

BVI 2017



The British Virgin Islands (*Bare Boat Charter*) Cruise July 28th to August 5th, 2017



Join the DRFC on another exciting adventure, exploring the British Virgin Islands (BVI). We will cruise the islands for 7 days and visit 7 to 10 Islands in the BVI at our own pace.



Who are we?

Just a tight nit group of friends and family who live and work in the DC, MD, and Virginia area who have been traveling together for years all over the world Deep Sea fishing, Skiing, Boating, Motorcycling, Vacationing and just simply enjoying new adventures wherever we can find it. We enjoy introducing others to our travel experiences. I'm Joe Banks, your trip leader and Captain.

What is Bare Boating?



“**Bare boating**” refers to chartering a yacht that you sail yourself. Bareboat chartering is a participatory means of travel/vacation. It is not a big ship cruise. There are no waiters, maids, cooks - we will have a Captain for each boat, we party together, and we all join in and help out on the boat! “

What if I don't have sailing experience?

Not necessary. The cost of the trip includes a Captain for each boat. All you need is a positive attitude and a willingness to help out. There's not much to do on a Power Vessel but *enjoy*.

What if I get seasick?

Sometimes, even some seasoned Captains and crew may get a little queasy on the first day. But after that, your body adjust very quickly. We are never out of sight of land. The waters in the BVI are mostly calm and sheltered. The main thing is not to let sea sickness get in the way of having the time of your life.

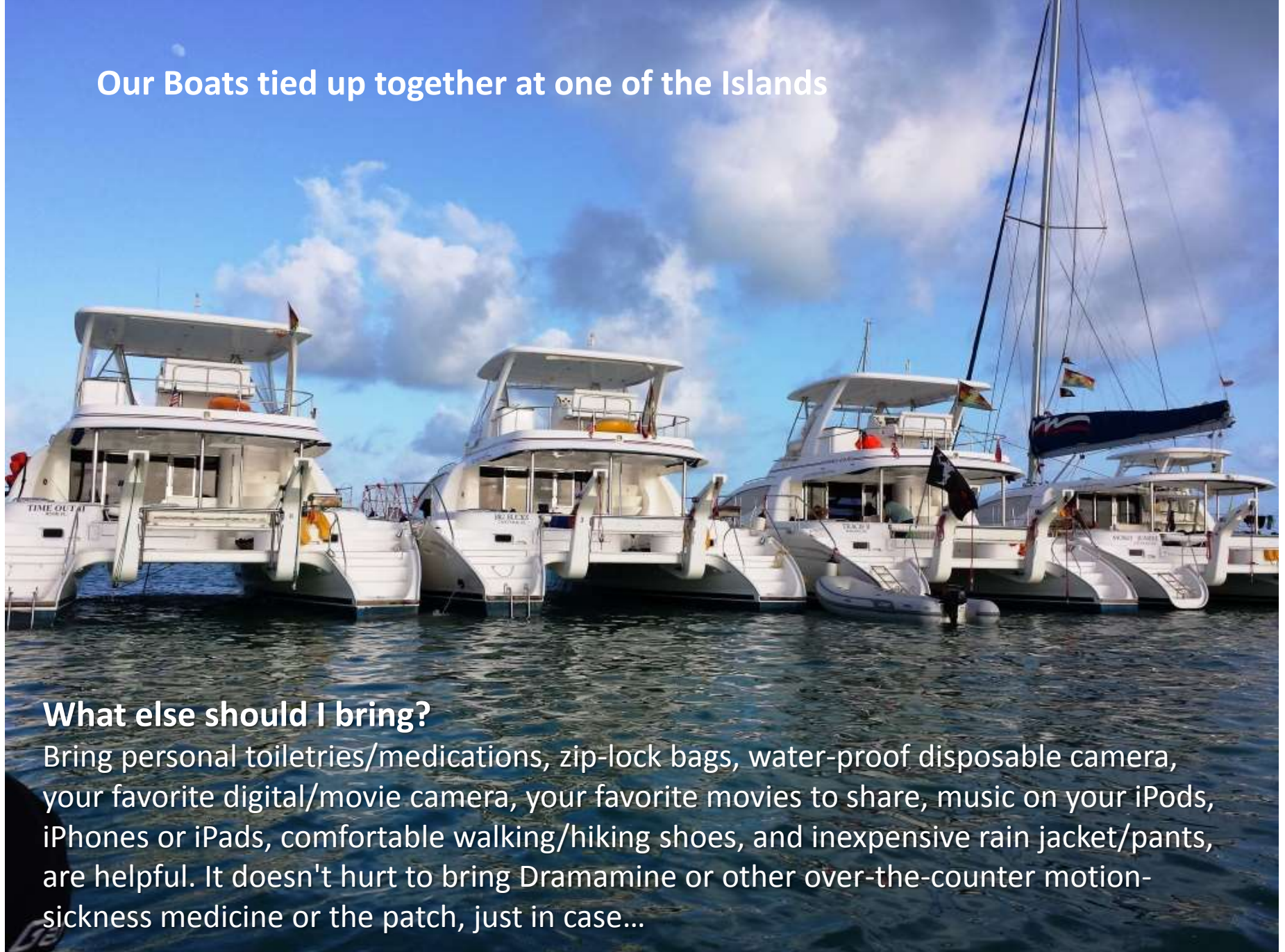
A scenic view of a tropical bay with turquoise water, a white sandy beach, and lush green hills in the background. The water is a vibrant blue-green, and the beach is a thin strip of white sand. The hills are covered in dense green vegetation. In the distance, more hills are visible under a clear sky. A small pier or dock is visible on the right side of the bay.

