

## ACTIVITY OUTLINE

### NEW YEARS HOLIDAY IN JAMAICA



December 27, 2022 - January 1, 2023

Welcome to Jamaica, and the luxury all-inclusive resort, Bahia Principe at Runaway Bay.  
Following is an overview of our group activities. **TIMES AND LOCATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.**  
Updates on events, times & locations will be displayed at our **Hospitality Desk** (located in the reception area, near the hotel lobby) and announced on **WhatsApp**.

#### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2022

2:00 - 4:00pm

##### **WELCOME – MEET & GREET**

Your hosts Bill and Karen will be in the lobby to meet & greet incoming and already-arrived guests. Come by to check in, say hi and get a head start on meeting some fellow travelers.

5:45pm

##### **BEST-DAY ADVENTURES WELCOME PROGRAM**

- **Ocho Rios Room** (near the reception desk, up in the Grand Foyer)

7:00 / 7:20pm

##### **TONIGHT'S GROUP DINNER RESERVATION – Las Olas**

We kindly note that that *everyone* is welcome at *every* table *every* night.

After Dinner

##### **ACTIVITIES / ENTERTAINMENT – To Be Announced**



#### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2022

8:00 AM

##### **THE BREAKFAST CLUB – Buffet at Las Olas**

- Look for Bill and Karen between 8:00-8:30am to meet, greet & seat.

8:30 – 9:30 AM

**HOSPITALITY DESK STAFFED** – located in the Luxury lobby reception area  
Stop by for anything pertaining to your vacation, or meet here before your excursion to hang out and schmooze

**\*SPECIAL EVENT\***

**9:00 AM**

(return approx. 1:30pm)

**Depart for DUNN'S RIVER FALLS**

*Meet in the lobby 5 minutes prior*

**Tour Description:** Jamaica's #1 attraction, Dunn's River Falls. Scale the 600 ft limestone rock formation as water cascades past you and splashes into the ocean below. Small pools of water and excellent photo opportunities will greet you along the way. Scenic, refreshing, adventurous and an experience of a lifetime!!

**Includes:** Transportation, approximately 2.5 hours guided tour + free time in the falls and surrounding pools, gratuities.

**Stress Level:** Moderate

**What to bring:** Wear swimsuit under coverup. Bring change of clothes, towel from the hotel, water shoes (mandatory), waterproof camera, sunglasses, biodegradable sunscreen, hat, insect repellent, snack, extra money for souvenirs.

**Note:** Not for the physically challenged. You will get completely wet! Tour transfer is about 30 minutes' drive from hotel.

**\*SPECIAL EVENT\***

**9:30 AM**

(return approx. 2pm)

**Depart for ONE LOVE AT THE BOB MARLEY HOUSE**

*Meet in the lobby 5 minutes prior*

**Tour Description:** Feel the legend come to life as we visit the birthplace and home of "The King of Reggae", Bob Marley. Learn about his culture, his passion, and the Rastafarian movement, which made him a great artist. Our day begins with a scenic drive from our resort to the foothills of 9 Mile Village where Bob Marley was born and then continues through his house and mausoleum along with the sounds of reggae and the scents of his life & legacy.

**Includes:** Round trip transportation, 2 hours of touring & free time, gratuities, and perhaps a free sample of "one love".

**Stress Level:** Easy

**What to bring/wear:** Cool/comfortable clothing, sunblock, sunglasses, insect repellent, hat, extra money/credit card for souvenirs.

**Note:** Tour transfer is about 90 minutes' drive from hotel

All Day/Every Day: Suggested group poolside lounge chair area – between the Beach Shop and Las Olas, on the ocean side of the footbridge.

**\*SPECIAL EVENT\***

**10:30 AM**

**BEACH WALK & RESORT TOUR WITH KAREN**

- Meet at the Beach Shop near the pool



**Morn/Aft'noon**

**"WHERE'S WALDO WILLIAM and KAREN?"**

– Check our Hospitality Desk (in the hotel lobby reception area) or WhatsApp for more "**where's-the-group**" activity or chill-out location.

