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SXM Timeshare Rental of The Week:

Rental listings here have been temporarily suspended; many rentals are on our site, as always.

SXM Timeshare Sale of The Week:

SALE 9/15/2018 9/22/2018 week 37 Simpson Bay Resort & Marina studio that sleeps 2- a/c, wifi is free and accessible throughout the room and resort. location is easy access to beach, deli, casino, pools, water sports and restaurants. less than 10 minutes from the airport. \$2,000 or b/o Peter, 732-895-0578 hooch123@optonline.net

Non-St. Maarten Timeshare Rentals:

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THIS WEEK'S STORIES:

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

1. SXM Airport Reopening October 10; a Complete Update

Although SXM Airport reopens October 10, don't expect things to be anything like they were when you visited pre-Irma. That category five hurricane brought 185 mile-per-hour sustained winds to the island along with gusts up to 230 mph — the same strength of the most severe tornadoes. Irma damaged the vast majority of structures on the island. She damaged many structures and on others, she removed the roof entirely.

Few roofs were spared from damage, including that of the Dutch Side's prized Princess Juliana SXM International Airport. Parts of it was ripped off, enabling winds and wind driven rain to enter the building and cause even more damage.

Nonetheless, the airport will go ahead with a limited, partial reopening on October 10. Don't expect anything remotely resembling normal passenger flight schedules to resume any time soon. That won't happen until the number of available resort and timeshare rooms on the island changes significantly -- and that will happen gradually over the next several months. For the airport to open and meet international passenger flight safety/security requirements, the airport's security fence must first be installed. Nighttime operation requires runway lighting which had been knocked out by Irma. Even the control tower had to be fixed; that's close to completion.

The biggest hurdle facing the airport (besides the perimeter fence) was to fix all of the equipment and the general infrastructure inside the terminal building. That is expected to take at least a few months to complete, though our hunch is it will be done faster. Tents have been erected outside the terminal building which may be used for temporarily processing arriving and departing passengers. We'll have more information on this as soon as it is released. We will also post related information on our [Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site](#) as soon as we have it: that's the best and fastest way for us to get this important data to most of our members and readers.

Here's the [official information](#) from the government. More to come....

2. Grand Case Airport Is Open

The French side airport in Grand Case reopened more than a week ago for interisland traffic. Except for military and rescue flights, SXM Airport, the big international Airport on the Dutch side, has officially been closed because of

damage to the terminal, destruction of the fence by Irma, and Irma's destruction of runway lights. See more on SXM Airport in the preceding story.

Since the French side airport suffered comparatively little damage, it was able to reopen relatively quickly. Island residents seeking to leave or return to the island have been using regularly scheduled flights on that side of the island. Island residents temporarily living in North America, Europe, and elsewhere have returned to SXM by flying to Guadalupe or another Caribbean island with direct connections to Grand Case airport; that's also how they've been leaving the area since they couldn't use the Dutch side airport. Some off-island visitors who had accommodations on the Dutch side simply flew to Grand Case airport via a connection in Guadeloupe, then took a taxi from the French side airport to Dutch St. Maarten.

3. Hurricane "Nate" Forming; Likely to Threaten US Gulf Coast

On Wednesday, October 4, as we put this belated issue to bed, Tropical depression 16 had formed over the Southwest Caribbean and started heading northward. It was expected to become tropical storm Nate by late on Wednesday or Wednesday night. As it continues to move northward, that storm will encounter very warm seawater temperatures and a near total lack of wind shear, which are expected to enable it to intensify fairly rapidly. The National Hurricane Center warned that all Gulf Coast interests from Alabama to the Florida Panhandle should keep an eye on the storm and expect possible impact Sunday or Monday as a hurricane.

As always, for much more storm information, go to everythingSXM.com and click Weather for our Weather Center. We expect to complete technical changes to that site on Thursday or Friday which will enable it to show all watches and warnings for Nate as well as projected track information.

If you're in the path or potential path of the storm, as always we urge you to see crownweather.com, Rob Lightbown's site. His service is very economical; it could give you extraordinarily valuable information so you can set plans in motion by heeding his forecast advice.

4. Get Up-To-Date Tropical Outlooks, Watches, & Warnings

Major updates to the Weather section of our everythingSXM.com website were completed over the last few weeks.

In addition to many new real-time tropical weather graphics — including satellite images and new loops — our weather site has now been updated with the National Hurricane Center's latest tropical outlook; tropical weather discussion (for true weather geeks); and the latest forecasts, watches, and warnings for all active storms, plus new track models. .

