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## St. Maarten and St. Martin "SXM" Weekly News *In-Brief*

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Each week JMB randomly picks timeshare condominiums for rent and for sale in SXM from the huge selection at [http://everythingxsm.com/sxm/timeshare\\_rent\\_sale/index.shtml](http://everythingxsm.com/sxm/timeshare_rent_sale/index.shtml) and features them here.

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### **SXM Timeshare Rental of The Week:**

Appears in live weekly version only.

### **SXM Timeshare Sale of The Week:**

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### **Non-St. Maarten Timeshare Rentals:**

See them all at [http://everythingxsm.com/sxm/timeshare\\_rent\\_sale/index.shtml](http://everythingxsm.com/sxm/timeshare_rent_sale/index.shtml)

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<http://everythingxsm.com/cgi-bin/dada/mail.cgi?flavor=archive:list=sxmweeklynews>

Check Out Our Linked-In "St. Maarten and St. Martin Travelers" Group (Free; Timeshare Focus):

[www.linkedin.com](http://www.linkedin.com)

Get a growing list of 210+ Money-Saving SXM-focused travel discount benefits through JMB Website Supporters:

[http://www.everythingsxm.com/sxm/about\\_sxm/paypal.shtml](http://www.everythingsxm.com/sxm/about_sxm/paypal.shtml)

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- C. How To Submit Rental or Sale Ads: Links are on the Secret Website (see a, above.)

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(Revised 12/31/14)

How To Get a **GROWING LIST of 230+** Money-Saving St. Maarten- and St. Martin-Focused Travel Benefits

Visit <http://www.everythingsxm.com/secret> , the \*secret\* site for JMB Website Supporters members only, for low fares to SXM from cities across the USA, Canada, and Western Europe, plus a total of a growing list of 200+ additional major travel benefits, including reduced-cost access to

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**THIS WEEK'S STORIES:**

Stories are numbered; scroll down for stories of interest.

**SECTION 1: Getting There: Airlines, Airports, Cruises, & Weather**

## 1. Where to Find Current Weather Observations & Forecasts

For current weather, go to [www.everythingsxm.com](http://www.everythingsxm.com) -- the SXM forecast is on our home page and on our Weather page; you can click those links for detailed forecasts. Our Weather page also includes constantly updated satellite images and radar loops for SXM and the entire Caribbean.

## 2. "FlyTravelGo" May Be The Web's Fastest, Easiest Travel Website

The [flytravelgo.com](http://flytravelgo.com) website has been redesigned to give you clear preferences when you buy airfare. Now, you can quickly and easily select what's important to you: getting there fast with a minimum number of stops (or none); price; specific airline; time of day. The site also lets you look at fares for specific dates or nearby dates, which may save you money.

FlyTravelGo has become a favorite of many of our readers and their families and friends. Check it out at [www.flytravelgo.com](http://www.flytravelgo.com). More changes are coming....

### **SECTION 2: Accommodations: Hotels, Inns, Timeshares**

## 3. Why You Should Use Everythingsexm.com For SXM Vacation Rentals/Sales

Many sites on the web offer SXM rentals. The difference between our timeshare rental ads on everythingsexm.com and others is that only paid JMB Website Supporters members can post ads on our site -- and we have an identity paper trail on all of them. We are delighted to say that in more than 20 years of posting timeshare rental or sale ads, we have not had a single complaint from any buyer / renter. No site is perfect, but ours is awfully close.

If you want to do a vacation rental in SXM, definitely see ours at [www.everythingsxm.com](http://www.everythingsxm.com). If you want to rent out or sell a timeshare or other property you own on SXM, join JMB Website Supporters -- see the beginning of the Section 3 for membership details.

***We're going to have 264 SXM discounts this coming week -- enough to give you tons of savings choices when you next visit SXM. Join our [JMB Website Supporters Island Discount Program](#) today.***

## 4. Caravanserai Timeshare Owners Litigation Group Now Closed To New Members

Over the last few weeks, we wrote that for former Caravanserai resort timeshare owners, the door had been reopened to join the group of other former owners that is litigating against Alegria, the entity that took over the resort and attempted to declare their timeshare contracts null and void.

