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Jamaica Encompassed & Reggae Sunfest

13 days, Montego Bay to Montego Bay

Trip code CJRA

What's included

- Your Welcome Moment: Meet Your CEO and Group

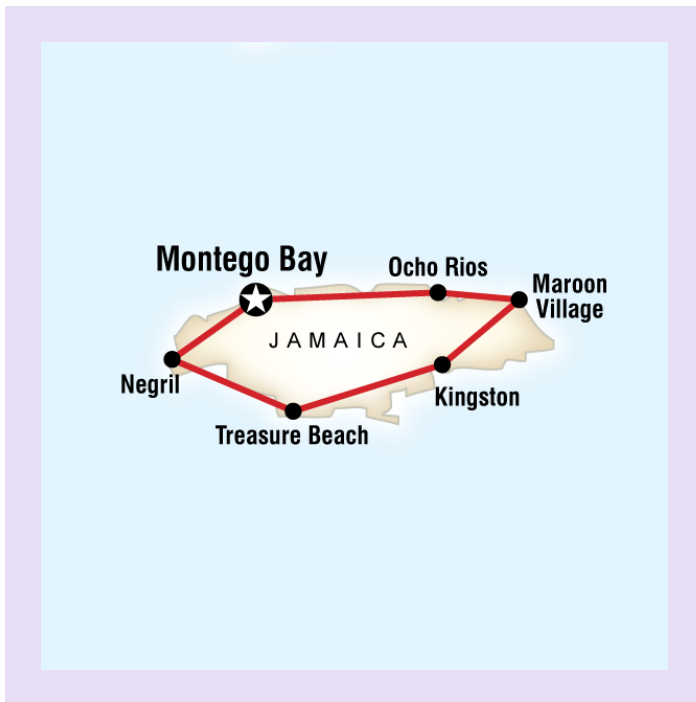
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VALIDITY: Valid for all trips departing June 2nd, 2016 and onwards

Itinerary



Itinerary Notes

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NOTE: Accommodations vary per departure and are subject to change until tour start date; they are not final and should be used as examples only. Travellers may login to the G Adventures App to view accommodations specific to their departure.

Day 1

Montego Bay

Arrive in time for a 6pm welcome meeting. Jump right into the action tonight and head out with the group to Reggae Sumfest.



Today's Activities

ACTIVITY

Your opportunity to meet your CEO and fellow travellers, and learn more about your tour. Opt to join the group for a local meal afterwards. Don't forget to see the notice in the lobby (or ask reception) for the official time and place to meet up with the group.

Reggae Sumfest Festival

Montego Bay

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Day 2

Montego Bay

Enjoy free time during the day to relax or for optional activities. Later, get into the groove with an included ticket to Reggae Sumfest.



Today's Activities

Free Time

Montego Bay

Take the day to visit Dunns River Falls, take a catamaran tour, or relax on the beach in preparation for the first International night.

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Optional Activities - Day 2

Catamaran Cruise

Montego Bay

Climb aboard and enjoy a day-cruise around Montego Bay. Soak up the sun and take the plunge into the warm Caribbean sea!

Negril Day Trip

Montego Bay

Spend the day in Negril, known for its beautiful white-sand beaches. Make sure to check out Rick's Cafe, a bar famous for its stunning sunsets and professional cliff diving performances.

Dunn's River Falls and Ocho Rios Tour

Dunn's River Falls - Ocho Rios

20USD

Dunn's River Falls are like nature's giant stairway leading down to the Caribbean Sea. Be careful as you clamber up against the current onto the limestone terraces. Guides are available to lend a hand. Take your time, cool off in the water, and enjoy the lush vegetation on the shore along the way. Afterwards, reward yourself with an included lunch.

Take the day for some r&r or check out one of the nearby optional activities. Tonight, get ready for the final party of Reggae Sumfest and dance 'til dawn.



Today's Activities

Free Time

Montego Bay

Enjoy a free day for optional activities before the final night of the festival.

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Day 4

Montego Bay

Enjoy a free day to regroup after Reggae Sumfest. Meet new members of the group at an evening welcome meeting.

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Today's Activities

Free Time

Montego Bay

Spend the day to relaxing and soaking in the island vibes, or take part in a variety of optional activities.