You can access all this information free, as always: just go to everythingSXM.com and click "Weather" in the masthead.

If you are prospectively in the path of any future approaching storm, we urge you to visit crownweather.com and to sign up for their incredibly inexpensive detailed forecasting service. It's by far the best on the web and it can prove highly useful to you, your family, and your business.

As we've said before, if you are in the path of an approaching storm, never use any website for life or death advice: always rely on directives from local authorities.

5. "Today's SXM Weather" & Four Sources of Current SXM Weather Info (Revised 8/28)

Check our [Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site](#) each day for daily weather updates. You'll find detailed observations and forecasts by visiting our main SXM website, www.everythingsxm.com, and clicking either of the weather observations at the top of the page.

The four sources of current weather info, beyond the two above, are:

- 1) [Crown Weather Services](#) whose very inexpensive subscription service is, we feel, the best in the business.
- 2) Our "Weather" page at www.everythingsxm.com -- it has current satellite images and radar loops and now all the latest NHC weather forecasts, outlooks, and advisories as well.
- 3) Our [Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site](#), which publishes the latest advisories, watches, and warnings when SXM is threatened by any storms.
- 4) On or off the island, listen to Island 92 -- 91.9FM or see www.island92.com. They report island warnings at once and know exactly what's going on. You can listen on the web anytime through live streaming. They were knocked off the air by Irma but hope to be back soon.

Get a quick, current satellite look at the Atlantic basin anytime: <http://www.goes.noaa.gov/GIFS/ATWV.JPG> .

N. B.: *Again...Never rely on any website if you're in the path of a storm; always heed warnings from local authorities.*

6. **Guaranteed Lowest Rates for Hotel Rooms & Car Rentals**

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We're now giving JMB Website Supporters members and *SXM Weekly News* readers access to a private, "members only" travel wholesale club that offers incredible prices not only on airfares but on travel reservations and packages worldwide.

The SkyMed Travel Club offers exceptional pricing on everything and almost invariably beats everyone else's pricing. We have found their pricing excellent across the board and their 110% low rate guarantee on hotels and car rentals is real news.

Normally, SkyMed Travel charges \$99 to join plus \$99 annual renewals. But for our JMB Website Supporters members and now for Weekly News readers, the cost to join is zero as will be the cost for renewals. Join the Club by going to <https://www.skymedtravel.com/register>, sign up, and provide the requested information. Complete the first sign up item (SkyMed Membership Number or Representative ID) by entering the code 391330 — doing that ensures that you pay nothing for your SkyMed Travel Club membership. No code, no free entry to the club's phenomenal pricing. *If you are a SkyMed Member, however, enter your SkyMed Membership Number here to get the absolute greatest possible discounts.*

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7. Progress is Better Than Expected, But Not "Overnight"

Later in this edition of *SXM Weekly News*, you'll see a quote from an island resident describing how the island looks now, almost a month after being pummeled by Irma.

With much of the debris from the storm removed, the island looks clean and green since vegetation is also returning. In many places, repairs are also well underway.

You'll also read in this edition that hundreds of timeshare units are in shape and ready to accommodate tourists. Instead, they are occupied by hundreds of Dutch Marines and other people involved with making sure the recovery goes smoothly. It isn't known how long these people, whose presence is an essential ingredient of a successful recovery, will be around to see that recovery through its completion. Gendarmes and the French Foreign Legion also are involved, as are numerous aid workers.

The fact that so many hundreds of rooms are already available should be regarded by timeshare owners as a harbinger. It means timeshare resorts can devote themselves to rebuilding or restoring units that are rebuildable on their properties. That analysis, and work to rebuild, are both underway.

Analyses like this take time and resorts want to do it right. Consequently, don't expect immediate precise bottom lines from any timeshare organizations right away. As soon as they can say something that they know will stick in terms of accuracy, they'll release the information and we'll pass it along both here and at once through our [Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site](#).

Most SXM timeshares have delayed their formal reopenings until the Spring. We can tell you that progress is moving quickly -- but there is no magic wand and no reason to expect everything to be perfect by, say, Thanksgiving.

See some surprising news about Simpson Bay Resort in story 14....

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

8. Latest Status Update on SXM Timeshare Resorts & Hotels

Go to our [Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site](#) and click Files (top left on PCs, top right on smartphones) to access the file; it tells you the latest status updates of SXM Timeshares & Hotels.

