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Stephanie’s Birthday Celebration

Anguilla 2026

Stephanie's 50th Birthday · Aurora Anguilla Resort & Golf Club

August 2–9, 2026 · 20 guests

*Prepared by **Global Celebrations** · office@globalcelebrations.co*

Welcome to your handbook!

Everything you need for a smooth, worry-free week is right here — who to call, when to be ready, what to pack, and the answers to the questions travelers ask most. Keep it on your phone and screenshot the **Emergency & Key Contacts** page (Section 1) before you fly. This is a celebration, so let us handle the logistics — you focus on Stephanie's big 5-0. 🎉

Quick facts: Anguilla is a British Overseas Territory in the Caribbean. It's an **international** trip — passports required. Good news for US travelers: same power plugs as home, US dollars accepted everywhere, and English is the official language.

YOUR ITINERARY

Getting there — Sunday, August 2

Boston group — *Sonja Sharpe, Jessi Lazcano, Jason Keiper, Benjamin Keiper, Christian Keiper*

- **AA1418** — Boston (BOS) **5:10 AM** → Miami (MIA) 8:38 AM *(First Class)*
- **AA4175** — Miami (MIA) 10:00 AM → Anguilla (AXA) **1:11 PM**
- ⏰ *This is a pre-dawn start. Plan to be at Logan by ~3:10 AM — that means a wake-up around 2:15 AM.*

Baltimore group — *Stephanie & Kevin, plus Bret & Adryana Slovikosky, Daimond & Alxyandra Hoover, William Fraley, Christiana Martin, Stacey & Eric Steinhaus, Julia Murr Steinhaus, Daniel Steinhaus, Susan Sharpe*

- **AA1183** — Baltimore (BWI) **6:00 AM** → Miami (MIA) 8:46 AM
- **AA4175** — Miami (MIA) 10:00 AM → Anguilla (AXA) **1:11 PM**
- ⏰ *Be at BWI by ~4:00 AM — wake-up around 3:00 AM.*

Heads-up on the Miami connection (both groups): you have roughly **1 hour 15 minutes** at MIA between landing and the Anguilla flight. It's enough, but don't linger — head straight to your AA4175 gate. AA4175 to Anguilla is a small Envoy Air (American Eagle) aircraft.

Where everyone is staying — Aurora Anguilla Resort & Golf Club

Rendezvous Bay, Anguilla AI-2640, British West Indies

Room	Guests
Beachfront One-Bedroom Suite	Stephanie Sharpe & Kevin Martin
Beachfront Jr. Suite King	Sonja Sharpe & Jessi Lazcano
Beachfront Jr. Suite King	Benjamin Keiper & Christian Keiper
Beachfront Jr. Suite Double	Jason Keiper & Daniel Steinhaus
Beachfront Jr. Suite King	Stacey Steinhaus & Eric Steinhaus
Beachfront Jr. Suite Double	Julia Murr Steinhaus & Adryana Slovikosky
Beachfront Jr. Suite King	Alyx Hoover & William Fraley
Beachfront Jr. Suite Double	Christiana Martin & Susan Sharpe
Beachfront Jr. Suite Double	Bret Slovikosky & Danny Hoover
Beachfront Jr. Suite King	Harold & Sara

Check-in: 3:00 PM · **Check-out:** 11:00 AM (Sun, Aug 9). Early check-in on arrival day is being requested with the resort.

Your week on the island

Day 1 - Sunday, Aug 2 — Arrival

- Afternoon: arrivals, airport transfers, and resort check-in
- Evening: settle in (evening plans being finalized)

Day 2 - Monday, Aug 3 — Free Time & Summer Festival
Morning: free time

- 12:00 PM–8:00 PM: **Anguilla Summer Festival**
- Evening: dinner at leisure

Day 3 - Tuesday, Aug 4 — Shopping

Morning: St. Martin Day Trip (being finalized) — note: this is an international ferry crossing; bring your passport (see Section 6)

- Afternoon: free time
- Dinner: dinner at leisure

Day 4 - Wednesday, Aug 5 — Beach Day and Birthday Dinner

Morning: **Private Speedboat Charter to the Prickly Pear**(departure time being Confirmed)

- Afternoon: lunch & beach time
- Evening: Private Beach Celebration (C Level @ Aurora 6:00 pm)

Day 5 - Thursday, Aug 6 — Golf & Free Day

- Morning: Golf at Aurora (tee time being confirmed · up to 8 golfers, max 2 tee times) OR free time
- Afternoon: free time
- Dinner: dinner at leisure

Day 6 - Friday, Aug 7 — Horseback Riding & Parade

- Morning: Horseback Riding (sessions 9:00 / 10:30 / 3:45 / 5:15 · max 4 riders per session x 3 sessions) 12 riders may participate
- 11:00 AM: **Grand Parade of Troupes**
- Dinner: dinner at leisure

Day 7- Saturday, Aug 8 — Free Time & Calypso

- Morning & Afternoon: Free Time
- 8:00 PM: **Leeward Islands Calypso Monarch Competition**

Day 8 - Sunday, Aug 9 — Departure

- Morning: check-out (11:00 AM), airport transfers
- Afternoon: departures

Baltimore return travelers

- **AA3780** — Anguilla (AXA) 2:12 PM → Miami (MIA) 5:20 PM
- **AA3216** — Miami (MIA) 9:03 PM → Baltimore (BWI) 11:45 PM

Portugal travelers — *Sonja Sharpe, Jason Keiper, Benjamin Keiper, Christian Keiper*

- **AA3780** — Anguilla (AXA) 2:12 PM → Miami (MIA) 5:20 PM
- **AA68** — Miami (MIA) 7:15 PM → Madrid (MAD) 9:55 AM (Aug 10) *(Business)*
- **Iberia 8686** — Madrid (MAD) 11:25 AM → Lisbon (LIS) 11:50 AM (Aug 10) *(Business)*

Jessi Lazcano travels onward to Portugal separately — *your dates and flight numbers are being confirmed by Phyllis; please don't finalize plans until you have them in writing.*

Important — clearing US Customs at Miami on the way home. Anguilla → Miami is your re-entry into the United States. At MIA everyone must **clear US Immigration & Customs, collect checked bags, re-check them, and pass security again** before the next flight.

- **Baltimore travelers:** you have ~3h40m in Miami — plenty of time, but expect the full customs process.
- **Portugal travelers:** you have ~1h55m between landing (5:20 PM) and AA68 (7:15 PM). That's tighter — clear customs promptly and go straight to your Madrid gate.

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/ Baltimore to Anguilla 6 Adults

Sunday August 2, 2026 – Sunday August 9, 2026

AA Confirmation Code
ATYGTO

Your confirmation code is your reservation confirmation number and will be needed to retrieve or reference your reservation.