How should I dress?

This isn't a big cruise ship so, bring casual, "quick-dry" clothing, water shoes/sandals w/non-skid soles swimwear, windbreaker, sunglasses w/strap, hat w/strap, and sun screen.

Enjoy swimming, snorkeling, scuba diving or just lounging on the beach while reading a good book. Take your time. We've got all day...

Our Boats tied up together at one of the Islands



What else should I bring?

Bring personal toiletries/medications, zip-lock bags, water-proof disposable camera, your favorite digital/movie camera, your favorite movies to share, music on your iPods, iPhones or iPads, comfortable walking/hiking shoes, and inexpensive rain jacket/pants, are helpful. It doesn't hurt to bring Dramamine or other over-the-counter motion-sickness medicine or the patch, just in case...

Who says you can't *try something new* in life? You just have to get out of your comfort zone and *do it...*



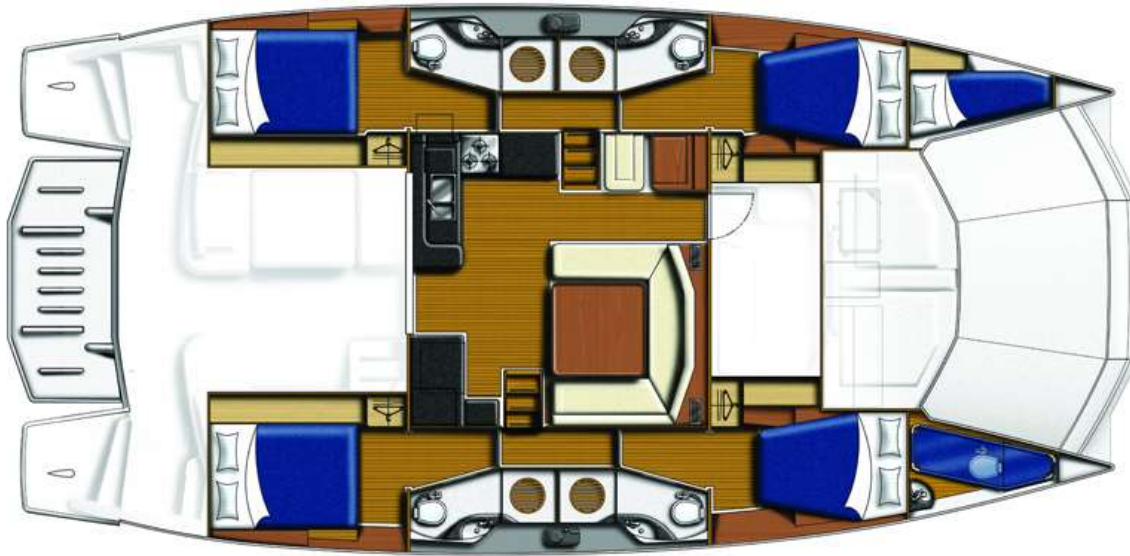
Just imagine being here

How will we get here? Well, there are several options for getting to Tortola in the BVI; **By Air, via San Juan** Many major airlines fly you all the way to Tortola by way of Beef Island. A typical flight jets into San Juan, Puerto Rico. From there it's just a short flight in a smaller airplane to Beef Island (EIS), where you'll check in at customs at the airport.



