

**CITIZENSHIP BY INVESTMENT**  
**ANTIGUA & BARBUDA**

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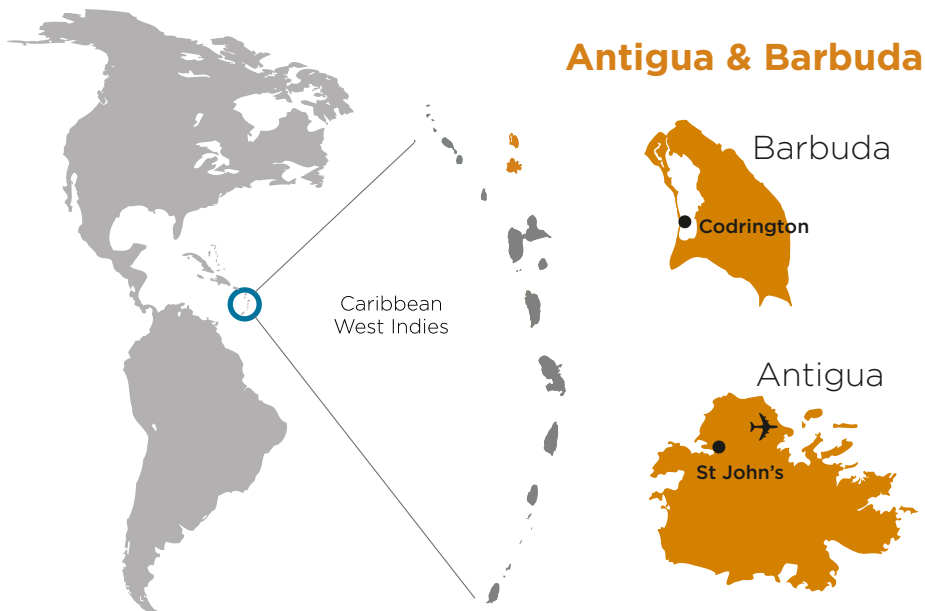
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# ANTIGUA & BARBUDA AT A GLANCE



## Antigua & Barbuda

Barbuda

Codrington

Antigua

St John's

Although Antigua is volcanic in origin, the island is quite flat with the highest point at 402 meters. The wind blows through it, creating a pleasant breeze, carrying away a flotilla of soft white clouds. Also referred to as Waladli or Wadadli by the natives, Antigua is the main island of the country of Antigua and Barbuda.

Antigua is best known for its amazing gold and white sand beaches, turquoise and clear water, shady palm trees and the very special Caribbean atmosphere.

Beaches are not the only attraction of the island. The capital and largest city of Antigua and Barbuda, St. John's, is located on the north-west and has a deep harbour that is able to accommodate large ships. Nelson's Dockyard, a restored British colonial naval station, is also a popular attraction among tourists. Antigua is proud of being home to the famous British Admiral, Lord Horatio Nelson, and carefully preserves many legends from the time when he lived there.




If life on Antigua is the life on the beach, the neighboring island of Barbuda is a beach by itself. This low-lying coral island, located 30 miles north of Antigua, is sparsely populated and encompasses an expansive lagoon, which is bound by a long undeveloped beach.

Antigua, the largest of the English-speaking Leeward Islands, has been a tourism hub in the Caribbean since the 1970s. This West Indies tourist center features some of the world's best beaches, and with a new airport terminal scheduled to open within the year, these twin islands can accommodate daily flights from Europe and the Americas.

# ANTIGUA & BARBUDA AT A GLANCE



 Capital City:	<b>St. Johns</b>
 Total Area:	<b>440 km<sup>2</sup>/170 mi<sup>2</sup></b>
 Population:	<b>97,928</b>
 GDP:	<b>US\$ 2.072 Billion</b>

 Language:	<b>English</b>
 Independence from UK:	<b>1981</b>
 Main Island:	<b>Antigua</b>

## LOCATION

Antigua and Barbuda lie in the eastern arc of the Leeward Islands of the Lesser Antilles, separating the Atlantic Ocean from the Caribbean Sea. Antigua is 650 km southeast of Puerto Rico; Barbuda lies 48 km north of Antigua and the uninhabited island of Redonda is 56 km southwest of Antigua.

Antigua is easily accessible from the United States, Canada and Great Britain. The new terminal of VC Bird International Airport (ANU), opened in 2015, accommodates non-stop commercial flights from Toronto, Miami, New York City, Charlotte, Atlanta, San Juan and London-Gatwick as well as regional commuterflights from within the Caribbean area. Visitors wishing to continue on to the sister island, Barbuda, have a short trip by inter-island flight to Cordington Airport, or can travel by ferry line.

