

### PHILIPSBURG TO PHILIPSBURG - 12 DAY SAILING CRUISE

Embark on an unforgettable 12-day Caribbean cruise, where you will be enchanted by the region's timeless beauty and diverse experiences. Set sail in the perfect windjammer area, where warm and steady trade winds create ideal sailing conditions. Immerse yourself in the laid-back lifestyle of yacht owners, savoring the barefoot charm of rustic beach bars in Virgin Gorda and the Îles des Saintes. Discover the awe-inspiring natural wonders of St. Lucia and Dominica, with their lush green volcanoes and vibrant national parks. Indulge in the luxurious ambiance of St Barths, a renowned vacation retreat for Hollywood stars, featuring chic marinas, designer stores, and pristine white sandy beaches. This cruise promises a perfect blend of relaxation, natural beauty, and a touch of luxury, making it an extraordinary journey through the Caribbean. Please note that the provided itinerary is just an example and is subject to change. Each departure has its own unique itinerary. For more information and specific details, please contact us.



### **ITINERARY**

DAY 1, Philipsburg/St Maarten

Departure 07.00 pm Dutch in the south, French in the north - on St. Maarten you will find an unusual piece of Europe in the middle of the Caribbean. Because of the natural salt deposits, the Dutch West India Company once claimed the island for itself and - according to legend - divided the island up in 1648 after a drinking competition with the French. In the colorful port city of



Philipsburg, a day at the beach can be perfectly combined with a stroll through town: From the fine sandy Great Bay Beach it is only a stone's throw to the Boardwalk with its restaurants and to the boutiques of the small city center.

DAY 2, Sail through the Sir Francis Drake Channel

White Bay/Jost van Dyke Arrival 13.30 Uhr, Departure 23.00 Uhr The Sir Francis Drake Channel, where swords were once crossed, is now one of the most beautiful sailing spots. Jost van Dyke, the smallest of the main islands in the British Virgin Islands, is a mountainous volcanic object of beauty with fewer than 300 inhabitants. One of them, Foxy, has been mixing his cocktails since 1968 and the bar of the same name enjoys a legendary reputation as perhaps the most famous beach bar in the Lesser Antilles. The island's past is less reputable - it was named by a Dutch pirate. The island gives its most beautiful treasures to all who visit - fine sand, green palm trees, colorful beach bars and the luminous blue of the sea.

DAY 3, North Sound/Virgin Gorda

Arrival 08.00 am, Departure 01.30 pm Explorers and privateers once used to cross swords in the Sir Francis Drake Channel. Nowadays the sea around the British Virgin Islands is one of the world's best sailing areas. Heavenly bays, gorgeous beaches, idyllic anchoring spots, smart yacht clubs and charming little beach bars make the island a popular haunt for sailors. On Virgin Gorda, once called "The Fat Virgin" by Columbus due to its shape, you can find "The Baths", one of nature's most beautiful oddities, in the National Park. Ground to a sphere and

polished to a shine, the huge granite formations on the beach and in the water create a multi-branched labyrinth of giant boulders.

DAY 4, Day beneath full sails

Climbing the rigging, untying ropes, setting sails - today is all about sailing. Time to lean back and relax in the deck chair and watch the passionate crew hoisting the sails by hand.

DAY 5, Cabrits/Dominica

Arrival 08.00 am, Departure 02.00 pm Dominica, nicknamed the "Nature Isle" of the Caribbean, is one of the most untouched of the Windward Islands. It boasts some of the highest mountains in the Lesser Antilles, as well as many beautiful national parks. Its interior is characterised by thick virgin forest, where rivers plunge into the depths and tiny streams wind through the jungle. Two extinct volcanoes are at the center of the Cabrits National Park and, recaptured by nature, the former strategically important Fort Stanley appears like a picturesque backdrop in the heart of the jungle.

DAY 6, Day beneath full sails

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DAY 7, Chatham Bay/Union Island





Arrival 08.00 am, Departure 06.00 pm Right in the south of the Grenadines are Union Island and the Tobago Cays. Union Island was given the evocative name "the Tahiti of the West Indies" thanks to its volcanic silhouette. Four small uninhabited islands, surrounded by a protective horseshoe-shaped coral reef, form the Tobago Cays. The Horseshoe Reef holds the Atlantic swell at bay and its unique animal and plant life make it an ideal place for snorkelling. The lagoon between the islets shimmers in all shades from turquoise through to emerald green and invites you to take a dip at the fantastic beaches.