Optional Activities - Day 4

Optional Welcome Meeting for Travellers on Combos

You may be a seasoned pro at group travel by now, but there will likely be some new travellers joining the group. Sit in on the welcome meeting to meet the newest members of your group and learn about the next leg of your tour.

Day 5

Montego Bay/Negril

En route to Negril, visit a Rastafarian indigenous village including drumming lessons, a delicious lunch and information about fruits, vegetables and medicinal plants. Later, visit famous Rick's Café. Opt to enjoy an evening cocktail while watching the locals dive from the scenic cliffs.

En route to Negril, visit a Rastafarian indigenous village. Learn about the history and daily life of this unique group of people while getting a sample of some local drumming. Enjoy a traditional vegetarian lunch.

Continue on to Negril with a visit to Rick's Café. Enjoy the seemingly endless white-sand beaches and local flavour.



Meals included

Breakfast | Lunch



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Montego Bay - Negril

2h

Stop along outside Montego Bay at a traditional Rastafarian village.

Rastafarian Indigenous Village Visit

Parish of Saint James

Meet a local guide at the Montego River Gardens and head out across the Montego River. Learn about the tropical plants (including 90 different herb beds), fruit trees and wildlife in the river valley. Continue into the Rastafarian village and straight to the 'ital spice' kitchen to discover more about the Rastafari diet and their unique "ital" food preparation. Meditate while walking the labyrinth following crystal-lined pathways.

Enter the music hut to feel the pulsating rhythms of the drummers, then enjoy a traditional vegetarian lunch.

Free Time

Negril

Start exploring this beach paradise.

Rick's Café Visit

Negril

Head to the famous Rick's Café. Opt to enjoy an evening cocktail while watching the locals dive from the scenic cliffs.

Day 6

Negril

Spend a whole day enjoying Negril. With beach time or a number of other activities.

Opt to explore the local caves and rocky bluffs where heroism can be added to holiday pastimes. Walk the beach, visit the cliffs, scuba dive, windsurf, parasail or do nothing at all and relax in a hammock.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Free Time

Negril

Do as much or as little as you like- the day is yours.



Optional Activities - Day 6

Cliff Diving

Negril

Head to Rick's Cafe on the western edge of the island and experience the thrill of cliff diving. Whether you're brave enough to take the plunge, or just happy to watch the locals take dives from the tops of trees, this is one of Jamaica's 'must see' activities. Come for drinks at sunset and you won't be disappointed.

Parasailing

Negril

60USD

30m-1h

Put on a lifejacket, clip into the harness and get ready to soar! Feel the breeze and enjoy the peace of flying high above Negril with your bird's eye view of the beach, hotels and endless sea. This is a great activity to cross off your bucket list.

Day 7

Negril/Treasure Beach

Travel to Treasure Beach and opt to chill out on the secluded beach or visit the seven waterfalls of YS Falls.

Treasure Beach is not on the average Jamaica tourist's radar, and we hope it stays that way so the long stretches of beach are all yours to explore.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Negril - Treasure Beach

3h

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Free Time

Treasure Beach

Start exploring this secluded piece of heaven on earth.

Day 8

Treasure Beach

Spend the day enjoying paradise. Opt to take a local boat ride to search for dolphins and crocodiles in their natural environment or visit the unique Pelican Bar out at sea.

Opt for a river safari. Travel about 10 minutes offshore to await dolphins on their morning swim. From there, head to where the Caribbean Sea meets the Black River and cruise upstream to see the Jamaican crocodile. See how the locals use the river for their livelihood – fishing and shrimping. Afterwards, head to Pelican Bar. This quaint island-in-the-sea lounge is like nothing you've ever seen – the setting is on a sand bar about 15 minutes off shore, very idyllic and unique. At Pelican Bar, have lunch, swim and sunbathe.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Free Time

Treasure Beach

Get exploring.



Optional Activities - Day 8

Black River Safari Tour

Treasure Beach

65USD

3h-6h

Discover the beauty of the South Coast with a 1.5 hr boat ride up Jamaica's longest river. Visit the famous wetland area called the Black River Morass to search for crocodiles and see more than 100 species of birds native to the area. Throughout the 10km (6 mi) journey, the captain will point out interesting tidbits about the ecology and history of this untouched natural area. At the end, relax and enjoy a traditional Jamaican lunch.

