

Let your spirit set sail



'round Guadeloupe

A Caribbean Paradise Island

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Guadeloupe, Marie Galante, La Desirade ... dream islands with melodious names that inspire the imagination and breathe life into the notion of paradise on earth! We'll take you on a week-long journey of discovery through the enchanting island world of the Lesser Antilles. Breathtaking impressions of nature, sailing adventures in a sunny Caribbean climate, and the culture of the colourful islands make this trip a unique holiday experience. The azure blue ocean, picture-perfect 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: Pointe-à-Pitre / Guadeloupe

Our crew will welcome you on board in the port of Pointe-à-Pitre. 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.



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.

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.

The island's airfield is located around three kilometres from the port and is the destination of many international flights. Please feel free to contact us – we will be happy to assist you with the individual planning of your arrival and departure.

Our sailing waters: The Windward Islands in the Caribbean Sea

We will set course along the coastline of Guadeloupe towards the neighbouring northern 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

The Eye of the Wind is not a ship that likes to lie idle in the harbour, so it's time to cast off the lines the next day. After receiving safety instructions and an introduction to sailing from the ship's crew, you will soon be able to take part in sailing yourself – no previous knowledge is required.



A number of en route stops are planned, either at a port or in a sheltered bay. 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.



Îles des Saintes: Caribbean splendour above and below the water

The archipelago south of Guadeloupe is a colourful scenic panorama. In the village of Terre-de-Haut, it is well worth going for a stroll along the main street with its countless shops, cafés and restaurants. If you want to shop Caribbean-style, this is the place to go! With a rented scooter, you can drive up to the Fort Napoléon further north, which is surrounded by a huge cactus park with big iguanas. From up here, you can enjoy spectacular views of the bay.



For water-sports enthusiasts, a variety of activities from diving to kite surfing is on offer. A ride with the Eye of the Wind's dinghy from the natural harbour at Terre-de-Haut to the exceptionally beautiful, uninhabited neighbouring island of Îlet à Cabrit gives you a true adventurous feeling from the time of the explorers and Buccaneers. When snorkelling in the shallow and crystal clear water, the underwater rocks reveal a variety of tropical fish and maritime vegetation.



Dominica – the natural beauty of the Caribbean

The island of Dominica is the botanical garden of the Caribbean. It bears the unofficial nickname "Nature Island" due to its lush and diverse flora and fauna. Turquoise water, green palm forests and white beaches make up the charm of this region.

Our tip: In the morning hours, go for a two-hour guided rowing boat ride up the Indian River and through mangrove forests. The boat tour can also be combined with a tour of the island and a visit to the reserve of the Caribe Indians. The island capital, Roseau, is a typical Caribbean city that invites you to stroll and do some shopping.



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

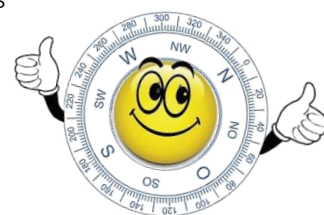
At the end of the trip, we will drop anchor once more in the small bay of Deshaies. On the west coast of Guadeloupe, we will be situated in a quiet and scenic location. From the Eye of the Wind's deck, you will have a breathtaking view of the volcanic cone of La Soufrière, almost 1,500 metres high, and you can round off the day by watching the stunning sunset.

By the time we have arrived in Pointe-à-Pitre, the Eye of the Wind will already be the ship of your dreams! Here you will bid the crew farewell and leave the ship with a sailor's bag full of travel memories.



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 port of embarkation and debarkation: the Windward Island 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 and time for shore leave



Journey time

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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)

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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