DAY 8, Soufrière/St Lucia

Arrival 08.00 am, Departure 05.00 pm Two famous volcanic cones are indisputably the emblem of St Lucia and have been designated as UNESCO World Heritage Sites. Gros and Petit Piton tower over the southern, windward side of the island and, in Soufriere, seem close enough to touch. The volcanoes have in fact long been extinct, but the sulphur springs demonstrate the power of the earth's core and still bubble up. In the Botanical Gardens, natural abundance is combined with artistic arrangements to create a colorful tropical paradise. Some people claim that Josephine, who later became Napoleon's wife, used to bathe in the little pool in the garden.s

DAY 9, Day beneath full sails

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DAY 10, Terre-de-Haut/Îles des Saintes

Arrival 08.00 am, Departure 01.30 pm Îles des Saintes is a small archipelago which was disputed for a long time until it finally became French in 1816. In the charming main town of Terre-de-Haut, you can take a delightful stroll along the waterside promenade. Boutiques, cafes, bars and restaurants invite you to browse and spend some time here. The 'savoir vivre' takes place against a backdrop lit up in all the pastel shades of the Caribbean. Fort Napoleon is set high above the bay and your climb up to it is rewarded by a spectacular panoramic view. On the other side of the island, the Plage de Pompierre invites you to enjoy a dip in the sea and sunbathe on the beach.

DAY 11, Gustavia/St Barthélemy

Arrival 01.30 pm, Departure 11.00 pm St Barthelemy, affectionately known as St Barths by most, had already had many "owners" before the Lesser Antilles were acquired by France in 1877. When the first estate was acquired by the banker David Rockefeller in 1957, the island's future was finally sealed. It became a refuge for the international jet set and an elegant holiday paradise for many Hollywood stars. For over 40 years, St Barths has cultivated a luxurious lifestyle with a Caribbean laissez-faire approach. You can stroll through the charming main town of Gustavia, whose beautifully restored houses and colonial facades look out over the sea with its elegant superyachts, browse in the shops for precious items, or



enjoy a sundowner in the picturesque harbor surrounded by clusters of high class bars and restaurants.

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**VESSEL TYPE:** 

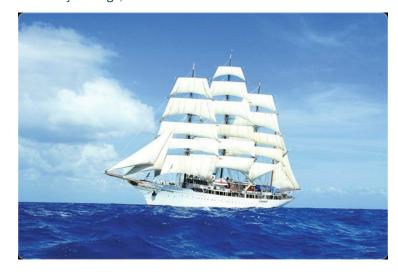
LENGTH:

**PASSENGER CAPACITY:** 

**BUILT/REFURBISHED:** 

Sea Cloud is a ship with a soul, imbued by the original owners, Marjorie Merriweather Post and her husband E.F. Hutton in the 1930's. The ship has played host to royalty, known service in wartime, and sailed the world over. She is a vessel of incomparable grace that harks back to the golden age of ship travel. Once you've been on Sea Cloud under full sail, you'll begin your own love affair. Welcome aboard a legend Sea Cloud accommodates 58 guests in 28 outside cabins including two original owner's suites that still feature original marble baths and fireplaces. At 360 feet she is an expansive ship with extensive public spaces on the top deck, where we luxuriate in deck chairs and watch the crew of 18 go aloft in the web of riggings to hand-set her 30 sails. Her dining room is hung with marine oil paintings of the period and accommodates all guests at once for a single seating. We'll gather in the lounge each evening for Recap. Life aboard is a uniquely pleasing mix of elegance and informality--a return to the golden age of sailing in shorts and deck shoes. You'll find all shipboard services impeccable. Discover the romance of tall ship sailing Experience something many people don't know exists in the 21st century--the romance of life under square sails. Discover the

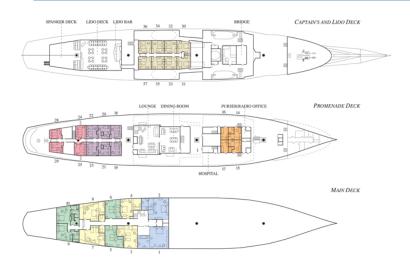
thrill of standing on deck as Sea Cloud gently glides through the water, her crew aloft in the riggings, running out and reefing sails. Settle in to your favorite areas on the top deck and bask in the incomparable experience of traveling aboard the finest tall ship to ever sail the seas. Lose yourself in an adventure that, in this day and age, is almost



unimaginable.



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