

JAMAICA[®]

An aerial photograph of a tropical beach in Jamaica. The water is a vibrant turquoise color, transitioning to a deeper blue further out. The beach is a wide, white sand strip. On the right side, there are several resort buildings with thatched roofs and lush greenery, including many palm trees. A long row of lounge chairs and umbrellas is set up along the beach. In the background, more buildings and a small boat are visible.

Meeting And Incentive Planner

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MORE REASONS TO MEET in JAMAICA

Let the Jamaica Tourist Board be your guide as you plan your next meeting, incentive program, exhibition, or event. With state-of-the-art convention centres, off-site venues, experienced DMCs, and an abundance of shopping, dining, and golf courses, you'll see why Jamaica is the warm weather destination of choice for planners looking to make the most out of their destination programmes.

We have it all. Over 150 licensed tours and attractions as well as a diverse range of properties offering a wealth of options to suit all budgets and preferences.

Come and experience the natural beauty and warm culture of Jamaica while achieving your business objectives, and let our majestic blue mountains, captivating waterfalls, and pristine, white-sand beaches provide the most inspiring backdrop for your group events.



Immigration & Customs Entry Requirements—C5 Card

Visitors are required to have a valid passport when travelling to Jamaica, along with proof of anticipated departure, such as a return airline ticket.

To access additional information regarding entry requirements for Jamaica, visit our website.

[Learn More](#)

To access additional information regarding visa requirements for Jamaica, visit the Embassy of Jamaica website.

[Learn More](#)

Arriving passengers are required to complete Immigration and Customs documents prior to arriving in Jamaica.

Visit the Immigration/Customs C5 Card website: enterjamaica.com

[Learn More](#)

Tax Deduction Status

U.S. Public Law 96-608 & Jamaica's Exemption

On December 16, 1981, the U.S. Senate passed a protocol to the Income Tax Treaty with Jamaica. According to protocol, expenses incurred by a citizen or resident of the United States in connection with attendance at a convention, seminar, or similar meeting held in Jamaica shall be deductible for the purpose of taxation in the United States to the same extent as if the convention, seminar, or similar meeting were held in the United States.

Contact us for additional information.

For details regarding the latest travel protocols, go to visitjamaica.com/groups



VIP Airport Lounges

Club Mobay and Club Kingston offer meet-and-greet assistance on arrival at both Sangster International and Norman Manley International airports. Their award-winning lounges have all the conveniences to help you relax after your meeting or convention.

[Learn More](#)



RESORT AREAS

Montego Bay

Affectionately referred to as “MoBay,” this plentiful parish is the tourism capital of Jamaica, offering an array of boutique properties, bigger luxury resorts, and convention centres. MoBay will keep your group engaged with epic eco adventures, world-class golf courses, pristine beaches, restaurants, shopping, and great houses, all conveniently situated near Sangster International Airport (MBJ).

Negril

A two-hour drive from Sangster International Airport (MBJ) on the western tip of our island is Negril. Famous for its pristine, 7-mile beach and laid-back reputation, here—among an abundance of activities from watersports, ATV rides, and cliff-diving to coral reef diving and luxury dining—guests can discover the unique sensation of feeling more and more relaxed the more they do.



South Coast

In just under two hours from Sangster International Airport (MBJ), across our breathtaking countryside, visitors can further escape the fast pace on a relaxing drive to Jamaica’s South Coast. This off-the-beaten-path paradise is packed with natural wonders where guests can relish in the tranquility of Treasure Beach, enjoy fresh-caught seafood cooked the Jamaican way, and—if they’re lucky—spot a crocodile lazing among the mangroves.



Ocho Rios

Located 80 minutes east of the Sangster International Airport (MBJ) in Montego Bay or 60 minutes away from Norman Manley International Airport (KIN) in Kingston, you'll find Ocho Rios, a captivating resort town surrounded by majestic mountains and waterfalls. This is where Ian Fleming was inspired to bring the world's most famous spy, 007, to life, and it's a stone's throw from the birthplace of reggae legend Bob Marley. Needless to say, Ocho Rios will inspire your group, too, with its beaches, zip lines, scuba diving, and waterfall excursions.

Note: For your convenience, Ian Fleming International Airport (OCJ) is located only 20 minutes away and can accommodate small private jets and noncommercial aircraft.



