

Tourism Highlights

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DISCOVER THE 'CRITTER CAPITAL OF THE CARIBBEAN'

St. Vincent and the Grenadines market four main niches namely : eco-adventure, wedding and honeymoon, yachting and sailing, and diving.



Over the years, the destination has won multiple awards for each niche. In this week's Tourism Bi-Weekly Highlights, we take a closer look at diving in St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

Read more.....

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I am alive so if you stand on or touch me (coral), I will die!



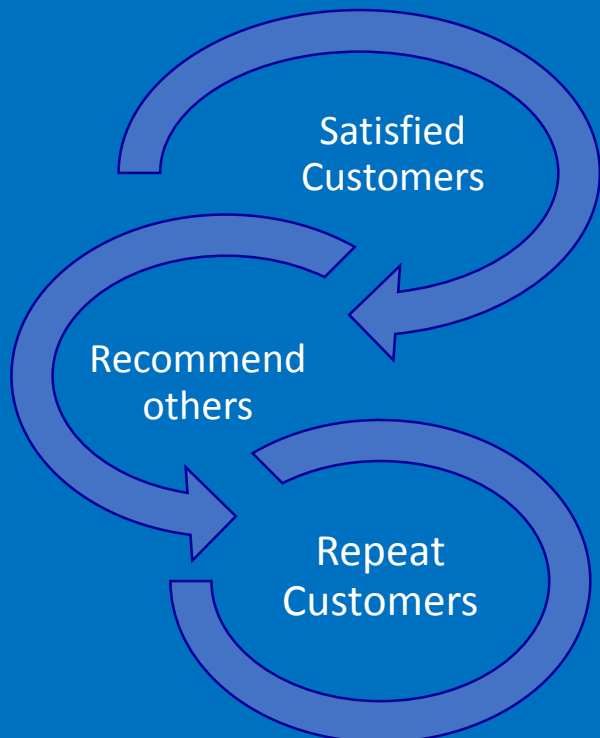
Did
you
know!



- All corals are animals
- Most coral reefs grow only about four inches per year.

CUSTOMER SERVICE TIPS

Quality Customer Service



UPCOMING EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

- ❑ Saturday 30th March-UWI Musical Gala, SVG Community College-7pm
Admission: \$ 100.00
- ❑ Saturday 30th March- Rose Hall Community Group Heritage Festival
- ❑ Sunday April 7th - Opening of Festival Victoria Park - 6.00 pm
Admission: \$10.00
- ❑ Friday April 12th - Dance Praise Peace Memorial Hall - 8.00 pm
Admission: \$5.00
- ❑ Sunday April 14th - Marriagua Zonal Gospel Showcase International Pentecostal Assembly Church, Richland Park - 6.00 pm
- ❑ Sunday April 14th - Band Praise Miracle Arena SVG, Stoney Ground - 6.00 pm

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**I welcome you to my habitat
but please don't destroy it with plastic and
chemicals.**





Chief Joseph Chatoyer St. Vincent and the Grenadines First National Hero

Paramount Chief Joseph Chatoyer died on Dorsetshire Hill – a fighter for self-determination and independence. The Defender of Hairouna was ambushed and killed on March 14th, 1795. He won most of his battles as he was a brilliant, military strategist. He was a world-class diplomat and most importantly,

he was and still is today, loved and respected by his people.

In commemoration of his life and struggles, on March 14th 2002, he was formalized as our nation's first national hero.

The 14th of March is celebrated National Heroes Day.

Celebration was held in the Community of Greiggs, St Vincent to commemorate our National Hero Joseph Chatoyer.



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We are 32 Islands and Cays!

FACES OF TOURISM

SERENITY DIVE

St. Vincent and the Grenadines is known for its uncrowded dive sites and has one of the longest barrier reefs in the Caribbean. The ‘critter capital of the Caribbean’ is one of the many names given to St. Vincent and the Grenadines by visitors.



Mr. Vaughn Martin
General Manager of Serenity Dive
(PADI Instructor)



Faces of Tourism Team

Please visit our Facebook page and check out the Ministry's Faces of Tourism series

<https://www.facebook.com/TourismSVG/videos/2238762316135171/> to view an

interview conducted with Mr. Vaughn Martin, owner and General Manager of Serenity Dive.

Mr. Martin shared his passion about diving in St. Vincent and the Grenadines.