# ANTIGUA & BARBUDA AT A GLANCE



## WEATHER

### March

average low temperature

**76°F/23°C**

### August

average high temperature

**82°F/28°C**

Temperatures in Antigua and Barbuda range from the mid-70s in winter months, to the mid-80s in the summer. The tropical climate of the islands is moderate due to the constant northeast trade winds, with velocities ranging between 30 and 48 km / h. There is little precipitation, with average rainfalls of 45 inches per year, making the islands the sunniest of the Eastern Caribbean Islands.

# CITIZENSHIP BY INVESTMENT PROGRAMME

## When there is instability in your own country it can:

- make obtaining travel visas difficult,
- affect your freedom to work,
- affect your ability to purchase real estate,
- limit investments opportunities,
- subject you to punitive tax burdens or currency controls,
- or make your current passport a target for hostile groups when traveling abroad.

A new citizenship and passport can provide peace of mind in a sea of insecurity.

Through the Citizenship by Investment programme, it is possible to acquire a new citizenship provided you can meet certain qualifications and pass a background check.

In early 2013, the Senate of Antigua and Barbuda voted to establish a Citizenship by Investment programme to spur growth on the islands. Gaining citizenship through investing in a country's financial future is a viable, legitimate way in which to address these challenges, and provide professionals, investors, global entrepreneurs and their families with newfound freedom and security.

**Presently there are four routes available to qualify for Citizenship by Investment:** contribution to the National Development Fund (NDF), acquiring government-approved real estate, or through investment in approved business enterprises and there is the option for financing the UWI's fourth landed campus via the University of the West Indies (UWI) Fund. All routes offer lifetime citizenship, which can also be passed on to descendants, and grant access to extensive visa-free travel.

## ADVANTAGES OF ANTIGUA & BARBUDA CITIZENSHIP

- **No age limit** for unmarried siblings as eligible dependants.

<b>A wide range of qualified dependants</b>	<b>Quick processing</b>	<b>Visa-free travel</b>
Antigua & Barbuda allows a uniquely broad range of dependants to add to the applications, from children to siblings and grandparents, making it a favourable program for larger families.	3-9 months.	Extensive visa-free travel to almost 140 countries.
	<b>Others</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• No taxes on international revenue, wealth or inheritance tax.</li><li>• Antigua is the only jurisdiction to formally offer Citizenship by Investment to Stateless persons.</li><li>• CIP investors can resell property to subsequent CIP applicants, whether in the form of share or unit, passing on the same rights to apply for citizenship.</li></ul>	

# VISA FREE TRAVEL

\* Visa Free Countries (Includes Visa on Arrival and E-Visa)

An Antigua & Barbuda passport allows visa-free travel to **almost 140 countries**, including all **European Union, United Kingdom, Ireland, Canada\*\*, Caribbean and Commonwealth Nations.**

Albania	El Salvador	Liechtenstein	Senegal
Andorra	Estonia	Lithuania	Serbia
Anguilla	Eswatini	Luxembourg	Seychelles
Armenia	Faroe Islands	Macao	Singapore
Aruba	Fiji	Madagascar	Slovakia
Austria	Finland	Malawi	Slovenia
Bahamas	France	Malaysia	Solomon Islands
Bangladesh	French Guiana	Maldives	Somalia
Barbados	French Polynesia	Malta	South Africa
Belarus	French West Indies	Mauritania	South Korea
Belgium	Gambia	Mauritius	Spain
Belize	Georgia	Mayotte	Sri Lanka
Bermuda	Germany	Micronesia	St. Kitts & Nevis
Bolivia	Gibraltar	Moldova	St. Lucia
Bonaire; St. Eustatius & Saba	Greece	Monaco	St. Maarten
Botswana	Greenland	Montenegro	St. Pierre and Miquelon
Brazil	Grenada	Montserrat	St. Vincent and the Grenadines
British Virgin Islands	Guatemala	Mozambique	
Bulgaria	Guinea-Bissau	Nepal	Suriname
Cambodia	Guyana	Netherlands	Sweden
Canada	Haiti	New Caledonia	Switzerland
Cape Verde	Honduras	Nicaragua	Tanzania
Cayman Islands	Hong Kong (SAR China)	Niue	Timor-Leste
Chile	Hungary	North Macedonia	Togo
Colombia	Iceland	Norway	Trinidad & Tobago
Comoros	Indonesia	Palau	Tunisia
Cook Islands	Iran	Panama	Turks & Caicos Islands
Costa Rica	Ireland	Peru	Tuvalu
Croatia	Italy	Philippines	Uganda
Cuba	Jamaica	Poland	Ukraine
Curacao	Jordan	Portugal	United Kingdom
Cyprus	Kenya	Qatar	Uzbekistan
Czech Republic	Kiribati	Reunion	Vanuatu
Denmark	Kosovo	Romania	Vatican City
Dominica	Laos	Russian Federation	Venezuela
Dominican Republic	Latvia	Rwanda	Wallis & Futuna
Ecuador	Lebanon	Samoa	Zambia
Egypt	Lesotho	San Marino	Zimbabwe

The list of visa-free countries can change at any time. Please contact us for the latest valid information about it.