**1:00 PM**

**LUNCH – Location TBA on WhatsApp**

- Look for Bill or Karen between 1:00-1:30pm to meet, greet & seat.



**\*SPECIAL EVENT\***

**6:00 – 7:00 PM**

**THE BEST COCKTAIL PARTY OF YOUR TRIP (...so far)**

**– The terrace of Dolce Vita Italian Restaurant**

Join us for the BEST drinks and hors d'oeuvres - exclusively for the BEST group in Jamaica, mon!

**7:15 PM**

**TONIGHT'S GROUP DINNER RESERVATION – Dolce Vita Italian Restaurant**

We kindly ask that everyone not save seats; *everyone* is welcome at *every* table *every* night.

**AFTER-DINNER ENTERTAINMENT – TBA**



## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2022

**8:00 AM**                      **Morning Beach Walk with Bill**  
- Meet at the Beach Shop near the pool

**8:30 AM**                      **THE BREAKFAST CLUB – Jazmin Restaurant**  
- Look for Bill and Karen between **8:30 - 8:45am** to meet, greet & seat.

**10:00 – 10:30 AM**   **HOSPITALITY DESK STAFFED** – located in the Luxury lobby reception area  
Stop by for anything pertaining to your vacation or meet here before your excursion to hang out and schmooze. Also, we'll have your return airport transfer schedule.

**All Day/Every Day:** Suggested group poolside lounge chair area – between the Beach Shop and Las Olas, on the ocean side of the footbridge.



**Morn/Aft'noon**            **“WHERE’S WALDO WILLIAM and KAREN?”**  
– Check our Hospitality Desk (in the hotel lobby area) or WhatsApp for a “*where’s-the-group*” activity or chill-out location.

### **\*SPECIAL EVENT\***

**10:30 AM**                      **Depart for RIVER RAFTING ON THE MARTHA BRAE**  
(return approx. 2:15pm)      *Meet in the lobby 5 minutes prior*

**Tour Description:** Our adventure begins at Rafter’s Village, which sits on a natural horseshoe island featuring a fully appointed recreational facility with a bar and souvenir shops. Before embarking on the tour, we visit “Miss Martha’s Herb Garden”, a presentation of Jamaica’s herbs renowned for their medicinal and healing properties. Then, we board a 30-foot bamboo raft under the supervision of a licensed raft captain and sail for approximately 1 hour and 15 minutes along a three-mile stretch of the beautiful Martha Brae River. As you glide down the river, learn about The Legend of the Martha Brae and even try your hand at poling the raft. Optional swim in the river too!

**Includes:** Transportation from hotel, approx 1.5 hours guided tour along the river + free time to explore the garden, grounds and swim in river, gratuities.

**Stress Level:** Easy

**What to bring:** Wear swimsuit under coverup. Bring change of clothes, towel from the hotel, water shoes or shoes that can get wet, towel, waterproof camera, sunglasses, biodegradable sunscreen, hat, insect repellent, extra money for souvenirs.

**Note:** Tour transfer is about 45 minutes’ drive from hotel.

### **\*SPECIAL EVENT\***

**10:40 AM**                      **Depart for CHUKKA HORSEBACK RIDE & SWIM**  
(return approx. 1:45pm)      *Meet in the lobby 5 minutes prior*

**Tour Description:** It’s time to play in Jamaica, mon, where nature-adventurers come to indulge their sense of fun. On today’s adventure we’ll make friends with one the local gentle horses and go on a guided ride along Jamaica’s backcountry trails. We’ll travel across scenic mountain vistas and past rivers and streams before going for a refreshing swim with our pony in the Caribbean Sea.

