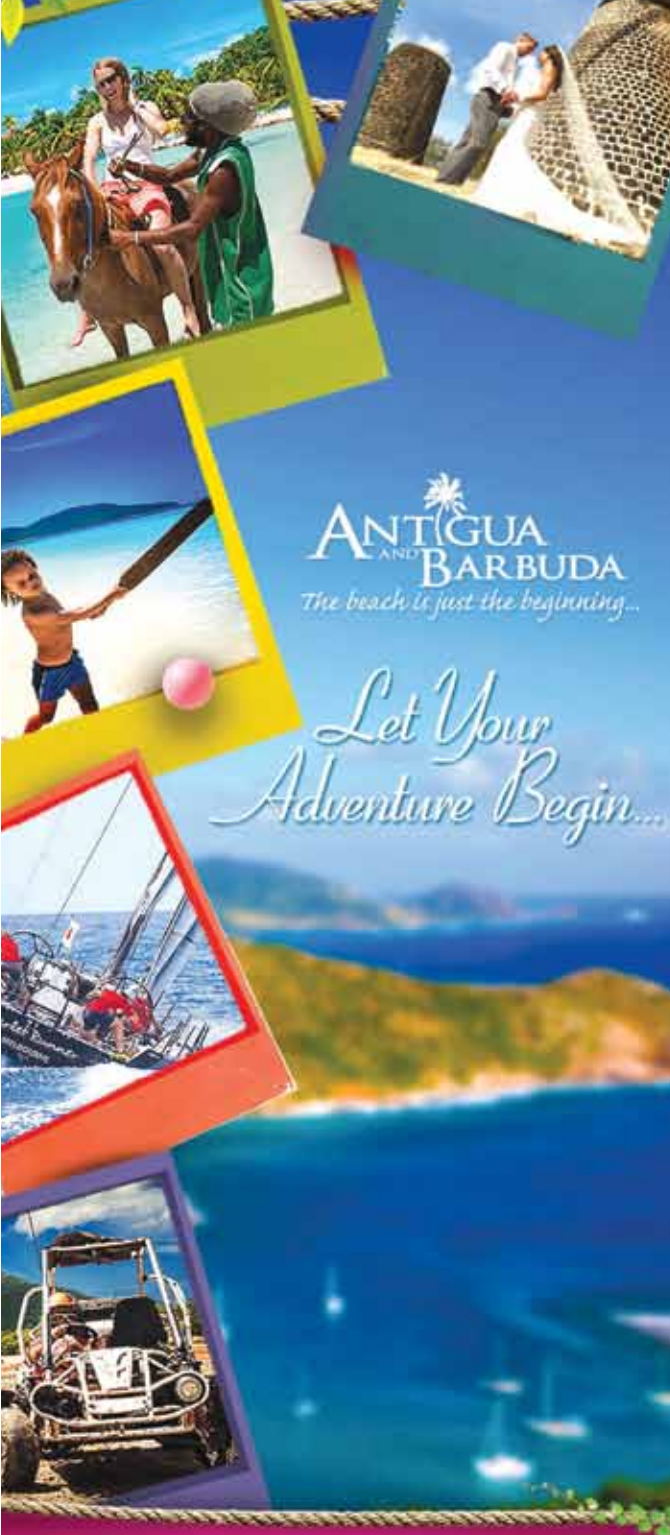
For those looking for something off-the-beaten-track, look no further than the famous Shirley Heights. Overlooking English Harbour, this location on an Antiguan clifftop offers breathtaking panoramic views. The fortifications and old barracks provide the perfect backdrop for wedding photographs.

Or hop over to Barbuda to discover the Martello Towers at Two Foot Bay.

For a wedding with plenty of heritage, the world-famous Nelson's Dockyard in English Harbour is just the spot. Once home to the British Royal Navy, Admiral Horatio Nelson spent several years here. Renovated Georgian buildings are still standing in the Dockyard and the ruins of Fort Berkeley are just a short walk along the peninsula. The romance of this historic landmark continues today with weddings taking place at Clarence House on the opposite hillside.

Similarly, for a snapshot of Antigua's cultural past, the Museum of Antigua and Barbuda in the capital, St John's, is a way of capturing the cultural heritage on your special day.





For those seeking a church wedding, a number are available including the gracious twin-towered 19th century Cathedral in St. John's.



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