The time to join is now over, and the established litigation group is looking forward to its pending cases against Alegria. There is no such thing as class-action lawsuits in SXM, but hopefully the upcoming cases will set precedents others can use in the future.

As always, we'll tell you what happens. Stay tuned.

### **SECTION 3: Island**

## **5. [Got a Spare \\$45,000?](#) [You'll Need It -- In Cash In Advance--](#)**

## **To Pay for a Private Medical Evacuation Jet Home If You Become Critically Ill or Injured While Traveling:**

### **But SkyMed *Takes You Home*® For Free.**

If you're a SkyMed member, SkyMed Takes You Home for Free. One telephone call is all it takes.

If you're not a SkyMed member, you'll need to find and pay for the medevac jet, fuel, flight crew, medical staffing, medical supplies, ambulances, fees, etc. --which could easily top \$45,000 or more, often a lot more -- in cash, in advance, before anything even begins to happen.

If you're a SkyMed member, SkyMed Takes You Home® in an ICU-equivalent medical evacuation jet for exactly \$0 -- home to doctors and hospitals you know and trust. When you need SkyMed in a hurry, it's only a phone call away IF you're a SkyMed member.

So... get your SkyMed membership now, **before** you need it. See more at <http://www.getskymed.com>. Or call Jeff Berger at 508-747-8281 (normal business hours, Eastern time) or email him at [jeff@getskymed.com](mailto:jeff@getskymed.com) for answers to any of your SkyMed questions. (Please use the subject SkyMed Inquiry.)

SkyMed Membership is as little as about \$1.25/day.

Major discounts on all SkyMed multiyear memberships are available to our JMB Website Supporters members, who get more than 260 other SXM island discounts & benefits:

New JMB memberships:

**One year is just \$59, longer durations are much less per year**

[http://everythingxsm.com/sxm/about\\_sxm/paypal.shtml](http://everythingxsm.com/sxm/about_sxm/paypal.shtml)

Renewal JMB memberships:

**At sale pricing until Wednesday: one year, \$35; three years, \$59; seven years, \$109 (our reg. \$139)**

[www.everythingsxm.com/secret](http://www.everythingsxm.com/secret) Go to the *Membership Renewal Center*

JMB Membership Reinstatements:

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<http://everythingxsm.com/sxm/reinststate/index.shtml>

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## 6. Want to Move To SXM? This Might Be a Good Time to Do It

High Season is over, weather is generally quite good, and real estate agents have a bit more time now to custom-tailor their schedule to your needs.

Featured many times on HGTV shows about SXM real estate, Island Real Estate Team chief honcho Arun Jagtiani knows his stuff and has ample properties available at all price ranges. Whether you're looking for a condo for a few hundred thousand or a villa at any price range (they run the full gamut), he's the guy. See <http://www.ireteam.com/> for more, ask for Arun, and tell them Jeff Berger's *SXM Weekly News* sent you.

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## 7. Starting or Taking Over a Business in SXM

Many Americans and Canadians own SXM businesses, on either side of the island. Starting or buying a business in a foreign country isn't simple or easy, but if you know the right people it certainly is doable. And if you're a workaholic totally dedicated to your venture's success, there's really nothing to stop you from making it a major success -- if the concept fits and you get the word out effectively to prospects.

Visit tourist-oriented businesses in Simpson Bay and you'll find plenty owned by Americans and Canadians. Ask them about their experience and they can give you advice. If you already have a concept in mind, we suggest you visit Island Real Estate Team chief honcho Arun Jagtiani who not only does residential work, but also commercial. Quite simply he's the guy. See <http://www.ireteam.com/> for more, ask for Arun, and tell them Jeff Berger's *SXM Weekly News* sent you.

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## 8. Introducing *SXM Weekly "News in Brief"*

*SXM Weekly News* always strives to bring you all the latest significant tourist-oriented news about SXM. We also usually bring you other features to personalize the island for you. We know you love this weekly connection with SXM.

