

# C A R I B B E A N

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2011

### JANUARY

- 1** Public holiday or "recovery day" in many places (New Year's Day). Kite Festival in Tobago. [www.visittobago.gov.tt](http://www.visittobago.gov.tt)
- 2** Public holiday in Cuba (Victory of Armed Forces Day), Haiti (Founding Fathers' Day), and St. Lucia and Grenada (Second New Year's Day)
- 3** Carnival Last Lap, St. Kitts. [www.stkittsneiscarnival.com](http://www.stkittsneiscarnival.com)
- 6** Public holiday in many places (Three Kings Day)
- 7 - 8** Crucian Christmas Festival Parades, St. Croix. [www.stxfestival.com](http://www.stxfestival.com)
- 8** Latitude 18 Halyard Challenge, BVI. [www.royalbvicyc.org](http://www.royalbvicyc.org)
- 10** Public holiday in Puerto Rico (Eugenio Maria de Hostos Day)
- 11** Yacht Industry Security Conference, St. Thomas, USVI. [www.maritimesecurity.org](http://www.maritimesecurity.org)
- 11 - 19** St. Barth's Music Festival. [www.stbartsmusicfestival.org](http://www.stbartsmusicfestival.org)
- 13 - 16** Carriacou Sailing Series. [www.sailingcarriacou.com](http://www.sailingcarriacou.com)
- 14 - 16** Caribbean Laser Midwinter Regatta, Cabarete, Dominican Republic. [www.caribwind.com](http://www.caribwind.com)
- 16** Underwater Clean-Up, Bonaire. [www.dive-friends-bonaire.com/clean\\_up\\_dives](http://www.dive-friends-bonaire.com/clean_up_dives)
- 17** Public holiday in Puerto Rico and USVI (Martin Luther King Day)
- 19** FULL MOON
- 21** Public holiday in Barbados (Errol Barrow Day) and the Dominican Republic (Our Lady of Altigracia)
- 21** Mount Gay Rum Round Barbados Race. [www.mountgayrumroundbarbadosrace.com](http://www.mountgayrumroundbarbadosrace.com)
- 22** Governor's Cup, BVI. [www.royalbvicyc.org](http://www.royalbvicyc.org)
- 22 - 23** Around Antigua Race. [www.antiguayachtclub.com](http://www.antiguayachtclub.com)
- 23** Duke's Trophy Race, St. John, USVI. [jameswanstj@yahoo.com](mailto:jameswanstj@yahoo.com)
- 23 - 27** 42nd Spice Island Billfish Tournament, Grenada. [www.sibtgrenada.com](http://www.sibtgrenada.com)
- 23 - 29** Jamaica Jazz and Blues Festival, Montego Bay. <http://jamaicajazzandblues.com>
- 24** Public holiday in the Dominican Republic (Duarte's Day celebrated) and the Cayman Islands (National Heroes' Day)
- 25** Public holiday in Aruba (G.F. Croes Day)
- 26 - 29** Antigua Superyacht Cup. [www.thesuperyachtcup.com](http://www.thesuperyachtcup.com)
- 26 - 9 Feb** Mustique Blues Festival. [www.basilsbar.com](http://www.basilsbar.com)
- 27 - 29** Bonaire International Fishing Tournament
- 27 - 30** Bequia Mount Gay Music Fest. [www.begos.com/bequiamusicfest](http://www.begos.com/bequiamusicfest)
- 28 - 1 Feb** Port Louis Grenada Sailing Festival. [www.grenadasailingfestival.com](http://www.grenadasailingfestival.com)
- 29** Anguilla Dinghy Regatta. [www.anguillaregatta.com](http://www.anguillaregatta.com)
- 29** Grenada Flower Show. [www.hortigrenada.com](http://www.hortigrenada.com)
- 29 - 5 Feb** Manhattan Sailing Club's BVI Cruise. [www.myc.org](http://www.myc.org)
- TBA** Budget Marine Women's Caribbean Championships, St. Maarten. [www.smyc.com](http://www.smyc.com)
- TBA** Zion Cup Race, Guadeloupe. [www.zioncup.org](http://www.zioncup.org)