Via St. Thomas: *We recommend you fly directly to St. Thomas (STT) in the U.S. Virgin Islands.* From there we will have taxi service to take us to the Road Town Fast Ferry. The Ferry service will take us to West End, Tortola, BVI. The ferry ride can take about 45 minutes. From the ferry, we will have a taxi take us through the town of Tortola to the Mooring's Mariners Inn hotel where we will have lodging for the first night. Once we have checked into the hotel, our Welcome dinner party/buffet will begin shortly after. After dinner, we relax for the evening.





Total cost per person is:
\$2295.00

See cost breakdown below.

Send Payments to:

Joseph A. Banks,
 804 Falls Lake Drive,
 Bowie, MD. 20721-3160

Note: Price does *not*
 include airfare.

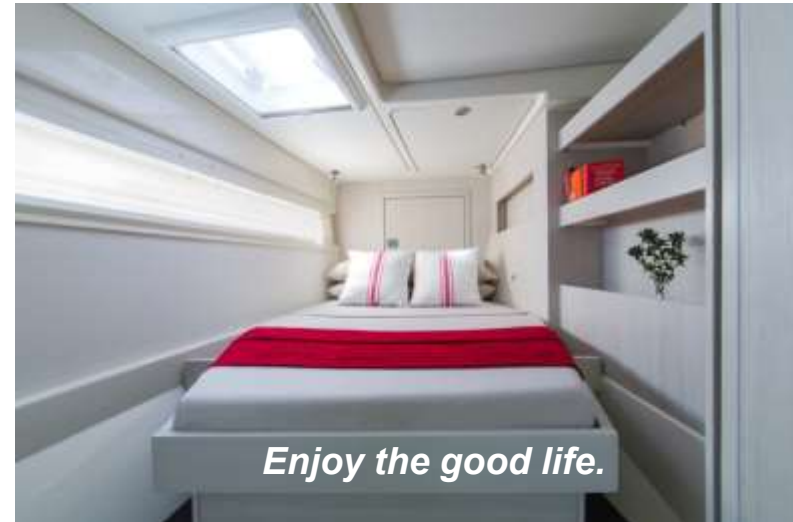
Trip Dates: July 28th thru
 5th August 2017

Price: \$2295.00 (per person)
 2 people per cabin. There are four cabins per boat.

Price includes the Welcome Party, First Night's Hotel
 Stay, three beach parties, the round trip taxi & ferry
 service, all meals onboard (B/L/D3/S) for 7 days, the
 Captain's tip, Snorkel Lessons, T-shirts and more.
Total Price: \$2295.00 per person

Food/Provisions: are included for up to eight people per yacht.
 Water, and beverages are included!

Fuel: The cost of fuel, refueling and mooring fees are included.
 (**Note#1:** Fuel cost has been estimated based on current day cost
 and may increase by the time we take the cruise in July 2017.)



AMENITIES EQUIPMENT PROVISIONS	<u>Yacht Amenities</u>	<u>What's included?</u>
AM/FM Stereo, MP3 Player	Dinghy with Outboard	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st Night Hotel Stay Mariner Inn, Tortola, BVI 1st night Welcome Dinner Party/Buffer Fully stocked Food/Provisions (Meals) per person (7-Breakfasts, 7- Lunches, 7-Snacks and 3-Dinners) (<i>water and limited beverages</i>) <i>This allows us to sample island restaurants on four nights.</i> Three (3) Beach Parties at different islands <i>T-shirts</i> <i>Round Trip taxi and Fast Ferry service</i> <i>Captain's Gratuity</i> <i>Lots of Fun!</i> <i>Parties Nightly</i> <i>(Beach Parties are included in the price.)</i>
CD Player with Cockpit Speakers	VHF Radio	
Transom Deck Shower	GPS	
Cockpit Cushions	Autopilot	
Fully Equipped Galley	Electric Windlass	
Propane Barbecue Grill	Depth Sounder	
Water Heater	Knot meter	
Wind scoop / Breeze buster	Yacht Operations Manual	
Refrigerator / Freezer	Tool Kit	
Snorkeling Gear, Mask/Tube/ Fins (<i>Bring your own snorkel gear if you like</i>)	Binoculars	
Linens & Towels	Air Conditioning	
Beach Towels	Color Chart Plotter	
Housekeeping Supplies	Electric Toaster	
Foul Weather Jackets	Microwave	
Fans in Staterooms	Blender	
Souvenir T-Shirt (<i>I'll need your T-shirt sizes</i>)	DVD / Flat Screen TV	
Price includes a Captain to pilot the boat. Bring your favorite Movies and Music on iPods, iPhones and iPads. Water, and limited Beverages are <u>included!</u>	<u>AIRFARE is NOT Included!</u>	

Where will we stay the first night?



