



*Abaco, Bahamas*

FLY IN

# Exploring The Abacos

ITINERARY

DECEMBER 8 – DECEMBER 11 2022





## Abaco Fly-In Itinerary Exploring The Abacos

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# KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

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## KNOW BEFORE YOU GO:

These protocols are subject to change at any time in response to new COVID-19 measures. Please check this website frequently for ongoing updates.

## ARRIVAL:

### TESTING REQUIREMENTS

- As of 20 September 2022, the COVID-19 testing requirement for entering The Bahamas has been eliminated.
- All travelers, regardless of vaccination status, are no longer required to submit to pre-travel COVID-19 testing to enter the country.
- **Please note:** COVID-19 testing is no longer required for persons travelling inter-island (domestic) within The Bahamas, regardless of COVID-19 vaccination status (unvaccinated or fully vaccinated).

## DEPARTURE:

- All U.S. residents and green card holders are not required to test.
- Please check your local government guidelines prior to your visit to determine return requirements as some countries may require negative test results for re-entry regardless of vaccination status.

## WHAT TO PACK:

- Rain jacket
- Light sweater
- Casual attire
- Swimwear
- Bug spray







# Cultural Experience / Welcome Reception

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DAY 1 – THURSDAY DECEMBER 8, 2022

**Welcome to the Abacos!** The Abacos includes a chain of islands surrounded by calm seas and reigns as one of the top sailing and boating destinations in the world. The quaint colonial capital city of Marsh Harbour is home to a wide selection of hotels and resorts, exceptional restaurants, and a spirited nightlife. From championship golf courses, and miles of picturesque beaches, to historic English loyalist settlements ideal for history buffs, The Abacos are truly a unique Out Island experience.

**8:50 AM**

**Meet at Banyan Air Service located 5360 NW 20th Terrace, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309**

**9:00 AM**

**Debriefing at Banyan Air Service**

**9:45 AM**

**Preflight**

**10:00 AM**

**Depart Banyan**

**11:00 AM**

**Arrival at Cherokee Air Aviation –** (Met by Abaco Tourist Office Representatives)  
*Cherokee Air is a private charter plane company based in Abaco, Bahamas, serving the Islands of the Bahamas and southeastern Florida since 1987. Cherokee Air is located 5 minutes away from the Marsh Harbour Intl. Airport (Leonard M. Thompson Airport).*

**2:15 PM**

**Transfer from Airport to Dundas Town Cultural Park**  
*(Complimentary of MOTIA)*

**2:30 PM**

**Arrival at Dundas Town Cultural Park for Abaco Cultural Experience**  
*(Complimentary of MOTIA)*

**3:45 PM**

**Depart Cultural Park for Host Hotel**

**4:00 PM**

**Arrival at Host Hotel Great Abaco Beach Resort for Check in**  
*Abaco Beach Resort is a newly renovated waterfront resort offering 2 outdoor pools, a tennis court & a marina, as well as dining & a bar.*

**7:00 PM**

**Welcome Reception at Garden Pool Abaco Beach Resort**  
*The Garden Pool overlooks the Sea of Abaco and the lush gardens of the Abaco Beach Resort (Complimentary of MOTIA)*  
**Briefing Meeting at Garden Pool**  
**Evening at Leisure**

# Explore The Abacos

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DAY 2- FRIDAY DECEMBER 9, 2022 – Day at leisure: Suggestions at own expense

7:00 AM

**Breakfast at Leisure (Host Hotel)**

7:45 AM

**Meet at Lobby for departure**

8:00 AM

**Depart Host Hotel for Treasure Cay Ferry Dock – (\$30 Per Person Round Trip)**

*The dock is located 33 miles North of Marsh Harbour and is a 30-minute drive. The ferry service from Treasure Cay to Green Turtle is available daily.*

9:00 AM

**Depart Treasure Cay for Green Turtle Cay**

*Green Turtle Cay was one of the first islands settled in The Bahamas, in the 1770s by the Revolutionary War Loyalists. Many of the island's 500 or so residents can trace their ancestry back to these Loyalists.*

## **SUGGESTED TOURS - (Choose 1 of the following tours)**

### **Tour 1: New Plymouth/ Pineapples – (\$22 Per Person Round Trip)**

The historic village of New Plymouth on Green Turtle Cay, one of the areas settled by Loyalists in 1783, is named after New Plymouth in Massachusetts. The architectural design of the houses is New England style – tidy, peaked-roofed and brightly and cheerfully painted. It is known for boatbuilding. The residents here were renowned for growing pineapples from 1850 to 1892. Today this industry no longer exists, and New Plymouth is primarily a quaint little fishing village, which makes it very attractive to visitors. *Pineapple's* is located on the harbour directly across from New Plymouth and is easily accessed by golf cart on the Brooklyn Road (in front of The Wrecking Tree) or by boat. It's an open-air, poolside bar overlooking the harbor and Sea of Abaco serving lunch and dinner, and feature delicious conch fritters, grilled fish, and made-to-order conch salad.