### FEBRUARY

- 2** World Wetlands Day
- 3** Chinese New Year (Rabbit)
- 4 - 6** Club Náutico de San Juan International Regatta, Puerto Rico. [www.nauticodesanjuan.com](http://www.nauticodesanjuan.com)
- 4 - 6** Dig'cel Workboat Regatta, Grenada. [www.grenadasailingfestival.com](http://www.grenadasailingfestival.com)
- 5** Pineapple Cup Montego Bay Race, Florida to Jamaica. [www.montegobayrace.com](http://www.montegobayrace.com)
- 5 - 6** Lowell Wheatley Anegada Pursuit Race. [www.royalbvicyc.org](http://www.royalbvicyc.org)
- 5 - 6** Necol One Design Regatta, St. Maarten. [www.smyc.com](http://www.smyc.com)
- 6** Women's Cup Race, Martinique. [ycmq@wanadoo.fr](mailto:ycmq@wanadoo.fr)
- Public holiday in Grenada (Independence Day)
- 10 - 13** Trinidad Carnival Regatta. [www.ttsailing.org](http://www.ttsailing.org)
- 11 - 13** St. Croix Yacht Club Hospice Regatta. [www.stcroixyc.com](http://www.stcroixyc.com)
- 12 - 13** Jolly Harbour Valentines Regatta, Antigua. [www.jhycantigua.com](http://www.jhycantigua.com)
- 13** Island Hopper Race, USVI. [jameswanstj@yahoo.com](mailto:jameswanstj@yahoo.com)
- 13** Sailor's & Landlubber's Auction, Bequia. [bequiasunshineschool.org](http://bequiasunshineschool.org)
- 13 - 20** Holetown Festival, Barbados
- 15** Public holiday in Puerto Rico and USVI (Presidents' Day)
- 18** FULL MOON
- 18 - 20** Sweethearts of the Caribbean and Classic Yacht Regatta, Tortola. [mcmechanics@surfbvi.com](mailto:mcmechanics@surfbvi.com)
- 18 - 20** Tobago Carnival Regatta (beach events). [www.sailweek.com](http://www.sailweek.com)
- 19 - 20** Bonaire Carnival Tumba Festival
- 20 - 21** Independence Day Round St. Lucia Race/Cruise. [www.stluciayachtclub.com](http://www.stluciayachtclub.com)
- 21** Start of RORC Caribbean 600, Antigua. [www.caribbean600.rorc.org](http://www.caribbean600.rorc.org)
- 22** Public holiday in St. Lucia (Independence Day)
- 25 - 26** Around St. Maarten Multihull Race. [www.multihullregatta.com](http://www.multihullregatta.com)
- 25 - 27** South Grenada Regatta. [www.southgrenadaregatta.com](http://www.southgrenadaregatta.com)
- 26** BVI Dinghy Championships. [www.royalbvicyc.org](http://www.royalbvicyc.org)
- 27 - 5 March** BVI Kite Jam (kiteboarding). [www.bvikitejam.com](http://www.bvikitejam.com)
- 27 - 8 March** 6th La Route du Carnival Rally, Martinique to Trinidad. [www.transcaraibes.com](http://www.transcaraibes.com)
- TBA** Around Martinique Race. [www.clubnautiquenepune.com](http://www.clubnautiquenepune.com)

### MARCH

- 1** Budget Marine Match Racing Cup. [www.smyc.com](http://www.smyc.com)
- 2 - 12** Santo Domingo Music Festival, Dominican Republic
- 3** Gill Commodore's Cup, St. Maarten. [www.heinekenregatta.com](http://www.heinekenregatta.com)
- 4** Children's Carnival Parade, St. Barth's
- 4 - 6** St. Maarten Heineken Regatta. [www.heinekenregatta.com](http://www.heinekenregatta.com)
- 4 - 7** Dark and Stormy Regatta, BVI. [mcmechanics@surfbvi.com](mailto:mcmechanics@surfbvi.com)
- 5 - 7** Martinique Carnival Regatta. [www.carnival-regatta.com](http://www.carnival-regatta.com)
- 5 - 9** Semaine Nautique Schoelcher, Martinique. [www.cnschoelcher.webou.net](http://www.cnschoelcher.webou.net)
- 5 - 10** Caribbean Arts and Crafts Festival, Tortola. [dreadeye@surfbvi.com](mailto:dreadeye@surfbvi.com)
- 7** Public holiday in the BVI (H Lavity Stoutt's Birthday)
- 7 - 8** Carnival Monday and Tuesday in most Dutch and French islands, Haiti, Puerto Rico, Dominica, Carriacou, Trinidad & Tobago, Venezuela, and other places
- 8** International Women's Day
- 9** Public holiday in many places (Ash Wednesday) and in Belize (Baron Bliss Day)
- 12 - 13** Annual Laser Open, Antigua. [www.antiguayachtclub.com](http://www.antiguayachtclub.com)
- 12 - 13** Banana's Cup Regatta, Martinique. [ycmq@wanadoo.fr](mailto:ycmq@wanadoo.fr)
- 12 - 19** St. Patrick's Week celebrations, Montserrat
- 14** Public holiday in St. Vincent & the Grenadines (National Heroes' Day)
- 14** Public holiday in Commonwealth countries (Commonwealth Day)
- 14 - 19** ClubSwan Caribbean Rendezvous. [www.nautorswan.com/ClubSwan](http://www.nautorswan.com/ClubSwan)
- 16 - 20** Caribbean Superyacht Regatta & Rendezvous, BVI. [www.superyachtregattaandrendezvous.com](http://www.superyachtregattaandrendezvous.com)
- 16 - 20** St. John Blues Festival, USVI. <http://stevesimonpresents.com>
- 17** Public holiday in Montserrat (St. Patrick's Day). St. Patrick's Day Festival, Grenada

