

**VIRGIN ISLANDS NATIONAL PARK
VIRGIN ISLANDS CORAL REEF NATIONAL MONUMENT
ST. JOHN, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS
VISITOR GUIDE**



ENJOY YOUR VISIT!

Stunning beaches, miles of trails, marine life, fauna & flora in abundance, & a rich cultural history! Some 60% of the island of St. John is Virgin Islands National Park & much of the surrounding water is Virgin Islands Coral Reef National Monument.

We hope that you enjoy your visit & help us protect our park & yourselves by following park rules!

*Welcome! Welcome!
To Our Island And Our Park!*

- Keep your distance. Sea turtles are endangered species & protected by law! Please do not touch or feed them, or other wildlife including fish, deer, & donkeys.
- Protect our coral & yourself! Wear reef safe sunscreen (it's the law) & protective clothing. Stand only in sand, not on coral or rocks. Beware of fire coral & urchins.
- Keep yourself well hydrated when hiking. There is a free drinking water station in the Cruz Bay Visitor Center.
- For your safety & privacy, glass bottles are not allowed on park beaches & drone flying is prohibited. Dogs are not permitted on beaches & must be leashed on trails.
- Only park in designated areas to help protect native vegetation & combat erosion. Do not block traffic.
- Boaters slow down in mooring fields for the safety of people & turtles. Use dinghy channels when coming ashore. Anchoring in coral & sea grass beds is strictly prohibited. Use park moorings. There are only three designated areas in the park where anchors may be dropped in sand: Francis Bay, Lind Point, Cruz Bay-NPS.
- History & culture are our stories. Please do not walk on, or climb on ruins. Do not write on, or graffiti ruins or trees.
- Coral & shells are important part of the park ecosystem. Please leave them where you found them.
- Pack it in, pack it out. Take your garbage with you or put it in a trash can!



PROTECT



PRESERVE



CONNECT

- Plan your visit. Visit the National Park Visitor Center & Park Store in Cruz Bay for information, maps & merchandise including tees, pins, water bottles & gifts.
- Attend an event or seminar: Learn more about our park & join guided walks, hikes & turtle talks run by NPS & Friends of Virgin Islands National Park.
- Volunteer: Join our trails crew on Tuesdays & Thursdays to help maintain trails & ruins.
- Donate: Help protect & preserve the magic that is Virgin Islands National Park by donating to Friends of Virgin Islands National Park, the philanthropic partner of the park.

2021 / 2022 Calendar of Events

FRIDAY WITH FRIENDS

NOVEMBER 2021 TO JUNE 2022

1ST FRIDAYS – Native Plants Walk & Talk

2ND FRIDAYS – Annaberg Culture & History Tour

3RD FRIDAYS – Turtle Talk

4TH FRIDAYS – Hike With Friends

WALKUP TRAIL CREW VOLUNTEERS

Every Tuesday & Thursday / November to June

FRIENDS ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, January 29

FRIENDS OF VIRGIN ISLANDS NATIONAL PARK ANNUAL GALA

Saturday, February 5

31ST ANNUAL FOLKLIFE FESTIVAL

Thursday, February 24 & Friday, February 25

EARTH DAY

Friday, April 22

19TH ANNUAL BEACH TO BEACH 2022 POWER SWIM

Sunday, May 29

Useful Numbers For Park Stewards

Please be aware cell phone coverage is very limited in a number of areas in the park.

EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Call 911 or (340) 776-9110 where there is cell phone coverage. Text 911 is not available.

VINP NPS VISITOR CENTER IN CRUZ BAY - (340) 776-6201, ext 238

Park staff is also stationed at the fee booth at Trunk Beach.

VINP NPS PARK RANGER HOTLINE - (866) 995-8467

REPORT SEA TURTLE NESTING ACTIVITY

(340) 643-8560 / VINPturtles@friendsvinp.org

REPORT INJURED TURTLES - STAR Network (340) 690-0474

Please visit the Friends website
for more information on these
events and to register:
www.friendsvinp.org



For more information:

National Park Visitor Center & Store
Open daily in season: 9:00am to 3:00pm

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