**Includes:** Transportation, approx 1.5 hours guided ride + free time to interact with the horses, gratuities.

**Stress Level:** Mild to Moderate

**What to bring:** Wear your bathing suit under a cover up and bring a change of clothes, water shoes, towel from the hotel, sunglasses, extra money for souvenirs, biodegradable sunscreen, hat, insect repellent, waterproof camera. **Note:** Tour transfer is about 35-minutes’ drive from hotel.

**\*SPECIAL EVENT\***

**11:00 AM**

**BDA's TRIVIA OF THE WORLD CONTEST – Location to be announced**

You don't have to be smart, you just have to be lucky...and have a sense of humor. We'll team you up with a BDA buddy and you'll learn something new & fun about Jamaica and the world and, compete for 'fabulous' prizes. (If you're on tour this morning, don't worry – we'll host this event again later in the week!)

**1:00 PM**

**LUNCH – Location to be announced**

- Look for Bill or Karen between 1:00-1:30pm to meet, greet & seat.

**\*SPECIAL EVENT\***

**2:59 PM**

**MIXOLOGY & COMEDY ON YOUR HOLIDAY– Chillout Bar**

Don't miss joining Bill, Karen along with the resort celebrity "Six" for a fun and entertaining private BDA event.

**\*SPECIAL EVENT\***

**5:00 PM**

**Depart for LUMINOUS LAGOON**

(return approx. 9:00pm)

*Meet in the lobby 10 minutes prior*

**Tour Description:** Enjoy a magical evening in this remarkable feat of nature surrounded by mangroves where millions of microscopic organisms live, emitting glistening fluorescent light when dispersing the water by swimming. We first enjoy a magical Caribbean sunset and a little entertainment on land accompanied by a complimentary rum punch. Then, the lagoon illuminates right under you with an unusual neon-blue light; the phosphorescence is so noticeable that the fish swimming in the lagoon have been compared to shooting stars. This phenomenon can be observed only in four places in the world, and Jamaica's Luminous Lagoon is considered the BEST of them all.

**Includes:** Transportation from hotel, entertainment, complimentary rum punch, guided boat ride into the lagoon and approximately 20-30 minutes in the luminescent waters, gratuities.

**Stress Level:** Easy

**What to bring:** Wear your bathing suit under a cover up and bring a change of clothes, water shoes or flip flops/sandals, towel, extra money for souvenirs

**Note:** Tour transfer is about 45-minutes' drive from hotel.

**6:00 PM**

**HAPPY HOUR – Location TBA**

**7:00 PM**

**TONIGHT'S GROUP DINNER RESERVATION – Takara**

For those on the resort at this time

**9:00 PM**

For those who return to the resort after the Luminous Lagoon Tour

**AFTER-DINNER ENTERTAINMENT – TBA**



## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2022

### **8:00 AM MORNING BEACH WALK WITH KAREN**

- Meet at the Beach Shop near the pool

### **8:00 – 9:00AM HOSPITALITY DESK STAFFED**

– located in the Luxury hotel lobby area  
Meet for your tour departure, and to find your departure airport transfer time.

### **\*SPECIAL EVENT\***

### **8:00 AM Depart for MUD BUGGIES**

(return approx. 2pm)

*Meet in the lobby 5 minutes prior*

**Tour Description:** Fasten your seatbelt – literally & figuratively – and prepare to explore pure off roading excitement along lush trails, breathtaking sceneries and rugged landscapes. Enjoy a visit to a local aviary and after working up an appetite, an authentic Jamaican lunch is served.

**Includes:** Transportation from hotel, guided 2½ tour that includes approx. 45 mins off roading, visit to aviary, lunch, gratuities.

**Stress Level:** Moderate/Adventurous

**What to bring:** Driver's License is mandatory, clothing that can get dirty (close toed/water shoes recommended), bandana, towel, sunscreen, sunglasses, insect repellent, money for souvenirs & photos, desire for some exciting fun

**Note:** All participants get to drive their own vehicle but can opt to be a passenger. People with back, neck or heart problems should not participate. You will get dirty and may get wet & muddy. Tour transfer is about 45-minutes' drive from hotel. Driver's License is required.