We also know your life is busy and sometimes you can't read everything. So we're doing two things to help:

1. First, we're introducing the first edition of "SXM Weekly News *In-Brief*," a slimmed-down form of *Weekly News*. "In-Brief" will be issued periodically through the year when not much of overriding consequence is happening in SXM. The good news is that it still brings you *all* the SXM news of consequence.
2. Second, we're going to update our [SXM Weekly News PDF Archives](#) more frequently, to make it easier for you to check past issues. Our Archives list editions chronologically and for many months those listings have included top stories, to make searching for specifics faster and easier. They do not include timeshare ads of the week, which are only in emailed editions.

News will dictate when "In-Brief" editions appear. We hope you like them.

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## 9. Boathouse, Melange, Infinity, & Capt. Frenchy's To Offer Discounts to JMB Members

We're adding at least five new discounts to the 260 or so already offered to JMB Website Supporters members.

Our newest partners will include:

- Cleo's the *Boathouse Restaurant* in Simpson Bay;
- Nikhil's *Melange Restaurant* at Princess Port de Plaisance;
- Enzo La Rosa's *Infinity Restaurant* at Oyster Bay Beach Resort (totally new menu & new main dining room);
- *Capt. Frenchy's Bar & Restaurant* in Grand Case;
- *Corail Helicopters* in Grand Case (discounted helicopter tours); and
- Greg Holder's *The Palms Restaurant* in Simpson Bay

These are in addition to the many dozens of restaurants already providing discounts to JMB members. If you're not a JMB Website Supporters member yet, what are you waiting for? Do it now:

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## 10. All Old JMB Discount Vouchers Now Void; About Our New Ones

All current JMB Website Supporters discount vouchers include the clearly printed admonition that they are valid only if accompanied by your current, valid JMB Website Supporters Membership Card and a government-issued photo ID. **All prior vouchers without that admonition are now void, and any new vouchers presented without your current, valid JMB Membership Card also are void.**

JMB Website Supporters discounts and benefits are for current, active JMB Website Supporters Members Only. If someone hands you a JMB voucher and you're not a JMB member, please don't even think of trying to use it: it's worthless unless you're a current member -- and attempting to use it regardless of that fact is fraud.

See the prior story to join, renew, or reinstate JMB.

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## 11. Reminder: Current, Valid JMB Membership Card Required for All SXM Discounts

Regardless of when your JMB membership expires, we've told our business partners in SXM that only JMB members with current, valid JMB Membership Cards are entitled to member benefits. Without your Card, you could be anyone; your unexpired card (and a current government-issued photo ID) are required in order to receive any JMB benefits.

Cards are always sent by email and are updated whenever you have a membership transaction affecting your Card's expiration date. *If you're renewed or joined in the last week or so, your new card will be coming in the next few days.*

Members: Always let Membership Services know if you change the email you have registered with us and if you change your physical address. We use that info when processing membership-related transactions. You can always contact them fastest by email, [support@jmbcommunications.com](mailto:support@jmbcommunications.com).

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St. Maarten / St. Martin Homes, Villas, Businesses, Commercial Properties, and Residential Properties for Sale (NEW):

[Click to access our recommended real estate agent, Arun Jagtiani, featured on HGTV.](#)

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## 12. Questions & Answers About SkyMed Medical Evacuation (Updated 4/23/16)

Here are constantly updated questions and answers about SkyMed, the folks who fly you home in an ICU-equivalent medical evacuation jet when you become critically ill or injured while traveling. *It's a life-saving flight that could easily cost you upwards of \$45,000 in cash in advance without SkyMed. Thousands of you have bought it through us.* To learn more, see [www.getskymed.com](http://www.getskymed.com).

**Q. What's so special about SkyMed? Aren't these companies all the same?**

A. *Not by a long shot.* Most other programs say in their fine print that they take you to "the nearest appropriate facility," *not* home like SkyMed. If you're in SXM, that means SkyMed competitors would likely take you to Puerto Rico. Some others also raise prices after you reach a certain age... Or they cancel you on a particular birthday, or cancel your membership when you get sick. SkyMed does none of that. Sign up for SkyMed today and when you reach age 109 you pay the same low price as everyone else. Once you're a member, there's no age or health discrimination -- as long as you pay your membership fee you're good to go. (Applies to all annual and longer memberships. Short-term memberships, lasting only a few days, require medical requalification when you buy another -- which is why we recommend annual or multiyear memberships. *Why risk the hurdle of medical requalification?*)

**Q. What other evacuation-related services do you offer besides the evacuation itself?**



A. There are 18 other services, some of which you've never even thought about but all of which are important. You'll find them on our downloadable SkyMed Benefits PDF on our [SXM Weekly News PDF Archives](#) page.