- Tour of New Plymouth
- Lunch at Pineapples (at own expense)
- Cruise back to main island





# Explore The Abacos Cont'd

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DAY 2- FRIDAY DECEMBER 9, 2022

00:00 PM

## Tour 2: Snorkel Tour w/ Brendal's Dive Center – (\$100 Per Person)

*Brendal's Dive Center offers great Dive and Snorkeling Packages, and other services: kayak tours and rentals, island hopping trips etc.*

- Wet Suit & Dive Gear
- Snorkel reef in morning
- Cruise to Mun Jac Lagoon/beach Hand feed the Stingrays see Sea Life & Sharks
- Cruise back to main island
- Rum Punch
- Ferry service from mainland to dive center included

00:00 PM

## Tour 3: Big O's: Swimming Pigs on No Name Cay – (\$25 Per Person Round Trip)

*This is an ecofriendly, family fun environment where people come for the pigs and stay for the food! It is located on an uninhabited island with a crescent beach.*

- Beach Day
- Kayaking
- Pool Bar
- Lunch (at own expense)
- Swimming Pigs
- Cruise back to mainland

2:00 PM

Depart Green Turtle Cay via ferry for Treasure Cay Dock

3:00 PM

Depart Treasure Cay for Marsh Harbour  
Transfer to host hotel

7:30 PM

Dinner at Colors Bahamian Restaurant (Optional)  
Evening at Leisure

Please notify [awilliams@bahamas.com](mailto:awilliams@bahamas.com) or 954-236-9292 to book or register for any of the excursions, deadline December 6th, 2022. Once on the ground you must notify [mbootle@bahamas.com](mailto:mbootle@bahamas.com) to register for any excursions.





# People To People Experience/ Hope Town

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DAY 3 - SATURDAY DECEMBER 10, 2022

**7:30 AM**

**Meet at Hotel Lobby for departure**

**7:45 AM**

**Depart to Sugar Cane Restaurant**

*Sugar Cane Restaurant and Bar, offering Bahamian and American cuisine by chef Noel St. Claude, located right next to Abaco Suites in Downtown Marsh Harbour, Don Mackey Blvd.*

**8:00 AM**

**Bahamian Breakfast at Sugar Cane Restaurant**

*(People to People Experience)*

*(Complimentary of MOTIA)*

**10:00 AM**

**Depart from Sugar Cane to the Crossing Ferry Dock for Hope Town**

**(Day Excursion to Hope Town is Optional)**

**10:30 AM**

**Depart for Hope Town by G & L Ferry – (\$20 Round Trip Per Person)**

*(Group Charter can be arranged)*

**11:45 AM**

**Arrival at The Elbow Reef Lighthouse. Meet with Deborah Patterson for a lighthouse tour**

*The candy-striped lighthouse is Abaco's most famous landmark. Manned and hand-operated continuously since 1863, the Elbow Reef Lighthouse is now the only active lighthouse to remain hand-wound and kerosene burning in the world. Climb the spiral staircase to the top to be rewarded with breathtaking views of the surrounding islands.*





# Hope Town / Bonfire Experience

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DAY 3 - SATURDAY DECEMBER 10, 2022

12:45 PM

Transfer from Lighthouse to Lower Dock

12:55 PM

Arrival at Lower Dock

1:00 PM

Depart for 10-minute walk into Hope Town Community

1:10 PM

Community Tour

2:20 PM

Meet at Post Office Dock (Main Dock)

2:30 PM

Take a ferry shuttle to Abaco Inn (*Optional at own expense*)

G&L Ferry rate: \$20.00 Per Person Round Trip

2:45 PM

**Arrive for Lunch at Abaco Inn (*At own expense*)**

*A trip to the Out Islands of the Abacos is not complete without a meal at the Abaco Inn Restaurant. The atmosphere is laid back, the food is elegant and local fish are caught fresh daily. The Abaco Inn Restaurant serves breakfast, lunch, and dinner in the main dining room as well as on the porch overlooking the beautiful blue water.*

5:00 PM

Depart Hope Town via ferry for Marsh Harbour

5:45 PM

Transfer to host hotel Great Abaco Beach Resort

8:00 PM

**Bonfire On Beach at host hotel Great Abaco Beach Resort**

*Experience the magic and excitement that embodies a bonfire on a beach on the out islands of the Bahamas. Watch as the nighttime sky comes alive. Moments are filled with conversation, laughter, fun, and endless dancing.*

*(Complimentary of Great Abaco Beach Resort)*

**Evening at Leisure**



# Day At Leisure

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DAY 4 - SUNDAY DECEMBER 11, 2022