Pelican Bar

Parottee Bay

65USD

Picture a mass of driftwood, nailed together to create a basic structure, covered by a palm thatch roof and supported by stilts, sitting on a sandbar in the middle of the ocean, and this is Floyd's Pelican Bar. Take a boat from Parottee Beach, then have enjoy some fresh fish, a few cold beers and lazy sun-drenched vibe. (Try the Pelican Perfection - lime juice, rum, ginger beer, and sugar. Ya man.)

Day 9

Treasure Beach/Kingston

Travel to the capital city of Kingston. Visit the Bob Marley Museum or opt to visit plenty of historical sights full of Caribbean pirate lore.

While in Kingston, visit the famous Bob Marley Museum to learn about the history of Jamaica's most famous musician. The museum is located at Bob Marley's former residence, and you will be walking in his famous footsteps as you hear his unique and impactful story.

Fill your time here with as much (or as little) as you please. Tour Port Royal, a 14th-century stomping ground of some of the 'New World's' most infamous pirates.

Take a boat trip to Lime Cay or visit the Devon House.

With a little more energy, explore Kingston's famous nightlife, full of reggae music and good vibes.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Treasure Beach - Kingston

2h

Settle in and scan the scenery from the convenience of a private vehicle.

Bob Marley Museum Visit

Kingston

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Optional Activities - Day 9

Port Royal Tour

Kingston

80USD

45m-1h30m

Take a guided tour around Port Royal, the 14th-century stomping ground of some of the New World's most infamous pirates. Learn more about the swash-buckling era in Jamaica.

Lime Cay Boat Trip

Kingston

15USD

1h-4h

Take a boat trip to Lime Cay, 15 min off Port Royal. This limestone key on Jamaica's south-east coast offers white sand and excellent snorkelling. Relax and wave to the passengers flying overhead as they take off and land at the nearby international airport.

Devon House Visit

Kingston

10USD

Visit the national monument of Devon House, built in the late 19th century by George Stiebel, Jamaica's first black millionaire. Soak in the Victorian opulence of the building, furnished with antiques from Jamaica, England and France. Stroll the gardens and enjoy the serenity of the setting, an oasis within Kingston's hustle and bustle.

Day 10

Kingston

Enjoy a free day to explore. Opt for a tour of a Blue Mountain coffee plantation or check out a nearby market for some souvenirs.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Free Time

Kingston

Head out and explore.



Optional Activities - Day 10

Blue Mountains Visit

The Grand Ridge of the Blue Mountains

2h-4h

Leave the city behind for the day and venture up into the famous coffee-producing Blue Mountains. The lush hills and fresh air are a nice break from the coastal heat. Tour a coffee plantation or two and enjoy a cup of the area's black gold.

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Day 11

Kingston/Ocho Rios

En route to Ocho Rios, visit a Maroon village. Learn about their important history in Jamaica and visit a secluded river with crystal-clear pools. Enjoy lunch accompanied by traditional drumming and dancing.

Today pays respect to a part of Jamaica's history often unseen. Visit a Maroon village showcasing the community of slaves who ran away from plantations to the mountains, and became known as the Maroons.

Learn more about the history and culture of this community before enjoying a Maroon feast. Participate in indigenous dancing and enjoy singing and drumming with the community members.

Continue on to Ocho Rios.



Meals included

Breakfast | Lunch



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Kingston - Ocho Rios

2h

Stop at the Charles Town Maroon village en route.

ACTIVITY

Hike through lush vegetation and into history. Learn the story of the Maroons - runaway slaves who fought against the British during the 17th to 19th centuries. Watch traditional dancing and drumming, and listen to stories, poetry and songs. Find out how to blow an Abeng (cow horn), once used by the slaves to communicate with each other over distances.

Free Time

Ocho Rios

Start exploring.

Day 12

Ocho Rios

Spend a full free day on this idyllic beach or opt to climb nearby Dunn's River Falls. Opt to bargain for handicrafts at the market, explore Fern Gully, or horseback ride on the beach.

With a free day, opt to check out Fern Gully to find yourself in an Amazon-like rainforest, horseback ride in the Caribbean Sea, or shop for last-minute souvenirs. Nearby Dunn's River Falls offers the opportunity to climb the sheer face of a rushing waterfall.