Port Antonio

Just two hours away from Kingston is one of Jamaica's most picturesque resort towns. Known for its magnificent rivers, dramatic waterfalls, and infamous Blue Lagoon, Port Antonio will leave you spellbound from one natural attraction to the next. Described by many as "heaven on earth," this tropical paradise is a haven for sailing, bamboo rafting, secluded swimming spots, beaches, and, of course, Jamaica's famous jerk chicken.



Kingston

For a one-of-a-kind cultural experience, visit Jamaica's capital city. Kingston is a UNESCO Creative City of Music and home to some of the world's most influential art, nature, and history. Once meetings are completed, guests are encouraged to immerse themselves in our rich cultural history at the National Gallery of Jamaica, visit Devon House to taste its famous home-made ice cream, stroll through the beautiful Hope Botanical Gardens, and experience a rite-of-passage by visiting the Bob Marley Museum.



Hotels, convention CENTRES & off-site venues



Accommodations

With boutique properties, internationally recognised all-inclusive resorts, luxury resorts, villas, and convention centres, Jamaica can accommodate everything from small groups to medium-size programs to large conventions.



Destination Management Companies

Jamaica has a wide selection of Destination Management Companies (DMC). Their professional services and expertise will guide planners through all aspects of the planning process.

Amstar DMC
Island Routes

Jamaica Tours Limited (JTL)
Tropical Tours LTD

Golf Courses

Jamaica's many golf courses provide the perfect place to unwind after a meeting, to prepare for a meeting, or, better yet, to have your meeting while you play. Plus, our caddies know these courses inside and out. They're not just mandatory, they're essential for helping players stay on top of their game.

MONTEGO BAY

Cinnamon Hill Golf Course at Rose Hall

Half Moon Golf Course

The Tryall Golf Course

The White Witch Golf Course

KINGSTON

Caymanas Golf Club

Constant Spring Golf and Country Club

NEGRIL

Negril Hills Golf Club

OCHO RIOS/RUNAWAY BAY

The Runaway Bay Golf Club

Sandals Golf & Country Club

SOUTH COAST

Manchester Country Club Golf Course





TOURS & ATTRACTIONS

With more than 150 licensed tours and attractions, visitors can unleash their adventurous sides and become more connected by choosing from a variety of activities and team-building exercises.



UNIQUE VENUES FOR GROUP EVENTS

Break free from ordinary meeting rooms and try something out of the box. We have historical sites, caves, white-sand beaches, botanical gardens, waterfalls, rivers, mineral springs, bioluminescent lagoons, coffee plantations, rum factories, and farm-to-table experiences that will inspire and delight.





The Montego Bay Convention Centre is a nine-time recipient of the World Travel Award for being the Caribbean's leading meetings and conference facility.

It's the perfect place to book all your meetings, events, trade shows, and special occasions for its oceanfront location, panoramic views, and combined total of 139,302 square feet of meeting, exhibition, and ballroom spaces. Here, guests can expect superior event management and personalised first-class service from set-up to move out.

[Learn More](#)



The Jamaica Conference Centre is a 210,000-square-foot structure located on the picturesque waterfront of Kingston's downtown business district. Built to the specifications and standards of the United Nations, it stands as a testament to Jamaican architecture and functional elegance.

It has five conference rooms. The largest is capable of accommodating up to 1,200 attendees. Each conference room is equipped with simultaneous translation facilities for six languages. Additionally, it offers three caucus rooms, a reception foyer, a dining block, delegates lounges, and offices.

[Learn More](#)