The Moorings Mariner Inn, Roadtown, Tortola, BVI (*We check in after 5:00 pm*)



We will Island hop to 7 to 10 of the many Islands in the British Virgin Island chain for seven days in a private 43' or 51' Mooring's Power 433PC or 514PC Catamaran yacht, stopping to enjoy each island's beauty, the beaches, several beach parties, the cuisine and all the enjoyment the Islands have to offer. We have all day to explore each island, have lunch or dinner, play on the beach, swim, dive, shop, explore the different clubs, eat at different restaurants, party the night away or simply relax.

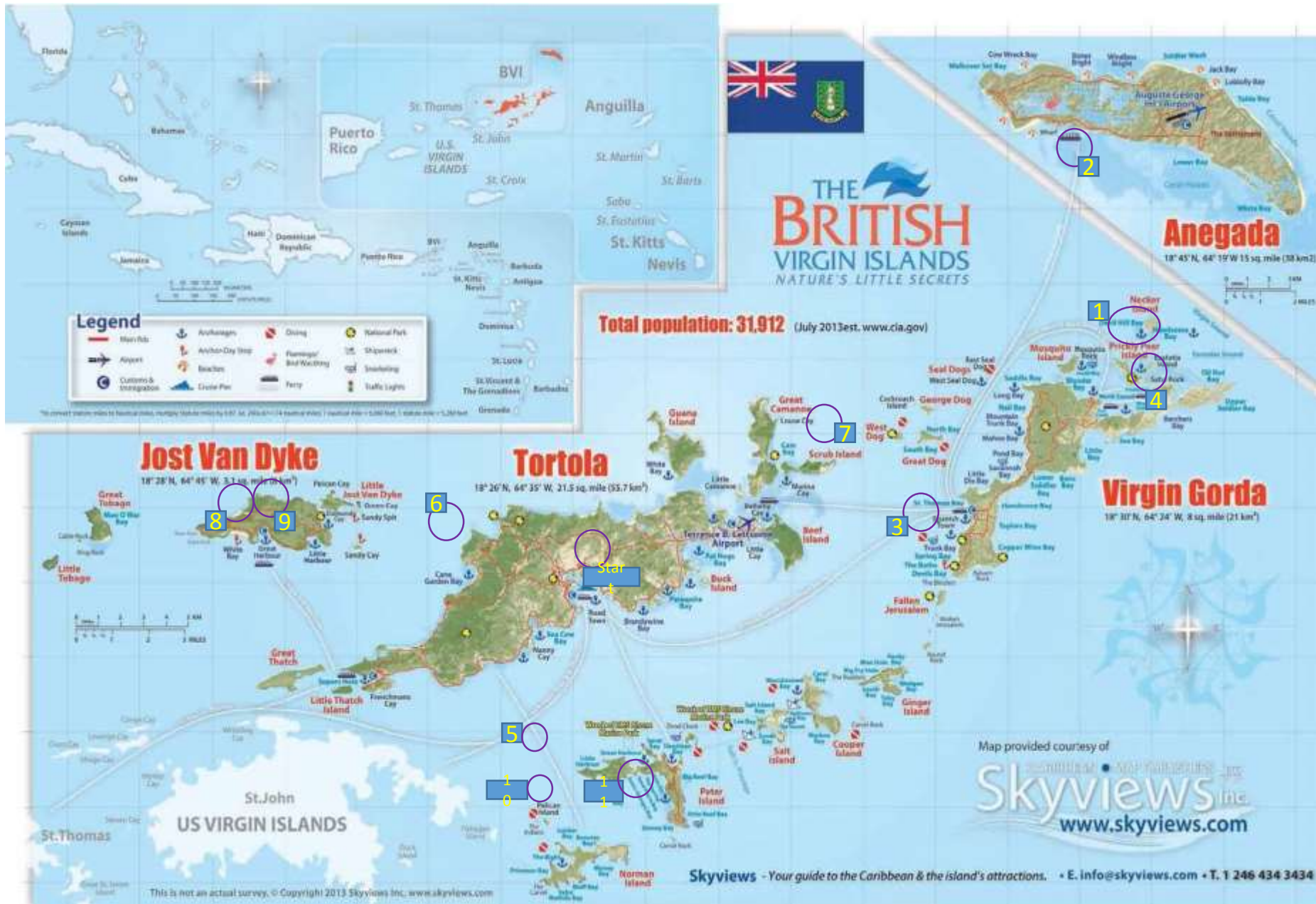


We will cruise at our own pace in Luxury.



