

Let your spirit set sail



A Caribbean Dream

Antigua and Guadeloupe

Fri 10 January 2020 ⇨ Fri 17 January 2020



On board the Eye of the Wind, we will take you on an unforgettable journey of discovery through the magical island world of the Caribbean. Breathtaking natural landscapes, sailing adventures in a sunny ocean climate, and the culture of the colourful Caribbean islands make this cruise a unique holiday experience. A detour to the volcanic island Montserrat is planned en route. The azure blue ocean, beautiful palm beaches and the incomparable flair of the Caribbean way of life will remain in your memory.



This is where you will go on board: Nelson's Dockyard / Antigua

Our crew will welcome you on board at the cosy marina at Nelson's Dockyard, located at the edge of a nature reserve on the sugarcane island of Antigua. Across the bay lies a pink and white sandy beach, attracting adventurers, water sports enthusiasts, sun worshippers and beach walkers alike. The breathtaking sunset is the highlight of a romantic evening stroll.

Embarkation takes place at 19:00 hours. Afterwards, there will be dinner together in the comfortable lounge, where you will quickly feel at home on the Eye of the Wind's deck and soon get to know your fellow sailors.

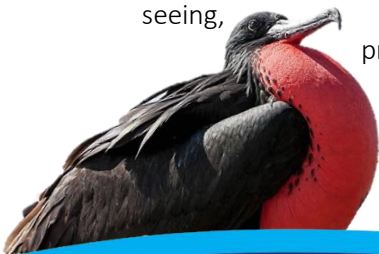
Antigua International Airport can be reached with one or two stops from many cities. Please feel free to contact us – we will be happy to assist you with the individual planning of your arrival and departure. Do you have some time left before your check-in on board? – At Jolly Harbour, there is the possibility of a helicopter flight to the active volcano on the neighbouring island Montserrat.



365 beaches – one for every day of the year!

The former British colony is not only famous for the annual Antigua Sailing Week, one of the most important regattas in the world, but also for its 365 dream beaches. After being discovered by Christopher Columbus, the overall picture of the island was shaped by British colonial rule, which lasted around 350 years. Make the most of your stay by visiting English Harbour Town with its perfectly restored architecture. The ruins of the fort, which are open to the public and well-worth seeing,

testify to the colony's efforts to protect itself against invasion from the sea.



Our sailing waters: The Windward Islands in the Caribbean Sea

The Eye of the Wind is not a ship that likes to lie idle in the harbour, so it is time to cast off the lines the next day. After receiving safety instructions and an introduction to sailing by the ship's crew, you will soon be able to take part in sailing yourself – no previous knowledge is required. We will set course for Guadeloupe and its neighbouring islands in the Caribbean Sea. You will get to know the Eye of the Wind as a seaworthy and reliable ship that has proven itself in all weather conditions. You can help actively with the sailing manoeuvres or just relax and watch. The setting and trimming of the sails during the days at sea will become an ever more fascinating spectacle from a long gone seafaring era.

Island hopping, anchor bays, time on shore

During the trip, we will make some stops, either at ports or in sheltered bays. Where we go ashore depends on the wind and weather conditions, and is decided at short notice by the captain, who will take your wishes into account whenever possible. This ensures that your sailing trip is a pleasant mix of adventure, relaxation, active participation and pure enjoyment.



St. John's in northwest Antigua might be the first option for a stop. In the centre of the island's capital, small streets and markets invite you to take a stroll. In the Heritage and Redcliffe Quay shopping centres, you can do some duty-free shopping and get some good bargains. Our tip: Don't miss out on a visit to one of the rum distilleries – some of the rums on offer are considered to be the most remarkable ones in the world.

This is where you will disembark: Pointe-à-Pitre / Guadeloupe

The butterfly-shaped island of Guadeloupe is influenced largely by French, African, as well as East and West Indian cultures. This mix is especially evident in the architecture, which ranges from the French colonial style to the Hindu temple. Be enchanted by a fascinating blend of exotic smells. The cuisine of the Antilles is characterised by fruits, spices, coconuts and seafood of all kinds.



We will drop anchor again in the small bay of Deshaies. On the west coast of Guadeloupe, we will be situated in a quiet and scenic location, from where you can start to discover the island. Besides wide sandy beaches, there are also a botanical garden, walking trails through the hilly landscape, and maybe even one or two cocktails in one of the countless bars.



For nature lovers, Guadeloupe – the Emerald Island – is a green paradise where you can discover the largest national park in the Caribbean with the highest waterfalls of the Antilles, a treetop path, mysterious mangrove forests, and a lush plant and animal life. From the Eye of the Wind's deck, we will have a breathtaking view of the almost 1,500 metres high volcanic cone of La Soufrière, and will round off the day by watching the stunning sunset.



In the port town of Pointe-à-Pitre, you will leave the ship with a sailor's bag full of unforgettable memories of your journey. The island's airfield is located around three kilometres from the port.

Seven good reasons to go

- Island hopping to some of the most scenic beaches and coves of the Windward Islands
- Across the Caribbean Sea aboard a windjammer with a young and friendly crew
- Attractive ports of embarkation and debarkation: Antigua and Guadeloupe
- Active sailing and manoeuvring on a 100-year-old tall ship ... feel free to participate!
- Nature impressions on the ocean, Caribbean flair on shore
- Excellent onboard cuisine, delicious meals from morning to evening
- Well-balanced ratio between time at sea, sailing in coastal waters, and time for shore leave



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Services included

- 7 nights' accommodation aboard the tall ship Eye of the Wind.
- Accommodation in a comfortable double cabin with hot and cold running water, shower, toilet, and air conditioning (single cabin surcharge).
- Full board (including all meals, soft drinks, coffee & tea).
- Lounge with TV/DVD and extensive on-board library.
- The tour price includes VAT.

Not included

Arrival and departure, shore excursions and alcoholic beverages. We gladly assist you in the individual planning of your arrival and departure. Please contact us if necessary in a timely manner.

Please consider the following notes on the itinerary

The indicated ports are optional. The ship's management reserves the right to change the itinerary at short notice depending on wind and weather conditions.

Basic travel information (non-binding information, subject to change)

Antigua

Official website: ▷ www.visitantiguabarbuda.com

Language: English

Currency: Eastern Caribbean Dollar, US \$

Climate / Avg. Temp.: Air 22–28 °C, Water 26°C

Avg. sunshine hours per day: 7

Traffic: left-hand driving

Guadeloupe

Official website: ▷ www.guadeloupe-islands.com

Language: French

Currency: Euro

Climate / Avg. Temp.: Air 26–28 °C, Water 26–28 °C

Avg. sunshine hours per day: 7

Traffic: right-hand driving

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