### **8:30 AM THE BREAKFAST CLUB – Las Olas**

**All Day/Every Day:** Suggested group poolside lounge chair area – between the Beach Shop and Las Olas on the ocean side of the footbridge.



### **Morn/Aft'noon "WHERE'S WALDO WILLIAM and KAREN?"**

– Check our Hospitality Desk (in the hotel lobby reception area) or WhatsApp for a "*where's-the-group*" activity or chill-out location.

### **\*SPECIAL EVENT\***

### **9:00 AM Depart for TASTE OF JAMAICA**

(return approx. 2:30pm)

*Meet in the lobby 5 minutes prior*

**Tour Description:** Stroll through a local herb farm, small animal homestead, coffee plantation and fruit groves on this one-of-kind tasting tour of Jamaica. We will be guided through a working farm to observe the cultivation of some of Jamaica's medicinal herbs and agricultural produce and then participate in an authentic hands-on culinary experience. We pick the provisions and then take part in preparing our authentic Jamaican meal. With Mento and Reggae music as the backdrop we enjoy a picnic style atmosphere on the farm.

Some fruits & vegetables are seasonal, but our lunch will include a variety that may include ackee, codfish, steamed callaloo, roasted sweet potatoes, rice, jerk chicken, roasted breadfruit, high mountain coffee and other local flavors.

**Includes:** Guided tour through the farm, gardens and plantation, transportation, lunch, gratuities.

**Stress Level:** Easy

**What to bring:** Comfortable walking shoes, light clothing, insect repellent, sunblock, hat, sunglasses, extra money for souvenirs

**Note:** Tour transfer is about 45-minutes' drive from hotel.

**\*SPECIAL EVENT\***

**11:00 AM**

(return approx. 1:30pm)

**Depart for SNORKELING TOUR**

Meet at the BEACH SHOP by the pool, 5 minutes prior

**Tour Description:** Discover the incredible marine life at one of the most beautiful coral reefs in these parts of the Caribbean. These waters are chock full of spectacular reef formations and an amazing array of fish, rays, turtles and other underwater sea life. The local staff are highly trained to provide you with a safe and fun experience.

**Includes:** 30-minute roundtrip boat ride to the reef, 1 hour of snorkeling, all snorkeling equipment including fins, mask and snorkel, complimentary bottled water, gratuities.

**Stress Level:** Easy

**What to bring:** Wear your bathing suit under a cover up, towel from hotel, insect repellent, biodegradable sunscreen, hat, sunglasses.

**Note:** We will walk from the hotel to the boat launch along the beach.



**Morn/Aft'noon**

**“WHERE’S WALDO WILLIAM and KAREN?””**

– Check our Hospitality Desk or WhatsApp for a “**where’s-the-group**” chill-out location or activity.

**1:00 PM**

**LUNCH – Location TBA**

**\*SPECIAL EVENT\***

**5:15 - 6:00 PM**

**KABBALAT SHABBAT**

– **Ocho Rios Room (near the Luxury reception desk)**

Join us as we celebrate together with a short but sweet service.

**6:00 PM**

**HAPPY HOUR! – Luxury Lobby Bar**

**7:00 – 7:30 PM**

**TONIGHT’S GROUP DINNER RESERVATION – The Knife Restaurant**

Tonight’s suggested attire is *resort formal* (men: long pants, collared shirt or nice jersey and closed shoes. Women: skirt, sundress or pants and nice sandals)

**AFTER DINNER**

**BONFIRE ON THE BEACH**

S’mores & more – just for us!



