Oasis of the Seas 7-night Eastern Caribbean January 9 – 16, 2016



Detailed Itinerary

Date	Port	Arrive	Depart
9-Jan	Fort Lauderdale, Florida (embark)		4:30 PM
10-Jan	Nassau, Bahamas	7:00 AM	2:00 PM
11-Jan	At Sea		
12-Jan	Charlotte Amalie, St Thomas	10:00 AM	7:00 PM
13-Jan	Philipsburg, St Maarten	8:00 AM	5:00 PM
14-Jan	At Sea		
15-Jan	At Sea		
16-Jan	Fort Lauderdale (disembark)	6:15 AM	



Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Fun Things to Do

- People have been flocking to Fort Lauderdale's beaches for decades. And with good reason. Fort Lauderdale Beach is a two-mile strip of beautiful beach featuring the recently renovated Promenade, which offers all sorts of bars, restaurants and shops.
- Take a 30-minute airboat ride across the Everglades, one of the most breathtaking natural areas in America. Discover a variety of fish and birds that inhabit the area, and perhaps see the most famous Everglades inhabitant the alligator. Enjoy Sawgrass Reptile Exhibit after your ride and take the opportunity to touch or possibly hold a small alligator. Discover the replica of a Seminole Indian village. See tropical birds, rare snakes, and even the endangered Florida panther.
- Take a narrated drive through Port Everglades over the Intercoastal Waterway and along the famous Fort Lauderdale Beach. Explore the International Swimming Hall of Fame, Las Olas Boulevard, the Riverwalk area and more. Stop and see Esplanade Park, the crossroads of the Center for Performing Arts and the Museum of Discovery and Science. Take a 90-minute Intercoastal Waterway cruise, and hear a lively commentary from the boat's captain on the history of the New River and Fort Lauderdale's historic sites.

Get a Taste of Local Flavor

Fish is fresh and delicious in Florida. Grouper is probably the most popular choice and is served almost any way imaginable. You'll find it fried, broiled, sautéed, and even served with pasta. But a true Floridian staple is a fresh grouper sandwich and fries eaten outside by the water. It's hard to beat this old standby.

Destinations Nearby: Hollywood, Florida

Named one of Fodor's Best Beaches for Families, Hollywood South Beach features a boardwalk dotted with restaurants and six miles of white sand beach. North Beach boasts several unique eco-adventures including the Sea Turtle Hatchery. To venture into the Historic Downtown for a taste of Hollywood's distinctive flavor, simply hop on the Hollywood Trolley, which operates Wednesday through Sunday.

Local Currency

The official currency of the United States is the U.S. Dollar (USD).

January Weather in Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Average High 76.5° F - Average Low 57.9° F



Nassau, Bahamas

Fun Things to Do

- Visit the luxurious Bahamian resort, Atlantis in Paradise Island. Interact with amazing dolphins at Atlantis Dolphin Cay, one of the largest dolphin habitats in the world. Register for the Aquaventure program, the premier water park in the Caribbean, and participate on a Discover Atlantis Tour. View more than 50,000 fascinating species of marine life in the largest open air aquarium in the world.
- Take advantage of a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to get up close and personal with a dolphin. Have your picture taken while kissing these loving creatures, learn about their anatomy, and pet and feed them while standing in waist-deep water. All at the wonderful facility that is home to Universal Studios' Flipper, who starred in the 1996 movie with the same name.
- Take a break and relax on your own semi-private island. Located just a short boat ride away from Nassau, Blackbeard's Cay is surrounded by crystal-clear turquoise water, sandy beaches and swaying palm trees. Or better yet, check out the Stingray Adventure. This amazing experience could easily be the highlight of your trip.
- Relive the swashbuckling past on an exciting pirates and dungeons tour of Fort Charlotte and the Pirates of Nassau Museum. (Eye patches and peg legs not included.)
- Go on a glass-bottom-boat tour for a glimpse into the underwater world of the Bahamas.
- Visit Predator Lagoon where you'll see sharks, barracuda and many other creatures from the deep.
- Join the fun crowd of thrill seeking SUB aquanauts for an undersea experience you'll be telling all your friends about.

Sporting Adventures

While in Nassau, experience the wonders of a majestic coral reef or the intrigue of a sunken wreck on a dive excursion.

Local Currency

The Bahamian dollar (BSD) is the official unit of currency. U.S. dollars, traveler's checks and credit cards are widely accepted.