HOTELS, INNS, GUEST HOUSES & FACILITIES

WESTMORELAND	ST. JAMES	HANOVER	TRELAWNY	ST. ANN	ST. MARY	ST. ANDREW & KINGSTON	PORTLAND
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bar-B-Barn • Beaches Negril Resort & Spa (all-inclusive) • Charella Inn • Coco La Palm • Coral Cove Resort • Cotton Tree Place • Country Country Limited • Couples Swept Away Hotel • Foote Prints On The Sand • Fun Holiday Beach Resort • Grand Pineapple Beach Resort • Hidden Paradise • Hotel Riu Palace Tropical Bay • Hotel Samsara • Kibo Hotel • Legends Hotel • Luna Sea Hotel Limited • Merrills 2 • Negril Escape Resort & Spa ("Mariners Inn") • Negril Palms Hotel • Negril Tree House Resort • Rayon Hotel • Rock House Hotel • Rondel Village • Rooms Negril • Royalton Negril • Sandy Haven Resort • Sandals South Coast Jamaica • Seastar Inn • Shields Negril • Sunrise Club Hotel • Tensing Pen Limited • The Boardwalk Village Limited • The Caves/Island Caves 2006 Ltd • The Cliff Hotel & Spa Limited • The Comminge Hotel • The Oasis Resort Hotel • The Spa Retreat • Westender Inn 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Altamont West Hotel • Breathless Montego Bay Resort • Caribblue Beach Hotel • Catalonia Montego Bay Resort • Deja Resort • Doctor's Cave Beach • Donway - A Jamaican Style Village • Dreams Rose Hall Resort & Spa • Grand Decameron Cornwall Beach • Grand Decameron Montego Beach • Grandiosa Hotel • Half Moon Resort • Hotel 39 • Hotel Gloriana & Spa • Hotel Montego • Hotel Riu Montego Bay • Hotel Riu Palace Jamaica • Hotel Riu Reggae • Hyatt Ziva, Hyatt Zilara • Iberostar Selection Suites • Iberostar Waves Rose Hall Beach • Jewel Grande Montego Bay Resort & Spa • JOIA Rose Hall by Iberostar • Milbrooks Resort • Relax Resort • Sandals Montego Bay • Sandals Royal Caribbean Resort & Offshore Island • SeaGarden Beach Resort • Secrets St. James & Secrets Wild Orchid Resorts • The S Hotel • Tobys Resort • UNICO Hotel • Verney House Hotel • Zoetry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Azul Beach Resort Negril • Couples Negril (all-inclusive) • Grand Palladium - Lady Hamilton & Jamaica Resort & Spa • Hedonism II • Princess Grand Jamaica • Princess Senses The Mangrove • Round Hill Hotel And Villas • Royalton Negril; Hideaway At Royalton Negril; Hotel Grand Lido Negril • Sandals Negril Beach Resort & Spa • The S Hotel • Sunset at the Palms • Tryall Golf & Beach Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellence Oyster Bay • Glistening Waters Hotel • Hideaway at Royalton Blue Waters • Hotel Rio Bueno • Ocean Coral Spring • Ocean Eden Bay • Royalton Blue Waters • Riu Palace Aquarelle 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bahia Principe Jamaica Resort • The Cardiff Hotel & Spa • Club Hotel Riu Ocho Rios • Franklyn D. Resort • Grand Muthu Club Caribbean Runaway Bay • Hermosa Cove • Hibiscus Lodge Hotel • Jamaica Inn • Moon Palace Jamaica • Mystic Ridge Resort • Piper's Cove Resort • Rooms On The Beach • Sago Palm Hotel • Sandals Ochi Beach Resort • Sandals Dunn's River • Sandals Royal Plantation Hotel • Sea Crest Beach Hotel • Shaw Park Beach Hotel & Spa • Silver Seas Hotel • Tamarind Tree Resort • Villa Sonate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Casa Maria Hotel • Couples Sans Souci • Couples Tower Isle • Galina Breeze (was Trade Winds Resort) • GoldenEye • Moxons Beach Club 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AC Hotel By Marriott • Altamont Court Hotel • City View Hotel • Courtyard By The Marriott • Eden Gardens Wellness And Resort & Spa • Hotel Four Seasons • Indies Hotel • The Jamaica Pegasus • Mayfair Hotel • Medallion Hall • R. Hotel • ROK Hotel Kingston, Tapestry Collection • S Hotel Kingston • Terra Nova All-Suite Hotel • The Courtleigh Hotel & Suites • The Prestige Hotel (formerly Sandhurst Hotel) • Terra Nova All-suite Hotel Limited 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GeeJam • Hotel Mocking Bird Hill • Hotel Tim Bamboo Ltd. • Jamaica Palace Hotel • San San Tropez • Trident Hotel • Tropical Lagoon Heights Resorts Limited
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lashings Villas Limited • Jakes Hotel Villas & Spas • South View Hotel • Treasure Beach Hotel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Golf View Hotel • Mandeville Flats • Mandeville Hotel 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bridge Palm Resorts • Platinum Hotel 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Morant Villas • Whispering Bamboo Cove



Hotels and Convention Centres

KINGSTON

AC Hotel Kingston

- 🏠 219 rooms
- 📏 3,0634 sq ft
- 🏢 6 meeting spaces
- 🕒 EP
- 📍 38-42 Lady Musgrave Rd, Kingston

Courtleigh Hotel and Suites

- 🏠 128 rooms
- 📏 2,202 sq ft
- 🏢 5 meeting spaces
- 🕒 EP
- 📍 Knutsford Blvd, Kingston