**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2022**

**8:30 AM**

**Morning Beach Walk with Bill and Karen**

- Meet at the Beach Shop near the pool

**9:00 AM**

**THE BREAKFAST CLUB – Jazmin Restaurant**

**10:30 – 11:00AM**

**HOSPITALITY DESK STAFFED** – located in the Luxury hotel lobby area  
Meet here for your tour departure, stop by for anything pertaining to your vacation, or just hang out and schmooze

**\*SPECIAL EVENT\***

**11:00 AM**

(return approx. 5:30pm)

**Depart for COOL RUNNINGS CATAMARAN SAIL, SNORKEL & FALLS**

*Meet in the lobby 10 minutes prior*

**Tour Description:** A Best-Day Adventures favorite! Hop aboard a beautiful catamaran and set sail out into the deep blue sea while the DJ spins the best in reggae and calypso, and while our delightful hostesses serve welcoming fruit punch and soft drinks. After a bit of sailing, anchors away for snorkeling among the deep blue Caribbean reefs. Afterwards, we cruise past emerald hills, waterfalls, and historical sites while a delicious Jamaican lunch is served before docking at the foot of the world-famous Dunn's River Falls. Join this expertly guided hike up the cascading 600-foot waterfalls or choose to take the footpath to the fall's pools for a truly invigorating scenic swim in the tropical rainforest. Or, just hang back at the boat and chill on the deck and swing in the ocean. Then, we get a head start on the New Year's Eve festivities as the rum punch flows and the music jams on our sail back to the home port.

**Includes:** Transportation from the hotel, open bar (including limited alcohol and soft drinks), lunch, snorkeling equipment, option for guided trek up Dunn's River Falls, gratuities.

**Stress Level:** Easy to Moderate (if climbing the falls)

**What to bring:** Wear swimsuit, bring towel, change of clothes or coverup, water shoes, biodegradable sunscreen, sunglasses, hat, extra money for souvenirs.

**Note:** Tour transfer is about 45-minutes' drive from hotel. There is a bathroom and a shaded area on the catamaran.

**All Day/Every Day:** Suggested group poolside lounge chair area – between the Beach Shop and Las Olas on the ocean side of the footbridge.



**Morn/Aft'noon**

**“WHERE’S WALDO WILLIAM and KAREN?”**

– Check our Hospitality Desk or WhatsApp for a “**where’s-the-group**” chill-out location or activity.

**1:30 PM**

**LUNCH – Location TBA**

For those of you not on the catamaran today look for others at this time.

**7:00 – 8:00 PM**

**MEET FOR NEW YEAR’S PRE-DINNER DRINKS**

**– Luxury Lobby Bar Terrace**

**\*SPECIAL EVENT\***

**8:00 PM**

**NEW YEAR’S EVE DINNER – Location TBA**

Tonight’s suggested attire is *relaxed chic* (men: long pants, collared shirt or nice jersey and closed shoes. Women: skirt, sundress or pants and nice sandals.



**After Dinner  
...and into 2023**

**NEW YEAR’S EVE PARTY AND COUNTDOWN – Bahia Principe Village**





**SUNDAY, JANUARY 1, 2023**



MAY THIS BE YOUR **BEST** YEAR YET!

**9:00 AM**

**THE BREAKFAST CLUB – Las Olas**

Enjoy your last morning in the resort with a delicious breakfast, maybe a walk on the beach or some chill out time at the pool.

No rush – the resort is still yours for indulging until this afternoon.

**By 12:00 PM**

**CHECKOUT**

You are welcome to enjoy all of the resort's facilities and restaurants until your airport transportation arrives.

**Thanks for traveling with us! Hope to see you again soon!**



**Upcoming Best-Day Adventures:**

April 16 - 21, 2023

**The Legendary Music Cities of America**

May 1 - 12, 2023

**Israel Adventure**

June 11 - 20, 2023

**Italian Countryside; Tuscany & More!**

July 21-28, 2023

**Alaska Cruise and Land Tour Combo**

September, 2023

**San Francisco and Yosemite Nat'l Park**

November, 2023

**Morocco**