Reservation Name
BWI/AXA

Status: **Ticketed** May 27, 2026

Total Paid:
$11,494.38 USD

Flight	Depart	Arrive
American Airlines **1183**	**/ Baltimore** (BWI) August 2, 2026 06:00 AM Travel Time : 2 h 46 m Class : Economy Seat : -- , -- , -- , -- , -- , --	**Miami** (MIA) August 2, 2026 08:46 AM Booking Code : Q
American Airlines **4175** Operated by Envoy Air	**Miami** (MIA) August 2, 2026 10:00 AM Travel Time : 3 h 11 m Class : Economy Seat : -- , -- , -- , -- , -- , --	**Anguilla** (AXA) August 2, 2026 01:11 PM Booking Code : Q

Flight	Depart	Arrive
American Airlines **3780** Operated by Envoy Air	**Anguilla** (AXA) August 9, 2026 02:12 PM Travel Time : 3 h 8 m Class : Economy Seat : -- , -- , -- , -- , -- , --	**Miami** (MIA) August 9, 2026 05:20 PM Booking Code : Y
American Airlines **3216**	**Miami** (MIA) August 9, 2026 09:03 PM Travel Time : 2 h 42 m Class : Economy Seat : -- , -- , -- , -- , -- , --	**/ Baltimore** (BWI) August 9, 2026 11:45 PM Booking Code : Y

Fare Amount

Adult
6 × $1,786.00 USD $10,716.00 USD

Taxes & Carrier-Imposed Fees

Taxes and Fees	$778.38 USD
Carrier-Imposed Fees	$0.00 USD

Flight Subtotal

$11,494.38 USD

Feedback

Receipt

PASSENGER	TICKET NUMBER	FREQUENT FLYER NUMBER	FARE	EQUIV FARE	Tax/Fee/Charge	TICKET TOTAL
SLOVIKOSKY,BRET	0012346619397		$1,786.00 USD	0.00 USD	129.73	1915.73
SLOVIKOSKY,ADRYANA	0012346619398		$1,786.00 USD	0.00 USD	129.73	1915.73
HOOVER,DAIMOND	0012346619399		$1,786.00 USD	0.00 USD	129.73	1915.73
HOOVER,ALXYANDRA	0012346619400		$1,786.00 USD	0.00 USD	129.73	1915.73
FRALEY,WILLIAM	0012346619401		$1,786.00 USD	0.00 USD	129.73	1915.73
JOZITIS,CHRISTINE	0012346619402		$1,786.00 USD	0.00 USD	129.73	1915.73
Payment Type:	VISA *********3811				**Total**	$11,494.38 USD

Endorsements/Restrictions

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HOOVER,ALXYANDRA	0012346619400		$1,786.00 USD	0.00 USD	129.73	1915.73
FRALEY,WILLIAM	0012346619401		$1,786.00 USD	0.00 USD	129.73	1915.73
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Payment Type:	VISA *********3811				**Total**	$11,494.38 USD

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Anguilla to Lisbon 4 Adults

Sunday August 9, 2026

AA Confirmation Code
QDAHCO

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Reservation Name
AXA/LIS

Status: **Ticketed** May 28, 2026

Total Paid:
$27,538.92 USD

Flight	Depart	Arrive
American Airlines **3780** Operated by Envoy Air	**Anguilla** (AXA) August 9, 2026 02:12 PM Travel Time : 3 h 8 m Class : Economy Seat : -- , -- , -- , --	**Miami** (MIA) August 9, 2026 05:20 PM Booking Code : Y
American Airlines **68**	**Miami** (MIA) August 9, 2026 07:15 PM Travel Time : 8 h 40 m Class : Business Seat : -- , -- , -- , --	**Madrid** (MAD) August 10, 2026 09:55 AM Booking Code : J
American Airlines **8686** Operated by Iberia	**Madrid** (MAD) August 10, 2026 11:25 AM Travel Time : 1 h 25 m Class : Business Seat : -- , -- , -- , --	**Lisbon** (LIS) August 10, 2026 11:50 AM Booking Code : J

Fare Amount

Adult
4 × $6,617.00 USD $26,468.00 USD

Taxes & Carrier-Imposed Fees

Taxes and Fees	$270.92 USD
Carrier-Imposed Fees	$800.00 USD

Flight Subtotal

$27,538.92 USD

Receipt

PASSENGER	TICKET NUMBER	FREQUENT FLYER NUMBER	FARE	EQUIV FARE	Tax/Fee/Charge	TICKET TOTAL
SHARPE,SONJA	0012346891161		$6,617.00 USD	200.00 USD	267.73	6884.73
KEIPER,JASON	0012346891162		$6,617.00 USD	200.00 USD	267.73	688
KEIPER,BENJAMIN	0012346891163		$6,617.00 USD	200.00 USD	267.73	688
KEIPER,CHRISTIAN	0012346891164		$6,617.00 USD	200.00 USD	267.73	688
Payment Type:	VISA *********3811				**Total**	$27,538.92 USD

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AA CONFIRMATION CODE: JDHOWB

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/ Baltimore to Anguilla 1 Adult

Sunday August 2, 2026 – Sunday August 9, 2026

AA Confirmation Code
JDHOWB

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Reservation Name
BWI/AXA

Status: **Ticketed** Jun 07, 2026

Total Paid:
$2,597.73 USD

Flight	Depart	Arrive
American Airlines **1183**	**/ Baltimore** (BWI) August 2, 2026 06:00 AM Travel Time : 2 h 46 m Class : Economy Seat : --	**Miami** (MIA) August 2, 2026 08:46 AM Booking Code : S
American Airlines **4175** Operated by Envoy Air	**Miami** (MIA) August 2, 2026 10:00 AM Travel Time : 3 h 11 m Class : Economy Seat : --	**Anguilla** (AXA) August 2, 2026 01:11 PM Booking Code : S

Flight	Depart	Arrive
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Fare Amount

Adult 1 × $2,468.00 USD	$2,468.00 USD

Taxes & Carrier-Imposed Fees

Taxes and Fees	$129.73 USD
Carrier-Imposed Fees	$0.00 USD

Flight Subtotal

$2,597.73 USD

Feedback

Receipt

PASSENGER	TICKET NUMBER	FREQUENT FLYER NUMBER	FARE	EQUIV FARE	Tax/Fee/Charge	TICKET TOTAL
MARTIN,CHRISTIANA	0012349361477		$2,468.00 USD	0.00 USD	129.73	2597.73
Payment Type:	Ticket Exchange -0014499094700				**Total**	$2,597.73 USD

PASSENGER	TICKET NUMBER	Charges or Fees
MARTIN,CHRISTIANA	0012349361477	682.00
Payment Type:	VISA*********3811	**Total** 682.00 USD

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Phyllis Nsiah-Kumi
InteleTravel

2949 Columbia Road
Westlake, OH 44145

Booking Information

Trip ID	1-204-542	**Status**	Ticketed
Reference	CTJXML	**Primary Airline**	American Airlines
Date Reserved	May 27, 2026	**Date Ticketed**	May 27, 2026
Travel Dates	Aug 02, 2026 - Aug 09, 2026	**Cities**	BWI-MIA-AXA

Travelers

Traveler 1 • Adult
Stacey Steinhaus
Ticket Number 001-7493836649

Traveler 2 • Adult
Eric Steinhaus
Ticket Number 001-7493836650

Traveler 3 • Adult
Julia Murr Steinhaus
Ticket Number 001-7493836651

Traveler 4 • Adult
Daniel Steinhaus
Ticket Number 001-7493836652

Traveler 5 • Adult
Susan Marguerite Sharpe
Ticket Number 001-7493836653

Itinerary

American Airlines • Main Cabin

Outbound **Total 7hr 11m**

American Airlines 1183 • **Economy** • Class O • 0 Bags Included 2hr 46m

Depart	Aug 02, 2026	06:00 AM	Baltimore Washington International Airport	Baltimore, MD	**BWI**
Arrive	Aug 02, 2026	08:46 AM	Miami International Airport	Miami, FL	**MIA**

Seats 29A, 29C, 29D, 29B, 29E • **Airline Reference** QBOXXR • **Miles** 823 • Boeing 737-800

1hr 14m connection

American Airlines 4175 • **Economy** • Class O • 0 Bags Included 3hr 11m

Depart	Aug 02, 2026	10:00 AM	Miami International Airport	Miami, FL	**MIA**
Arrive	Aug 02, 2026	01:11 PM	Anguilla Clayton J. Lloyd International Airport	Anguilla, Anguilla	**AXA**

Seats 19A, 19D, 18D, 19C, 18F • **Airline Reference** QBOXXR • **Miles** 1059 • Embraer 175 (Short Wing)