The “Mooring's Power 433PC & 514PC” Catamarans have four cabins and five baths in its 43' & 51' hulls with room enough for 8 to 10 people. A bareboat yacht vacation is a way to explore some of the most beautiful places on earth. ***It's your own private power yacht for the entire week.*** ***Note*** The price includes a Captain to pilot your boat. So all you have to do is enjoy the ride.

2017 Float Itinerary



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Date	Stop#1	Activity	Stop#2	Activity
28 July 2017 Friday	Mariner Inn Hotel Tortola, BVI	Check-in to rooms	Mariner Inn Hotel Tortola, BVI	Welcome Party/hors d'oeuvres 7:30 PM Entertainment by "DJ Rich"
29 July 2017 Saturday	Moorings Yachting Center, Tortola	1:00 pm Departure Tortola, BVI	Prickly Pear Island <i>Mooring Buoy</i>	Swim & relax at the "Sandbox Bar & Grille" . Dinner onboard the yachts.
30 July 2017 Sunday	Anegada Island	Day at the Beach Anegada Beach Club	Anegada Island <i>Anchor Boats Together</i>	Lobster fest at "Potter's by the Sea" 7:00 PM (<i>You pay for your dinner</i>)
31 July 2017 Monday	Virgin Gorda	Explore The Baths, lunch	Bitter End Yacht Club <i>Dock at the Pier</i>	West Indian Beach BBQ Party/Buffer at Almond Walk beach at 7:00 PM
1 August 2017 Tuesday	The Indians	Swim, Snorkel, Scuba Diving	Cane Garden Bay <i>Mooring Buoy</i>	Beach Party/Buffer at Myett's Hotel Happy Hour at the Tiki Bar 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Happy Hour prices. Dinner 7:00pm
2 August 2017 Wednesday	Scrub Island <i>Dock at the Pier</i>	Explore & Shopping Hang out at pool	Scrub Island <i>Dock at the Pier</i>	Beach Party/Buffer (Pig Roast) at Scrub Island's North Beach 7:00 PM
3 Aug 2017 Thursday	White Bay	Soggy Dollar Bar Swim, Snorkel	Jost Van Dyke (Great Harbor) <i>Mooring Buoy</i>	Foxy's Tamarind Bar . Swim, Snorkel, Relax. Dinner onboard the yachts.
4 Aug 2017 Friday	Norman Island Caves	Snorkel the Caves	Norman Island <i>Dock at Concrete Pier</i>	"Pot Luck Night" dinner onboard the yachts & Willie T's after dinner
5 Aug 2017 Saturday	Moorings Yachting Center, Tortola	Ferry departs at 10:00 AM.	St. Thomas Fast Ferry Station	Take Taxi to the Airport (STT) or to the Ritz Carlton Hotel, USVI

The BVI 2017 trip includes three beach parties (*Caribbean Beach Party, Pig Roast party, Beach BBQ Party*) at different islands! This give us a chance to experience the different foods and flavors that the islands have to offer.

Scrub Island Beach Party



Beach Party Cane Garden Bay



Happy Hour at the Myett's Tiki Bar



Lobster Feast at Anegada Island

When we are not tied up to a dock, here is the transportation to and from shore...



The 433PC-3 CATAMARAN



Moorings 433PC-3 virtual tour
<https://vrcloud.co/ma1857b>

Moorings 433PC-3 video Tour
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ugb_Sq7e38U



Boat#7**Contract#****Cabin Assignments****Name****Cabin Mate****Cabin
Number****Moorings 433PC-3 Power CAT**