## **Group 1 – 9 Holes of Golf at The Abaco Club (10 – 15 persons) (\$85 Per Person)**

*The Abaco Club offers the best of both worlds: a heralded Scottish-style links design set hard by the sea and a climate that's ideal for enjoying the outdoors. Designed by renowned golf course architects Donald Steel and Tom Mackenzie, the course at The Abaco Club makes the most of its sparkling seaside setting. Classic links design features abound, from the pot bunkers that dot its rugged location in the dunes to the challenging, sloping greens. Designed to play firm and fast, this course is not your usual Caribbean holiday course.*

**(Golf Experience Is Optional at Own Expense)**

*(Contact Golf Director Mr. Brian Schaefer 1(242) 577-0712 for Bookings)*

**6:00 AM**

**Breakfast at leisure**

**6:45 AM**

**Meet in Host Hotel Lobby**

**7:00 AM**

**Depart to The Abaco Club at Winding Bay**

*A true sporting club, The Abaco Club offers a world of wonders including the #1 golf course in The Bahamas, a spa and fitness facility, water sports, tennis courts, gourmet dining, and the club's crown jewel—an incomprehensibly beautiful, 2-mile, powder-soft beach that serves as the gateway to the tranquil waters of Winding Bay*

**8:00 AM**

**Round of Golf Begins**

**10:00 AM**

**Depart The Abaco Club at Winding Bay for the Conch Inn Dock**  
*Golfing Group to join Main Group at Ferry Dock*



# Guana Cay / Departures

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DAY 4 - SUNDAY DECEMBER 11, 2022

## Group 2 – (Persons Not Participating in Golf Experience)

**8:00 AM**

**Breakfast at Leisure**

**10:00 AM**

**Meet in Host Hotel Lobby**

**10:30 AM**

**Transfer to the Conch Inn Dock for ferry ride to Guana Cay**

*(Group 2 will meet with Golf Group at this location)*

**11:00 AM**

**G&L Ferry for Guana Cay departs (\$20 Per Person Round Trip)**

*(Group Charter can be arranged)*

**12:30 PM**

**Arrival at Guana Cay Government Dock & Walk to Nipper's Bar & Grill**

*Come and have lunch at Nipper's. Our indoor airconditioned restaurant 'Oversø' is in its finishing stages. Do you want to float in the pool? We have two to choose from. Do you dare to try one of our infamous frozen Nipper Juice drinks? It's hard to stop after just one, and therein lays the danger.*

**2:00 PM**

***Persons departing Abaco on Sunday will depart Guana Cay for Marsh Harbour***

*If this is too early, a chartered ferry can be arranged*

**4:30 PM**

**Depart Nipper's & Walk to Grabbers Bed Bar & Grill**

*Grabbers' is a quaint island style resort brightly painted tropical yellow. The resort consists of 9 units. On site, there is a small beach, freshwater pool, restaurant, and bar.*

**5:00 PM**

**Depart Guana Cay for Marsh Harbour**

**5:30 PM**

**Transfer to Host Hotel**

**7:00 PM**

**Dinner at Sugar Cane Restaurant**

**Evening at Leisure**





# Departures

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DAY 5 – MONDAY DECEMBER 12, 2022

**00:00 AM - 00:00 AM**

**Breakfast**

Optional breakfast at hotel restaurant

**00:00 AM - 00:00 AM**

**Check Out at Hotel**

Before 11am

**00:00 AM - 00:00 AM**

**Depart Hotel for Departure Flights**

Taxi shuttles will be waiting outside

# DINING EXPERIENCES

Marsh Harbour Abaco

RESTAURANT OPTIONS – Closed – Open

**11:00 AM – 12:00 AM**

## **Colors Bahamian Restaurant**

Colors is a vibrant restaurant/bar overlooking the harbour on the main street of Marsh Harbour. They offer a wide variety of drinks and cuisines including Caribbean, Seafood, Bahamian, and American.

Kitchen closes at 9:30PM – Bar Closes 12AM

**6:00 PM – 12:00 AM**

## **Snappas Bar & Grill**

Snappas is a very casual restaurant/bar built on a pier over the harbour, located on Front Street, the main 'entertainment/restaurant' strip in Marsh Harbour. The relaxed atmosphere and the fabulous view make it a great first stop when you arrive in Abaco.

Kitchen closes at 9:00PM – Bar Closes 12AM

**12:00 PM - 9:00 PM**

## **Wally's Fine Dining and Boutique**

Wally's is simply one of the best places to dine in The Abacos for both Bahamian and internationally inspired dishes. The restaurant sits in a two-story pink colonial style home that is welcoming and beautifully landscaped.

Kitchen closes at 9:00PM

**12:00 PM - 9:00 PM**

## **Sugar Cane Restaurant & Bar**

Offering Bahamian and American cuisine by chef Noel St. Claude, located right next to Abaco Suites

## **EMERGENCY CONTACTS**

**Hospital** - Marsh Harbour Healthcare Centre (PCH) - 1 242-367-2510

**Police Station** - Marsh Harbour Police Station - 1 242-367-2560

**Marina** - Abaco Beach Resort Marina - 877-533-4799