AA4175 is operated by Envoy Air as American Eagle

Inbound **Total 9hr 33m**

American Airlines 3780 • **Economy** • Class Y • 0 Bags Included 3hr 8m

Depart	Aug 09, 2026	02:12 PM	Anguilla Clayton J. Lloyd International Airport	Anguilla, Anguilla	**AXA**
Arrive	Aug 09, 2026	05:20 PM	Miami International Airport	Miami, FL	**MIA**

Seats 19A, 19D, 20A, 19C, 20C • **Airline Reference** QBOXXR • **Miles** 1059 • Embraer 175 (Short Wing)

AA3780 is operated by Envoy Air as American Eagle

3hr 43m connection

American Airlines 3216 • **Economy** • Class Y • 0 Bags Included 2hr 42m

Depart	Aug 09, 2026	09:03 PM	Miami International Airport	Miami, FL	**MIA**
Arrive	Aug 09, 2026	11:45 PM	Baltimore Washington International Airport	Baltimore, MD	**BWI**

Seats 11A, 11C, 11D, 11B, 11E • **Airline Reference** QBOXXR • **Miles** 823 • Boeing 737-800

Baggage Policies • American Airlines

GLOBAL CELEBRATIONS

The Handbook

Stephanie's 50th Birthday Celebrations

Aurora Anguilla Resort & Golf Club

Sunday 2 — Sunday 9 August 2026

Everything in this handbook has been pulled from your confirmed itinerary — the real numbers, the real pickup points, the real fares. It is written so that you never need to call the office while you are away.

Save it to your phone before you fly, and screenshot Section 1.

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Issued July 2026

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Before You Fly

A one-page orientation to the island, and a countdown so nothing is left to the last evening.

Anguilla in Brief

Country	Anguilla, a British Overseas Territory in the Eastern Caribbean
Language	English — the official language
Time zone	Atlantic Standard Time (UTC−4), no daylight saving
Currency	East Caribbean Dollar — but US dollars accepted everywhere
Emergency	**911** (999 also works)
Power	Type A/B sockets, 110V — identical to the US
Driving	Left-hand side
Dialling code	+1-264
Tap water	Treated and generally safe
Drinking age	18

A time zone note worth reading twice

In August, Anguilla is on the same clock as the US East Coast — no time change at all for travellers flying from Baltimore. Your phone will not shift and your body will not either.

Portugal group: Madrid is 6 hours ahead of Anguilla, Lisbon 5 hours ahead. You lose most of a night in the air.

Your Countdown

FOUR WEEKS OUT

- Check your passport expiry — you want validity well beyond August 2026
- Buy travel insurance if you haven't. Most policies limit what they cover the closer you buy to departure
- Book any spa treatments, dinner reservations, or golf you want locked in
- Refill prescriptions so you have the full trip plus a few days

TWO WEEKS OUT

- Set up your eSIM, or call your carrier about a Caribbean plan
- Tell your bank and credit card company you are travelling
- Confirm your seat assignments and check baggage allowances with the airline
- Download the American Airlines app, offline Google Maps for Anguilla, and save this handbook to your phone

ONE WEEK OUT

- Get US$150–200 per person in small bills from your own bank — better rates than the airport
- Photograph your passport and cards, and email the photos to yourself
- Check the tropical weather outlook (see Section 7)
- Fill in the two blanks on your Section 1 contact card

THE NIGHT BEFORE

- Count out US$25–28 cash per person for the departure tax and put it somewhere you won’t unpack it
- Medication, swimwear, and one change of clothes into your carry-on
- Charge your phone and your power bank
- Set your alarm early — Sunday’s departure is an early start

1. Emergency & Key Contacts

Screenshot this page before you fly.

Who	Contact
Emergency — police, fire, ambulance	**911** (999 also works)
Trip Organizer — Phyllis Nsiah-Kumi	pnkumi@gmail.com
Global Celebrations	office@globalcelebrations.co
On-island travel services — Sunlinc (Gabby Williams)	Direct line issued with your final transfer confirmation
Aurora Anguilla Resort & Golf Club	1-844-668-5759 · 1-800-210-6444
Aurora Golf Club	+1-264-222-3922
Clayton J. Lloyd Int'l Airport (AXA)	+1-264-497-2384
Blowing Point Ferry Terminal	+1-264-497-6070
American Airlines	1-800-433-7300
Iberia (Portugal group)	1-800-772-4642
Princess Alexandra Hospital, The Valley	+1-264-497-2551

Your airline confirmation code is one of: **ATYGTO · CTJXML (ref QBOXXR) · JDHOWB · QDAHCO**. See the Master Appendix for who sits on each.

If something goes wrong on-island

Work down this list in order. Most problems are solved at step one.

1. **Call your day's transfer driver** — number provided with your confirmation
2. **Call the resort front desk** — 1-844-668-5759
3. **Email Global Celebrations** — office@globalcelebrations.co
4. For anything affecting the **whole group**, reach Phyllis

Fill these in before you fly

Lost or stolen card — my bank's international number: _____

Travel insurance policy # and 24-hour assistance line: _____

2. Trip at a Glance

What's today, and who do I call?

Date	Sleep at	Key timed items	Call
Sun 2 Aug	Aurora Anguilla	Arrivals · airport transfers · check-in 3:00 PM	Transfer driver → Resort front desk
Mon 3 Aug	Aurora Anguilla	Free morning · Anguilla Summer Festival 12:00–8:00 PM · dinner at leisure	Sunlinc
Tue 4 Aug	Aurora Anguilla	St. Martin day trip (AM) — passport required · free afternoon · dinner at leisure	Sunlinc
Wed 5 Aug	Aurora Anguilla	Speedboat charter to Prickly Pear (AM) · beach afternoon · Private Beach Celebration, C Level @ Aurora, 6:00 PM	Sunlinc → Resort
Thu 6 Aug	Aurora Anguilla	Golf at Aurora (AM) — up to 8 golfers, 2 tee times — or free day	Golf Club +1-264-222-3922
Fri 7 Aug	Aurora Anguilla	Horseback riding — your session time is on your confirmation · Grand Parade of Troupes, The Valley, 11:00 AM	Sunlinc
Sat 8 Aug	Aurora Anguilla	Free day · Leeward Islands Calypso Monarch, Landsome Bowl, 8:00 PM	Sunlinc
Sun 9 Aug	Departing	Check-out 11:00 AM · airport transfers · departures	Transfer driver → Airline

Times still being confirmed

Monday's festival venue, Tuesday's ferry departure, Wednesday's speedboat departure, Thursday's tee times, and Friday's individual riding sessions. All of these will be on your final confirmation — **travel with it.**

Your flights home — Sunday 9 August

Baltimore travellers

AA3780	Anguilla (AXA) → Miami (MIA)	2:12 PM → 5:20 PM
AA3216	Miami (MIA) → Baltimore (BWI)	9:03 PM → 11:45 PM

Portugal travellers — Sonja, Jason, Benjamin & Christian

AA3780	Anguilla (AXA) → Miami (MIA)	2:12 PM → 5:20 PM
AA68	Miami (MIA) → Madrid (MAD) · Business	7:15 PM → 9:55 AM, 10 Aug

IB8686	Madrid (MAD) → Lisbon (LIS) · Business	11:25 AM → 11:50 AM, 10 Aug

Please read this if you are continuing to Portugal

Everyone re-enters the United States at Miami, which means clearing immigration, collecting your checked bags, re-checking them, and going back through security — even though you are flying straight out again.

You have **1 hour 55 minutes** to do all of it. That is tight. Move quickly off the aircraft, have your passport out and ready, and don't stop for food before you have re-checked your bags — you can eat airside. If you are held up in the immigration queue, tell an American Airlines agent immediately that you are connecting to AA68 to Madrid.

Baltimore travellers have 3 hours 43 minutes at Miami and can take it at a normal pace.

3. Getting Around

Anguilla has no public buses, no Uber and no Lyft. You will move by pre-arranged private transfer, taxi, or rental car. This is worth knowing before you plan anything spontaneous.