\*Visa -Free Countries (includes Visa on Arrival and E-visa)

\*\*Visa-free travel to Canada with exceptions. Please contact us for more information.

# FOUR OPTIONS FOR CITIZENSHIP

## I. NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT FUND

The National Development Fund (NDF) is a non-profit fund established to fund government-sponsored projects, including public/private partnerships and approved charitable investments.

In order to qualify for this route, the applicant must make a non-refundable investment, which amount varies depending on the number of applicants. The statutory application fees (i.e. due diligence and 10% of the government fee) are paid to the Citizenship by Investment Unit prior to submitting an application. Upon approval, the applicant transfers the investment funds to be deposited into the government's designated NDF account via the licensed Local Agent who submitted the application. The entire process may take 3 to 9 months to complete.

### NDF DONATION AMOUNT

<b>CONTRIBUTION</b> (Application costs - family up to 5)	<b>US\$ 230,000</b>	<b>PROCESSING FEES</b> (up to 4 members)	<b>US\$ 20,000</b>
		Each additional dependent from the 5th:	<b>US\$ 20,000 plus US\$ 10,000 per person</b>

### ESTIMATE NDF QUOTATION FOR A FAMILY OF 4 (2 minors children = under 12)

<b>CONTRIBUTION</b>	<b>US\$ 230,000</b>	<b>DUE DILIGENCE SPOUSE</b>	<b>US\$ 5,000</b>
<b>DUE DILIGENCE INVESTOR</b>	<b>US\$ 8,500</b>	<b>PROCESSING FEE</b>	<b>US\$ 20,000</b>
<b>PASSPORT FEE PER APPLICANT</b>	<b>US\$ 300</b>	<b>Estimated total investment</b>	<b>US\$ 264,700*</b>

### DUE DILIGENCE COSTS FOR DEPENDANTS

<b>PER-DEPENDANT 12-18</b>	<b>US\$ 2,000</b>	<b>PER-DEPENDANT 18 AND OVER</b>	<b>US\$ 4,000</b>
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#### Process of obtaining citizenship of Antigua & Barbuda through donation to the NDF

1. The investor signs the NTL Trust agreement, fills in all application forms, pays due diligence in full, and 10% of government processing fees and professional fees. 90% balance of the government processing fee becomes payable upon approval.
2. The application is submitted to the Citizenship by Investment Unit (CIU).
3. The due diligence stage starts and usually takes up to 120-130 days or longer if queries arise.
4. Once due diligence checks are complete, the CIU Committee issues a recommendation on approval to the Cabinet and the Cabinet makes a decision. The decision is officially communicated in a letter from the CIU.
5. Investor pays the balance of processing fees and the investment amount to the government designated account via the Local Agent.
6. Upon receiving the full payment of the investment, the CIU procures the Certificate of Citizenship and sends a soft copy for the applicant to confirm whether the information in it is in order.
7. Upon confirmation from the applicant that the Certificate is correct the Passport application is submitted to the Immigration Authority in Antigua.
8. Upon receiving the originals of the Certificate of Registration and the Passport, these documents are courier to the address provided by the applicant.

\*NTL Trust's professional fees for the processing of CBI applications are payable for all applications and will vary depending on the number of dependents and application complexity.

# FOUR OPTIONS FOR CITIZENSHIP

## II. REAL ESTATE OPTION

Antigua has been the regional tourism hub since the 1970s, and tourism is one of the pillars of the country's economy. In a move to increase tourism-related development, the Citizenship by Investment programme allows for real estate purchase in approved developments.

To qualify, the investor must enter into contract to purchase real estate valued at US\$ 300,000 or more on either Antigua or Barbuda.

Once the purchase contract has been signed and the developer has received his initial deposit (typically 10–20 percent of the purchase value), the investor may apply for citizenship. The real estate contract is contingent upon approval of the application.

The property may not be sold within five years from the grant of citizenship or citizenship can be revoked.

Real estate developments in Antigua & Barbuda cater to those investing through the Citizenship by Investment programme and make every effort to ensure ownership is a hassle-free experience.

