

EXPLORING ECO-ADVENTUROUS SITES IN SVG



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Did You Know?

Prior to 1977, Mardi Gras (Fat Tuesday), was celebrated on the day before the beginning of lent as a last chance to feast and make merry. The festival later developed its own unique identity by combining different aspects of African religion brought by freed slaves and European Carnival traditions.



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Vincy Mas 2019

THE HOTTEST CARNIVAL IN THE CARIBBEAN

June 28th – July 9th 2019



WELCOME TO SOCA LAND

PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES FOR VINCY MAS 2019

Launch of Vincy Mas
Miss SVG
Soca Semi Finals
Fantastic Friday
Junior Fete World
(Mas Edition)
Junior Pan Fest
Junior Fete World
(Calypso/Soca Edition)
Steel and Glitter
EVO 4.2
Soca Monarch
Dimanche Gras
J'ouvert & T-shirt Band
Mardi Gras

Saturday May 4th
Saturday June 1st
Saturday June 22nd
Friday June 28th
Saturday June 29th

Sunday June 30th
Tuesday July 2nd

Thursday July 4th
Friday July 5th
Saturday July 6th
Sunday July 7th
Monday July 8th
Tuesday July 9th

Carnival Development Corporation

Victoria Park, Kingstown, St. Vincent & the Grenadines

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#VINCYMAS2019 #SOCALAND



Vincy Mas



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2019 FCCA FOUNDATION ESSAY COMPETITION

Topic

"Many cruise passengers use cruising as a way to sample different destinations. What impression does my country leave on these passengers, and how does it or should it attract them back as stay-over guest?"

- Essay will be judged on the following criteria: content/subject, creativity, style/structure and grammar.
- Essay should be written in English, 500 words or less
- Essays must be original (Faxed/emailed copies of essay will be disqualified).

	First Prize	Second Prize	Third Prize
Student :	USDS\$3,000	USDS\$1,500	USDS\$1,000
School:	USDS\$3,000	USDS\$1,500	USDS\$1,000

Rules and Guidelines

Junior Division: Children ages 12 and under (contestant may not have passed his/her 13th birthday by September 26, 2019)

Senior Division: Children ages 13 to 16 years (contestant may not have passed his/her 17th birthday by September 26, 2019).

**Deadline : Friday, August 9, 2019, to the Ministry of Tourism ,
2nd Floor, NIS Building, Kingstown.**

CUMBERLAND BEACH AND RECREATION PARK

- The Cumberland Beach & Recreational Park is located at Cumberland Bay.
- The Bay is one of the best known yacht anchorages on St. Vincent because of its attractiveness, services and its deep bay.
- It is approximately 21 miles (34 km) from Kingstown or a 60 minutes drive



THE BELMONT LOOK OUT

- The Site overlooks the Mesopotamia Valley: A remnant of an extinct volcano
- Bequia, Baliceaux and Battowia can all be seen from the lookout
- It is approximately 7 miles (11 km) from Kingstown or about a 20 minutes drive



THE BOTANICAL GARDENS

- The Gardens is the oldest garden in the Western hemisphere.
- It was established in 1765.
- The first breadfruit plant brought to St. Vincent and The Grenadines is planted in the Gardens.
- It is approximately 20 acres.



DARK VIEW FALLS

- The Falls is 110 feet and 229 feet above sea level respectively.
- It is Approximately 24 miles (38 km) from Kingstown or a – 1 hour 30 drive
- The site comprises of two waterfalls and natural pools that are great for bathing



VERMONT NATURE TRAIL

- This is a 10,870 acre reserve that takes you through lush rainforest.
- A variety of tropical flora, ending up with beautiful scenery and a chance to see the famous St. Vincent Parrot in its natural habitat and others such as the Whistling Warbler, Black Hawk, Cocoa Thrush, the Crested Hummingbird, Redcapped Green Tanager, Green Heron and several other interesting species.



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RAWACOU RECREATION PARK

- The park is said to be a perfect collaboration between man and mother nature.
- The park features a man made pool that is surrounded by a lava bluff, along with two beaches separated by a rocky headland that is well known for strong currents.
- It is approximately 8.5 miles (14 km) from Kingstown or about 25 minutes drive



OWIA SALT POND

- The Owia Salt Pond is located in the village of Owia, which is home to some of the indigenous people of St. Vincent and the Grenadines – The Black Caribs.
- The boulders sheltering the pond are volcanic and was formed when the La Soufriere volcano erupted and the lava met with the sea and rapidly cooled.
- It is approximately 32 miles (52 km) from Kingstown or about 1.1 hour drive



WALLILABOU RECREATION PARK

- At a point in time, the park was a plantation; the thick stone wall was built across the river is a legacy of the plantation
- The park has created a habitat for several species of birds. There are Large boulders that reflect the lands geological history and create landscape interest.
- It is approximately 14 miles (22.5 km) from Kingstown or about a 40 minutes drive.