Just want to relax? There's plenty of time of that, too.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Free Time

Ocho Rios

Explore the area in your free time.

Day 13

Ocho Rios/Montego Bay

Travel to Montego Bay where the tour ends on arrival.

Tour ends on arrival to Montego Bay in the late morning. The van will make two stops in Montego Bay—one at the start hotel and one at the airport.



Meals included

Breakfast



Today's Activities

Private Vehicle

Ocho Rios – Montego Bay

2h

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What are the main highlights of this trip?

Relax on world-class beaches, dance the night away to local music, listen to local and international stars at Reggae Sumfest, visit a Rastafarian village, watch cliff jumping at the famous Rick's Café

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Is there a travel disclaimer for my itinerary I should review before booking this trip?

While it is our intention to adhere to the route described below, there is a certain amount of flexibility built into the itinerary and on occasion it may be necessary, or desirable to make alterations. The itinerary is brief, as we never know exactly where our journey will take us. Due to our style of travel and the regions we visit, travel can be unpredictable. The Trip Details document is a general guide to the tour and region and any mention of specific destinations or wildlife is by no means a guarantee that they will be visited or encountered. Aboard expedition trips visits to research stations depend on final permission.

Additionally, any travel times listed are approximations only and subject to vary due to local circumstances.

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What is the group leader like?

All G Adventures group trips are accompanied by one of our group leaders, a G Adventures representative, or an expedition team. The aim of the group leader is to take the hassle out of your travels and to help you have the best trip possible. They will provide information on the places you are travelling through, offer suggestions for things to do and see, recommend great local eating venues and introduce you to our local friends. While not being guides in the traditional sense you can expect them to have a broad general knowledge of the countries visited on the trip, including historical, cultural, religious and social aspects. We also use local guides where we think more specific knowledge will add to the enjoyment of the places we are visiting- we think it's the best of both worlds.

How large will the group be?

Max 16, avg 12

What meals are included in this trip?

9 breakfasts, 2 lunches

What are the meals like on this trip?

Eating is a big part of traveling. Travelling with G Adventures you experience the vast array of wonderful food that is available out in the world. Generally meals are not included in the trip price when there is a choice of eating options, to give you the maximum flexibility in deciding where, what and with whom to eat. It also gives you more budgeting flexibility, though generally food is cheap. Our groups tend to eat together to enable you to taste a larger variety of dishes and enjoy each other's company. There is no obligation to do this though. Your CEO will be able to suggest favourite restaurants during your trip. The above information applies to G Adventures group trips. Please refer to the meals included and budget information for included meals and meal budgets.

What are the modes of transportation on my trip?

Private vehicle, shared shuttle, walking.

What transportation will we take on this trip?

You will be travelling from town to town by private vehicle with your group.

Is there an extra cost for travelling solo?

We believe solo travellers should not have to pay more to travel so our group trips are designed for shared accommodation and do not involve a single supplement. Single travellers joining group trips are paired in twin or multi-share accommodation with someone of the same sex for the duration of the trip. Some of our Independent trips are designed differently and solo travellers on these itineraries must pay the single trip price.

Where will we stay during the trip?

Hotels (12 nts).

What kind of accommodation can I expect on this trip?

Please note if you are a single traveller, you can expect to share accommodation with one or two other travelers of the same sex for the duration of your trip. Using multi-share accommodation when available helps us to keep our operating cost down, and these savings are passed onto you. If you are traveling with a friend or companion, we will attempt to keep your accommodation on a twin or double basis, however, ask you to be open to the idea of occasional multi-share rooms.

Please note that hot water shortages can be fairly common in the Caribbean (even in upgraded hotels and private homes). With a tropical climate, often there is no hot water at all. We appreciate your patience and understanding that these occurrences are outside of our control.

What is the joining hotel?

For details of your joining hotel please refer to your tour voucher, G Account, the G Adventures App or contact your travel agent.

What are the joining instructions?

Sir Donald Sangster International Airport is approximately 15 minutes away from the joining hotel. We recommended organizing a taxi from within the airport at the registered taxi counter. The cost of a taxi to the joining hotel is approximately 20 USD

If you have paid in advance for an arrival transfer, a G Adventures representative will be at the airport to meet you. If for any reason you are not met at the airport, please call our local support line. If you are unable to make contact for whatever reason, please make your way to the joining point hotel via taxi.