Please see also story 14.

9. Just Updated: SXM T/S Rentals for 2018 Available from Owners

The timeshare page of our everythingSXM.com website was again updated on Friday. It offers hundreds of timeshare condominiums for rent through 2018. All rentals are directly from timeshare owners, so there are no middleman fees and no commissions. We accept ads only from our JMB Website Supporters members, so you're not dealing with strangers in these transactions.

To see the ads, go to everythingSXM.com and click Timesharing. *Read the notice at the top of the Timesharing page regarding Irma's effects on rentals.*

SECTION 3: JMB Member Discounts & Benefits

10. "Section Three" -- Member Discounts / Benefits News & Updates

This section of *SXM Weekly News*, which appears weekly, will provide detailed information about current JMB Website Supporters discounts and benefits both for current members and for people thinking about joining JMB.

We now offer about 300 discounts (including those now being rolled out). We think you'll find many surprises here that will be of great interest and value. Please check this section in the coming weeks as we continue to roll out entirely new discounts and benefits.

For more info on what you get with your JMB membership, [go here](#).

SECTION 4: Island News, Info, & Features

11. What If?

What If...

See many examples of people who were traveling exactly like you and unexpectedly / suddenly needed an emergency medical evacuation from SkyMed --

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You'll see exactly what SkyMed did for them and how it works. Coverage is available worldwide....

Get SkyMed protection before you need it -- just like fire insurance.

Questions?

Call Jeff on the SkyMed line, 508-747-8281 during normal business hours, Eastern Time.

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12. Irma Damage USD\$2.5-billion in SXM Alone: Estimate

There is still no final official tabulation of the total damages from hurricane Irma across the island. However, preliminary estimates indicate that the total will be somewhere north of USD\$2.5 billion, an astronomical number for an island that is much smaller than the smallest US state, Rhode Island.

Although hotels and timeshare resorts are working to complete rebuilding and reopen as soon as possible, nonetheless those openings will take a few months for many resorts to open fully and for others, a full year or more. Consequently, revenues for the island's pivotal tourism industry are likely to plummet — even though tourists still want to go during this season. For some, that simply will be impossible.

But, you never know. See story 14.

13. Westin & Dawn Beach Club Rebuilding ETA

The Eastern end of the Westin Resort on Dawn beach faces the ocean in the shape of a horseshoe. As a result, when Irma's huge storm surge topped by enormous punishing waves slammed into Dawn Beach a month ago this week, it pummeled everything in its path from one end of Dawn Beach to the other.

That list included the Westin, Dawn Beach Club, Coral Beach Club (now part of Oyster Bay Beach Resort), Mr. Busby's Beach Bar, the separate Coral Beach Club units on Oyster Pond, and ocean-facing units in Oyster Bay Beach Resort.

Check our [Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site](#) for the latest information on when all of these properties are expected to reopen. We do not yet have that information for Mr. Busby's/Daniel's by the Sea. We know that the Westin is conducting an intense analysis and that it is not expected to reopen until roughly the fall of next year, though that information is not final.

14. OBBR & Simpson Bay Working Hard Toward Reopening

Our [Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site](#) switched into storm mode a few days before Irma hit to enable itself to keep timeshare owners and friends and relatives of people on the island fully aware of everything that was happening during and after the storm.

We were in contact during and just after the storm with officials from many timeshare and hotel properties.

Most timeshare properties and their employees were solidly focused on protecting timeshare owners and other visitors and then helping visitors evacuate as quickly as possible once the storm had passed and evacuations became available.

Two resorts in particular became the focus for housing hundreds of Dutch Marines who quickly arrived on the island along with many rescue workers from other islands and relief workers. Those were Divi Resort on Little Bay, and Simpson Bay Resort off Billy Folly road in the pelican key area.

Despite the fact that many employees of both resorts suffered serious personal losses thanks to Irma, they nonetheless continued (and still continue) to serve many hotel guests. The guests, however, were not timeshare owners but Marines and other workers related to the recovery and rebuilding effort. Those staffs deserve special kudos from timeshare owners when tourists return to their respective resorts next year. Their selflessness and devotion to service were and are extraordinary.

Oyster Bay and **Simpson Bay** managements both galvanized their workforces to focus on quickly and thoroughly cleaning up their properties after the storm had passed. The more quickly each resort can clean up and be ready for its rebuilding, the better for everyone concerned.