January Weather in Nassau, Bahamas -

Average High 77° F - Average Low 62° F



Charlotte Amalie, St Thomas

Fun Things to Do

- Take a ride on Skyline Drive and enjoy a breathtaking view of St. Thomas Harbor. Then travel to Mountain Top, the highest point on St. Thomas, and see spectacular views of Magens Bay, one of the most beautiful beaches in the world.
- Check out Coral World Marine Park, where you can touch sea stars at the touch pool or explore the mystery of life in a mangrove lagoon off the Coastal Trail.
- Sit back and enjoy a relaxing half-day sail to Buck Island aboard a large sailing yacht, then snorkel in Turtle Cove.
- Travel 700 feet above the sea via skyride to The Paradise Point and see the most fantastic vistas in the Caribbean.
- Browse through the shop-lined streets of Charlotte Amalie and find out why St. Thomas is called the "duty-free shopping capital of the world." Shop for duty-free trinkets and bargains on everything from liquor to imported china and crystal. Visitors can bring home \$1,200 in merchandise without paying duty twice the limit of most of the Caribbean.

Sporting Adventures

- Take a brief harbor cruise through the picturesque St. Thomas harbor then bike through Water Island.
- Take Stand Up Paddle Boarding (SUP) the fastest growing water sport in the world.
- Enjoy a ferry to Virgin Island National Park on St. John and hike a hillside trail with tropical views.

Shopping for Bargains

St. Thomas is the bargain-shopping bazaar of the Caribbean. There are over 400 shops along the Main Street area in Charlotte Amalie and some 50 more in Havensight Mall. Great bargains are found on precious gemstones, and on fine jewelry and watches from designers like C2K, Caribbean Hook, Chopard, Honora, House of Tanzanite, John Atencio, John Hardy, Kabana, La Nouvelle Bague, White Diamonds, Alfex, Concord, Gucci, Maurice Lacroix, Michele, Movado, Wenger and more. St. Thomas also features excellent buys on perfume, leather, imported linens, china and crystal, cameras, electronic goods, designer clothing and island rums and liquors.

Local Currency

The U.S. dollar (USD) is the official currency. Traveler's checks and credit cards are also widely accepted.

Weather in Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas

Average High 84.8° F - Average Low 71.9° F



Philipsburg, St. Maarten

Fun Things to Do

- Rendezvous at one of the newest and trendiest restaurants in French St. Maarten. Explore Orient Bay, the French Riviera of the Caribbean, with over 1 1/2 miles of white-sand beaches.
- Admire the delicate nature and dazzling colors of hundreds of butterflies as you tour St. Maarten's popular Butterfly Farm.

Sporting Adventures

- Compete in an actual race on an America's Cup shortened course. Grind a winch, trim a sail or just sit back and enjoy. Professional sailors will give you a quick lesson, then you're off to compete on Stars and Stripes, one of the most famous sailboats in the world.
- Tour the saltwater lagoons by kayak, and discover egrets, plovers, heron and pelicans.
- Discover the undersea world of coral reefs and exotic fish as you take a snorkeling expedition through Shipwreck Cove.
- Experience St. Maarten's vibrant history by bicycle.

Shopping for Bargains

There are about 500 duty-free shops on St. Maarten with prices 25% to 50% below those in the U.S. The selection of jewelry and watches is premier on the Dutch side of St. Maarten. Friendly competition between merchants guarantees excellent prices on emeralds, diamonds, rubies, sapphires, pearls, gold and silver. St. Maarten offers a wide selection of fine jewelry and watches from such well-known designers as C2K, Caribbean Hook, Honora, House of Tanzanite, John Atencio, John Hardy, Kabana, Roberto Coin, Starnight, White Diamonds, Alfex, Concord, Faconnable, Gucci, Maurice Lacroix, Michele, Movado, Wenger, La Nouvelle Bague and more.

Be sure to try a bottle of St. Maarten's own guavaberry liqueur. The guavaberry is exclusive to this island.

Local Currency

In October 2010, the Dutch side of St. Maarten voted for autonomous status separate from the Netherlands. Until that point, the Netherlands Antilles Guilder (ANG) was the official unit of currency. However, the new official currency has yet to be decided, but U.S. dollars, traveler's checks and credit cards are widely accepted.

Weather in Philipsburg, St. Maarten

Average High 84° F - Average Low 74° F