Please note that Day 1 is an arrival day and no activities have been planned for that day other than your welcome meeting in the evening, so you can arrive at any time. Similarly the last day is a departure day during which no activities have been planned.

A G Adventures Representative will organize a short meeting soon after arrival, during which you will meet other tour participants and receive information about general and specific aspects of the trip. A welcome note will be left for you in the hotel so you have all the necessary information regarding the meeting time. If you arrive late, s/he will leave you a message detailing what time and where you should meet the next morning.

What happens if I experience problems when arriving?

We don't expect any problems, and nor should you, but if for any reason you are unable to commence your trip as scheduled, please refer to the emergency contact details provided in this dossier and contact us as soon as possible. If you have a pre-booked transfer, and you have not made contact with our representative within 30 minutes of clearing customs and immigration, we recommend that you make your own way to the Starting Point hotel, following the Joining Instructions. Please apply to your travel agent on your return for a refund of the transfer cost if this occurs.

Who should I contact in case of an emergency?

Should you need to contact us during a situation of dire need, it is best to first call either the G Adventures Local Representative (if one is listed below) or our G Adventures Local Office. If for any reason you do not receive an immediate answer, please leave a detailed message and contact information, so they may return your call and assist you as soon as possible.

AIRPORT TRANSFER

If you have purchased an arrival through G Adventures or if an arrival transfer is included in the cost of your tour, please note that:

Your arrival transfer has been arranged based on flight information provided to us. If you are advised of a flight schedule change within 48 hours of your scheduled arrival time, we will do our best to rearrange your arrival transfer however we cannot guarantee this. If your arrival transfer does not arrive within 30 minutes after you have exited the arrivals area please take a taxi to your start point hotel.

EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS

Local Representative:

During Office Hours: (Weekdays 9am-5pm Local Time): +1 876 924 4640 +1 876 288 2331 (Darrell Burgess mobile)

After Office Hours: +1 876 924 4640 or +1 876 288 2331 (Darrell Burgess mobile)

G Adventures Office San Jose, Costa Rica

During Office hours (Weekdays 9am-5pm Local Time): +506 4001 8474

After hours emergency number: +506 8322 9140

If you are unable for any reason to contact our local office, please call the numbers listed below which will connect you directly with our Sales team who will happily assist you. Hours of operation by region can be found [here](#).

Toll-free, North America only: 1 888 800 4100

Calls from UK: 0344 272 0000

Calls from Germany: 0800 365 1000

Calls from Australia: 1 300 796 618

Calls from New Zealand: 0800 333 307

Outside North America, Australia, New Zealand, Germany and the UK: +1 416 260 0999

Are there any additional packing suggestions I should consider?

We recommend using a backpack for your convenience, or a medium-sized suitcase if you prefer. A daypack is also essential for carrying everyday items. Space is limited on transportation, so there is a limit of one main piece of luggage per person. You will be responsible for carrying your own luggage.

What should be on my packing list?

Documents:

- Flight info (required) (Printouts of e-tickets may be required at the border)
- Insurance info (required) (With photocopies)
- Passport (required) (With photocopies)
- Vouchers and pre-departure information (required)
- Visas or vaccination certificates (With photocopies)

Essentials:

- Toiletries (required) (Shampoo, bodywash, soap, etc.)
- Binoculars (optional)
- Camera (With extra memory cards and batteries)
- Cash, credit and debit cards
- Day pack (Used for daily excursions or short overnights)
- Ear plugs
- First-aid kit (should contain lip balm with sunscreen, sunscreen, whistle, Aspirin, Ibuprofen, bandaids/plasters, tape, anti-histamines, antibacterial gel/wipes, antiseptic cream, Imodium or similar tablets for mild cases of diarrhea, rehydration powder, water purification tablets or drops, insect repellent, sewing kit, extra prescription drugs you may be taking)
- Flashlight/torch (Headlamps are ideal)
- Fleece top/sweater
- Footwear
- Hat
- Headphones (Noise-cancelling recommended)
- Locks for bags
- Long pants/jeans
- Moneybelt
- Outlet adapter
- Personal entertainment (Reading and writing materials, cards, music player, etc.)
- Reusable water bottle
- Shirts/t-shirts
- Sleepwear
- Small travel towel
- Sunglasses
- Swimwear
- Watch and alarm clock
- Waterproof backpack cover
- Windproof rain jacket

Health & Safety:

- Face masks (Clients will be only be required to wear a face mask where it is mandated by local regulations.)
- Hand sanitizer
- Pen (Please bring your own pen for filling out documents.)