The two top resorts in terms of responsiveness for getting things going from what we've seen have been both **Oyster Bay Beach Resort** and **Simpson Bay Resort**. Small armies of workers are at both doing whatever is necessary to expedite the entire process.

If you have seen our [Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site](#) in the last 24 hours or so, you may have noticed a new "File" mentioned in the Timeline. It's from Simpson Bay Resort and says they are "Open for Business" ... see the full text on our site and the explanation that they are not yet available for "tourist" use. *The fact is that people involved in rebuilding can use the rooms as a base of operations which helps the resort generate operating funds and keep all its employees working, unlike many elsewhere.* We thought it's a big deal and a huge step in the right direction. See the site for more on this.

15. Curfew Essentially Lifted; Now Midnight to 5 a.m.

A curfew has been in place since a couple of days after Irma struck the island. During the last couple of weeks, it has been steadily eased. Early this week, the curfew for all practical purposes was lifted entirely; it now extends from midnight to 5 AM, enabling all restaurants normally serving dinner to get back in the game as soon as they're ready, as many already are.

That may have been the best, most progressive news we've heard since the storm struck, other than the reopening of the airport.

16. Dr. Soc Tells His Hurricane Irma Story

Just listen to hear his info about this calamity:

<http://pjl.streamon.fm/listen-pl-3371#.WdTxT2e32jU.facebook>

17. Renowned Artist Roland Richardson Looks Toward Recovery

Roland and Laura Richardson's ancestral home -- over 200 years old -- is on Rue de la Republique, the main North-South commercial avenue in Marigot. It houses the globally renowned plein air impressionist's gallery museum, where hundreds of his paintings and etchings are on display on two floors, backed by beautiful gardens.

His home, off the main road through the French lowlands, was home to another gallery office and (we think) even more paintings, some of them twice as long as two NBA players are tall.

Irma didn't care what magnificent works Roland Richardson has spent his life creating. It sent its enormous winds and more through rooms at both buildings.

There is no practical way to value the works affected in the buildings. Anyone who has seen them, as we have long recommended, knows how truly extraordinary they are. Right now Roland and Laura simply need help patching their gallery and their home to stop rain from entering the building and worsening the situation for all his lifelong artworks.

If you can help, please do. Here is the [GoFundMe page](#). It's also in our Charities list on our [Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site](#).

18. Poll: Most SXM Tourists Want to Go There - & Nowhere Else

In a poll currently on our [Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site](#) we asked: "Between now and the end of 2018, do you plan to visit St. Maarten / St. Martin / SXM -- or go somewhere else because of Irma's visit to SXM?"

Overwhelmingly, about 90% of those answering said they'd go *only* to SXM and had no interest in going elsewhere. They chose this answer: "Yes, I am going to SXM even if I have to wait a bit for the island to 'come back.' "

If anyone doubts the loyalty people have to SXM, this should put their doubts to rest.

19. Cupecoy Beach Sign Blown Away --- Far, Far Away

When Dany, the namesake of "Dany's Beach Bar" on Cupecoy Beach, an institution there for more than 20 years, was preparing the area for Irma's onslaught, we're certain he did everything he could think of to secure the site. He didn't take time to think of his Cupecoy Beach Bar sign — we'd guess there was no time.

Irma liked the sign, lifted it off the tree, and blew it to Kingdom Come.

Well, almost.

Thanks largely to Facebook and to a curious firefighter at the International Airport in British Virgin Gorda, *that's* where Dany's sign has been found.

There, a firefighter named John Smith found the curious sign mentioning Cupecoy beach, FLS, and some great prices for drinks. He had never heard of Dany, nor of Cupecoy beach, but liked the look of the sign which had a beach background.

He put a picture of the sign on Facebook. The picture was shared more than 160 times and ultimately it got to folks in St. Maarten who knew Dany and recognized it. A message has been sent to Dany so soon, he and his sign will likely be reunited — perhaps over a beer or two.

British Virgin Gorda is about 92 miles away from St. Maarten. The sign appears to be in great condition. No doubt Irma's winds took care when transporting it there; what's remarkable is that in that massive a storm, the sign made it in such good shape.

If it could only talk...

20. We Need Your Help ... Now

Everyone,

Hurricane Irma's impact on SXM proved just how critically important *accurate* communications can be in emergencies.

As Irma approached, we went into 24 hour news mode to make sure all the latest local SXM hurricane watches & warnings got to all our readers -- everywhere.