### ESTIMATE REAL ESTATE QUOTATION FOR A FAMILY OF 4 (2 minors children = under 12)

REAL ESTATE PURCHASE	US\$ 300,000	DUE DILIGENCE SPOUSE	US\$ 5,000
DUE DILIGENCE INVESTOR	US\$ 8,500	APPLICATION GOVERNMENT FEES FOR A SINGLE APPLICANT, OR FAMILY OF 4 OR LESS	US\$ 20,000
PASSPORT FEE PER APPLICANT	US\$ 300	Estimated total investment	US\$ 334,700*

#### Process of obtaining citizenship of Dominica through investment in approved real estate developments

1. The Investor signs the NTL Trust agreement, enters into Real Estate Purchase/Sale Agreement with the approved real estate development, gathers the supporting documents, and pays the initial deposit to the developer and the professional fees and processing fees.
2. The application is submitted to the Citizenship by Investment Unit (CIU).
3. The due diligence stage starts and usually takes up to 120-130 days.
4. Once due diligence checks are completed, the CIU communicates the decision on the application.
5. Investor pays the balance of processing fees to the designated government account and the remainder of the real estate purchase amount to the developer.
6. Upon receiving the full payment of the investment, the CIU procures the Certificate of Citizenship and sends a soft copy for the applicant to confirm whether the information in it is in order.
7. Upon confirmation from the applicant that the Certificate is correct the Passport application is submitted to the Immigration Authority in Antigua.
8. Upon receiving the originals of the Certificate of Registration and the Passport, these documents are courier to the address provided by the applicant.

\*Professional fees for the processing of CBI applications are payable for all applications and will vary depending on the number of dependents and application complexity.

# FOUR OPTIONS FOR CITIZENSHIP

## III. UNIVERSITY OF THE WEST INDIES (UWI) FUND

The UWI Fund is an innovative government-backed initiative designed to fund the prestigious University of the West Indies' new campus, a leading higher education institution in the Caribbean. Under this program, individuals interested in the Citizenship by Investment Programme must invest **US\$ 260,000**, which covers a **family of six or more people**, with a minimum of six individuals per application.

A notable benefit of this option is that **it offers one family member a one-year scholarship for tuition** at the University of the West Indies. This means that by investing, you secure your family's future and contribute to the progress of higher education in the region.

### CONTRIBUTION

<b>A. FOR A FAMILY OF 6</b>	<b>US\$ 260,000 contribution (inclusive of processing fees)</b>	<b>B. FAMILY OF 7 OR MORE</b>	<b>US\$ 260,000 Contribution</b>
<b>PROCESSING FEES:</b>		<b>US\$ 10,000 for each additional dependent</b>	

## IV. BUSINESS INVESTMENT

The Citizenship by Investment Unit (CIU) makes recommendation to Cabinet for approval of businesses - whether existing or proposed - for the purposes of investment in business under the Citizenship by Investment Programme.

### MINIMUM INVESTMENT AMOUNTS

<b>A. PRINCIPAL APPLICANT</b> (Application costs - family up to 4)	<b>US\$ 1,500,000 or more</b>	<b>B. MINIMUM 2 PERSONS MAKE A JOINT INVESTMENT:</b>	<b>US\$ 5,000,000 or more (each person is required to contribute at least US\$ 400,000)</b>
<b>PROCESSING FEES:</b>			
Single applicant:	<b>US\$ 10,000</b>		
Family up to 4 members:	<b>US\$ 20,000</b>		
Family of 5 and more:	<b>US\$ 20,000 plus US\$ 10,000 per person</b>		

Please contact us for more information about the process, requirements and documentation.

# REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

## A. APPLICATION PACKAGE FORMS

- AB1 Application Form
- AB2 Photograph and Signature Certificate
- AB3 Medical Certificate
- AB4 Investment Confirmation Form
- AB5 Agent Form
- AB6 Representatives and Services Providers (not for the applicant)
- SOF's documentation:
- Application for Antigua and Barbuda Passport for Applicants 16 Years and Older (FORM L)
- Application for Antigua and Barbuda Passport for Applicants Under 16 Years (FORM M)