Courtyard by Marriott, Kingston

- 🏠 129 rooms
- 📏 594 sq ft
- 🏢 1 meeting space
- 🕒 EP
- 📍 1 Park Close, Kingston

Jamaica Conference Centre

- 🏠 N/A
- 📏 57,000 sq ft
- 🏢 8 meeting spaces
- 🕒 N/A
- 📍 14-20 Port Royal St, Kingston

The Jamaica Pegasus Hotel

- 🏠 300 rooms
- 📏 1,300 sq ft
- 🏢 15 meeting spaces
- 🕒 EP
- 📍 81 Knutsford Blvd, Kingston 5, New Kingston, WI

Terra Nova All-suite Hotel

- 🏠 35 suites
- 📏 8,294 sq ft
- 🏢 6 meeting spaces
- 🕒 EP
- 📍 17 Waterloo Rd, Kingston 10

R. Hotel

- 🏠 48 rooms
- 📏 N/A (60 people)
- 🏢 1 meeting space
- 🕒 EP
- 📍 2 Renfrew Rd, Kingston

ROK Hotel Kingston

- 🏠 160 rooms
- 📏 3,208 sq ft
- 🏢 6 meeting spaces
- 🕒 EP
- 📍 2-4 King St, Kingston

Spanish Court Hotel

- 🏠 123 rooms
- 📏 1,600 sq ft
- 🏢 2 meeting spaces
- 🕒 EP
- 📍 1 St Lucia Ave, Kingston

MONTEGO BAY/FALMOUTH

Breathless Montego Bay Resort

- 🏠 150 rooms
- 📏 8,058 sq ft
- 🏢 8 meeting spaces
- 🕒 All-Inclusive
- 📍 Sunset Dr, Montego Freeport

Catalonia Hotels & Resorts

- 🏠 518 rooms
- 📏 4,650 sq ft
- 🏢 2 meeting spaces
- 🕒 All-Inclusive
- 📍 Rosehall Parish, Montego Bay

Club RIU Montego Bay

- 🏠 681 rooms
- 📏 3,012 sq ft
- 🏢 1 meeting space
- 🕒 All-Inclusive
- 📍 Mahoe Bay, Ironshore, Montego Bay

Dreams Rose Hall Resort & Spa

- 🏠 495 rooms
- 📏 44,000 sq ft
- 🏢 9 meeting spaces
- 🕒 All-Inclusive
- 📍 Rose Hall Main Rd, Montego Bay

Excellence Oyster Bay Resort

- 🏠 315 rooms
- 📏 N/A
- 🏢 1 meeting space
- 🕒 All-Inclusive
- 📍 Oyster Bay Peninsula, Coopers Pen, Falmouth

Half Moon Resort

- 🏠 210 rooms/27 villas
- 📏 15,000 sq ft
- 🏢 13 meeting spaces
- 🕒 EP
- 📍 Rose Hall St James Jamaica WI, Montego Bay

Hard Rock Resort Montego Bay

- 🏠 Coming soon!
- 📏 1,500 sq ft
- 🏢 4 meeting spaces
- 🕒 EP
- 📍 Sunset Drive Freeport, Montego Bay






Hyatt Ziva Resort & Hyatt Zilara Resort

- 🏠 621 rooms
- 📏 15,000 sq ft
- 🏢 13 meeting spaces
- 🕒 All-Inclusive
- 📍 Rose Hall Rd, Montego Bay






JOIA Rose Hall by Iberostar

- 🏠 295 suites
- 📏 45,370 sq ft
- 🏢 3 meeting spaces
- 🕒 All-Inclusive
- 📍 Branch Developments Rose Hall Main Rd, Little River, Montego Bay






Iberostar Rose Hall

-  366 rooms
-  2,028 sq ft
-  2 meeting spaces
-  All-Inclusive
-  Branch Developments Rose Hall Main Rd, Little River, Montego Bay






Iberostar Suites

-  325 rooms
-  7,991 sq ft
-  6 meeting spaces
-  All-Inclusive
-  Rose Hall Main Rd, Rose Hall, Montego Bay 555






Jewel Grande Montego Bay

-  332 rooms
-  25,000 sq ft
-  13 meeting spaces
-  All-Inclusive
-  Rose Hall Main Rd, Montego Bay






