

CALVERT CATAMARAN CHARTERS | ITINERARY #2

EXUMA: GEORGE TOWN TO GEORGE TOWN | 7-DAY

Fly in into George Town and sail south to explore the Cays all the way to Rum Cay.

Day 1

Our 46 ft Leopard catamaran Destiny III will be ready to board at the Exuma Yacht Club docks. Once on board, after the safety orientation, enjoy a welcome cocktail and settle into your comfortable cabins. We will move the yacht across Elizabeth Harbor to a beautiful beach on Stocking Island. We can go for a snorkel in The Mystery Cave, a blue hole inside of Stocking Island. In the 1970s, the marine biologist and tv personality Jacques Cousteau filmed a dive into the hole traveling inside for about 1,700 feet. In fact, he released red vegetable dye during an outgoing tide to look for an exit point. Apparently, the cave drops down about 70 feet from the surface and then runs under Stocking Island and out to the ocean more than a mile away!

There are several paths across Stocking Is to the ocean beach, one of the most beautiful in the Bahamas! There you can body surf, or beach comb for shells. The Chat n Chill beach bar is a must for Happy Hour.

The first evening, you will dine outside, under the stars, with the chef's selection.

Day 2

After a leisurely breakfast, set sail and exit the south cut of Elizabeth Harbor for north Long Island. This is about a 22 mile sail to Calabash Bay, just south of Cape Santa Maria.

Calabash Bay is a beautiful bay with turquoise colored water over shallow sand. After having a nice lunch, we can travel by dinghy to the Northwest tip of the island, Cape Santa Maria. There are 100 ft



high white cliffs with a creek to the side. We take the dinghy into the creek, beach it, and walk the trail to the top of the cliffs. The view here is breathtaking with the dark blue Atlantic to the north and winding creek and shallows to the south. At the top of the cliffs is a monument to Columbus and the gentle Lucayan Indians that inhabited these islands at the time of Columbus. The creek goes in for miles and is a saltwater wilderness with turtles, bonefish, sharks, and bird life. For dinner, there are options of dining on the boat or ashore at the Cape Santa Maria Resort.

Day 3

After breakfast, we set sail for Conception Island, a National Park of the Bahamas. This is a 16-mile sail over Bluewater. Perfect for offshore trolling for tuna or Mahi mahi. We anchor off the western bay of Conception where we find great snorkeling reefs, beaches, and a trail to the other side of the island. Here you will see an uninhabited Bahama island completely free of any development. This is what these islands looked like before people arrived.

Day 4

Stay on Conception Island to take the dinghy around to the mouth of a creek that leads into a vast inland area of creeks, salt flats, and pools. Here you will see dozens of turtles, barracudas, sharks, bone fish, and a variety of bird life. We can pick up mature live conch to see but, not take. You can snorkel the creeks, drifting with the current, to see fishes along the mangrove shores.

Day 5

Sail 20 miles to Port Nelson, Rum Cay. Here is an unspoiled jewel of an island with only a population of 55 people. The snorkeling here is fantastic. A visit to Kay's Sand Bar is a must to meet some of the locals over a cold Kalik beer before walking the flowered streets of this quaint island settlement.

Day 6

Have a nice breakfast and snorkel again at the coral patches close to the anchorage. Sail back to Cape Santa Maria for the night. Trolling for offshore fish on the way.

Day 7

Sail to Morah Cay, a land and sea park, 6 miles from the anchorage in Elizabeth Harbor, George Town. This is a pristine shallow area with long beaches and sand bars. Have lunch here and return to an anchorage off Stocking Island for the last visit to the windswept ocean beaches of Stocking Island.