Hurricane expert Rob Lightbown of Crown Weather sent urgent warning messages directly to our readers in seconds through our *Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site*.

All of us -- paid staff on phones and computers in our home office in Massachusetts and global volunteers -- worked hard answering thousands of questions from people living in SXM, tourists stranded there, and relatives trying to find, rescue, and evacuate people stuck in SXM. In fact, in 28 days since Irma hit, we have had over 3,000 posts, over 40,000 comments and over 165,000 reactions... on our [Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site](#).

Our *SXM Weekly News* continues to bring you carefully researched, accurate information on the cleanup, recovery, rebuilding, and reopening of SXM to tourists.

Our *Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site* continues to bring you instantaneous news around the clock.

Of course, our [everythingxsm.com](#) site continues to deliver lots of island information as we all look forward to SXM Airport reopening the entire island to tourism in the not too distant future; *SXM Weekly News* will bring that info to you as it happens.

We do not do rumors.

The Weather Center on our [everythingxsm.com](#) site will gear up Thursday and Friday so it's ready to report everything about new Tropical Storm Nate, heading toward the Gulf of Mexico and the Gulf coast as an intensifying hurricane.

We also have a "Summertime" SXM vacation giveaway underway now and we plan to launch another early in 2018 as visits to [everythingxsm.com](#) begin to approach an astonishing 5.5 million.

Our only source of revenue for all our "everything SXM" work is your membership in our "JMB Website Supporters" SXM Island Discount Program and your purchases of SkyMed emergency medical evacuation memberships through us at [getskymed.com](#). Please see story #30; our Dog Days membership sale ends October 15 and offers great prices on 300 SXM discounts available only from us.

Please help keep us going. More than ever, right now we need you to join JMB while we offer significant savings on Website Supporters memberships, renewals, and reinstatements.

Everything we're doing re: SXM comes at a cost and we need your membership right now to keep the lights on. In return, you'll become a JMB member and reap significant savings when you return to SXM a few months from now: and we'll be there to help, as we have been since 1992 -- this is our 25th year.

Join, renew, or reinstate your JMB membership now by visiting [everythingxsm.com](#) and clicking the page curl at the top of the home page. Our Dog Days sale is on so the price points are something you'll really like.

The vast majority of our readers are going to SXM in 2018 -- but regardless of where you go to warm up this winter, please take SkyMed "Takes You Home"® medical evacuation protection with you. Learn more about it at [getskymed.com](#). For answers to all your SkyMed questions, call Jeff during regular business hours (EDT) at 508-747-8281 or email him at jeff.berger@skymed.com. (SkyMed calls only please)

As always, thanks for reading this and thanks very much for your ongoing support.

-- Jeff Berger

21. Hundreds of Timeshare Rooms Are Fine, But...

Here's something you probably don't know: there are hundreds of timeshare units in perfect or nearly perfect shape in St. Maarten and available right now.

Fortunately for the island and for Dutch Marines, aid workers, and some others, including locals who lost their homes, those units at Simpson Bay resort and Divi little Bay are being used by these essential personnel as an integral part of the recovery and rebuilding of St. Maarten in the wake of super hurricane Irma. As we noted earlier, the rooms may be ready but the island is not yet truly ready for tourists. Think perhaps January, though some areas may beat that.

We think we all owe a debt of gratitude to both of these resorts for providing these rooms to these people. It sends a beautiful message to all of us about the character of the people in charge.

We thought you'd like to know. .

22. When You Go, Where Will You Stay?

If it were possible, we bet that the overwhelming majority of our readers would want to fly to St. Maarten tomorrow and stay there for the holidays.

Unfortunately, there is still no regular airline service to the Dutch side international Airport and there are not very many rooms available. Nor is the infrastructure ready to enable tourists to do the things tourists want to do. That will be changing.

If you are unable to use your timeshare week when you go to St. Maarten where will you stay?

Some people will say VRBO. We'll say that our rentals page on everythingSXM.com will be an accurate reflection of weeks available once the timeshare resorts have reopened, which will start to happen after the first of the year — perhaps on a staggered basis, with parts of resorts open before other parts.

On our [Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site](#), we have a File which provides all the latest information about the status of timeshare resorts and when they are expected to reopen.

We were asked why we don't put this information on our everythingSXM.com website. The answer is that we would then have to mail everyone to tell them there has been a revision every time we revise it. Those mailings take forever because there are so many people involved -- and they cost a fortune. It is far more practical and far faster simply to post changes as they happen directly on Facebook, since Facebook members can opt to receive notifications when new posts appear.