- 17 - 19** Race Cayman Islands. [www.sailing.ky](http://www.sailing.ky)
- 18 - 20** Puerto Rico Heineken International Regatta. [www.prheinekenregatta.com](http://www.prheinekenregatta.com)
- 19** FULL MOON
- 20** Vernal Equinox
- 19 - 20** HRH Prince Edward's Regatta, Barbados. [www.sailbarbados.com](http://www.sailbarbados.com)
- 24 - 27** St. Barth's Bucket. [www.bucketregattas.com/stbarths](http://www.bucketregattas.com/stbarths)
- 25 - 27** International Rolex Regatta, St. Thomas, USVI. [www.rolexcupregatta.com](http://www.rolexcupregatta.com)
- 26 - 2 April** Tobago Billfish Bonanza. [www.ttgfa.com](http://www.ttgfa.com)
- 28 - 3 April** BVI Spring Regatta and Sailing Festival. [www.bvispringregatta.org](http://www.bvispringregatta.org)
- 30** Public holiday in Trinidad & Tobago (Spiritual Baptist "Shouter" Liberation Day)
- TBA** Grenada Round-the-Island Race. [www.aroundgrenada.com](http://www.aroundgrenada.com)
- TBA** Grenada Classic Yacht Regatta. [www.grenadaclassicregatta.gd](http://www.grenadaclassicregatta.gd)
- TBA** Gardel Trophy Race, St. François, Guadeloupe

### APRIL

- 2 - 3** Martinique Cup Regatta, Lamentin, Martinique. [ycmq@wanadoo.fr](mailto:ycmq@wanadoo.fr)
- 2 - 22** Transcaribes Rally, St. Martin to Cuba. [www.transcaraibes.com](http://www.transcaraibes.com)
- 4 - 9** Les Voiles de St. Barth. [www.lesvoilesdesaintbarth.com](http://www.lesvoilesdesaintbarth.com)
- 9** Underwater Clean-Up, Bonaire. [www.dive-friends-bonaire.com/clean\\_up\\_dives](http://www.dive-friends-bonaire.com/clean_up_dives)
- 10** Around St. John Race, USVI. [jameswanstj@yahoo.com](mailto:jameswanstj@yahoo.com)
- 11 - 16** Oyster Regatta, Grenada. [www.oystermarine.com](http://www.oystermarine.com)
- 12 - 17** St. Barth Film Festival. [www.stbarthff.org](http://www.stbarthff.org)
- 14 - 19** Antigua Classic Yacht Regatta. [www.antiguaclassics.com](http://www.antiguaclassics.com)
- 16** Virgin Queen Pursuit Race, BVI. [www.royalbvicyc.org](http://www.royalbvicyc.org)
- 18** FULL MOON
- 21 - 25** Round Guadeloupe Race. [www.triskellcup.com](http://www.triskellcup.com)
- 21 - 25** Bequia Easter Regatta. [www.begos.com/easterregatta](http://www.begos.com/easterregatta)
- 21 - 25** Easterval celebrations, Union Island, Grenadines
- 22** Public holiday in many places (Good Friday)
- 22** Guadeloupe to Antigua Race. [www.sailingweek.com](http://www.sailingweek.com)
- 22** International Earth Day
- 24** Easter Sunday
- 24 - 29** Antigua Sailing Week. [www.sailingweek.com](http://www.sailingweek.com)
- 25** Public holiday in many places (Easter Monday)
- 25 - 26** Goat Races in Mt. Pleasant and Buccoo, Tobago
- 28** Public holiday in Barbados (National Heroes' Day)
- 29 - 1 May** West Indies Regatta, St. Barth's. [www.westindiesregatta.com](http://www.westindiesregatta.com)
- 29 - 1 May** Carriacou Music Maroon Festival
- 30** Public holiday in Dutch islands (Queen's Birthday). Windsurfing races in Bonaire
- 30 - 2 May** St. Lucia J/24 Open Championship. [www.stluciayachtclub.com](http://www.stluciayachtclub.com)
- 30 - 8 May** St. Lucia Jazz Festival. [www.stlucijazz.org](http://www.stlucijazz.org)