## B. APPLICANT(S) DOCUMENTS

- Passport copies – 2 certified colored copies for each family member. If individual has more than 1 passport, include 2 certified copies of each passport;
- Birth certificate – 2 certified copies for each applicant family member;
- National ID card – 1 colored certified copy of the cards listed in Sections A15 and A16 of the Form AB1, for each applicant family member. If the applicant is a citizen or resident of more than one country, include the ID card of each country;
- Marriage certificate – 4 certified copies if both spouses are included in the application or; 2 certified copies if only 1 spouse is included in the application;
- Divorce certificate (if applicable) – 1 certified copy of the document evidencing the divorce;
- Military Records – If applicable Evidence of Service must be provided;
- Photos – Eight (8) passport-size, color photographs for each applicant; attach one of the 8 photos to form AB2 and AB3.
- Medical – HIV test must be less than 3 months old (HIV test is required for all persons 12 years and older applying for citizenship);
- Professional / character Reference Letter (Main applicant only)
  - a.** Must be current (within the last 6 months).
  - b.** Issued by an attorney, notary public, or chartered accountant.
  - c.** The reference must be on official letterhead and the following details should be included:
    - i. Main applicant's full name, date of birth and passport information;
    - ii. Period / length and type of relationship (should be longer than two years);
    - iii. Conduct of the client;
    - iv. Contact information;
    - v. It must be signed and dated;
    - vi. The referrer's title and his / her name must be clearly indicated.
- Bank reference letter:
  - a.** Issued by an internationally-recognized bank, on their letterhead;
  - b.** Typewritten, signed by a senior bank official, stating the period / length of relationship. It should not be older than 6 months.
- Evidence of residential address (Main applicant only)
  - a.** It should be not older than 3 months.
  - b.** Acceptable documents: utility bill, bank statement, credit card, or invoice showing applicant's full name and address;

# REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- Police clearance certificate:
  - a.** All applicants aged 18 and older
  - b.** Must provide a certificate from any country where the applicant has lived for more than 6 months over the past 10 years, as well as countries of citizenship.
  - c.** If the applicant has not reside in any of the relevant countries in (a), he/she must provide satisfactory evidence supporting that fact.
  - d.** Police certificates must be less than six months old at the time application is submitted.
  - e.** If a police certificate is not available, a separate statutory declaration must be detailing the attempts made to obtain a police certificate. It should also state whether the applicant (and any accompanying family members have been found guilty, convicted of, or charged with offences against the law in that country). The statutory declaration should be supported by other information attesting to your character.
  - f.** \*\*Application can be submitted to the CIU without this document but proof the request has been made must accompany initial application (receipt, photocopy of completed application forms, etc). \*\*
- Source of funds: If applicant has accumulated wealth from employment / business:
  - a.** If employee: Letter of employment or notarized copy of employment contract; include employment date, title, and salary / bonus;
  - b.** If business owner: Proof of business and ownership (if business owner): i. Current business registration (or equivalent); ii. Shareholder's register (or equivalent to show ownership); If applicant has accumulated wealth through specific transactions such as sale of a property, inheritance, gifts, etc. include supporting documents.
- If applicable:
  - a.** Proof of name change, if applicable (other than marriage)
  - b.** For children age 18-30, university letter and school transcripts showing continuous, full-time studies (must have at least 6 months of study remaining at time of applying);
  - c.** Main applicant must submit an affidavit of support for the following dependants: children 18-30, parents and grandparents over 55 NTL Trust will provide a suitable template for the affidavit.
  - d.** When a single parent is applying with children, an affidavit of consent and knowledge about the CBI application from the non-applicant parent, and a notarized, signed copy of the other parent's photo ID must be submitted.

**NOTE:** *The list is not exhaustive and other documents may have to be provided by the applicants, depending on their particular situation. These documents may include company incorporation and good standing documents, ownership or title documents in support of SOF explanations, or any other type of document in support of the applicant's statements made on the application forms.*

## C. OTHER DOCUMENTS

- Professional Services Agreement to be executed by the client and NTL Trust.

# ANTIGUA & BARBUDA REAL ESTATE



In order to apply under the real estate option, the applicant must enter into a contract to purchase real estate in CBI-approved project development. Although there are multiple authorized projects on Antigua & Barbuda, NTL Trust currently recommends the developments highlighted here.

**In order for NTL Trust to confidently recommend a development, we take the following into consideration:**

Quality of product:	Re-Sale potential and ROI:	Developer history:	Operations:
Construction, amenities and services provided.	Most clients plan on selling after 5 years.	Financial backing and development progress.	Management company, quality and experience.



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**TAMARIND HILLS**  
ANTIGUA - WEST INDIES

## TAMARIND HILLS

Set on a sunset-facing bluff on Antigua's glorious west coast between Darkwood and Ffrye's, two of the island's most beautiful beaches, Tamarind Hills Resort takes five-star extravaganzas to new heights. This stunning collection of freehold beachfront villas and apartments is beautifully designed for contemporary and stylish Caribbean living.

Each property offers generously sized interior and exterior living spaces, grand finishes including European designed kitchens and bathrooms, and private floating infinity edged pools, perfectly placed to take in the spectacular views of the Caribbean Sea. A fully managed and flexible rental programme is available providing an income stream when not in residence.

The completed resort will feature a spa, beauty salon, gym, pilates and yoga studios, and superb sports facilities including tennis, water sports and running tracks. A shopping galleria will boast a delicatessen and convenience store, library, business centre and more.