Warm Weather:

- Sandals/flip-flops
- Sturdy water shoes/sandals
- Shorts/skirts (Longer shorts/skirts are recommended)
- Sun hat/bandana
- Swimwear

When can I do my laundry on this trip?

Laundry facilities are offered by some of our hotels for a charge. There will be times when you may want to or have to do your own laundry so we suggest you bring non-polluting/biodegradable soap.

What are the visas and entry requirements for my trip?

All countries require a valid passport (with a minimum 6 months validity). Contact your local embassy or consulate for the most up-to-date visa requirements, or see your travel agent. It is your own responsibility to have the correct travel documentation. Visa requirements for your trip will vary depending on where you are from and where you are going. We keep the following information up to date as far as possible, but rules do change and sometimes without warning. While we provide the following information in good faith, it is vital that you check the information yourself and understand that you are fully responsible for your own visa requirements.

Visa information specific to your destination and nationality can be found in our Important Pre-Departure Information page [here](#)

What should I consider when planning my personal expenses and discretionary spending for this itinerary?

Every traveller is different and therefore spending money requirements will vary. Some travellers may drink more than others while other travellers like to purchase more souvenirs than most. Please consider your own spending habits when it comes to allowing for drinks, shopping and tipping. Please also remember the following specific recommendations when planning your trip.

What should I know about currency, credit cards, and exchanging money while on this tour?

Credit cards and debit cards are very useful for cash advances. Visa cards are the most widely accepted cards. While ATMs are widely available, there are no guarantees that your credit or debit cards will actually work in the Caribbean. Check with your bank. You should be aware that to purchase products or services on a credit card a fee of 5%-10% sometimes applies. Do not rely on credit or debit cards as your only source of money. A combination of US dollars cash and cards with travellers cheques as backup is best. Always take more rather than less, as you don't want to spoil the trip by constantly feeling short of funds.

CURRENCY EXCHANGE TIP: Please be advised that slightly torn notes, notes that have been heavily marked or are faded may be difficult to exchange. It is best to bring notes in fairly good condition, in denominations lower than 100USD (or equivalent).

As currency exchange rates can fluctuate often we ask that you refer to the following website for daily exchange rates: www.xe.com

How much emergency money should I bring on this trip?

Please also make sure you have access to at least an additional USD \$200 (or equivalent) as an 'emergency' fund, to be used when circumstances outside our control (ex. a natural disaster) require a change to our planned route. This is a rare occurrence!

Should I be tipping on my trip?

It is customary in the Caribbean to tip service providers such as waiters, at approximately 10%, depending on the service. Tipping is an expected - though not compulsory - component of your tour program and an expression of satisfaction with the persons who have assisted you on your tour. Although it may not be customary to you, it is of considerable significance to the people who will take care of you during your travels. There are several times during the trip where there is opportunity to tip the local guides or drivers we use. Recommendations for tipping drivers and local guides would range from \$5-10 USD per day depending on the quality and length of the service; ask your CEO for specific recommendations based on the circumstances and culture.

Also at the end of each trip if you felt your G Adventures Chief Experience Office (CEO) did an outstanding job, tipping is appreciated. The amount is entirely a personal preference, however as a guideline \$20-25 USD per person, per week can be used.

What activities are optional on this trip?

Montego Bay

- Catamaran Cruise
- Negril Day Trip
- Optional Welcome Meeting for Travellers on Combos

Dunn's River Falls

- Dunn's River Falls and Ocho Rios Tour (20USD per person)

Negril

- Cliff Diving
- Parasailing (60USD per person)

Treasure Beach

- Black River Safari Tour (65USD per person)

Parrottee Bay

- Pelican Bar (65USD per person)

Kingston

- Port Royal Tour (80USD per person)
- Lime Cay Boat Trip (15USD per person)
- Devon House Visit (10USD per person)

The Grand Ridge of the Blue Mountains

- Blue Mountains Visit

Are there any health considerations I should know before travelling?