**Q. How fast are the evacuations?**

A. That depends on a number of factors. First the patient must be medically stable and ready to fly. Even though emergency medical evacuations are aboard ICU-equivalent medevac jets, the patient's stable health during the trip is of paramount importance. He / she must be medically stable to take that trip. Although arrangements for the electronic transfer of medical records, reserving flight and medical crews and the jet itself, making hospital arrangements at the destination hospital, and setting up ambulances at both ends of trip must all be completed beforehand, nonetheless it generally takes only a matter of hours before you're in the plane on the way to hospitals and doctors you know and trust near home. Bottom line is that SkyMed does it as quickly as it can be done assuring the patient's health and safety during the medical evacuation and the flight home.

**Q. Do they cancel me if I get really sick?**

A. No, they don't. Once you're a member, as long as you continue to pay your membership fee your membership continues regardless of your health or age, when you buy an annual or multiyear membership and keep it in force. SkyMed does not throw you out if you get sick. If you allow your membership to lapse, you will need to reapply to determine if you're still medically acceptable -- so just don't let it lapse.

**Q. I have a few medical issues and I'm in my 70s. Will SkyMed accept me?**

A. In its brief application process, completed online or by phone or in person with a rep, SkyMed asks for your name, DOB, current Rx medications, medical conditions, and hospitalizations in the last six months. It also asks where in the US or Canada you want to be transported when you need an emergency medical evacuation. It now also requests your passport number to help expedite customs / immigration should you require an international medical evacuation flight. *The vast, vast majority of applicants are readily accepted.* You do not have to be in "phenomenal" health at all. By the way: if you travel very little and only for short periods, you can apply for SkyMed's short-term memberships; they cover all pre-existing conditions in full, immediately. *Just remember that you must medically requalify every time you need a new short-term membership, which is why most of our members buy and renew annual or multiyear Ultimate SkyMed memberships instead of short-term.* Those memberships cover all pre-existing conditions in full after only 90 days. More on that is below.

**Q. We travel for weeks at a time. Do we have to tell SkyMed where we're going?**

A. No, you don't. As long as you're home in the US or Canada more than six months per year, you're fine. If you spend more than half of each year away (in aggregate), out of your home country (USA or Canada) then you're considered an expatriate (ex-pat) and would need a program custom-tailored for ex-pats because you're away a majority of the time and that means you represent increased exposure. That program is called "X-Pat" - the program for American and Canadian expatriates living overseas. Even as an ex-pat living in SXM, you can still be transported back to your city of choice in the USA or Canada.

**Q. Does SkyMed cover pre-existing conditions?**

A. Yes, right away for short-term memberships and after just a 90 day waiting period for memberships lasting a year or longer. To make sure you're covered for everything when you travel including pre-existing conditions just buy your annual or multi-year Ultimate SkyMed membership more than 90 days ahead of your initial date of travel.

**Q. Do you require a physical exam for renewal or when I reach a certain age?**

A. No, SkyMed requires neither. Once you join and buy an annual or multiyear membership that SkyMed approves, they'll renew it every year upon on-time payment of your renewal fee. No physical exam is required regardless of your age or health if you've paid your membership renewal on time. You can be age 109 and still be protected by your SkyMed membership.

**Q. What is the maximum age for applying for membership?**

A. There is no maximum. Apply away.

**Q. I seldom travel now. Do you have short-term plans?**

A. Yes, at about \$9/day per person or maximum \$18/day per family. Since they only last a specified number of days, they end when the term of coverage ends. If you want another short-term plan later, you must apply again and medically requalify. Annual plans cost roughly \$1.30/day for your entire family (parents and minor kids); plans for singles are less. *Annual and multiyear plans are renewable without medical requalification, assuming they haven't*

lapsed. That's a key advantage over short-term plans.