**HODGES BAY**  
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# ANTIGUA & BARBUDA REAL ESTATE



## HODGES BAY

The new definition of luxury in Antigua. Set in eight acres of lush tropical gardens and sandy beach, Hodges Bay Resort & Spa a USD\$100 million resort, opened in 2019 as an exclusive beach front resort, spa and residential development on the north shore of Antigua. Working with world renowned architects Kobi Karp, Hodges Bay Resort & Spa has assumed the iconic status as the flagship development for Antigua.



## HISTORY

Christopher Columbus made the first European connection with the islands in 1493 during his second Caribbean voyage. Columbus sighted the bigger island, Antigua, in passing and named it after Santa Maria la Antigua, the miracleworking saint of Seville. However, European settlement didn't occur for over a century, largely because of Antigua's lack of fresh water and the determination and resistance of the Carib. In 1632 it was colonized by a group of Englishmen and a successful sugar era was established.

By the end of the eighteenth century Antigua had become an important strategic port as well as a valuable commercial colony. Known as the "gateway to the Caribbean," it was situated in a position that offered control over the major sailing routes to and from the region's rich island colonies. Most of the island's historical sites, from its many ruined fortifications to the impeccably restored architecture of English Harbourtown, are reminders of colonial efforts to ensure its safety from invasion.

Admiral Lord Horatio Nelson arrived in 1784 at the head of the Squadron of the Leeward Islands to develop the British naval facilities at English Harbour, commanding the British fleet. Nelson became unpopular with the locals merchants by enforcing strict commercial shipping laws, known as the Navigation Act.



## & GOVERNMENT

This resulted in the construction of Nelson's Dockyard, now a cultural heritage site and marina, one of Antigua's finest physical assets. Nelson's Dockyard is now home to some of Antigua's sailing and yachting events such as, Antigua Sailing Week and the Antigua Charter Yacht Meeting. The islands achieved independence from the British in 1981, becoming the nation of Antigua and Barbuda.

The islands remained part of the Commonwealth of Nations, and remains a constitutional monarchy, with Queen Elizabeth II as Queen of Antigua and Barbuda. During elections in March 1994, power passed from Vere Bird to his son, Lester.

Bird, but remained within the ALP which won 11 of the 17 parliamentary seats. The United Progressive Party won the 2004 elections and Baldwin Spencer became Prime Minister, removing from power the longest serving elected government in the Caribbean.

*Nelson's fame extends beyond the island of Antigua. In 1785 Nelson landed at Nevis and met Frances Nisbet, a 25-year old widow of a planter, and a mother to a 5-year old son. The couple became engaged, and on March 11, 1787 became married at Fig Tree Church, St. John's Parish, Nevis.*





# EDUCATION

The University education system in Antigua and Barbuda is heavily influenced by the British system, a legacy of British rule for so many years. Both public and private schools are available, and education begins as early as age three in one of the many kindergartens across the country. Primary school is offered for ages five through twelve, and secondary education commences for four or five more years.

It is required for children in Antigua and Barbuda to attend school between the ages of 5 and 16. There are over 70 schools spread across the country and most of these are state-run. Class size averages around 20 students and Antigua has one of the highest literacy rates in the Caribbean.

The country also has three colleges, which include the University of Health Sciences, University of the West Indies (which also has branches in other parts of the Caribbean) and the Antigua State College, which provides technical and teacher training. Students who wish to study for degrees that are not available in the country opt for universities in Europe or North America.

Several private schools are available, for those who prefer it over state-run institutions. It is worth noting that the fees for these can be quite high and there may be waiting lists, depending upon the location and cost of the school.

School curriculums in the country are similar to those in the UK and the US. Students cover the basic core subjects such as English, math, science, history and geography, with some schools making the study of a second language mandatory, usually Spanish.



## EXPLORE THE ISLANDS

Antigua is an exemplary Caribbean island — sun-drenched, fringed with dazzling white sand and located next to a warm aquamarine sea. Featuring excellent hotels and villas, this island has a long tradition of sailing, both in historic association and in modern form. (Horatio Nelson was stationed here and Antigua serves as the venue for the Caribbean's major regatta). However, it's the easy life and friendly islanders, as well as the wide variety of beaches that drive people to visit.

## BEACHES

### DICKENSON BAY

Considered the premier beach on the island, Dickenson Bay is one of the more easily accessible beaches. Lie in the warm sand, take a tour on a glassbottomed boat or enjoy a multitude of watersports. Dickenson Bay is a mile of west-facing golden sand with lively sports and beach bars. A popular beach, this location is usually heaving with people. The extension of Dickenson Bay to the south, officially called Runaway Bay, is also a lovely stretch of sand and much quieter.