Please note inoculations may be required for the country visited. It is your responsibility to consult with your travel doctor for up to date medical travel information well before departure.

You should consult your doctor for up-to-date medical travel information well before departure. We recommend that you carry a First Aid kit and hand sanitizers / antibacterial wipes as well as any personal medical requirements. Please be aware that quite often we are in remote areas and away from medical facilities, and for legal reasons our leaders are prohibited from administering any type of drug including headache tablets, antibiotics, etc. When selecting your trip please carefully read the brochure and itinerary and assess your ability to cope with our style of travel. Please refer to the Physical and Culture Shock ratings for trip specific information. G Adventures reserves the right to exclude any traveller from all or part of a trip without refund if in the reasonable opinion of our CEO they are unable to complete the itinerary without undue risk to themselves and/or the rest of the group.

What do I need to know to about safety and security on my trip?

Many national governments provide a regularly updated advice service on safety issues involved with international travel. We recommend that you check your government's advice for their latest travel information before departure. We strongly recommend the use of a neck wallet or money belt while travelling, for the safe keeping of your passport, air tickets, travellers' cheques, cash and other valuable items. Leave your valuable jewellery at home - you won't need it while travelling. Many of the hotels we use have safety deposit boxes, which is the most secure way of storing your valuables. A lock is recommended for securing your luggage. When travelling on a group trip, please note that your group leader has the authority to amend or cancel any part of the trip itinerary if it deemed necessary, due to safety concerns. Your Chief Experience Officer (CEO) will accompany you on all included activities. During your trip you will have some free time to pursue your own interests, relax and take it easy and explore at your leisure. While your CEO will assist you with options available in a given location, please note that any optional activities you undertake are not part of your itinerary, and we offer no representations about the safety of the activity or the standard of the operators running them. Please use your own good judgement when selecting an activity in your free time. Although the cities visited on tour are generally safe during the day, there can be risks to wandering throughout any major city at night. It is our recommendation to stay in small groups and to take taxis to and from restaurants, or during night time excursions.

Water based activities have an element of danger and excitement built into them. We recommend only participating in water based activities when accompanied by a guide(s). We make every reasonable effort to ensure the fun and adventurous element of any water based activities (in countries with varying degrees of operating standards), have a balanced approach to safety. It is our policy not to allow our CEOs to make arrangements on your behalf for water based activities that are not accompanied by guide(s).

Swimming, including snorkeling, is always at your own risk. [Read more about travel safety](#) for ways to further enhance your personal safety while traveling.

What rules should I know before joining this trip?

Illegal drugs will not be tolerated on any trips. Possessing or using drugs not only contravenes the laws of the land but also puts the rest of the group at risk. Smoking marijuana and opium is a part of local culture in some parts of the world but is not acceptable for our travellers. Our philosophy of travel is one of respect towards everyone we encounter and in particular the local people who make the world the special place it is. The exploitation of people in the sex trade is completely contrary to this philosophy. Our CEOs have the right to expel any member of the group if drugs are found in their possession or if they utilize the services of paid sex workers, in any capacity.

Is travel insurance required for my trip?

Travel insurance is compulsory in order to participate on any of our trips. When travelling on a group trip, you will not be permitted to join the group until evidence of travel insurance has been sighted by your leader, who will take note of your insurance details. When selecting a travel insurance policy we require that at a minimum you are covered for medical expenses including emergency evacuation and repatriation. A minimum coverage of USD200,000 is required. We strongly recommend that the policy also covers personal liability, cancellation, curtailment and loss of luggage and personal effects. Some tours include adventure activities that require extra coverage (e.g. crampon use); please review your itinerary and make sure that you are covered for all included activities. If you have credit card insurance we require proof of purchase of the trip (a receipt of credit card statement) with a credit card in your name. Contact your bank for details of their participating insurer, the level of coverage and emergency contact telephone number.

What is Planeterra?

Planeterra International Foundation is a non-profit organization committed to turning travel into impact by helping local communities earn an income from tourism. Planeterra connects underserved local communities to the benefits of tourism by developing and supporting small community-owned businesses. These businesses support Indigenous people, empower women, grant youth access to employment opportunities, and protect the environment. Planeterra also works to ensure these businesses have a thriving customer base by integrating their projects into G Adventures' itineraries globally.