LA SOUFRIERE VOLCANO

- There are 3 craters that are present at the peak of the volcano, the other 2, the Somma and the 1812 crater, both presently dormant

HISTORIC ACTIVITIES OF LA SOUFRIERE

1718 Explosive Eruption

1780 Dome building eruption

1812 Explosive eruption (more than 56 fatalities)

1880 Doom building eruption

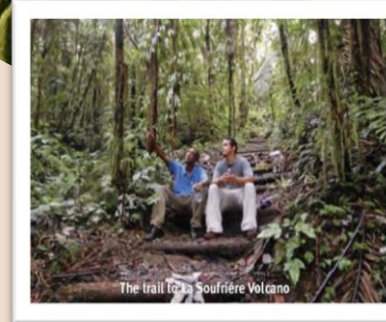
1902-03 Explosive eruption (more than 1565 fatalities)

1971-72 Dome building eruption

1979 Explosive eruption, no fatalities

more than 14,000 evacuated.

(Source: NEMO - National Emergency Management Organisation)



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WHALE & DOLPHIN WATCHING

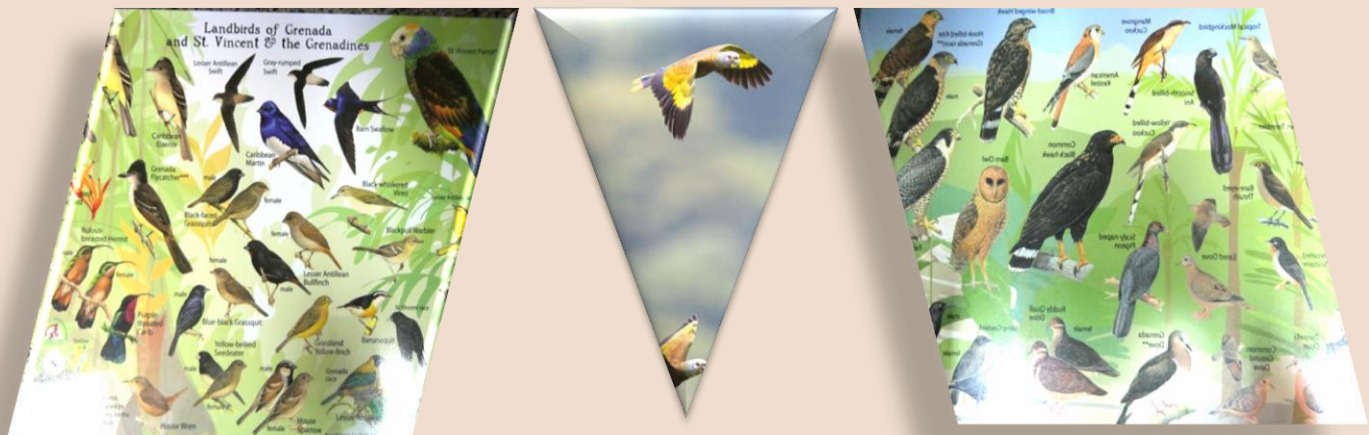
St Vincent and the Grenadines is ideal for viewing these beautiful creatures in their natural habitat. Over the years, there have been sightings of several species of whales recorded in the waters of St. Vincent & the Grenadines. Some of the species seen are; humpback whales, sperm whales, orcas and pilot whales, along with a number of Dolphin species include spinner dolphins, bottlenose dolphins and common dolphins.



To arrange a tour, contact : Kim Halbich of **Fantasea Tours** - www.fantaseatours.com
Hal Daize of **Sea Breeze Nature Tours** - www.seabreezenaturetours.com

BIRD WATCHING

Explore our rainforest habitats, nature trails and our wonderful coastlines to indulge in a fascinating and unique variety of tropical birdlife here in St Vincent and The Grenadines.



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TURTLE NESTING

Colonaire is the second highest nesting habitat in St Vincent along with Big Sand Beach at Sandy Bay and the Brighton beach. St Vincent and the Grenadines has placed a total ban on turtle hunting and have been declared a protected turtle nesting Habitat as of 2017.

