

Grenada

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Best of the southern Caribbean!

Grenada, the Spice Island, way down at latitude 12, is home to beautiful beaches, spice plantations, rum distilleries, and colorful coral gardens. Relatively undiscovered, the new charter base here has been open for less than a year. Bordered by white and black sand beaches, this verdant island has for centuries been a major source of nutmeg, cloves, ginger, cinnamon and cocoa. The nearby Windward islands of the southern Caribbean offer superb tradewind sailing conditions, year-round temperatures in the 80's, crystal clear warm water, world-class snorkeling and a sea-turtle sanctuary in the Tobago Cays, and a variety of enchanting islands to discover and explore.



We will first fly from a gateway city down to Grenada, where we'll spend two nights in a luxury hotel, recovering from the flights and acclimating to the tropical island lifestyle. Explore the waterfalls and crater lake at Grand Etang, tour a spice plantation or rum distillery, maybe indulge in a local organic chocolate factory, or just relax on the beach and swim in the warm waters.

Next, we'll transfer to the charter base and board our waiting, luxury yachts. Most everything we could need or want is already on board, from snorkeling gear to a fully equipped galley to linens for the beds to a dinghy and outboard. A few minutes by dinghy takes you to a nice supermarket for provisioning. After that, the itinerary is up to you- as long as you bring the boat back after a week, as hard as that will be!

You may sail to the islands of Bequia, Mayreau, Carriacou, Canouan, Petit Martinique, and Union Island, part of St. Vincent and the Grenadines. Enjoy the towns and shopping and night life one day, then the pristine beach and coral reef of a deserted island the next. Dine at local restaurants, or maybe organize a lobster and fish BBQ, as October is lobster season. No matter your preference, you are sure to enjoy every minute of these fantastic, far reaches of the Caribbean.



Your time here will feel like a world away, the long sunny days stretching into warm starry nights. Peace, tranquility, a warm interaction with nature, good food and new friends... This is what a sailing vacation is supposed to be!

So what's the deal?

We're still a long way out, so some of the details, like flight specifics, just can't be nailed down yet.

- ✓ The trip costs just \$2,295 per person, and includes pretty much everything:
- ✓ Round trip airfare from a gateway city (*details in November*)
- ✓ 2 nights in a luxury hotel
- ✓ 8 days and 7 nights aboard the yachts
- ✓ All ground transfers
- ✓ A special ASA dinner celebration

The only thing you'll need to buy is food and drink, and maybe a souvenir.

How does it work?

You are welcome to participate in sailing the boat, or you can just relax and enjoy the ride. If you have your ASA Bareboat certificate and would like to skipper one of the boats, that may be possible, too. We will have both monohulls and catamarans available, but the choices are first come, first served, so sign up soon!



We welcome couples, families, and flexible singles, and work very hard to ensure everyone has an absolutely great time. ASA is partnering with AVI Nautica's David Kory, who has led sailing vacations to all corners of the globe, including ASA's 2011 sold out trip to Tahiti.

A deposit of \$495 per person will hold your spot, with an additional deposit of \$1000 due April 1, and the balance will be

due July 15. Visa/MC and checks are fine, and payment plans are available, too. But space is limited on this trip, so don't delay- sign up today!

For answers to your questions, or if you are ready to join us, email David directly at: davidkory@gmail.com, or call him at (925) 787-6893



* The price listed includes all taxes and fuel surcharges as of August 1, 2011. If the world goes crazy again and the airlines add new fuel surcharges or invent new taxes, we may have to pass these on to you. I don't expect that to happen, but I have to warn you just in case.



Cancellation policy: 6 months before departure, full refund. 90 days to 6 months, loss of deposits. Less than 90 days, no refund