

DESTINATION INFORMATION - GRENADA

Grenada is a mountainous and volcanic island, which gives it one of the loveliest landscapes in the Caribbean, featuring crater lakes, rainforests and coastal mangrove plantations nearby perfectly sandy beaches and sparkling blue waters with colorful coral reefs that are excellent snorkeling grounds.

COORDINATES	12°07N, 61°40W	
LANGUAGE	English (official), French patois spoken	
CAPITAL	St. George's	
WEATHER	Tropical climate, moderated by northeast trade winds. Greatest monthly precipitation falls from June through November and average daily temperatures throughout the year are between 26C and 32C (79-90F).	
BEST TIME TO CHARTER	December-April	
AIRPORTS	The Maurice Bishop International Airport (GND) is located 8 km south of the town of St. George's, on Pont Salines, the most SW point of Grenada.	
TIME	UTC-4	
CURRENCY	East Caribbean dollar (XCD); USD widely accepted, although change might be given in XCD. American Express, Diners Club, MasterCard and Visa are accepted in most shops, car rental companies and hotels. ATMs are mostly available in St. George's.	
ELECTRICITY	230 V, 50Hz	
PUBLIC HOLIDAYS	1 Jan	New Year's Day
	7 Feb	Independence Day
	Mar/Apr	Good Friday
		Easter Monday
	1 May	Labor Day
	May/Jun	Whit Monday
	First Monday in Aug	Emancipation Day
	12 Aug	Carnival
	25 Oct	Thanksgiving Day
	9 Dec	National Heroes Day
	25 Dec	Christmas Day
MAIN PORTS AND MARINAS	Grenada Marine in St. George's; Grenada Yacht Club in St. George's; Martin's Marina in L'Anse aux Epines near St. George's; Prickly Bay Marina in L'Anse aux Epines near St. George's	
RECOMMENDED BEACHES	Grand Anse Beach, Morne Rouge Beach, Magazine Beach, La Sagesse	
CULTURAL	Local culture is the reflection of the island's history of English and French colonial rule, as well as African heritage. The Roman Catholic Church is also of great influence on the locals' lifestyle. Grenadians are warm and friendly. Dress code is informal but beachwear such be reserved to the beach. Smoking is not prohibited in public.	

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