### PIGEON POINT BEACH

A cracking stretch of sand at the mouth of Falmouth Harbour, Pigeon Point is the main public beach on the south coast. Backed by sea grape trees and the occasional palm, it has calm and shallow water, making it a great beach for families with children. It is popular with the locals and often quiet during the week, with a just a few bathers from nearby hotels. Antiguan families enjoy weekends and holidays here, bringing their picnic baskets and stereos.

Three wonderful stretches of sand — Ffrye's Bay, Darkwood Beach and Crab Hill Bay / Johnson's Point, can be found on the southwest corner of the island. They are remote by Antiguan standards and relatively undeveloped, with only a few beach bars and a couple of small hotels, but the sand is stunningly white and the sunset views are superb.

Visited mostly by independent travelers who want to escape the crowds, these beaches grow popular with cruise ship passengers, who occasionally turn up on excursions. Go late in the afternoon to avoid these crowds, at which time they will normally be back on board their ship.

### JOLLY BEACH

A magnificent mile-long stretch of white sand, backed with palms, set in a huge bay with jade water, and enclosed by massive headlands. There are a handful of hotels in the bay, causing the beach to become busy. But don't mind the crowd, there are businesses on the beach who rent kayaks and pedalos (British paddle boats). Jolly Dive also offers daily scuba trips.

# EXPLORE

## HALF MOON BAY

This lovely curve of light pink and white sand is found on the east coast of the island. A reef protects it from the full force of the Atlantic. Half Moon Bay is certainly not undiscovered, but normally it is deserted. Island tours and locals visit occasionally, but often times you'll have the place to yourself.



# BEACHES



## ACTIVITIES & ATTRACTIONS

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#### NELSON'S DOCKYARD

Nelson's Dockyard, the largest of Antigua's National Parks, is still used today as a working dockyard. The fully restored buildings of the Dockyard contain shops, hotels and marina businesses. Enjoy the scenic trails and natural beauty of the park and visit the historic forts. There are endless opportunities to capture the beauty of the parks. With many glorious boats in the dockyard, the beautiful harbour, the historic sites and the unforgettable views from places such as Shirley Heights, bring your camera or you'll have regrets.

#### SHIRLEY HEIGHTS LOOKOUT

The reason they chose this location is easy to understand. Shirley Heights has spectacular view over English Harbour and Falmouth Harbour, the scene that is often used as the iconic image of Antigua. A visit to Shirley Heights is considered one of the must-do events in Antigua. The buildings have been adapted to function as a bar and restaurant, and its famous Sunday evening party is always a hit.

## MUSEUM OF ANTIGUA & BARBUDA

The Museum, located in downtown St. John's, provides an interesting background of the nation's history from 10,000 years ago. Learn how the islands were formed and who lived here. Discover how the lives of the Arawaks and Caribs influenced life on the island. Lively displays include ancient tools and artifacts, shells, various flora and fauna and the island's naval and slavery history. The gift shop includes colour prints and etchings of 18th and 19th century Antigua, locally handmade pottery, handicrafts and books.

## BETTY'S HOPE

The first efficient large-scale sugar estate in Antigua, Betty's Hope is now a popular tourist attraction that features two sugar mills. Restoration of one sugar mill is completed, with funds being raised by The Betty's Hope Trust to continue restoration.

## DEVIL'S BRIDGE

Composed of limestone rock, the rugged terrain of Devil's Bridge is the result of millions of years of ancient reef formation. For hundreds of thousands of years, the Atlantic's waves have crashed into the east coast of Antigua creating a natural arch, or bridge. Numerous geysers and blowholes surround the arch as waves continually break against the coastal rocks.

## STINGRAY CITY

A short boat ride takes you to Stingray City, where you can pet and feed stingrays in their natural environment. Learn all about these amazing creatures from an experienced guide. Snorkel on colourful coral reefs where the calm, clear, shallow water makes it easy and fun for everybody!



## FOOD & DRINKS

Antigua offers a wide variety of restaurants, bars and nightly entertainment. Some of the best restaurants are found in the island's hotels; Carmichael's at the Sugar Ridge Hotel above Jolly Bay; East at Carlisle Bay in the south of the island; Sheer at Cocobay, and The Cove at Blue Waters offer some of the best dining experiences. These hotel restaurants offer a great setting to enjoy a meal, whether on the beach or with a hilltop view.

Before venturing out, please check the hotel schedules as some of the hotels close over summer months.

### PAPA ZOUK FISH 'N' RUM

Referred to by locals as 'The Rum Shop' for offering the largest rum selection in the Caribbean, this rustic creole styled seafood restaurant offers a selection of chicken and meat dishes by request.

### LE BISTRO

Located on Hodges Bay, north of St. John's, known as one of the most elegant restaurants on the island, tables at Le Bistro are located between a scenic villa and a plant-filled veranda. The menu is French, with some concessions to the climate and the region. Dishes include a bouillabaisse of Caribbean fish, and smoked marlin carpaccio with lime and fresh herbs. YUM!