Your transfers

Your group transfers are pre-arranged through Sunlinc. Before you travel you will receive your driver's name, mobile number, and confirmed pickup time.

- **Be at the pickup point 10–15 minutes early, every time.** Island timing is relaxed; your boat and your van are not.
- Your driver will be waiting in the arrivals hall or resort lobby with a name sign or the group name.
- **If no driver appears:** call the number on your confirmation first. Wait 15 minutes. Then call the resort front desk on 1-844-668-5759. If it is still unresolved, email Global Celebrations.

Taxis

Fares are government-set and posted at the airport — not metered, and charged per vehicle, not per person. AXA to Rendezvous Bay runs roughly US$24–30.

A **25% surcharge applies after 6:00 PM and all day Sunday** — worth knowing, since both your arrival and departure days are Sundays. Agree the fare before you set off. Drivers often make excellent informal guides.

Rental cars

If you are renting:

- Anguilla drives on the **LEFT**.
- You must buy a temporary Anguilla driving permit (about US$25), issued on the spot against your valid home licence.
- Roads are narrow, unlit at night, and shared with the occasional goat. Drive slowly.
- Anyone in the group who wants to drive will need a temporary Anguilla driving permit. Your home licence alone is not enough. The permit costs around US$25, is issued on the spot against your valid licence, and rental agencies will normally arrange it for you at the counter when you collect the car — so bring your physical licence, not a photo of it. One permit per driver, so if two of you plan to share the driving, both of you need one. Remember that Anguilla drives on the left, roads are narrow and unlit after dark, and the 25% Sunday and after-6:00 PM taxi surcharge is often still cheaper than the stress of an unfamiliar car on your first evening. If you are driving, taxi home from anything involving rum punch.

Distances from Aurora

Blowing Point ferry	AXA airport	Sandy Ground	The Valley
5–10 min	15–20 min	15 min	15–20 min

Clayton J. Lloyd International Airport (AXA)

AXA is small, which is mostly a gift — you will clear it faster than any airport you are used to. A few things follow from the size:

- **Arrive about two hours before departure on 9 August.** There is limited seating and very limited food once you are through, so eat before or bring something.
- **The departure tax is collected here, in cash.** Have it in hand before you join the queue.
- Flights to and from Anguilla are operated on small regional aircraft. Overhead space is tight and your carry-on may be gate-checked at the aircraft door — it is returned to you on the jet bridge on arrival. Keep medication, passports, phones and chargers in a small bag you can hold on your lap.
- The airport code AXA is what appears on your boarding pass. The airport is also called Wallblake locally, and drivers may use either name.

The St. Martin ferry — Tuesday 4 August

The crossing leaves from Blowing Point for St. Martin / St. Maarten. This is an **international border crossing: your passport must be on you, both directions.** Expect the ferry fare plus an Anguilla departure fee at the terminal — see Section 4.

Friday 7 August — parade day

The Grand Parade of Troupes runs through The Valley from 11:00 AM and streets close for it. Your driver may not be able to drop you at the parade route itself, so expect a short walk in and a longer one out.

> **Agree a clear pickup point and time with your driver before you get out of the vehicle**, and note the landmark — phone signal in a crowd is unreliable.

4. Money & Payments

Currency

The local currency is the East Caribbean Dollar (EC$), at roughly **US$1 = EC$2.68**. In practice you will not need it — **US dollars are accepted everywhere on the island.** If you are given change in EC$, spend it before you leave; it is hard to exchange at home.

Cards and cash

Cards are widely accepted at the resort, restaurants and larger shops. Carry some cash anyway — smaller vendors, beach bars, festival stalls, taxi drivers and tips all go more smoothly with small US bills.

- **US$150–200 per person in small notes** covers a comfortable week, plus your departure tax.
- **ATMs are in The Valley and at the airport, not at the resort.** Draw what you need before you leave town.
- **Call your bank before you fly** — both to flag the travel and to check your card's foreign transaction fee.

Taxes and fees to expect

What	How much	When & how
Departure tax	US$25–28 per person	At AXA when you leave on 9 Aug. **Bring cash** — cards are accepted inconsistently.
Anguilla GST	~13%	Appears on resort and restaurant bills
Service charge	~10–15%	Often already added — check before tipping again
Anguilla departure fee	~US$28 to French St. Martin · ~US$36 to Dutch St. Maarten	At the ferry terminal, Tue 4 Aug
Ferry fare	~US$30 each way	Blowing Point, Tue 4 Aug

Tipping

Restaurants and bars	10–15%. Check the bill first — if a service charge is already added, anything more is optional
Housekeeping	A few US dollars per day, left daily rather than at the end
Drivers and guides	10–15%, or per Sunlinc's guidance for group excursions
Porters	A dollar or two per bag

Sunday and public holiday closures

Both your arrival and departure days are Sundays. Anguilla is quiet on Sundays — many shops and some restaurants are closed or on limited hours, and taxi rates carry a 25% surcharge. This matters mostly on arrival day: if you want anything from a shop, plan it for Monday. The resort operates normally throughout.

Bringing things home — the Tuesday shopping day

St. Martin is duty-free, and is the reason Tuesday exists on this itinerary. Two things to know before you spend:

- Returning US residents generally have a personal exemption of around **US$800 each**, with a limited allowance on alcohol for travellers 21 and over. Exceeding it is not a problem — you simply declare it and pay duty on the excess.
- Keep your receipts and declare honestly on your customs form at Miami. **The one thing that causes trouble is not declaring.**
- Anything liquid — rum, perfume — must go in checked baggage, and you re-check your bags at Miami anyway. Buy it in a bag you can hand over.

Allowances change; the office will confirm current figures with your final documents.

5. Staying Connected

- **Buy a data plan before you fly.** Check what your US carrier charges for Caribbean roaming, or set up an eSIM (Airalo, Holafly and similar) that activates when you land. An eSIM is usually the cheaper option.
- **Resort Wi-Fi is free** in the suites and public areas.
- **Why it matters:** your transfer driver, any QR-coded tickets, maps, and your group's messages all assume your phone has data. Don't rely on Wi-Fi once you leave the resort — and Friday and Saturday both keep you out late and off-property.
- **Before you go:** download offline Google Maps for Anguilla, and the American Airlines app (plus Iberia, for the Portugal group).

Calling and dialling

> Anguilla is +1-264 and sits inside the North American numbering plan, so a number looks and dials exactly like a US one. **This is where people get caught out:** your phone dials it like a domestic call, but your carrier bills it as international roaming. Confirm your plan covers Anguilla specifically, not just "Caribbean," before you rely on it.

- **From Anguilla to the US:** dial 1 + area code + number
- **Within Anguilla:** dial the seven digits, or the full +1-264 number
- WhatsApp, iMessage and FaceTime over Wi-Fi cost nothing — the simplest way to keep in touch with home
- **Set up a group chat for all 20 of you before you leave.** It is the single most useful thing you can do for a trip this size.

Time difference for calling home

Anguilla runs on the same clock as the US East Coast in August, so calls home need no arithmetic. Portugal group: once you land, Lisbon is 5 hours ahead of Anguilla and Madrid 6 — early afternoon there is breakfast time at home.

6. Dos & Don'ts

Tailored to this week, this island, and this itinerary.