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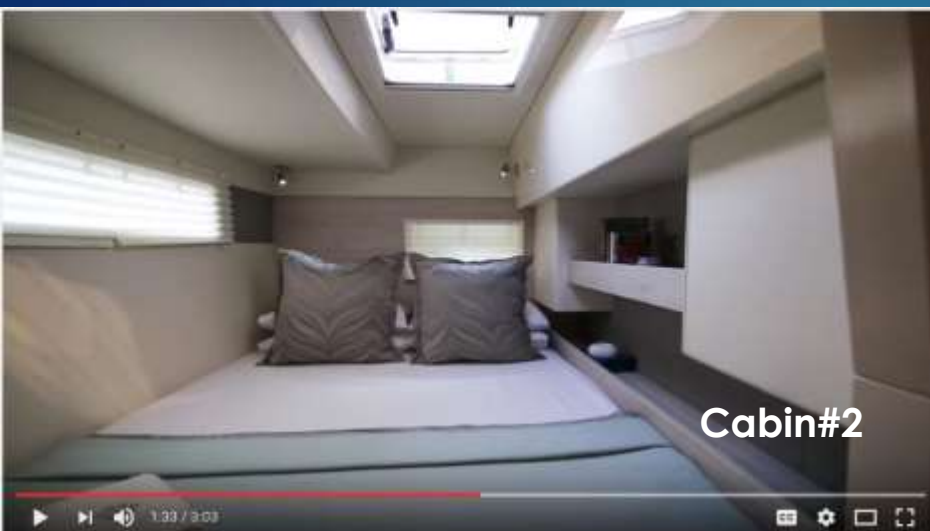
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Cabin#2**Cabin#1****Cabin#3****Boat Captain: TBD****Boat Name: _____**

The 433PC-3 CAT





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July 2015

We'll explore diverse islands and landscapes aboard our Moorings 43' & 51' Caribbean Power yachts. The BVI offers protected waters with line-of-sight navigation, and full-service marinas. We will enjoy tranquil anchorages, picture-perfect beaches, friendly people and enticing local restaurants. A BVI powerboat itinerary offers plenty of opportunities to explore as much or as little as we want. With Power catamarans, we can cover a lot of ground and stop at several new places every day before heading to our overnight anchorage.



Moorings 514PC-Excl Plus Yacht

The Moorings 514 PC (*Power Cat*) is a luxury 51-foot powered catamaran conceived and designed specifically for yacht charters. It's the ideal cruising platform, boasting three deck levels and four large cabins with en suite toilets and shower stalls. Fast, yet fuel efficient, easy to handle, spacious and loaded with amenities.



Boat#1

Contract#

Cabin Assignments

Name

Cabin Mate

Cabin
Number

Moorings 514PC Power CAT

Captains
Quarters

1

2

Joe Banks

Connette Banks

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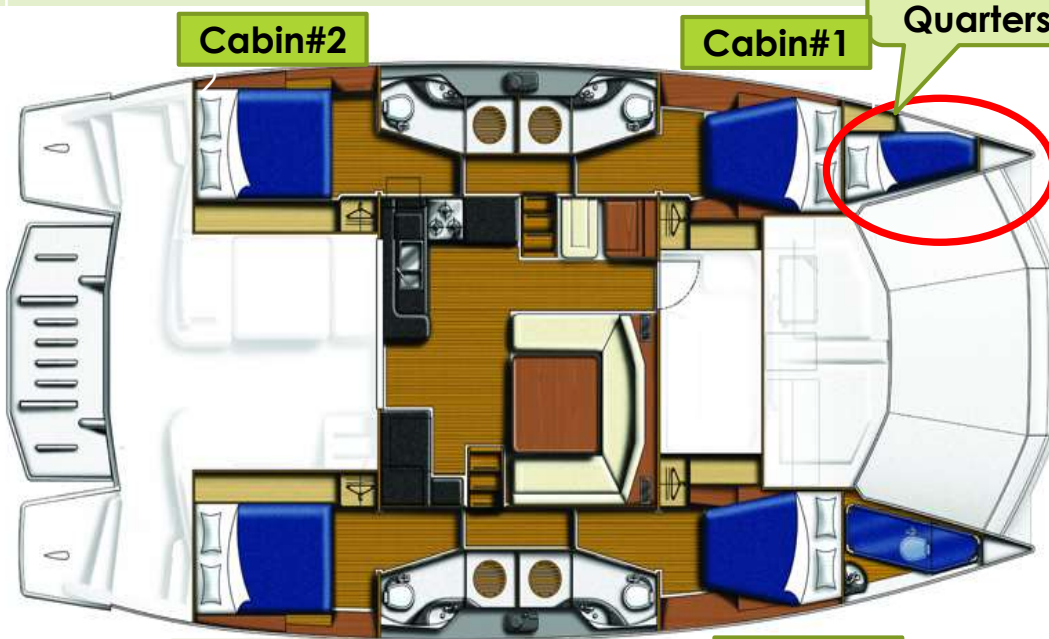
Henry Hill

Romona Hill

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Cabin#2

Cabin#1



Cabin#4

Cabin#3

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Boat Captain: Joe Banks

Boat Name: _____

514-PC Galley & Salon



Moorings 514PC Guided Tour <http://youtu.be/yfgzN0xfMU0>

Moorings 514PC Virtual Tour <https://vrcloud.com/ma1573b>



The Salon...