### HARMONY HALL

Harmony Hall is located on a hilltop overlooking Nonsuch Bay. It is surrounded by gardens and sits next to a restored stone windmill, making the views from this hillside dining deck superb. An art gallery next door is a great place to admire after lunch. The cuisine is Mediterranean and Italian with fresh pasta and Caribbean fish prepared daily.

### CATHERINE'S CAFÉ PLAGE

Now set at the far end of Pigeon Point Beach, Catherine's Café Plage offers elegant lunches with fresh ingredients and a French touch. Here you can enjoy lobster cakes, snapper papillote and tartiflette.

### TRAPPAS

Set behind a white picket fence in the heart of the English Harbour, Trappas is a fun and lively restaurant with tables nestled under parasols. The menu, written on a huge moveable board, is extensive and eclectic, featuring everything from calamari and grilled shrimp, to smoked salmon pizza and spicy Thai fish.

## HEMINGWAY'S CARIBBEAN CAFE

Located in St. John's, inside a white and lime green creole house with a tin roof and plantation shutters, you'll find the charming Hemingway Café. This lively café features indoor seating, as well as tables outside on the veranda overlooking the street. The food is a nice mixture of Caribbean cuisine with an international flare. For example, one can expect to find Antiguan fricassee of saltfish, or calypso chicken with a vanilla cinnamon sauce on the daily menu.

## JACQUI O'S BEACHHOUSE

With a chic rustic interior and an amazing beach setting, this iconic restaurant bar has become a favourite among tourists and locals. Jacqui O's has restored the relaxed lifestyle and expected 'good time' when visiting the Caribbean. With a very friendly and relaxed atmosphere, it truly is a unique experience.

## SHEER ROCKS RESTAURANT BAR LOUNGE

Sheer Rocks is Antigua's hidden gem, perched atop a rocky cliff that overlooks one of the most jaw-dropping views the island has to offer. The Mediterranean inspired menu is created with an emphasis on fresh, local and seasonal produce. Sheer Rocks is infamous for its tapas lunches, custom-made cocktails and infinity plunge pool. As the sun sets, the restaurant transforms into a romantic retreat where you can choose from the A la Carte or tasting menu with optional wine pairing, to make your experience even more memorable. Sheer Rocks was voted third best restaurant in its class in the entire Caribbean Region in the 2014 Travelers choice awards by Tripadvisor.



## NIGHTLIFE

There are so many fun things to do after dark in Antigua, the choices are endless. Dance clubs, nightclubs, and discos play the best local and international music. Local music consists of soca, reggae, dancehall and calypso featuring the best hits in both the U. S. and Europe. You can also find great live music in smaller intimate bars and other venues. Feeling lucky? Try gambling at the Casino!

### **ABRACADABRA RESTAURANT & DISCO-BAR**

Abacadabra Restaurant & Disco-bar Since 1985 is located in English Harbour. Abacadabra has all the right ingredients for a magical night out on Antigua.

### **KING'S CASINO**

King's Casino in the heart of St. John's, is Antigua's largest casino. King's features 16 different table games including Blackjack, Roulette and Texas Hold'em Poker. It also has the latest slot machines, simulcasts live horse racing, and accepts wagers on every sporting event in the world.

### **SUGAR CLUB**

Sugar Club is located in the Sugar Ridge Hotel, across the street from the entrance to Jolly Harbour. This restaurant and bar are informal and have a buzzy, busy feel with great food.



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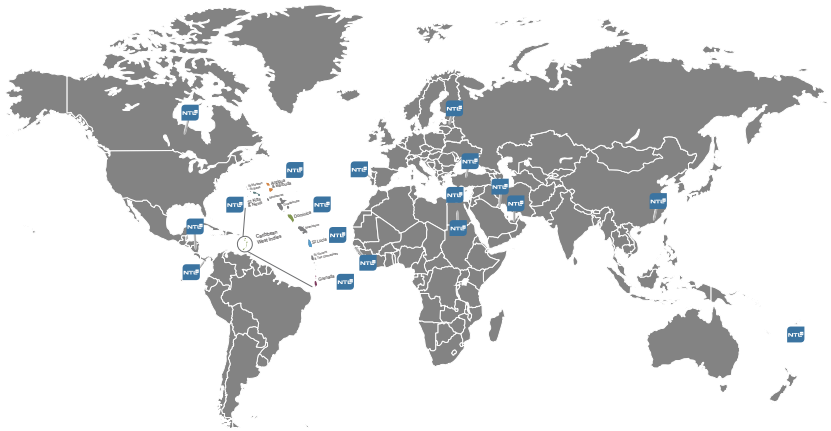
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