Montego Bay Convention Centre

-  N/A
-  57,525 sq ft
-  N/A
-  N/A
-  Rose Hall, Rose Hall Rd, Montego Bay






Ocean Coral Spring

-  513 rooms
-  9,042 sq ft
-  4 meeting spaces
-  All-Inclusive
-  Mountain Spring Bay, Trelawny






Ocean Eden Bay

-  444 rooms
-  9,042 sq ft
-  4 meeting spaces
-  All-Inclusive
-  Mountain Spring Bay, Trelawny

Round Hill Resort and Villas

-  129 rooms
-  20,000 sq ft
-  4 meeting spaces
-  All-Inclusive
-  John Pringle Dr, Montego Bay






Riu Palace Aquarelle

-  753 rooms
-  N/A
-  N/A
-  All-Inclusive
-  1220 New Court, Coopers Pen Falmouth






Royalton Blue Waters Resort

-  228 rooms
-  15,000 sq ft
-  1 meeting space
-  All-Inclusive
-  Mountain Spring, Trelawny, A1, Montego Bay,
-  JM, Montego Bay






Hideaway at Royalton Blue Waters

-  352 rooms
-  9,634 sq ft
-  1 meeting space
-  All-Inclusive
-  Highway A1 Mountain Spring, Trelawny, Montego Bay






S. Hotel

-  120 rooms
-  6,653 sq ft
-  3 meeting spaces
-  EP
-  7 Jimmy Cliff Ave, Montego Bay



Sandals Montego Bay

-  272 rooms
-  6,275 sq ft
-  5 meeting spaces
-  All-Inclusive
-  Kent Ave, Montego Bay






Sandals Royal Caribbean Resort

-  227 rooms
-  717 sq ft
-  1 meeting space
-  All-Inclusive
-  Mahoe Cl, Montego Bay






Secrets St. James & Secrets Wild Orchid

-  700 rooms
-  16,000 sq ft
-  9 meeting spaces
-  All-Inclusive
-  Lot 59A, Montego Bay

UNICO Hotel






-  451 rooms
-  N/A
-  N/A
-  All-Inclusive. Adults only
-  N/A

Zoetry Montego Bay Resort






-  49 suites
-  430 sq ft
-  1 meeting space
-  All-Inclusive
-  Mahoe Bay, Ironshore Main Rd, Montego Bay

NEGRIL






Azul Beach Resort Negril

-  285 rooms
-  2,079 sq ft
-  1 meeting room
-  EP
-  Norman Manley Blvd, Negril






Grand Lido Negril

-  28 rooms
-  18,588 sq ft
-  8 meeting spaces
-  All-Inclusive
-  Norman Manley Blvd, A1, Negril






Grand Palladium Jamaica Resort

-  537 rooms
-  3,755 sq ft
-  3 meeting spaces
-  All-Inclusive
-  Point Lucea, Lucea






Palladium Lady Hamilton Resort

-  519 rooms
-  12,917 sq ft
-  6 meeting spaces
-  All-Inclusive
-  Point Lucea, Lucea






Princess Grand Jamaica

-  590 rooms
-  21,254 sq ft
-  6 meeting spaces
-  All-Inclusive
-  Industry Cove Green Island, Hanover

Princess Senses the Mangrove

-  415 rooms
-  21,254 sq ft
-  6 meeting spaces
-  All-Inclusive. Adults only 18+
-  Industry Cove Green Island, Hanover

Royalton Hideaway Negril

-  140 rooms
-  N/A
-  8,094 sq ft
-  All-Inclusive. Adults only
-  N/A

The Royalton Negril Resort

- 🏠 407 rooms
- 📐 3,600 sq ft
- 🏢 5 meeting spaces
- 🕒 All-Inclusive
- 📍 Norman Manley Blvd, A1, Negril

OCHO RIOS/ RUNAWAY BAY

Bahia Principe Jamaica Resort

- 🏠 850 rooms
- 📐 16,396 sq ft
- 🏢 5 meeting spaces
- 🕒 All-Inclusive
- 📍 Salt Coopers, Runaway Bay

Club RIU Ocho Rios

- 🏠 856 rooms
- 📐 2,820 sq ft
- 🏢 1 meeting space
- 🕒 All-Inclusive
- 📍 Mammee Bay, Ocho Rios,
Mammee Bay Rd, Ocho Rios

Luxury Bahia Principe Don Pablo

- 🏠 523 rooms
- 📐 12,443 sq ft
- 🏢 4 meeting spaces
- 🕒 All-Inclusive
- 📍 Salt Coopers, Runaway Bay

