

COBBLERS COVE

B A R B A D O S

ESSENTIALS

To help plan your holiday, please find below a few details which we hope you may find useful.

1. TRANSPORT

AIR

Barbados has excellent air connections and is served, amongst others, by Air Canada, American Airlines, British Airways, Delta, JetBlue Airways, Gol Airlines, Thomas Cook, Virgin Atlantic and US Airways.

CAR RENTAL

You can rent anything from a Mini Moke to an air conditioned saloon, either directly at the airport or through the hotel. You will require your own current driving licence along with a Barbados licence which can be purchased through the rental company for BDS\$ 10.00.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

If you are feeling a bit adventurous, Barbados has an excellent bus system with two main types of bus.... government owned (blue with a yellow stripe) and privately owned mini buses (yellow with a blue stripe).

TAXIS

Taxis are not metered in Barbados so it is advisable to agree the fare, with your driver, in advance.

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2. ABOUT COBBLERS COVE

AFTERNOON TEA

Resident guests are invited to help themselves to a traditional afternoon tea which is served in the Tea Pavilion from 4.00 pm to 5.00 pm each afternoon.

AIR CONDITIONING

Every bedroom is fitted with an individually controlled air-conditioning unit.

ARTS & CRAFTS ROOM

There is a Children's Arts & Crafts Room, which is equipped with a toy and book library, as well as arts and crafts materials.

BIRDS

Cobblers & Barbados are full of birds, with species such as Black Skimmer, Hummingbird, Ramier, Grey Kingbird, Frigatebird or Cobbler (after which the hotel is named), Carib Grackle, Mourning Dove, Common Ground Dove, Lesser Antillean Bullfinch, Honey Creeper.

BOOKS

There is a selection of books in each room with an additional collection in our library.

BOUTIQUE

The hotel has its own shop selling gifts, clothes and holiday basics.

CHILDREN

Children are much loved and very welcome at Cobblers Cove, except from 8th January to 27th March when children must be a minimum of 12 years old.

DRESS

Smart casual in the evening with jeans, shorts and swimwear not allowed in the bar and restaurant areas after 7.00pm.

ELECTRICITY

110 – 115 volts AC, 50HZ, American style, two flat pin plug. The hotel can provide you with an adaptor.

GYM

The hotel has its own gym.

HAIRDRESSER

We have a hairdressing salon on property as well as providing hair dryers in each of the suites.

LAUNDRY AND DRY CLEANING

Laundry and dry cleaning are collected daily at 9.00am. Each suite is equipped with an iron.

MEAL PLAN

BP - Breakfast included.

EP - No meals included.

MAP - Breakfast and dinner included.

Daily afternoon tea is included as part of all meal plans.

PONTOON

There is a pontoon just off shore within the swimming area of the beach.

ROOM SERVICE

Room service, for all meals and drinks, is available at no extra charge.

SERVICES PROVIDED

We believe in making the holidays of our guests as relaxing and as fun as possible. We would be happy to organise whatever you would like – hire cars, taxis, restaurant bookings, babysitters, garden visits, boat trips, picnics, tickets for cricket matches, tennis pros, golf course reservations, special dietary requirements, doctors' appointments. What ever you want, it is never too much effort for us.

SPA

The hotel has its own Spa offering a range of holistic treatments, manicures and massages.

SWIMMING

The area in front of the hotel is buoyed. This is to allow for carefree swimming and snorkelling as no other water sports are allowed within this area.

TENNIS

The hotel has its own flood lit tennis court, with racquets and balls available for guests to use.

WATERSPORTS

All watersports including water-skiing, sailing, snorkelling, kayaking and trips to swim with turtles are free of charge to hotel guests.

WI-FI

Cobblers offers complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the entire hotel and in each of its suites.

WILDLIFE

Cobblers is full of wildlife – Green Bajan Monkeys, Mongoose and Hawksbill Turtles can all be seen.

3. ABOUT BARBADOS

BARBADOS

Barbados is the Easternmost of the Caribbean islands. It is 21 miles long and 14 miles wide and has a population of around 285,000. The capital is Bridgetown and the airport is Grantley Adams International.

BEACHES

Barbados has more than sixty miles of golden sand beaches.

CLIMATE

The year round climate is pretty much perfect with an average temperature ranging from 24 – 29C (75 – 85F) with a gentle sea breeze courtesy of the North East tradewinds.

The rainy season is between June and November with short sharp showers early afternoon, followed by warm sunshine.

If hurricanes are going to develop, these would typically be between June and October but given that Barbados sits well outside the usual hurricane track, this is rarely an issue....the last direct hit being in 1955.

CURRENCY

The local currency is the Barbados dollar (BDS) which is fixed to the US dollar at a rate of BDS 1.98 = US\$ 1.00

Banks in the island are open between 8.00am – 3.00pm though the Barbados National Bank at the airport is open daily between 8.00am and the last flight in the evening.

There are many ATM/ABM machines around and all the major credit cards such as Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Diners are widely accepted.

GARDENS

Barbados is rich in tropical gardens – Hunte's, Andromeda, Orchid World, Welchman's Hall Gully and Flower Forest are all open to the public. Orchids, palms, ferns, cacti, bonsai, heliconia, hibiscus, bougainvillea and begonias are all abundant in Barbados.

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HERITAGE & EXCURSIONS

The history of Barbados is rich and this shows in the island's heritage. Historical buildings of particular interest include Codrington College, St Nicholas Abbey, the Morgan Lewis Sugar Mill, Sunbury House and St. Peter Parish Church.

LANGUAGE

English, with Bajan being the local dialect.

PASSPORT

Everyone requires a passport which is valid for six months beyond the date of departure and for certain countries, a visa may also be required. As regulations can change, it is always best to check.

TELEPHONES

There are three mobile network providers - Digicel, Cable & Wireless (Lime) and Sunbeach.

TIME DIFFERENCE

Barbados is four hours behind the UK (five hours in British Summer time). It is one hour ahead of US East Coast Time.

WATER

The water in Barbados is delicious and can be drunk from the tap.

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