DO	**Carry your passport on your three border days** Arrival (2 Aug), the St. Martin day trip (Tue 4 Aug), and departure (9 Aug). On every other day, leave it in the room safe and carry a photo or scan.
DO	**Cover up off the beach** Anguilla expects modest dress in town, in shops and in restaurants. Swimwear stays at the beach and pool. No topless or nude sunbathing anywhere.
DO	**Dress for Wednesday evening** The Private Beach Celebration at C Level is the night everyone will have photos of. Resort-elegant — sundresses, linen shirts, dressy sandals. Not beachwear, and skip stiletto heels on sand.
DO	**Be ready early** For every transfer, tee time and excursion pickup. Ten to fifteen minutes, every time.
DO	**Embrace the festival** Your week falls inside Anguilla's Summer Festival, and the Grand Parade of Troupes and the Calypso Monarch competition are the genuine article, not a tourist show. Enjoy the music and colour — and ask before photographing individual locals or performers close up.
DO	**Use reef-safe sunscreen, and go easy on day one** August sun here is stronger than it looks. See Section 7.
DON'T	**Drink and drive** If you have rented a car: left side of the road, temporary permit required. The drinking age is 18 and all of you are well past it — but taxi home.
DON'T	**Leave your departure tax cash to the last minute on 9 August** Count it out the night before.

7. Sun, Sea & Staying Well

Anguilla in August is beautiful and genuinely demanding on the body. Nearly everything that goes wrong on a trip like this comes down to three things: **sun, heat, and water.** None of them are dangerous if you plan for them. All three catch people out on day one.

> *This section is general guidance, not medical advice. If you have a condition affecting heat tolerance, sun sensitivity, or swimming, speak to your own doctor before you travel.*

7.1 The Sun

Take this seriously even if you never burn at home. Anguilla's UV index in August reaches **extreme levels — regularly 11 and above**. At those readings, unprotected skin and eyes can burn in under 10 minutes. The worst of it falls roughly between noon and 3 PM, which is exactly when Wednesday's boat trip and Friday's parade take place.

How to use sunscreen properly

Most people use a quarter of what they need and reapply half as often as they should.

- Choose a **broad-spectrum sunscreen, SPF 30 or higher**, labelled for both UVA and UVB protection. (CDC Yellow Book)
- Apply at least **15 minutes before** going outside, and use enough — about one fluid ounce, roughly a shot glass, to cover exposed skin. (CDC Yellow Book; FDA)
- **Reapply every two hours**, and again after swimming, sweating, or towelling off. (CDC)
- No sunscreen is waterproof. A "water-resistant 40 minutes" or "80 minutes" label tells you how long you keep the stated protection *in the water* — not all afternoon. (FDA)
- Don't forget ears, tops of feet, back of the neck, your scalp parting, and lips.

Sunscreen alone is not enough

No single method fully protects you. Combine sunscreen with shade, clothing and sunglasses. (NEEF; FDA)

- Wear a hat with a brim right the way around, **at least three inches wide**, shading face, neck and ears. A standard baseball cap is not enough. (CDC Yellow Book)
- Wear sunglasses rated for both UVA and UVB. UV reflecting off water and sand adds to your total exposure — on the boat Wednesday you are being hit from above and below. (CDC Yellow Book)
- A **long-sleeve rash guard or UPF shirt** protects more skin, more reliably, than any amount of lotion — and it doesn't wash off.
- Use the shade between 11 AM and 3 PM wherever there is any.

Reef-safe sunscreen — what it actually means

Prickly Pear sits inside a protected marine park, so this matters here rather than being a slogan.

- Avoid **oxybenzone** and **octinoxate**, the two chemicals most strongly linked to reef harm. Choose a **non-nano mineral** formula based on zinc oxide or titanium dioxide — "non-nano" means the particles are too large for coral to ingest. (REI Expert Advice, citing National Park Service)

- "Reef-safe" on the front of a bottle is **not a regulated claim**. A product labelled "mineral" may still contain chemical filters, and mineral ingredients must be non-nano to count. Turn the bottle over and read the active ingredients. (Save the Reef; Treeline Review)
- **Buy it before you fly.** Choice is limited on the island and prices are not.

If you do burn

Get out of the sun, cool the skin, drink more than you want to, and use aloe or an after-sun gel. Take a pain reliever if you need one. Get medical help if you blister badly, feel feverish or chilled, or feel unwell — a serious burn is a medical problem, not just a bad look in the photos.

7.2 Heat

Heat stroke is a medical emergency and can cause death or permanent disability without emergency treatment. (CDC) The difference between the two conditions below is worth knowing before you are standing in a crowded street in The Valley on Friday.

Heat exhaustion — treat it now	Heat stroke — call 911 immediately
Signs Heavy sweating, cold or clammy skin, headache, dizziness, nausea, muscle cramps, weakness, a fast weak pulse, and feeling irritable or wrung out.	**Signs** Confusion, slurred speech, agitation or odd behaviour, fainting, and skin that feels very hot to the touch. Sweating may stop altogether, and body temperature can climb dangerously within 10 to 15 minutes. **The key difference is the change in thinking and behaviour.**
What to do Move into shade or air conditioning, loosen tight clothing, sip cool — not ice-cold — water, and apply cool damp cloths. Rest properly; don't get straight back up. Get medical help if the person is vomiting, if symptoms worsen, or if they last longer than an hour. (CDC; Cleveland Clinic)	**What to do** Call 911 first, then move the person into shade or air conditioning, remove outer clothing, and cool them as fast as you can with cold water, wet cloths or ice packs. Stay with them. **Do not give fluids to anyone confused, drowsy or unconscious.** (CDC; Cleveland Clinic)

Staying ahead of it

- **Drink water steadily all day, not just when you are thirsty.** Electrolyte tablets or sachets are worth packing.
- Alcohol dehydrates you and raises your risk of heat illness. (NOAA) Rum punch in full midday sun is the classic Caribbean mistake. Alternate every drink with water.
- Light-coloured, loose, breathable clothing beats anything tight or synthetic.
- **Watch each other.** The person with heat stroke is often the last to realise it — that is what the confusion means. In a group of 20, look out for the quiet one who has gone strange.
- **Highest-risk windows on this trip:** Monday's festival, 12–8 PM, and Friday's parade in The Valley at 11 AM. Both outdoors, both with limited shade.

7.3 Water

The single most important thing on this page

There are no lifeguards on any beach in Anguilla. All beaches are public and none are guarded — including the beach in front of your resort. (Anguilla Beach Guide; Visit Anguilla)

Nobody is watching the water. You are each other's lifeguards.

The good news: Rendezvous Bay offers some of the calmest swimming on the island — sheltered, southwest-facing, with a soft sandy seabed and a gentle slope into the sea that suits swimmers of every level. (Anguilla Ferry Times) This is about as benign as Caribbean swimming gets. The rules below still apply.

Basic water sense

- **Never swim alone, and never swim at night.**
- Tell someone where you are going and roughly when you will be back.
- **Don't swim after drinking.** Alcohol affects judgement, coordination and breath control, and is a factor in a large share of drownings.
- Enter feet-first somewhere you can see the bottom. Never dive into unknown water.
- Watch the beach before you get in. If one patch looks churned up, sandy or choppy, stay out of that patch.
- Anguilla's south-facing beaches, including yours, are generally calm. The north and Atlantic side can be a different matter — be far more cautious at an unfamiliar beach on a free day.

Rip currents — how to get out of one

Rendezvous Bay is not known for them, but every ocean beach can produce one, and this is knowledge worth having before you need it.

A rip current pulls you away from shore, not under it. (NOAA)

- **Don't fight it.** Swimming straight back against the current will only exhaust you. (NOAA)
- **Float and stay calm.** If you can't swim out of it, float or calmly tread water. (NOAA)
- **Swim parallel to the beach** to get out of the channel — most rip currents are less than 80 feet wide. (NOAA)
- Once free, angle back to shore with the breaking waves rather than straight in.
- Wave and shout for help at any point.