G Adventures is Planeterra's largest corporate donor, covering all operating costs, so 100% of your donation will bring opportunity to people in need.

G Adventures Dollar-a-day Program - Make Every Day Count - Turn your travel into impact with [Planeterra Foundation](#).

Did you know? Most communities around the world do not benefit from tourism. Give back to the places you visit on your travels by creating opportunities for local people to earn an income, and protect the environment.

Make every day count by donating \$1/day for the length of your trip, and join us in empowering the communities you will visit when you travel. 100% of your donation goes directly to Planeterra projects.

How can I share feedback about my trip experience?

Earn 5% off your next G Adventures Tour (up to \$100 USD)*

After your travels, we want to hear from you! Your feedback information is so important to us and to thank you for your time, we are pleased to offer a 5% discount (up to a maximum of \$100 USD) off your next G Adventures holiday. All you need to do is submit the form within 4 weeks of the completion of your tour, and you'll be able to join the thousands of travellers who have taken 2, 3, 4 or even 10 or more tours with us!

Discount cannot be combined with other offers or applied to 'Independent' style trips. Maximum discount value is \$100 USD (or equivalent currency). Valid for new bookings only. G Adventures reserves the right to withdraw or modify this offer at any time without notice. Limited to one discount per person.

Does G Adventures have an email newsletter I can subscribe to?

Our adventure travel e-newsletter is full of travel news, trip information, interesting stories and contests. To avoid missing out on special offers and updates from G Adventures, subscribe at www.gadventures.com/newsletters/

Stay current on how our company invests in our global community through our foundation – Planeterra. Sign up for [Planeterra's monthly news](#) to learn more about how to give back and support the people and places we love to visit.

How old must I be to join this trip?

You must be 18 to travel unaccompanied on a G Adventures tour. For minors travelling with a guardian over 21 years old, the minimum age is 12.

Are international flights included in this trip?

No, international flights are generally not included in the price of your tour.

However, on some combo tours travelling between two different countries, international flights are included as part of the itinerary and price of the tour. Please speak to your GCO or booking agent for further details.

In addition, check-in times and baggage allowances/restrictions vary by airline and can change at any time. For the most up-to-date information for your flight, please contact your airline. We recommend checking in online in advance to avoid potential delays at the airport.

What should LGBTQ+ travellers know about safety and travel considerations on this trip?

The safety and well-being of all of our travelers is a priority at G Adventures and that includes our travelers who identify as part of the LGBTQ+ community. We recognize that there are specific concerns and questions you may have about your adventure in terms of safety and security. We encourage you to visit our [LGBTQ+ page](#) for useful resources to ensure you feel safe and comfortable throughout the duration of your trip. The Equaldex tool linked on this page can be of particular help when deciding where you may want to visit next.

Dossier Disclaimer

The information in this trip details document has been compiled with care and is provided in good faith. However it is subject to change, and does not form part of the contract between the client and the operator. The itinerary featured is correct at time of printing. It may differ slightly to the one in the brochure. Occasionally our itineraries change as we make improvements that stem from past travellers, comments and our own research. Sometimes it can be a small change like adding an extra meal along the itinerary. Sometimes the change may result in us altering the tour for the coming year. Ultimately, our goal is to provide you with the most rewarding experience. Please note that our brochure is usually released in November each year. If you have booked from the previous brochure you may find there have been some changes to the itinerary.

VERY IMPORTANT: Please ensure that you print a final copy of your Trip Details to review a couple of days prior to travel, in case there have been changes that affect your plans.

Itinerary Disclaimer

While it is our intention to adhere to the route described below, there is a certain amount of flexibility built into the itinerary and on occasion it may be necessary, or desirable to make alterations. The itinerary is brief, as we never know exactly where our journey will take us. Due to our style of travel and the regions we visit, travel can be unpredictable. The Trip Details document is a general guide to the tour and region and any mention of specific destinations or wildlife is by no means a guarantee that they will be visited or encountered. Aboard expedition trips visits to research stations depend on final permission.

Additionally, any travel times listed are approximations only and subject to vary due to local circumstances.