Not everyone likes Facebook, of course, but in this situation it is by far the fastest, most efficient way to get important current information to a lot of people in a hurry.

23. A Word from Michel

Michel lives in SXM and writes, "You have no idea about the difference between what the island looked like after Irma/Maria and what it looks like now. Extrapolating this, by January, you will hardly notice the difference between what you've booked for and what you get PLUS it keeps us going. If your hotel/villa wasn't destroyed, just come over. I promise you, you will have a good time."

Target date: early 2018...

24. Many Restaurants Have Reopened

Ever since the first SXM restaurants reopened a couple of weeks ago, we've been updating our File on that subject as we've heard of others opening their doors. The File is updated at once whenever additional news arrives. Access it on our [Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site](#). Just click "Files" on the left side of the page (on PCs) or the right side (smart phones). iPads have the link in different areas (where you find more / other files) depending on your iPad's configuration.

25. Canoa Is No More

Storm surge, raging seas, boats torn loose running amuck -- that happened around the island during Irma, including in the Oyster Pond yacht basin. Canoa, Sherman Marten's beautiful Continental restaurant with a Caribbean flair, was located on the main pier at Great House Marina there and was destroyed in the storm.

When we have further news about the pier and its businesses -- including Captain Alan -- we'll post in on our [Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site](#).

26. Rare SkyMed Sale Now Underway

Buy a new SkyMed one, three, or five year membership --OR-- upgrade to a three or five year membership at getskymed.com or by phone at 508-747-8281 (SkyMed calls only)...forward your approval letter from SkyMed to support@jmbcommunications.com with the subject SkyMed Sale along with your full street address and daytime phone number... and we will issue you a new or extended JMB membership for the same number of years.

Limited time only. You've been thinking about doing this -- now is the time. *Upgrade bonus applies to SkyMed memberships bought from us.*

SKYMED Takes You Home® when you become critically ill or injured while traveling. Global coverage is available and it's standard on Ultimate three- and five-year memberships. Call us for details.

27. Now: Just \$59/month* for SkyMed's Best Medevac Protection

How about SkyMed for \$59 a month for your family?

SkyMed medical evacuation programs protect your pocketbook and your health when you become critically ill or injured while traveling. That's because SkyMed Takes You Home® to doctors and hospitals you know and trust when you become critically ill while traveling. They protect your pocketbook by making it unnecessary for you to pay for a medical evacuation in cash in advance --- the only way to get this level of protection without being a SkyMed member.

Those out-of-pocket costs are huge: upwards of \$45,000 in many cases, and often far more.

*Now, you can get a five year SkyMed Ultimate membership and pay for it monthly at just \$59 per month for your family, which makes it easily affordable to practically anyone (even retirees and AUC students).

Of course, if you prefer, you can prepay for five years at the sharply reduced rate of \$2495 for [JMB Website Supporters](#) members. When you apply, you can get a 10 year price guarantee as well simply by noting on the application that you want an automatic renewal. That's the equivalent of paying \$499 per year for 10 years — an extraordinary price guarantee in times that are tumultuous politically worldwide.

You can also pay the \$59 a month for a month or two then convert to the prepaid Ultimate membership to grab those prepayment savings. For info, call Jeff Berger at 508-747-8281 (SkyMed calls only). He can answer all your questions and even help you get signed up. *Please also see the next story.*

Learn more at www.getskymed.com.

28. Traveling Anywhere This Fall? "Beat" SkyMed's 90-day Pre-

Existing Conditions Exclusion

On its annual and multiyear memberships, SkyMed, the medical evacuation membership company, has a 90 day exclusion on pre-existing conditions; after that, they're covered in full. To solve this, simply obtain your SkyMed membership more than 90 days ahead of the date your travel begins.

Jeff can answer all your SkyMed questions and help you through the brief application process and even submit your application electronically. There is no upper age limit to apply, and pre-existing conditions should not deter you from applying either.

Going anywhere in January, February, or March? See www.getskymed.com for more information or call Jeff directly weekdays during normal East Coast business hours at 508-747-8281. (SkyMed calls only.) You can learn more about SkyMed online as well at www.getskymed.com. Email jeff.berger@skymed.com.