If you see someone else caught in one: shout for help and throw them something that floats. **Don't swim out yourself** — even trained lifeguards make rescues with a flotation device, and would-be rescuers drown alarmingly often. (NOAA)

Wednesday's speedboat charter to Prickly Pear

- **Listen to the crew's safety briefing.** Note where the life jackets are before you leave the dock. If you are a weak swimmer, wear one — nobody will think anything of it.
- Stay seated while the boat is underway, and keep one hand on the boat whenever you move.
- Shade is limited on the Prickly Pear beaches, and there is little to none on the boat. Hat, sunglasses, rash guard, and sunscreen applied before you board.
- **Motion-sickness tablets work if taken before you sail, not after.**
- Secure phones and sunglasses. A dry bag is a good investment.
- There are restaurants and bars on Prickly Pear East — bring cash.

Snorkelling and the marine park

The waters around the Prickly Pear cays are a protected marine park, where damaging or removing any flora, fauna or artifact is prohibited. Endangered hawksbill and green turtles nest on the beaches of Prickly Pear East. (ProtectedSeas Navigator; Caribbean Birding Trail)

- **Touch nothing.** Not coral, not turtles, not anything. Coral is a living animal, and even light contact kills it.
- Never stand on the reef. If you need to rest, roll onto your back and float.
- Snorkel with a buddy and keep each other in view.
- Check where the boat is every few minutes — currents move you further than you notice.
- Keep clear of nesting birds and turtles on the beach.
- If you see a turtle or a ray, enjoy it from a distance and let it pass.

Sargassum seaweed

Sargassum can periodically wash ashore in parts of Rendezvous Bay. (Anguilla Ferry Times) It is harmless — unattractive and slightly eggy as it decomposes, but not dangerous. The resort clears its stretch. If a patch bothers you, walk a little further; the beach is nearly two miles long.

7.4 Stings, Spines and Scrapes

Rare, but the reason to bring water shoes and to know these protocols. The rule underneath all of it: **look before you step, and don't touch anything you can't identify.**

Sea urchins

Black spiny urchins sit in rocky crevices and shallow ledges. Standing on one is the most common water injury in the Caribbean.

- Get out of the water and sit down.
- **Soak the area in hot water** — as hot as you can stand without scalding, around 110–113°F. This usually gives real pain relief. Soak for 30 to 90 minutes, topping up the heat as it cools. (Divers Alert Network)
- Only remove spines standing clearly proud of the skin, with sterilised tweezers, pulling straight out.
- **Do not dig.** Digging around in the skin risks crushing the spines and making them harder to remove. (Divers Alert Network)
- Purple or black marks right after an encounter are often just dye leached from the spine, and fade over 24 to 48 hours. If marks remain after 48 to 72 hours, a fragment is probably still in there. (Divers Alert Network)

- **See a doctor** if spines are retained in a hand or foot or near a joint — or at any sign of infection: spreading redness, warmth, swelling, pus, or fever. (Divers Alert Network)

Prevention: water shoes, and shuffle rather than stride where you can't see the bottom.

Jellyfish and fire coral

Fire coral looks like mustard-coloured coral and stings on contact. Stings burn immediately and can raise welts and blisters.

- Get out of the water.
- **Rinse with seawater — never fresh water.** Fresh water makes the remaining stinging cells fire.
- Don't rub the area, and don't rinse with sand. Both make it worse.
- Remove tentacle fragments with tweezers or the edge of a card — not bare fingers.
- Rinse the area with **household vinegar** — for ordinary jellyfish stings and fire coral. If you don't have vinegar, use seawater or a baking soda paste. A travel-size bottle of white vinegar in your beach bag is one of the best-value things you can pack. (Divers Alert Network)

> **The exception: Portuguese man-of-war**
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> If the sting came from a floating blue or purple balloon-like creature with long trailing tentacles, **do not use vinegar** — it can release more venom and make the sting worse. (Cleveland Clinic) Rinse with seawater only, remove tentacles carefully, and use hot water or a cold pack for the pain. If you are not sure what stung you, rinse with seawater and ask the crew or the resort before reaching for vinegar.

- Hot water, heat packs, cold packs or ice can then help with pain — but never put ice or unheated fresh water directly onto the skin. (Divers Alert Network)
- Hydrocortisone cream or an oral antihistamine helps with the itching afterwards.
- **Do not use urine.** It doesn't work and isn't recommended.

Get medical help immediately for difficulty breathing, chest tightness, swelling of the face or throat, a very widespread sting, or if the person feels faint or unwell.

Coral cuts

Even a light scrape from coral or rock traps bacteria and infects readily in warm water. Scrub it out properly with clean water and soap, apply antiseptic, and watch it for a couple of days. If it reddens, swells or throbs, see a doctor rather than waiting it out.

7.5 Hurricane Season — the honest version

Your trip falls inside the Atlantic hurricane season, which runs June through November and reaches its peak from mid-August onward. Most August weeks in Anguilla pass with nothing more than passing showers, and the island is well practised at this. But it is the reason we keep saying travel insurance.

What we would ask you to do:

- Buy insurance that covers trip interruption and weather-related delay, and note the 24-hour assistance number on your Section 1 card.
- From about a week out, glance at the National Hurricane Center outlook at nhc.noaa.gov.
- If anything is developing, we and the resort will be in touch before you fly. **Do not make your own changes** — call Phyllis first, since airlines usually issue free change waivers in these situations and cancelling on your own forfeits that.

> If a storm is forecast while you are on the island, the resort will brief you directly. **Follow their instructions rather than anything you read online.**

7.6 Everyday Health

Tap water	Treated and generally safe. The resort supplies drinking water, and bottled is widely available if you prefer it. Bring a refillable bottle.
Mosquitoes	They come out at dusk. Repellent before dinner, every evening.
Medications	Bring enough for the whole trip plus a few days, in original labelled packaging, in your carry-on — not your checked bag.
Motion sickness	The ferry crossing and the Prickly Pear speedboat can both get choppy. Take something before you board, not after.
Pharmacies & clinics	Pharmacies and clinics are in The Valley, alongside Princess Alexandra Hospital. The resort front desk can help you reach care.

7.7 Your Water & Sun Kit

Small, cheap, and the difference between an incident and an anecdote.

☐ Reef-safe mineral sunscreen, SPF 30+ — more than you think	☐ Wide-brim hat and UV sunglasses
☐ Long-sleeve rash guard — the best single item here	☐ Water shoes
☐ Aloe or after-sun gel	☐ Small bottle of white vinegar
☐ Antihistamine tablets & hydrocortisone cream	☐ Sterilised tweezers
☐ Motion-sickness tablets	☐ Electrolyte tablets or sachets
☐ Antiseptic and plasters	☐ Dry bag for phones

7.8 Getting Help

Situation	Do this
Emergency — call first, ask questions later	**911** (999 also works)
Heat stroke, breathing difficulty, severe sting, drowning	911, then the resort front desk
Hospital	Princess Alexandra Hospital, The Valley — +1-264-497-2551
Doctor, pharmacy, or advice	Resort front desk — 1-844-668-5759
Anything at all on the water	Your boat crew or Sunlinc first

> Serious cases are sometimes transferred to St. Maarten. This is the concrete reason travel insurance matters here. Make sure yours covers **medical care and evacuation**, and write the 24-hour assistance number on your Section 1 card before you fly.

7.9 Where This Guidance Comes From

The sun, heat and water advice in this section follows published guidance from the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the US Food and Drug Administration, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and Divers Alert Network. Local detail is drawn from Anguillian tourism and marine-park sources.