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Dive Sites



Dive Sites in order from Blue Lagoon location on map

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|--------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Fizzy Reef | 20. Hans Reef |
| 2. Critter Corner | 21. Pinnacle |
| 3. The Meadow | 22. Once in a Lifetime |
| 4. Sunset Point | 23. Petit Byahaut |
| 5. Rock Fort | 24. Byahaut |
| 6. Kingstown South South | 25. Over There |
| 7. Kingstown Wall | 26. The Bat Cave |
| 8. Kingstown Wrecks | 27. Tarpon Run |
| 9. Castle Bay | 28. Layou Wall |
| 10. Steps | 29. Emersons Point |
| 11. The Point | 30. Bambereaux Wall |
| 12. Japanese Garden | 31. Anchor Reef |
| 13. Turtle Bay | 32. Indian Gallows |
| 14. The Garden | 33. Buccaneer Reef |
| 15. The Romark | 34. Sub Rock |
| 16. Back Door Deep | 35. Whiskers |
| 17. Back Door Shallow | 36. Coral Castle |
| 18. New Guinea Wall | 37. Mystery Reef |
| 19. New Guinea Reef | |

Dive Sites in St. Vincent and the Grenadines

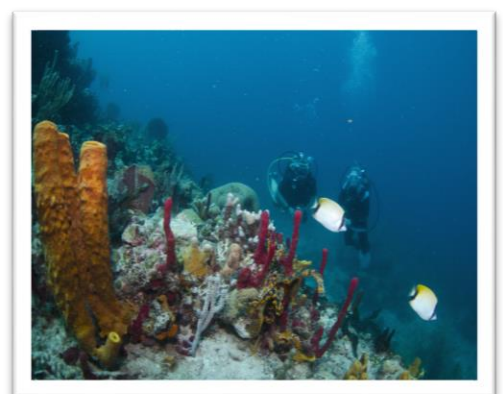
There are a number of spectacular dive spots available for scuba divers and snorkelers to experience in SVG.



Anchor Reef



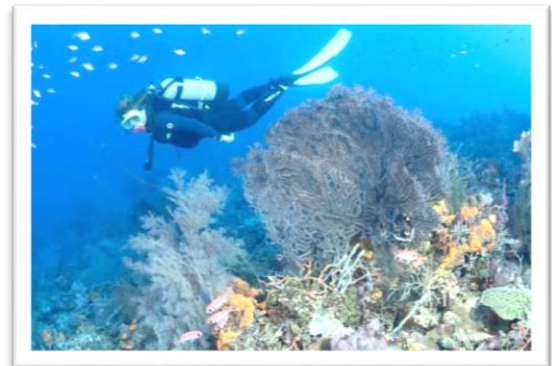
Bat Cave



Layout Wall

Others:

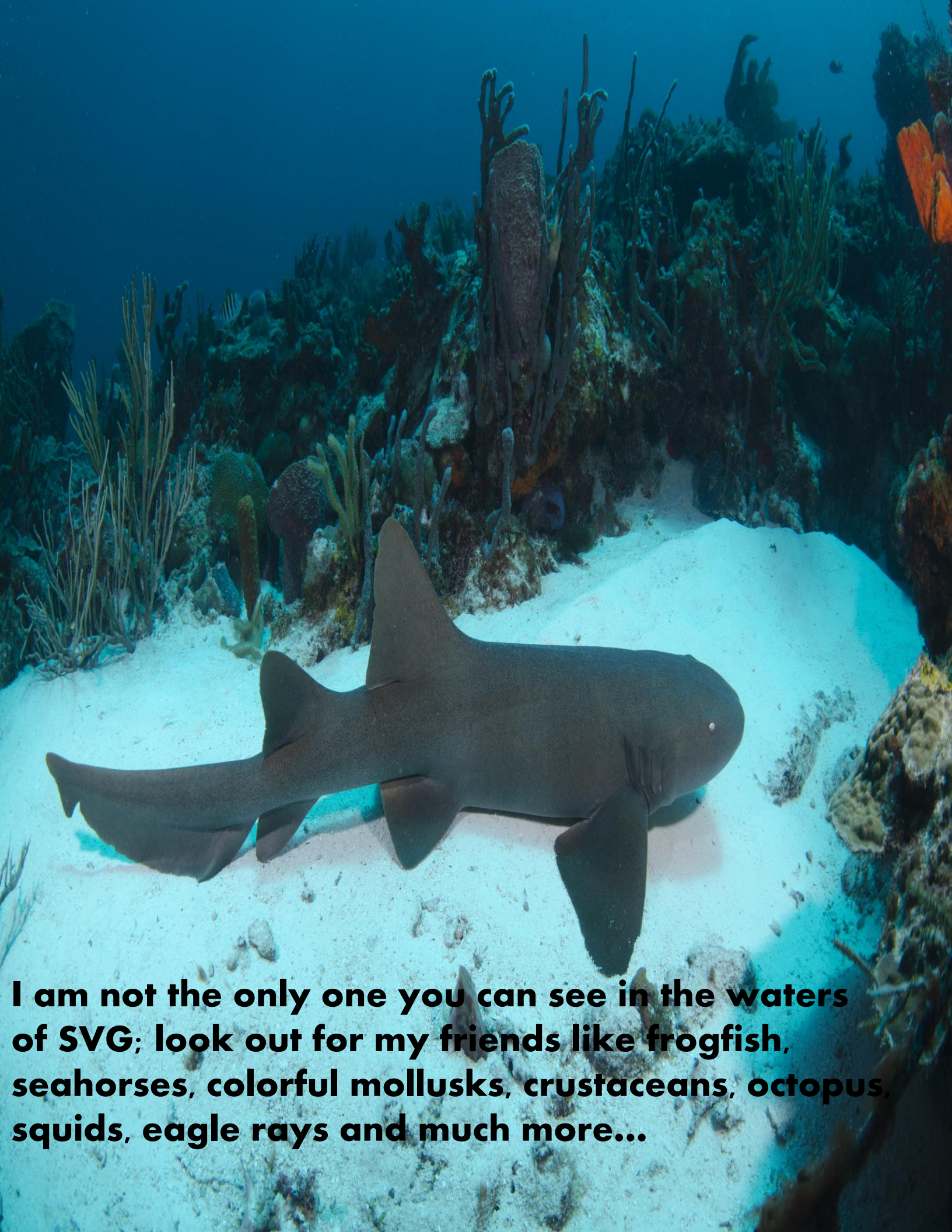
- **Capital Wrecks**
- **Mustique**
- **Mayreau Gardens**
- **Tobago Cays-Horseshoe Reef**
- **Mopian Reef**
- **Critter Corner** – South Coast behind Young Island