The Galley...

514-PC Berthing Area



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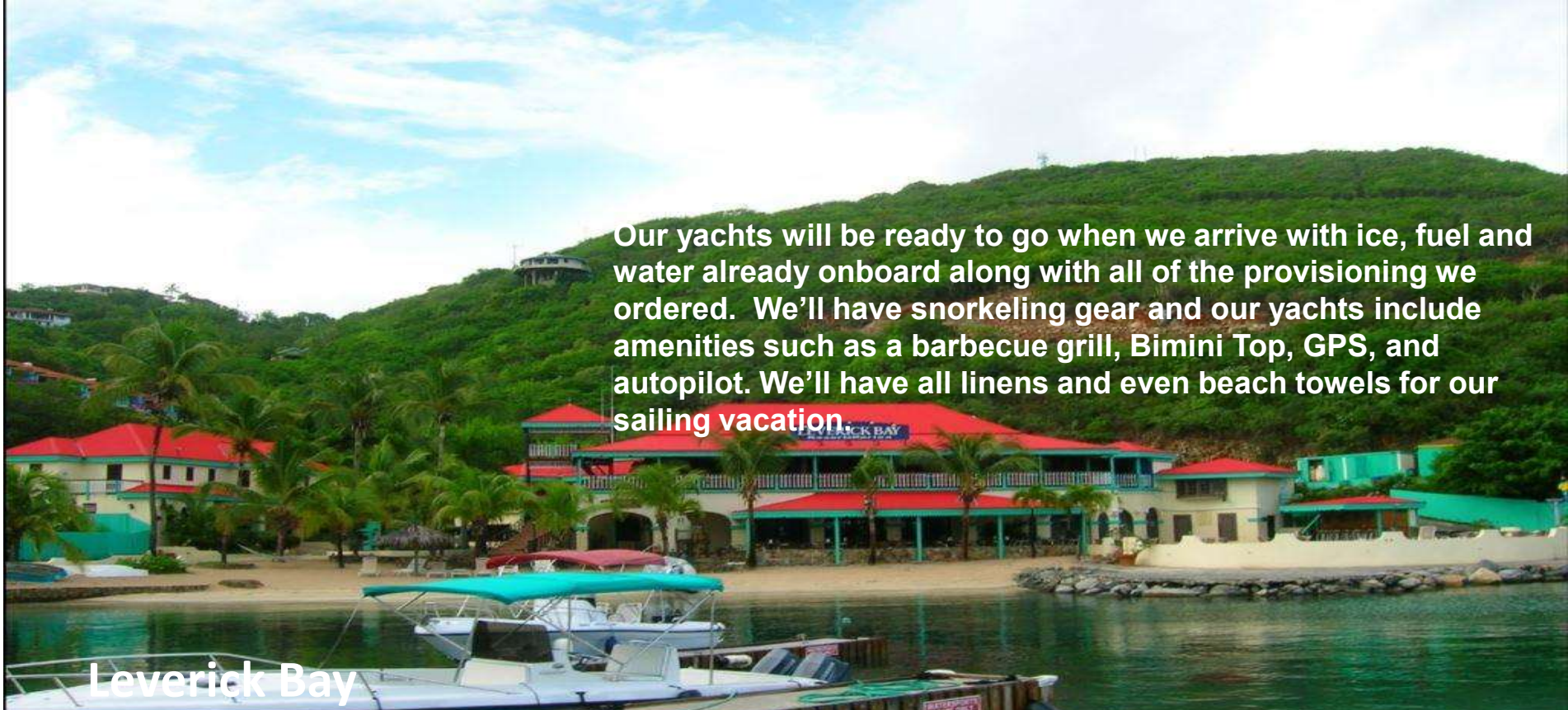
We'll be cruising in style in our 51' Luxury Power Catamaran Yacht



