Jamaica Encompassed

See a side of Jamaica that few tourists experience on this ten-day adventure and go home with a real understanding of this vibrant island. Meet true Rastafarians, learn about the original inhabitants of the island, walk through lush wilderness, visit the Bob Marley Museum and Rick's Café for a taste of culture with a splash of fun in the sun.





10 days/9 nights

ITINERARY

Day 1: Montego Bay

Arrive at any time. There are no planned activities until a welcome meeting in the evening.

The adventure begins tonight. Feel free to explore before your welcome meeting, but make sure you're back in time to meet the group at 6:00pm. After introductions, your CEO will review the details of your tour. Please note that normal check-in times apply at our start hotels, but you can usually store your luggage for the day if you arrive early.

Day 2: Montego Bay - Negril

En route to Negril, visit a Rastafarian indigenous village. 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. Later in the day, visit famous Rick's Café at Negril. Enjoy the seemingly endless white-sand beaches and local flavour. Opt to enjoy an evening cocktail while watching the locals dive from the scenic cliffs. Meals: (B, L)

Day 3: Negril

Spend a whole day enjoying Negril. Do as much or as little as you like- the day is yours for beach time or a number of other activities. Opt to explore the local caves and rocky bluffs. Walk the beach, visit the cliffs, scuba dive, windsurf, parasail or do nothing at all and relax in a hammock. Meals: (B)

Day 4: Negril - Treasure Beach

Travel to Treasure Beach, a secluded piece of heaven on earth. 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. You may opt to visit the seven waterfalls of YS Falls. Meals: (B)

Day 5: Treasure Beach

Spend the day enjoying paradise. Or take an optional river safari to search for dolphins and crocodiles in their natural environment or visit the unique Pelican Bar out at sea. 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: (B)

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: (B)

Day 7: Kingston

Enjoy a free day to explore. Join an optional tour of a Blue Mountain coffee plantation or check out a nearby market for some souvenirs. Meals: (B)

Day 8: Kingston - Ocho Rios

En route to Ocho Rios, visit a Maroon village. 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. Visit a secluded river with a number of crystal-clear pools perfect for swimming. Today pays respect to a part of Jamaica's history often unseen. Learn about their important history in Jamaica before enjoying a Maroon feast with community members. Continue on to Ocho Rios. Meals: (B, L)

Day 9: Ocho Rios

Spend a full free day on this idyllic beach relaxing or opt to climb the stony face of Dunn's River Falls, bargain for handicrafts at the market, explore Fern Gully in an Amazon-like rainforest, or horseback ride on the beach beside the Caribbean sea. Meals: (B)

Day 10: Ocho Rios - Montego Bay

Travel to Montego Bay where the tour ends on arrival in the late morning. The van will make two stops in Montego Bay— one at the start hotel and one at the airport for those flying out this afternoon. Note: your flight must depart no earlier than 2:00pm today. Meals: (B)

We can assist you with flight reservations and extra nights of accommodation in Montego Bay to work around airline schedules from your home city.

Details

Call for dates and pricing

Trip Code:

002506 - W17

INCLUDED

- Ten days of guided touring in a private vehicle
- Nine nights of accommodation
- Meals: 9 breakfasts (B), 2 lunches (L)
- Rastafarian village tour with lunch
- Rick's Cafe visit, Negril
- Beach time in Negril, Treasure Beach and Ocho Rios
- · Charles Town Maroon Village experience and hike to a local swimming hole
- Bob Marley Museum entrance, Kingston
- Free time in Negril, Treasure Beach and Kingston
- All transportation between destinations and to/from included activities

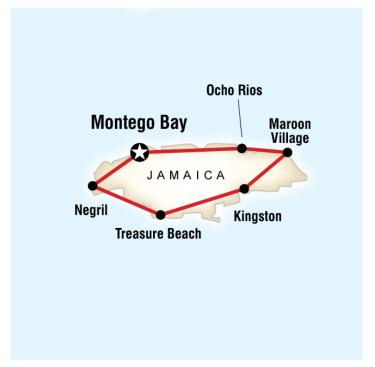
NOT INCLUDED

- Airfare to/from Montego Bay
- Meals not indicated (allow approx. US\$210-275)
- Gratuities to local guides, at your discretion
- · Passport and visa fees, if needed
- Travel Insurance
- · Items of a personal nature

TOUR NOTES

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