### MAY

- 1** Start of Atlantic Cup Rally, Tortola to Virginia. [www.carib1500.com](http://www.carib1500.com)
- 1** Local Fishing Tournament, Montserrat
- 2** Public holiday in many places (Labour Day celebrated)
- 6 - 8** Grenada Drum Festival
- 7** Start of ARC Europe, Tortola to Portugal. [www.worldcruising.com](http://www.worldcruising.com)
- 7 - 8** Commodore's Cup, St. John, USVI. [jameswanstj@yahoo.com](mailto:jameswanstj@yahoo.com)
- 7 - 9** Anguilla Sailing Festival. [www.anguillaregatta.com](http://www.anguillaregatta.com)
- 8** Public holiday in some places (Armistice Day)
- 12 - 15** Mount Gay Rum Barbados Regatta. [www.sailbarbados.com](http://www.sailbarbados.com)
- 13 - 22** St. Barth Theatre Festival
- 14 - 15** Martinique to St. Lucia Race. [ycmq@wanadoo.fr](mailto:ycmq@wanadoo.fr)
- 14 - 15** Metimer Boat Show, St. Martin
- 14 - 15** Captain Oliver's Regatta, St. Martin. [www.coyc-sxm.com](http://www.coyc-sxm.com)
- 16** Public holiday in the Cayman Islands (Discovery Day)
- 16 - 21** Tobago Underwater Carnival. [www.tobagounderwatercarnival.com](http://www.tobagounderwatercarnival.com)
- 17** FULL MOON
- 18** Public holiday in Haiti (Flag Day)
- 18 - 20** Morro Castle Race, Havana, Cuba. [yachtclub@cni.h.mh.tur.cu](mailto:yachtclub@cni.h.mh.tur.cu)
- 21 - 22** Quantum IC 24 International Regatta, BVI. [www.royalbvicyc.org](http://www.royalbvicyc.org)
- 27 - 29** Foxy's Wooden Boat Regatta, Jost van Dyke, BVI. [www.foxybar.com/woodenRegatta.html](http://www.foxybar.com/woodenRegatta.html)
- 27 - 29** Puerto Rico Vela Cup. [www.puertoricovelacup.com](http://www.puertoricovelacup.com)
- 30** Public holiday in Trinidad & Tobago (Indian Arrival Day), Anguilla (Anguilla Day) and Haiti (Mother's Day)
- TBA** Feeder Race, St. Lucia to Mount Gay Rum Barbados Regatta. [www.stluciayachtclub.com](http://www.stluciayachtclub.com)
- TBA** Bonaire Heineken Jazz Festival. [www.bonairejazz.com](http://www.bonairejazz.com)

### JUNE

- 2** Public holiday in some places (Ascension Day)
- 2 - 4** Combat des Cocques Race, Marin, Martinique. [www.clubnautiquedumarin.com](http://www.clubnautiquedumarin.com)
- 3** Public holiday in the Bahamas (Labour Day)
- 5** World Environment Day
- 6 - 11** Ernest Hemingway International Billfish Tournament, Havana, Cuba. [www.hemingwaycuba.com/hemingway-fishing-tournament.html](http://www.hemingwaycuba.com/hemingway-fishing-tournament.html)
- 9 - 13** Canouan Regatta, Grenadines.
- 10 - 13** Antigua & Barbuda Sport Fishing Tournament. [www.antigua-barbudasportfishing.com](http://www.antigua-barbudasportfishing.com)
- 11** St. Lucia Optimist & Laser Championship. [www.stluciayachtclub.com](http://www.stluciayachtclub.com)
- 11 - 12** Caribbean Laser Championship, St. Maarten. [www.smyc.com](http://www.smyc.com)
- 11 - 12** Petite Martinique Whit Monday Regatta, Grenadines
- 11 - 12** Barbados International J/24 Open Championships. [www.sailbarbados.com](http://www.sailbarbados.com)
- 12** Public holiday in Bonaire (Pentecost)
- 12 - 19** Sunfish World Championship, Curaçao. [www.sunfishclass.org](http://www.sunfishclass.org)
- 12 - 19** Jamaica International Jazz Festival, Ocho Rios. [www.ochoriosjazz.com](http://www.ochoriosjazz.com)
- 13** Public holiday in many places (Whit Monday)
- 13** Public holiday in the BVI, Montserrat and some other places (UK Queen's Birthday celebrated)
- 15** FULL MOON
- 18 - 19** Scotiabank International Optimist Regatta, St. Thomas, USVI. [www.styc.net](http://www.styc.net)
- 18 - 19** Marlow One Design Championship, St. Maarten. [www.smyc.com](http://www.smyc.com)
- 19** Public holiday in Trinidad & Tobago (Labour Day)
- 21** Summer Solstice



