

# LIVE THE CULTURE, *Tobago* STYLE. FAST FACTS

## GEOGRAPHY

Tobago lies south of the hurricane belt, at Latitude 11°N and Longitude 60°W, just off the coast of South America. Tobago rests 21 miles (33km) northeast of Trinidad — the most southerly island of the Caribbean. The island is surrounded by the tranquil Caribbean Sea on its North Coast with the less calm Atlantic Ocean on its southern and western sides.



## CAPITAL

The capital of Tobago is Scarborough, with a population of just over 1,000. The area of Canaan/Bon Accord/Crown Point, on the southwestern tip of the island is the busiest, fastest developing area on the island, with all the major facilities and amenities of the capital.

## GETTING HERE

By Sea: Cruise ships call at the terminal in Scarborough located in the heart of town. By Land: Several major carriers make direct scheduled stops to the island from UK, Germany, Sweden and USA. Trinidad also connects us to the Caribbean and North America. Getting to Tobago from Trinidad is easy. Take a cruise on the fast ferry (duration 2 ½ hours) or fly with Caribbean Airlines (duration 20 minutes).

## SIZE

Area — 116 sq. miles (300 sq. km).  
Population — 54,084 (Census 2000).

## ECONOMY

Unlike Trinidad's highly industrialized economy, Tobago relies heavily on the service sector. Tourism, agriculture and fishing are Tobago's major revenue-earners.

## LANGUAGE

English — Locals also use a local Creole dialect, which is an intriguing mélange of patois and extracts from our European colonizers, especially the French and Dutch and our Amerindian ancestors.

NAME:	REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD & TOBAGO
ISLAND:	TOBAGO
LOCATION:	21 MILES TO THE NORTHEAST OF TRINIDAD
SIZE:	26 MILES LONG X 7 MILES WIDE
CAPITAL:	SCARBOROUGH
AIRPORT:	A.N.R ROBINSON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

## TOPOGRAPHY

Tobago is an undulating mass of coral and volcanic rock. The Main Ridge Forest Reserve, Tobago's backbone, is a hilly range of forest, which covers over 60% of the island, with its summit Pigeon Peak at 1,860 feet (549 metres) above sea level.

## CLIMATE

Tobago boasts of a warm, tropical marine climate, with constant cool breezes from NE trade winds and year round temperatures ranging from 23°C (73°F) to 32°C (89°F). There is a dry season for the first six months of the year, while the months from July to December account for the rainier periods of the year, with average rainfall measuring 200cm (40in.)

## CURRENCY

Our currency is called the Trinidad and Tobago, or TT Dollar. It floats against the US Dollar at an average of TT\$6.35 to US\$1.00 but you can check any bank or the daily newspapers for the current rate.

## PEOPLE

About 90% of the local population is of African descent, with an interspersing of East Indians, Syrians and Caucasians.

## TIME ZONE

We use Atlantic Standard Time, which is one hour ahead of US Eastern Standard Time and four hours behind Greenwich Mean Time. Daylight Savings Time is not observed.

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# WHAT TO DO IN

LIVE THE CULTURE.

THE ISLAND OF  
*Tobago*

STYLE.

- DIVE AT VARIOUS SITES TO SEE MORE THAN 300 SPECIES OF CORAL, TURTLES, NURSE SHARKS AND MANTA RAYS, ESPECIALLY AT SPEYSIDE: TOBAGO'S DIVING MECCA. MAKE SURE YOU VISIT THE LARGEST KNOWN BRAIN CORAL IN THE WORLD WHILE YOU ARE THERE!
- VISIT THE MAIN RIDGE FOREST, VOTED AS THE 'WORLD'S LEADING ECO TOURISM DESTINATION' IN 2006 BY THE WORLD TRAVEL AWARDS
- GO GAME FISHING, GOLFING, MOUNTAIN BIKING OR SAILING

- BIRD WATCH AT ARNOS VALE WHERE YOU CAN VIEW SOME OF TOBAGO'S 210 SPECIES CLOSE UP
- WATCH GIANT LEATHERBACK TURTLES NESTING AND HATCHING ON THE BEACH
- VISIT BEAUTIFUL PIGEON POINT AND BUCCOO REEF
- DINE ON OUR SAVOURY DISHES & FRESH PASTRIES AND BREAD FROM TRADITIONAL CLAY OVENS
- RELAX ON ANY OF THE MANY BEACHES



## EVENTS IN 2017

FEBRUARY: BAGO CARNIVAL

MARCH: SEA TURTLE NESTING SEASON

APRIL: BUCCOO GOAT & CRAB RACE FESTIVAL  
TOBAGO JAZZ EXPERIENCE  
GAME FISHING TOURNAMENT  
INTERNATIONAL GAME FISHING  
TOURNAMENT SEA TO SEA MARATHON

MAY: TOBAGO CULINARY FESTIVAL & TOBAGO  
FASHION WEEKEND

JUNE: TOBAGO DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL

JULY: TOBAGO HERITAGE FESTIVAL - FEATURES  
CULTURAL AND CULINARY HERITAGE

AUGUST: CARIB GREAT POWER BOAT RACE

SEPTEMBER: INTERNATIONAL CYCLING CLASSIC

OCTOBER: BLUE FOOD FESTIVAL

NOVEMBER: BAGO BEACH FOOTBALL

YEAR-ROUND: TOBAGO HARVEST CELEBRATIONS

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