Moon Palace Jamaica

- 🏠 705 rooms
- 📐 20,265 sq ft
- 🏢 16 meeting spaces
- 🕒 All-Inclusive
- 📍 Main St, Ocho Rios

Sandals Dunn's River

- 🏠 260 rooms
- 📐 8,000 sq ft
- 🏢 5 meeting spaces
- 🕒 All-Inclusive
- 📍 Mammee Bay Road, Ocho Rios Jamaica

Sandals Ochi Beach Resort

- 🏠 515 rooms
- 📐 4,900 sq ft
- 🏢 7 meeting spaces
- 🕒 All-Inclusive
- 📍 130-131 Main St, Ocho Rios

Sandals Royal Plantation

- 🏠 74 rooms
- 📐 1,876 sq ft
- 🏢 2 meeting spaces
- 🕒 All-Inclusive
- 📍 Main St, Ocho Rios

SOUTH COAST

Sandals South Coast

- 🏠 360 rooms
- 📐 9674 sq ft
- 🏢 5 meeting spaces
- 🕒 All-Inclusive
- 📍 White House

CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

We can help match groups with on-island organisations that handle volunteer projects locally—projects that will increase team building and engagement with activities like painting school, homeless services, and cleaning beaches. Let our team provide you with CSR assistance.

[Learn More](#)

For more information, contact our Groups department.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

- Rebel Salute, St. Ann [↗](#)

FEBRUARY

- Reggae Month Celebrations, Kingston [↗](#)
- Lost In Time Music Festival, Kingston [↗](#)
- Hanover Charities / Chukka Polo Tournament, Hanover [↗](#)
- Coveside Concert Series, St. Ann (Feb-May) [↗](#)

MARCH

- BRT Weekend St. Ann [↗](#)
- Run for Fun Cruise Event, Montego Bay [↗](#)
- The Well Encounter, Kingston [↗](#)
- Jamaica Blue Mountain Coffee Festival, Kingston [↗](#)
- Earth Hour, Kingston [↗](#)

APRIL

- Carnival in Jamaica Series Varied Venues— Kingston & Ocho Rios [↗](#)
- Cycle Jamaica Runaway Bay, St. Ann [↗](#)
- Pan American Air Badminton Championship, St. Catherine [↗](#)
- Expo Jamaica National Arena, Kingston [↗](#)
- Jakes Off Road Triathlon Treasure Beach, South Coast [↗](#)

MAY

- Discover Jamaica by Bike, Kingston, Portland, St. Ann, Westmoreland [↗](#)
- Mochafest Varied Venues, Negril [↗](#)
- Calabash Literary Festival—“for Word” Treasure Beach, South Coast (Bi-annual) [↗](#)
- Vinyl Record Collectors—Memorial Weekend Event (Jamaica) Varied Venues, Kingston [↗](#)

JUNE

- Annual Backgammon Tournament, Ocho Rios [↗](#)
Email: jigroup@jamaicainn.com
- RuJohn Foundation Celebrity Event, Kingston & Montego Bay [↗](#)
- Jamaica Ocho Rios Jazz Festival, Ocho Rios [↗](#)
- Liguanea Art Festival, Liguanea Plaza, Kingston [↗](#)

JULY

- Boston Jerk Celebration, Boston, Port Antonio [↗](#)
- Amalgamation Little Theatre, Kingston [↗](#)
- Reggae Sumfest Varied Venues— Montego Bay [↗](#)
- Dream Weekend Varied Venues, Negril [↗](#)

AUGUST

- Portland Paradise Weekend Port Antonio, Portland [↗](#)
- Best Weekend Ever! Varied Venues, Ocho Rios [↗](#)

SEPTEMBER

- Jamaica Bridal Expo MBCC, Montego Bay [↗](#)

OCTOBER

- Jamaica Food and Drink Festival, Kingston [↗](#)
- Merritone Homecoming, Kingston, Negril Family Reunion Festival Week [↗](#)

NOVEMBER

- Cycle Jamaica Runaway Bay, St. Ann [↗](#)
- Jamaica Classic NCAA Basketball MBCC, Montego Bay [↗](#)

DECEMBER

- Reggae Marathon Varied Venues, Long Bay Beach Negril [↗](#)



Things to Know

Your quick guide to services, customs, and amenities.