Read More at:

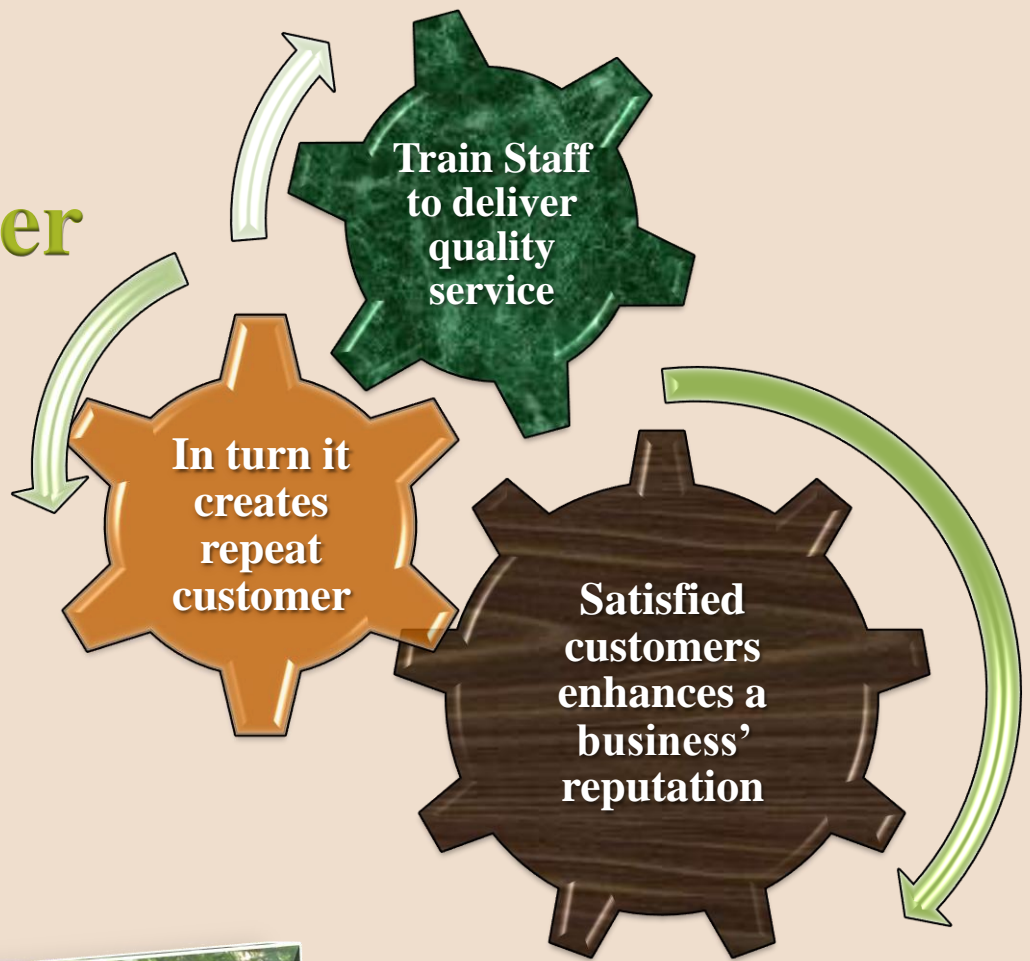
<http://nationalparks.gov.vc/nationalparks/index.php/news-and-events/130-svg-bans-sea-turtle-harvesting/>

Take a trip to Bequia and visit the **Old Hegg Turtle Sanctuary** to see more of these beautiful creatures and learn more about turtle conservation or visit the Tobago Cays Marine Park to experience green turtles in their wild protected environment.



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Rural Tourism Out-Reach



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#TeamWorkMakesTheDreamWork

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MISS SVG CONTESTANTS 2019

Welcome to *The Hottest Carnival in the Caribbean*, a colorful and vibrant festivity of music, dance and Vincentian heritage.



Miss SVG 2019
Ms Sharikah Rodney



1st Runner Up
Sylvorn Lavia

2nd Runner Up
Sonia Delecia

Indulge in street parties, calypso and steel pan performances, costume parades and much more.



Miss SVG Contestants 2019



REMINDERS

FCCA ESSAY Competition -

http://www.tourism.gov.vc/tourism/images/stories/PDF/FCCA_Essay_Flyer_2019.pdf

**For more information
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Visit National Parks Websites:

<http://nationalparks.gov.vc/nationalparks/> for more information
on sites and attractions.

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