Sun protection	CDC, Sun Exposure in Travelers (Yellow Book) — cdc.gov/yellow-book CDC, Sun Safety Facts — cdc.gov/skin-cancer/sun-safety US FDA, Tips to Stay Safe in the Sun — fda.gov American Academy of Dermatology, Sunscreen FAQs — aad.org National Environmental Education Foundation — neefusa.org
Reef-safe sunscreen	REI Expert Advice, What is Reef-Safe Sunscreen? — rei.com Save the Reef, Reef Safe Sunscreen Guide — savethereef.org Treeline Review, Reef-Safe Sunscreen — treelinereview.com
Anguilla weather and UV	Weather2Travel, Anguilla in August — weather2travel.com/anguilla/august Beach-Weather, Anguilla August averages — beach-weather.com
Heat illness	CDC Travelers' Health, Heat Illnesses — wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel CDC / NIOSH, Heat-Related Illnesses — cdc.gov/niosh Cleveland Clinic, Heat Exhaustion and Heatstroke — my.clevelandclinic.org NOAA, Know the Signs of Heat Illness — noaa.gov
Water safety and rip currents	NOAA National Ocean Service, Rip Currents — oceanservice.noaa.gov NOAA Ocean Today, Break the Grip of the Rip — oceantoday.noaa.gov NOAA NESDIS, How Do I Escape Rip Currents? — nesdis.noaa.gov
Anguilla beaches and marine parks	Visit Anguilla (official travel guide), Beaches — ivisitanguilla.com/beaches Anguilla Beach Guide — beaches.ai Anguilla Ferry Times, Rendezvous Bay — anguillaferrytimes.com ProtectedSeas Navigator, Prickly Pear Cays & Seal Island Reefs Marine Park Caribbean Birding Trail, Prickly Pear Cays — caribbeanbirdingtrail.org
Marine stings and injuries	Divers Alert Network, Hazardous Marine Life Injuries — dan.org

Divers Alert Network, Marine Envenomations — dan.org/alert-diver
Cleveland Clinic, Jellyfish Stings — my.clevelandclinic.org
Scuba Diving Magazine, Sea Urchin Spine Injuries — scubadiving.com

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8. Packing & Practical

What August in Anguilla is actually like

Daytime high	Around 88°F / 31°C
Overnight low	Around 79°F / 26°C
Humidity	High. It will feel hotter than the number
Sea temperature	Around 84°F / 29°C — warmer than most swimming pools
UV index	**Extreme at midday.** You can burn in under 20 minutes
Rain	Short heavy showers that pass in minutes. Rarely a washed-out day
Daylight	Sunrise around 6:00 AM, sunset around 6:50 PM

Practically, this means: the sun does the damage between 10 AM and 3 PM, which is exactly when Wednesday's boat trip and Friday's parade fall. An umbrella is useless in the wind — a light rain layer is better. And Wednesday's 6:00 PM beach celebration begins right as the light turns golden, which is worth knowing if you care about photographs.

> **Do not skip:** reef-safe sunscreen, a hat with a real brim, and sunglasses. Everything else on the packing list is optional by comparison.

Power, plugs and charging

No adapter needed. Anguilla uses Type A and Type B sockets at 110 volts, 60Hz — exactly the same as at home. Your US chargers, hair tools and devices all work as they do in your kitchen. No adapter, no voltage converter, nothing to buy.

- The resort provides a hair dryer, so leave yours at home.
- **Bring a multi-port USB charger or a small power strip** — hotel rooms never have enough outlets for four devices and a group.
- **Bring a power bank.** Friday's parade and Saturday's calypso night both run long and off-property, and there is nowhere to plug in.
- **There is no charging on the speedboat on Wednesday.** Leave with a full battery.
- Brief power flickers happen on the island. Nothing to worry about, but don't leave your only charged device on the charger when you go out.

> ### Portugal travellers — Sonja, Jason, Benjamin and Christian
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> Spain and Portugal use **Type C and Type F sockets at 230 volts, 50Hz**. You need a European adapter, and you need to buy it **before you leave home** — you will not find one in Anguilla, and you will land in Madrid at 9:55 AM with a dead phone if you don't. Modern phone and laptop chargers handle 230V automatically, but check anything with a heating element before you plug it in.

What to pack

Clothing

- Lightweight, breathable clothing for a hot week
- Swimwear for most days, plus cover-ups
- One light layer for evenings and air conditioning
- A light rain jacket or packable poncho
- One smart-casual outfit for Wednesday's beach celebration
- Long pants or leggings and closed-toe shoes if you are riding on Friday — the stables require them
- Water shoes for the Prickly Pear boat day
- Golfers: collared shirt and resort golf attire
- Sturdy sandals, plus one pair of comfortable walking shoes

Sun, sea & health

- Reef-safe sunscreen SPF 30+, hat, sunglasses
- Insect repellent for evenings
- Refillable water bottle
- Prescriptions in original packaging, in your carry-on
- A small kit: pain reliever, antihistamine, motion-sickness tablets, plasters
- See the full Water & Sun Kit in Section 7.7

Documents

- Passport, valid well beyond August 2026
- Your airline confirmation code — ATYGTO · CTJXML · JDHOWB · QDAHCO
- A card that works abroad
- Your home driver's licence, only if you are renting a car
- A photo or scan of your passport, saved on your phone and emailed to yourself
- In the room safe: passport on non-border days, spare cash, valuables

Cash to set aside

- Small US bills for tips, vendors and taxis
- US$25–28 per person for the departure tax at AXA on 9 August, in cash

Chargers, and what to leave behind

Chargers and a portable battery. 2 August and 9 August are long travel days, and Friday and Saturday both run late away from the resort. Your phone is your ticket, your map and your way to reach your driver.

Leave at home: plug adapters (except the Portugal group), hair dryer and beach towels — provided at Aurora — and jewellery you would be upset to lose.

9. Frequently Asked Questions

The questions that generate calls, answered before you need to make one.

Q1

My flight is delayed, or I have missed a connection. What now?

Contact the airline first — American **1-800-433-7300**, Iberia **1-800-772-4642** — since only they can rebook you. Then message Phyllis and Sunlinc so your transfer can be adjusted. Don't buy a replacement ticket without speaking to the airline.

Q2

There is no driver at my pickup. What do I do?

Call the number on your confirmation. Wait 15 minutes. Then call the resort on **1-844-668-5759**, and email Global Celebrations if it is still unresolved. Don't leave the pickup point in the meantime.

Q3

How much cash should I carry, and do I tip?

US$150–200 per person in small bills for the week, plus US$25–28 for the departure tax. Tip 10–15% at restaurants (check for an existing service charge), a few dollars a day for housekeeping, and 10–15% for drivers and guides.

Q4

Do I need local currency?

No. US dollars are accepted everywhere.

Q5

Is the tap water safe?

Yes, it is treated and generally safe. Bottled is easy to find if you would rather.

Q6

Can I use Uber?

No — there is no Uber, Lyft or public bus on Anguilla. Private transfer, taxi, or rental car only.

Q7

What do I need at check-in?

Photo ID or passport, and a credit card for incidentals. Check-in is 3:00 PM on Sunday 2 August; check-out is 11:00 AM on Sunday 9 August. All travellers in this group are adults, so there are no age restrictions on rooms, bars or venues.

Q8

Which days do I need my passport?

2 August, Tuesday 4 August for St. Martin, and 9 August. Safe on all other days.

Q9

What is not included that I will pay locally?

Departure tax at AXA, the St. Martin ferry fare and departure fee, meals described as "at leisure," festival food and craft vendors, tips, spa and incidentals, and rental cars plus the temporary driving permit if you choose to rent.

Q10

How do I reach you after hours?

Your day's transfer driver first, then the resort front desk on **1-844-668-5759**, then email Global Celebrations. Phyllis is the point of contact for anything affecting the whole group.

Q11 **Can I change or cancel something?**

Speak to Phyllis before you change anything. All air tickets on this trip are non-refundable, and changes carry airline fees. See Section 10.

Q12 **Do I need an adapter?**

No. Anguilla uses the same plugs and voltage as the US. The Portugal group needs a European adapter for that leg only.

Q13 **What is the time difference?**

None, for August. Anguilla is on the same clock as the US East Coast.

Q14 **What if there is a hurricane?**

Most August weeks pass without incident, but see Section 7.5. The short version: buy trip-interruption insurance, watch the outlook the week before, and if anything develops, **call Phyllis before you change or cancel anything yourself**.