29. JMB Military Memberships: Four Years \$67.96 & Platinum

We reserve our best rates for US military. You can join our JMB Website Supporters discount program via a military membership or you can upgrade to military — your choice. Either way, the cost is just \$67.96 for four full years. See the details by clicking the page curl on our site, everythingSXM.com.

As a military member, you are also instantly upgraded to Platinum Status — normally awarded only to members whose memberships expire more than eight years into the future. Your Platinum Status begins as soon as your military enrollment occurs and is permanent, irrespective of how many years in the future your military membership expires. All you need for documentation is your DD 214.

Do it today and tell your SXM tourist friends — it's our lowest rate.

30. 300+ SXM Discounts Are Yours in Our "Dog Days" Sale, Ending 10/15

Our Dog Days membership sale Ends on October 15. It's your best opportunity to obtain 300 discounts on virtually everything you do during your island vacation.

When we return to the island later this year, will be meeting with many of our discount partners and will keep you posted on when they will reopen, if they aren't back already by that time. We also expect to be adding many new partners for the winter season.

Stay tuned — and definitely plan on being in SXM this winter. As we set elsewhere in this issue, we expect many timeshares to the open ahead of schedule on a staggered basis.

31. Get Our SXM Euro Ovals

Printed with green ink on durable bright white stock, varnished for long life, our copyrighted SXM euro ovals have been adorning cars on SXM and around the world for more than 15 years.

You can now get two for \$10 or five for \$15 mailed first class to your home in the US or Canada. You can pay for them by PayPal or by check. If you pay by PayPal, make sure US dollar funds are sent to Jeff@JMBcommunications.com and in the comments section be sure to tell us what you're buying — two for \$10 or five for \$15, SXM euro ovals, and include your current, correct mailing address.

If you pay by check, we accept US dollar checks only drawn on US banks — sorry, no Canadian checks. You can mail them to SXM euro ovals, care of JMB Communications, PO Box 1812, Plymouth, MA 02362-1812. Make the check payable to JMB Communications.

We have a decent supply but we suggest you order quickly. Allow 30 days for shipping.

We periodically publish pictures of these on our [Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site](#).

32. Be Ready...

Think your vacations are full of eventful days? Look at these:

An MD from Florida on a cruise vacation to the Greek Islands with his wife broke his femur aboard the ship. He was rushed to the hospital in Corfu but called SkyMed *which arranged and paid for* an emergency medevac flight to Athens for urgent surgery. A few days later SkyMed evacuated him again, with an excellent male nurse, all the way home to Florida, where an ambulance took him home for recovery. Required flight cost to the patient: \$0. Savings: big time.

Mary Beth and her partner Don were vacationing in SXM when Don fell and broke his hip -- only about a month after they had bought SkyMed. SkyMed flew them home on a medevac jet for the hospital care he needed. Flight cost to the patient: \$0. Savings: over \$35,000.

A recent Summer trip ended in disaster when a child visiting her grandmother in Grand Case was bitten in the head by the grandmother's bulldog, imperiling the girl's eyesight. She was flown to Miami in a medical evacuation jet for emergency eye surgery that saved her sight. Flight cost to the patient: \$0.

A woman from Virginia shopped at an island grocer and headed back to her car carrying two bags of groceries. She tripped and fell on a curb and knew at once she had fractured her hip. After being stabilized locally, she was flown home on a medical evacuation jet from SkyMed where she had the surgery she needed. Flight cost to the patient: \$0.

Two men were riding their horses on a hill in Cole Bay when a car backfiring spooked one of the horses, which threw its rider. The other rider got off his horse to check his companion when the car again backfired, spooking the horse again which led it to kick its dismounted driver in the head, luckily causing "only" a severely dislocated jaw. The local hospital had no ability to solve that problem so the victim was airlifted by SkyMed back to Pennsylvania for surgery. Flight cost to the patient: \$0.

A member of the clergy fell down cement stairs and broke her leg. She too was airlifted home by SkyMed for surgery. Flight cost to the patient: \$0.

Not all trips end well: anything can happen when you travel. Being a member of SkyMed was the common thread in all these cases. *SkyMed took its members home in a private, ICU-equivalent medical evacuation jet -- home to doctors and hospitals the patient knows and trusts -- and home where their health insurance works.* That one of up to 18 benefits received by SkyMed members for not much more than \$1.35/day for annual or multiyear memberships.