Cockpit Area

514-PC Fly Bridge Area





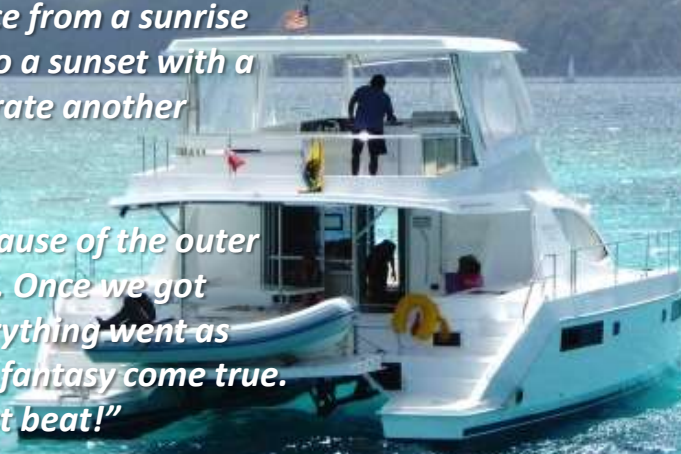
Our yachts will be ready to go when we arrive with ice, fuel and water already onboard along with all of the provisioning we ordered. We'll have snorkeling gear and our yachts include amenities such as a barbecue grill, Bimini Top, GPS, and autopilot. We'll have all linens and even beach towels for our sailing vacation.



Scrub Island

What some people are saying...

- *"From beginning to end an awesome adventure!! "*
- *"Every day going from Island to Island, Every stop had its own ambience from a sunrise with a cup of hot coffee to a sunset with a relaxing cocktail to celebrate another exhilarating day."*
- *"We lost the first day because of the outer band of hurricane Bertha. Once we got started the next day, everything went as planned and it was like a fantasy come true. I'd do this again in a heart beat!"*
- *"Cruising the British Virgin Islands on a private 47' Catamaran was more enjoyable than I ever expected. I'm not sure what I expected but this trip definitely exceeded my unknown expectations."*
- *"This trip was much more than just a vacation, it was an adventure! I don't think I could ever enjoy a big ship cruise any more than I've enjoyed this bareboat charter."*





You've never had a vacation like this one before and you'll never forget this experience!

Don't forget to bring your Music and your favorite Movies on DVD!



Beauty and Tranquility are abundant. You'll experience the Best Vacation you have ever had!

I Guarantee it!

Customs & Immigration

A valid passport is a must (*for each passenger*) and a crew list is compulsory for clearance. Expiration date of your passport must be no earlier than 6 months after your planned return. A customs declaration form must be completed at the port of entry. Any questions, please email Joe Banks or call me (202) 498-5012

Questions?

If you have any questions or if some of the information is not clear, please contact;

Joe Banks at Banksjab@yahoo.com or call (202) 498-5012

Join us for the ***BVI 2017 Vacation Adventure Kick-off Party!*** ***10th Sept 2016!***

Learn More about this upcoming Vacation Adventure!

Mark your calendars and plan to bring a dish to share and BYOL.

Date: 10th September 2016 at 4:00pm

Where: 804 Falls Lake Drive, Mitchellville, MD. 20721

PLEASE RSVP so that I can plan for how many people to expect....

Agenda:

Welcome Everyone

Introduce ourselves to the new comers

Talk about the British Virgin Islands (BVI)

Talk about the Upcoming BVI 2016 Trip

Talk about the Yachts we will be living aboard

Talk about the planned Float Itinerary to the different Islands

Talk about the Beach parties on the different Islands

Answer your Questions about the trip

Show some videos and photos of the previous trip

Eat, Drink, Meet & Greet

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS 2017 VACATION ADVENTURE CRUISE PAYMENT OPTIONS AND SCHEDULE

Scheduled Payments	Payment Amount	Total Paid
Total Cost of the BVI 2017 Vacation Adventure Cruise is <u>\$2295.00</u>		
June 2016 (Initial Deposit)	\$295.00	\$295.00
July 2016	\$300.00	\$595.00
August 2016	\$300.00	\$895.00
September 2016	\$300.00	\$1195.00
October 2016	\$300.00	\$1495.00
November 2016	\$300.00	\$1795.00
December 2016	\$300.00	\$2095.00
January 2017 (Final Payment)	\$200.00	\$2295.00

You can also make your check out to and mail in your payment to;

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Mitchellville, MD. 20721

Our Flags flew high off the fly bridge of our yachts as we cruise the waters of the British Virgin Islands in 2015. *We'll do it again in 2017...*



Let's get going!



THE END!