AIRLINES

Air Canada	876-924-8211
Air Europa	844-415-3955
Air Turks and Caicos	649-941-5730
American Airlines	800-433-7300
British Airways	800-247-9297
Caribbean Airlines	800-523-5585, 888-359-2475
Cayman Airways	800-422-9626
Copa Airlines	876-968-5330, 876-926-0326
Delta Airlines	800-221-1212
Frontier Airlines	720-902-3969
Fly Jamaica	855-933-5952
JetBlue Airways	800-JET-BLUE
Southwest	800-435-9792
Spirit Airlines	877-211-1546
United Airlines	800-231-0856
Virgin Atlantic	876-971-8917
WestJet Airlines	800-538-5696

AIRPORTS

Norman Manley International Airport, Kingston	876-924-8452-6 nmia.aero
Sangster International Airport, Montego Bay	876-952-3124 mbjairport.com
Ian Flemming International Airport, Boscobel, St. Mary	876-975-3101 ifia.aero

ATMs

Most Jamaican ATMs (called ABMs) accept international bank cards with Visa, MasterCard, Cirrus, or Plus logos.

CLIMATE

Jamaica enjoys a tropical climate with high temperatures and humid conditions year-round. Average temperature ranges from 66 degrees Fahrenheit (19 degrees Celsius) to 99 degrees Fahrenheit (32 degrees Celsius). Though Jamaica is known for its sunshine, the island has two rainy seasons: May to June and September to October. Also, hurricanes may pass over the island from June to October. If it rains during your stay, don't worry. Most times, these short tropical rains provide a welcome break from the afternoon heat.

COMMUNICATIONS

Jamaica is well connected to the rest of the world. Direct international telephone service operates in all areas, 24 hours a day, and telephone operators will gladly facilitate collect, third-party, or credit card calls. Email and internet access is available at hotels, parish libraries, and local internet cafes. Three daily newspapers and five weekend newspapers will keep you in the know. Some hotels and gift shops offer international newspapers as well.

CREDIT CARDS

Major credit cards, including Visa, MasterCard, and American Express, are accepted throughout the island.

CURRENCY

The currency of Jamaica is the Jamaica dollar. However, the U.S. dollar is also accepted as legal tender for goods and services. Licensed "cambio" (exchange) centres and commercial banks are accessible in all resort areas. Official currency exchange rates vary daily, so it's advisable to shop around for the best rate.

CUSTOMS AND DUTY

United States residents who have been out of the country for 48 hours or more may take home items valued up to \$800 (U.S.) once every 31 days without incurring duty. Adults may take home 200 cigarettes, 100 non-Cuban cigars, and one litre of alcohol. A second litre of alcohol is allowed duty-free if it's produced by a Caribbean Basin country. Family members who return home together may combine their personal exemptions on a joint declaration.

Visit cbp.gov for more information.

Canadian residents who have been out of the country for more than 48 hours can claim up to \$300 (CAN) worth of goods without paying duty. Goods must be carried with them. After each absence of seven days or more, they can claim up to \$800 (CAN) worth of goods without duty. Except for tobacco products and alcohol, Canadian residents can send goods through the mail. Tobacco products and alcohol must be carried on their person.

Visit cbsaasfc.gc.ca for more information.

United Kingdom residents 17 or older may take the following items home, duty-free: two litres of table wine and one litre of spirits or liquor, or two litres of fortified or sparkling wine or other liquors. 200 cigarettes or 100 cigarillos, or 50 cigars or 250 g of tobacco. 60 cc of perfume and 250 cc of eau de toilette. Plus, other goods worth up to £145. Travelers cannot group their allowances.

Visit hmrc.gov.uk for more information.

DEPARTURE TAX

There is a \$35 departure tax that must be paid upon departure. Airlines include this tax on tickets.

DRIVING

In Jamaica, drivers must keep to the left, although some flexibility is required to avoid collisions with pedestrians and domestic animals. The speed limit is 30 mph (50 kmph) in urban areas and 50 mph (80 kmph) on highways given the mountainous terrain (rural roads are often winding, bumpy, and narrow). Tourists can rent cars in most major towns and cities. Clients must be no less than 25 years old to rent a vehicle. Drivers and all passengers are required to wear safety belts, and children under 3 years old must travel in infant carriers or child safety seats. All drivers are required to carry a valid driver's licence. Jamaica recognises valid international driver's licences. Visitors from North America may use their country's licence for up to three months per visit, and United Kingdom residents may use theirs for up to one year.