**Q. I'm from Canada. May I join SkyMed? I have to get back to my province if I'm seriously ill or my health insurance won't work.**

A. Both Americans and Canadians are eligible to join SkyMed. American and Canadian ex-pats living overseas also are eligible.

**Q. What types of policies are there?**

A. SkyMed Memberships (often called policies by members though they actually are memberships, not policies) come in several flavors: short term, for people who travel little and for short durations; "annual" for people who want full-year protection that is guaranteed renewable for life when you pay the membership fee on time regardless of age or health at the time of renewal; and Ultimate multiyear memberships which offer low annual cost, maximum benefits, and global coverage and are also renewable for life regardless of age or health when membership fees are paid on time. **Ex-Pat and "Silver" memberships also are offered.**

**Q. Which membership gives the biggest bang for the buck?**

You clearly get the most for the least with our three-year or five-year Ultimate memberships. Coverage is global, guaranteed renewable, and can not be cancelled due to increasing age or declining health - ever, assuming renewals are paid on time. You'll also pay the same fee as all other members -- there's never an increase related to your personal health or advancing age. And annual memberships are upgradeable to Ultimates at any time. **Multiyear memberships give you more benefits than annual memberships but cost less when paid at inception. They're quite a bargain.**

**Q. Is there a best time to buy?**

A. Yes -- exactly like fire insurance, **buy it before you need it!** Why gamble? The peace of mind alone is worth every penny.

**Q. Does SkyMed cover us no matter where we travel?**

The basic annual SkyMed "Takes You Home®" plan covers you in the USA (all 50 states), Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, the Bahamas, and all the nations of the Caribbean including Cuba. The Ultimate membership covers you globally through SkyMed Global -- or you can add a global rider to annual memberships (at \$100/year) which adds rest-of-the-world coverage, also through SkyMed Global. SkyMed does not cover countries where there are open hostilities -- Iraq, Iran, Syria, Somalia, North Korea, etc.

**Got Other Questions?**

If you have questions about SkyMed not answered above, email [jeff@getskymed.com](mailto:jeff@getskymed.com) and Jeff will get back to you or phone him at 508-747-8281. Please also include your phone number and best time to call; he'll be in touch. *Please use the subject "SkyMed Inquiry" in your email.*

SkyMed Takes You Home®; What else matters?

For more, see [skymed.com/jmbspecial](http://skymed.com/jmbspecial) (JMB members) or [www.getskymed.com](http://www.getskymed.com) (non-JMB members) or email Jeff directly at [jeff@getskymed.com](mailto:jeff@getskymed.com) with the subject SkyMed. If you include your phone number, he'll call you about SkyMed as well, to answer any questions you may have including all pricing options.

You can also call SkyMed directly (in Scottsdale AZ, Mountain standard time year round.) Their number is 1-800-475-9633; ask for Nan. If you're a JMB member, say so and have your membership card ready. **All multiyear plans offer major discounts to JMB members.** Please tell them you're calling because you heard about them from Jeff Berger.

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### 13. Download The Complete List of All SkyMed Features & Benefits

Read it for yourself: it beats every would-be competitor hands-down. Look:

<http://www.everythingsxm.com/sxmweeklynews/SkyMedServices.pdf>

This is an Adobe Acrobat PDF Document. Your system most likely already has a PDF Reader (free) but if not you can get one here: [download Adobe Acrobat Reader](#).

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## 14. Interact With Fellow SXM Visitors on Our Everything SXM Facebook Site

Our [Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site](#), which has been around for several years, covers SXM happenings in words and pictures from its thousands of users and enables people to ask questions, get answers, post trip reports, etc. We also post things there between issues of *SXM Weekly News*.

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## 15. Where to Find Past Issues of SXM Weekly News

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## 16. Restaurant of the Week: Daniel's By The Sea

The original heart of the Culinary Village we've written about in the Oyster Pond area for the last several months is a group of related restaurants: Mr. Busby's Beach Bar; Daniel's by the Sea Italian Restaurant; Island Pizza; and their new Rotisserie Chicken take-out at the Great House Marina.