Q15 **Will my phone work?**

Yes, but it is international roaming even though the numbers look American. Sort out an eSIM or a Caribbean add-on before you fly.

Q16 **What do people wear at dinner?**

Resort casual almost everywhere — a linen shirt or a sundress. Wednesday's celebration is the one dressier night. Nowhere on this trip requires a jacket.

Q17 **Is there much nightlife?**

Anguilla is deliberately quiet and there are no casinos — the island's pleasures are beaches, food and music. Your week is the exception: the Summer Festival brings the whole island out, and Friday's parade and Saturday's calypso final are the biggest nights of the year.

Q18 **How much walking should I expect?**

More than a normal beach holiday. Monday's festival runs eight hours, and Friday's parade involves a walk in and out through closed streets. Comfortable shoes matter more than you would think.

10. Change & Cancellation Quick Reference

Item	Where you stand
Air tickets	**All air tickets are non-refundable.** Any change is subject to airline change fees plus any fare difference, and must go through the airline.
Resort accommodation	Subject to Aurora's cancellation terms as set out in your booking confirmation. Check the dates on it.
Excursions & activities	The St. Martin trip, speedboat charter, golf and horseback riding each carry individual operator terms. Several have short cancellation windows and some are non-refundable once confirmed.
The package	The total package of US$12,475.20 was accepted and signed on 20 July 2026.

Before you change anything

Contact Phyllis at **pnkumi@gmail.com**. Or office@globalcelebrations.co **Don't cancel directly with a supplier** — it can void the rest of the booking.

Travel insurance is your protection here. If you have not bought it yet, do it now rather than later; most policies limit what they will cover once purchased close to departure.

Have a wonderful week.

Prepared for Stephanie Sharpe's 50th

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Stephanie's 50th Birthday Celebrations

Aurora Anguilla Resort & Golf Club

Sunday 2 — Sunday 9 August 2026 · 20 guests

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HOTEL GUIDE

Resort Map

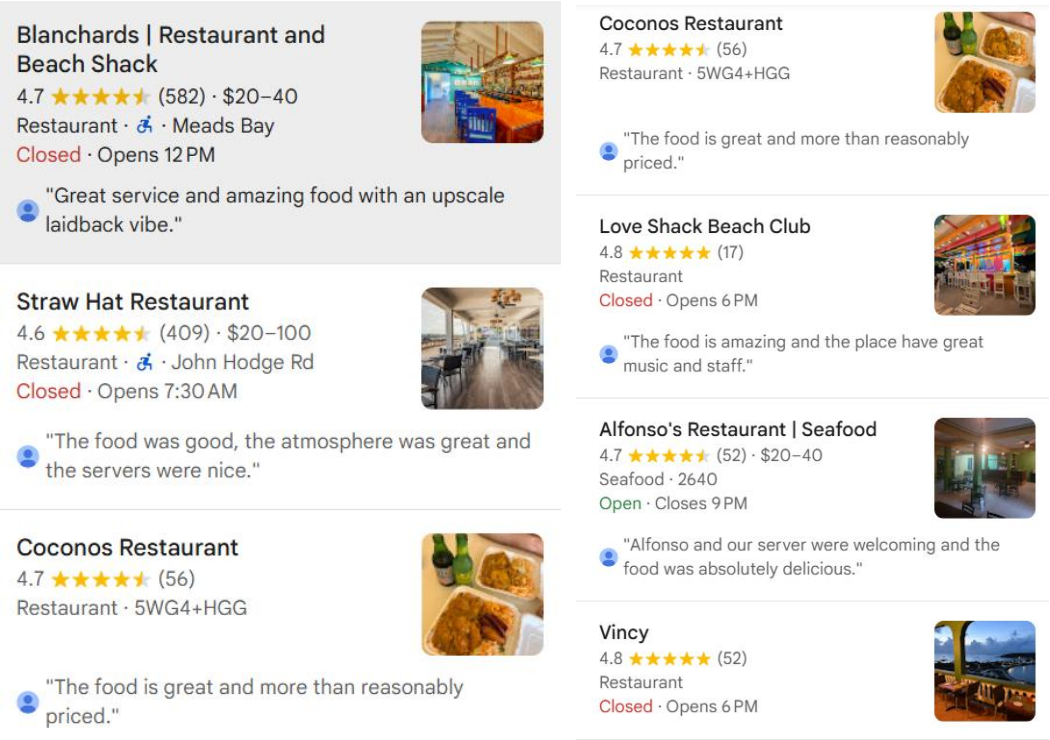
RESTAURANTS

Restaurant / Café / Bar	What to Expect	Hours
C Level	Casual beachside bites and drinks with your toes in the sand. Catch of the day, beachside BBQ, and craft cocktails made with local ingredients.	**Lunch:** Fri–Wed 11:00AM–4:00PM; Thu 11:00AM–3:00PM **Dinner:** Fri–Sun 6:00PM–10:00PM **Lobster Beach BBQ**: Thu 6:30PM–9:30PM
Chef's Table	All-day classic dishes made with local, fresh ingredients. Open kitchen and wood-burning oven, family-style feasts with a seafood emphasis. Breakfast features pastries, specialty eggs benedict and fresh-pressed juices. Buffet $42+ per adult, $21+ per child.	**Breakfast:** Daily 7:00AM–11:00AM (à la carte and buffet)
D Richard's	Aurora's signature steakhouse at the Aurora International Golf Club. Grilled steaks, tableside Steak Diane and Cherry Jubilee, fresh local seafood, and produce from Aurora's hydroponic farm. Led by Executive Chef Samuel Knight, with a 400+ selection wine program.	**Breakfast (Grab & Go):** Tue–Sun 7:00AM–11:00AM **Lunch:** Daily 11:00AM–3:00PM **Sunset Veranda:** Wed 5:00PM–6:30PM **Dinner:** Tue–Sat 6:00PM–9:30PM
Tokyo Bay	Japanese dining under Executive Chef Joe Richardson. Sashimi, teppanyaki, Japanese steak and an extensive sake list, with homemade soy sauce and on-property farm vegetables. Sushi-making lessons available. À la carte from $18.	**Fri–Wed** 6:00PM–10:00PM **Asian Celebration:** Tue 6:00PM–10:00PM
Rendezvous Café	Hot and cold beverages, cakes, fresh pastries, artisanal bread and homemade ice cream in a cozy, stylish setting.	Daily 7:00AM–10:00PM
Merrywing Café	Family-friendly café with beverages, pastries, waffles, homemade ice cream and savory bites.	Daily 7:00AM–10:00PM
Bars & Lounges (Rendezvous & Merrywing Lobby Bars)	The social heart of the resort. Cocktails, wines, fine spirits and savory small plates in a casual-luxury setting.	**Rendezvous:** Mon–Wed 11:00AM–11:00PM; Thu–Sun 2:00PM–11:00PM **Merrywing:** Daily 2:00PM–11:00PM

RESTAURANTS LOCATED NEAR BY

Anguilla has no fast-food chains anywhere on the island (no McDonald's, Burger King, Wendy's or Pizza Hut), and no food-delivery apps like Uber Eats. That's part of the appeal. Dining here is independent, unhurried, and often the highlight of the day. Below are some options near you.

Each one can be found in **Google Maps** by name for directions and opening hours. Reservations are worth making, especially for dinner and especially on weekends.



ANGUILLA EVENTS — SCAN & SEE WHAT'S ON

Part of the fun of Anguilla is what turns up while you're there. These two QR codes link to live event listings for the island, so you'll always have the current picture rather than a printout from months ago.

Scan with your phone camera, no app needed

***Note** that you'll need data or hotel Wi-Fi for the links to open.

The Anguilla Summer Festival	Visit Anguilla