DRUGS

In Jamaica, the use, sale, and possession of drugs such as cocaine, crack, ecstasy, heroin, and any other controlled substance is illegal. Offenders are subject to severe punishment, including arrest, fines, and/or imprisonment. The possession of up to two ounces of ganja (marijuana) has been decriminalised, but it is still not legal.

ELECTRICITY

The electrical supply in Jamaica is 110 volts/50 cycles standard, and electrical appliances use plugs that are two-pronged and flat (as in the U.S. and Canada). Bring along any adaptors or convertors you might need. Most hotels will provide you with hair dryers, alarm clocks, radios, and clothing irons, but you should check before travelling.

GETTING AROUND

Jamaica is an island of 10,992 square kilometers, and it has so much to offer. If you are keen to explore, you will find the journey just as much a part of your travel experience as the destination. From rental cars to luxury services, discover the many blessings the island has to offer.

All registered taxis in Jamaica are required by law to have red "PPV" licence plates. The fastest and most economical taxis are those used by locals, called "route taxis"—cars or buses that drive a designated course and pick up/drop off passengers at will. These are shared cabs that will usually pack several people willing to go on the same route.

There are also privately owned tour operators and bus companies that offer scheduled travel between a number of vacation towns and cities in air-conditioned buses and taxis that also have Wi-Fi.

Check with your concierge for additional information.

HOLIDAYS

On public holidays, all government agencies, including schools and most private businesses, are closed.

<i>New Year's Day</i>	<i>Emancipation Day</i>
<i>Ash Wednesday</i>	<i>Independence Day</i>
<i>Good Friday</i>	<i>National Heroes' Day</i>
<i>Easter Monday</i>	<i>Christmas Day</i>
<i>Labour Day</i>	<i>Boxing Day</i>

LANGUAGE

English is the official language of Jamaica. However, most locals speak Patois.

SAFETY

As with any place in the world, remember to follow basic precautions. Always keep all luggage in view and your personal effects close to your body.

TIME ZONE

Jamaica falls within the Eastern Time Zone (UTC/GMT -5 Hours) and does not observe daylight saving time. At approximately 18 degrees north of the equator, the island is located within the tropics. As such, it does not experience drastic seasonal changes in sunrise and sunset times. Year-round, the island averages between 11.5 and 12.5 hours of sunlight a day.

TIPPING

It is customary to leave a 10 to 15 percent gratuity at restaurants. Please make sure to check your bill (some establishments will have already included the gratuity in your total).

TRANSPORTATION AND TOUR COMPANIES

Other reliable modes of transportation are available throughout the island. Contact the following purveyors for shuttles, buses, and car rentals. Using a tour company to get around is also a great way to experience Jamaica.

Budget Rent-A-Car	876-759-1793
Caribbean and Latin Travel Consultant	876-906-3140
Caribbean World Enterprises	876-952-6404
Centro Latino	876-755-0072
El Sol Vida	876-630-0664
Fiesta Car Rentals	876-926-0133

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Go! Jamaica Travel Company	876-920-7051
Great Dane Motorcycle Tours of JA	876-953-3741
Hola Tours & Travel	876-971-1298
Holiday Services	876-618-1228
Island Car Rentals	876-926-8012
Jamaica Cooperative Automobile Limousine Tours	876-952-7574
Jamaica Cultural Enterprises	876-549-8570
Jamaica Union of Travellers Association	876-952-0813
Jamaica Vacations Limited	876-929-9371
Kiuki Tours & Transportation	876-940-0521
Knutsford Express	876-971-1822
Leisure for Pleasure Holiday & Tours	876-924-7027
Nexus Tours	876-953-0509
Prestige Leasing & Tours	876-952-8495
Rapsody Tours, Cruises & Charters	876-979-0102-4
Sunshine Adventure Jamaica	876-953-2919





The Jamaica Tourist Board Groups and Conventions team provides an array of services to support your planning process, including:

- Requests for proposal (RFP)
- Customised site visits
- Vendor lists to help you identify unique products and services
- Customs clearance assistance for items that will be used on island and taken out of the country; for detailed information please visit: visitjamaica.com/groups
- Promotional material including brochures, videos, displays, and more
- Product updates on hotels, attractions, tours, off-site venues, and services
- Insider tips and the most up-to-date information
- Identify unique experiences based on the expectations of the group

As your partner, we will make every effort to ensure a successful, memorable, and impactful event. As your needs are carefully shared and communicated to industry professionals, we will ensure that everything runs smoothly and your expectations are exceeded.

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