Although the Restaurant of the Week this week is Daniel's, we have a few comments first about the others:

Mr. Busby's Beach Bar may well be the busiest lunch-time bar/restaurant on the island. With somewhere over 200 seats, it's packed inside in-season, and for good reason. Their traditional beach bar selections taste great and include generous portions at reasonable prices. Open for breakfast and lunch (full American breakfasts), lunch selections include great burgers with fries; lots of sandwiches of all descriptions, generous and tasty; big lunch salads; and lots more. LuLu is the manager at Busby's and she really knows what she's doing.

Island Pizza, open for lunch and dinner, offers authentic thin-crust pizza with a nearly unending list of toppings. Like them spicy? Ask for some Matouk's hot sauce, but have a bottle of water ready in case you use too much. Great pizzas.

Their Rotisserie Chickens (available for take-out at the street-side kiosk at the Great House Marina) are prepared all day every day and are big, succulent, and satisfying. Even before their sign arrived they attracted lots of people from the area because those "rotis" smelled so wonderful. Definitely try it.

The kingpin here is Daniel's by the Sea, which is not only one of the island's biggest and busiest restaurants, but also the only one that is literally on the beach where you dine under a canopy of palm trees. It's a gorgeous, uniquely Caribbean setting with tons of dining selections. There's fresh fish, lobster straight from Saba via their own lobster tank, great steaks, and all kinds of nightly specials seven days a week. When other restaurants close for vacation, Daniel's never closes -- it's open every night offering an unrivaled seaside ambiance and simply great food. One warning, though: save room for dessert. Their homemade apple pie is our long-time favorite, but there are lots of other selections plus famous ultra-creamy Etna Ice Cream, made fresh right on French St. Martin.

Definitely go and tell them we sent you.

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We'll cover another restaurant here next week.

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- SkipJack's SXM, <http://www.skipjacks-sxm.com/> (featured 3/7/16)
- Cugini (12/7/15)
- Trattoria Pizza Pasta, Maho Plaza near Casino Royale (featured 5/11/15)
- Daniel's By The Sea, [www.dawnbeachsxm.com](http://www.dawnbeachsxm.com) (featured 5/2/16)
- Domino's Pizza <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Dominos-Pizza-St-Maarten/95635717338> (featured 8/11/14)
- Spiga, [www.spiga-sxm.com](http://www.spiga-sxm.com) (featured 4/18/16)
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- The Hideaway, <http://www.lavistaresort.com/restaurant.html> (featured 4/28/14)
- Stone Restaurant, [www.thestonerestaurant.com](http://www.thestonerestaurant.com) (featured 9/2/14)
- Le Pressoir, <http://www.lepressoir-sxm.com> (featured 7/6/15)
- Temptation, <http://www.rareandtemptation.com/EN/temptation/>
- Lal's Curry In A Hurry Indian Restaurant, Airport Road, Simpson Bay (featured 1/19/15)
- Mr. Busby's Beach Bar <http://www.dawnbeachsxm.com> (featured 2/19/16)
- Island Pizza, <http://www.dawnbeachsxm.com> (featured 1/25/16)
- Pineapple Pete, [www.pineapplepete.com](http://www.pineapplepete.com) (featured 2/2/15)
- Papagayo, <http://www.cluborient.com/papagayo.php> (featured 5/4/15)
- Dany & John's Cupecoy Beach Bar (on Cupecoy beach; follow the car path from the far side of Ocean Club to get there). (featured 4/27/2015)
- FIG, Maho complex at Le Terasse
- St. Maarten Yacht Club, at the Dutch Side Drawbridge
- Jimbo's, [www.jimboscafe.com](http://www.jimboscafe.com) (featured 4/13/15)
- Vesna Taverna, [www.vesnataverna.com](http://www.vesnataverna.com) (featured 4/25/16)
- Topper's / Topper's By The Sea <http://www.sxmtoppers.com/> (featured 6/29/15)
- Taloula Mango <http://www.taloulamango.com/> (featured 4/20/15)
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