Bottle Reef



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I am not the only one you can see in the waters of SVG; look out for my friends like frogfish, seahorses, colorful mollusks, crustaceans, octopus, squids, eagle rays and much more...



Here's a list of approved dive operators to fulfil your diving and snorkeling experience through the fascinating waters of St. Vincent and the Grenadines:

Tourism Approved

- ✓ Bequia Dive Adventures – 784 4583826
- ✓ Dive St Vincent -784 4574928
- ✓ Indigo Dive – 784 493 9494
- ✓ Dive Bequia - 784 458-3504/ 4959929
- ✓ Serenity Dive Inc. – 784 4575335
- ✓ Grenadines Dive – 784 4588138/ 4553822

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Bask in my beauty

YOU'VE GOT TO TELL SOMEBODY !

St. Vincent and the Grenadines has some of the most magical dive sites and best beaches in the world.

Dive Awards

- ✓ 2015 - 20 Best Adventure Beaches On Earth, Men's Journal: Salt Whistle Bay, Mayreau, St. Vincent & the Grenadines
- ✓ 2015 - Top 10 Island Beaches For Secluded Getaways, Conde Nast Traveler: Palm Island, St. Vincent & the Grenadines
- ✓ 2015 - Hot and Wet: Sexiest Summer Beaches In The Caribbean, USA Today: Mustique, St. Vincent & the Grenadines
- ✓ 2015 - Dive In: The Caribbean's Most Beautiful Waterfalls, USA Today: Falls of Baleine: St. Vincent & the Grenadines
- ✓ 2015 - The 50 Best Caribbean Beaches, Caribbean Journal: Palm Island, St. Vincent & the Grenadine
- ✓ 2016 - Best Caribbean Snorkeling Spots For Families, The Huffington Post: The Grenadines, St. Vincent & the Grenadines
- ✓ 2016 - The World's Best Luxury Dive Resorts, CNN: Petit St. Vincent, St. Vincent & the Grenadines
- ✓ 2017 - The World's 21 Top Luxury Beach Destinations In 2017, Coastal Living: Canouan, St. Vincent & the Grenadines
- ✓ 2018 – The Best 2018 Beaches In The Caribbean, Caribbean Journal: Princess Margaret Beach, St. Vincent & the Grenadines
- ✓ 2018 - The World's Best Beaches for 2018, FlightNetwork's: Mopion and Petit Tabac, St. Vincent & the Grenadines
- ✓ 2019 - 'The 20 Most Charming Beach Towns in the Caribbean, TravelMag: Port Elizabeth, Bequia, St Vincent & the Grenadines

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Cruise Ship calls in St Vincent from Mon 25th March – Fri 5th April.

- **Mon 25th—LE PONANT—
6:00-12:00**
- **Mon 25th—SERENISSIMA –
6:00 12:00**
- **Tue 26th —MARELLA
EXPLOXER—8:00-18:00**
- **Wed 27th—MARELLA
CELEBRATION—8:00-18:00**
- **Wed 27th— LE PONANT—6:00
–12:00**
- **Sat 30th—AIDA PERLA—8:00-
18:00**
- **Wed 3rd April- ROYAL CLIPPER-
7:30-12:30**
- **Fri 5th April- PREZIOSA-9:00-
18:00**

Reminders

• FCCA ESSAY CONTEST-

http://www.tourism.gov.vc/tourism/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=523:caribbean-media-awards&catid=41&Itemid=115

• CARIBBEAN MEDIA AWARDS-

http://www.tourism.gov.vc/tourism/images/stories/PDF/FCCA_Essay_Flyer_2019.pdf?5c9500dc

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