All this is why we always recommend SkyMed. Call Jeff Berger weekdays at 508-747-8281 and leave your name, phone number, and time zone. Jeff will call back at a mutually convenient time and answer all your questions. He can also sign you up by phone. You're eligible to apply regardless of your age or health if you are a U.S. or Canadian citizen or an American or Canadian expat living in SXM or certain other countries.

Nobody is immune: anything can happen anywhere. Do it today. To learn more, visit www.getskymed.com. JMB members get big discounts off SkyMed's regular pricing: see the story about JMB Website Supporters at the beginning of this section.

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33. Enter Our SXM Summertime Vacation Giveaway

Our Summertime SXM vacation giveaway is underway and you can now enter. *SXM Weekly News* readers (NOT pass-along readers) can enter up to 10 times per subscribed email address. The drawing has been deferred until January, 2018.

Here is our current prize list. Since this giveaway promotes non high-season visits to SXM, most of these vacations are yours from mid April to mid December, 2018. All vacations are subject to availability.

- an 8-day, 7-night vacation at **La Vista Resort**, May through December 2018.
- a 5 night stay (based upon availability April 10-Dec 18, 2018) in an ocean front room at the **Westin St Maarten Dawn Beach Resort, Spa, and Casino**.
- a 4-day, 3-night stay at the beautiful **Oyster Bay Beach Resort**.
- Dinner for Two at Davide Foini's legendary **IZI Ristorante Italiano** in Simpson Bay (One winner)
- Dinner for Two at Marco Ferrante's **Isola Ristorante Italiano** next to Hollywood Casino at Simpson Bay Resort. (One winner)
- Dinner for Two at **Spiga**, the highly acclaimed Italian Restaurant in Grand Case. (One winner.)

Enter here: http://everythingxsm.com/sxm/getting_here/entry-form-for-our-seven-vacation-giveaway.shtml

34. Where to Find Past Issues of SXM Weekly News

Look here for our PDF archives: http://everythingxsm.com/sxm/free_newsletters/sxmweeklynews.shtml. Most issues for the past few years are now online.

35. Answers to Your SkyMed Medevac Questions

We've divided this article into a few sections. They are:

- About SkyMed
- Types of SkyMed Memberships
- Ten-Year Price Guarantee on New Five-Year "Ultimate" Memberships**
- Best Bang for the Buck
- JMB SkyMed Bonus
- Answers to a Frequently Asked Question
- See Many Examples of People Who've Needed Emergency Medical Evacuations and Were Taken Home by SkyMed: www.getskymed.com**
- Detailed Features of SkyMed Memberships & Detailed FAQ
- Contact Jeff About SkyMed

About SkyMed:

What SkyMed Does: SkyMed *Takes You Home*® to doctors and hospitals you know and trust when you become critically ill or injured while traveling. *SkyMed is your free ticket home* aboard an ICU-equivalent emergency medical evacuation jet with an ICU-certified medical attendant on board to help make sure everything goes as it should.

How SkyMed Works: Like clockwork, you're taken from the hospital by ambulance to a waiting aircraft at SkyMed's expense; SkyMed makes all the arrangements and pays all costs for the medical evacuation jet and for the ambulance at the destination which takes you to a waiting team at your destination hospital, which already has your medical records and is ready to start helping you. There are no co-pays, no reimbursements, and no deductibles for SkyMed services, ever. SkyMed arranges everything and pays for all the services it provides.

Anything can happen — but you can trust SkyMed to take you home when you need it most.

What's It Cost? Without SkyMed, you'll need \$45,000 or more payable in cash in advance to pay for an emergency medical evacuation — if you can make the dozens of calls necessary to set it up in an emergency. SkyMed does all that for you, for a small membership fee; you simply make one phone call 24/7/365 to get things going.

Why Buy Now? We're offering SkyMed now at very special pricing *for JMB Website Supporters members only* — but if you're a nonmember and care to join SkyMed now through us, we'll enroll you in JMB Website Supporters at the same time (five-year SkyMed memberships only). This offer is available only by phone; email jeff.berger@skymed.com and give Jeff your phone number so he can call you. He'll be happy to answer your questions, tell you about the different types of programs available, and their respective costs. He'll also be happy to fill out your application for an annual or multiyear SkyMed membership by phone and at the same time you can set up a JMB Website Supporters membership (required to get the biggest multiyear SkyMed discounts). Americans, Canadians, and ExPats only.

See www.getskymed.com or email Jeff at jeff.berger@skymed.com (use the subject "SkyMed inquiry") to learn more and get your questions answered.

Types of SkyMed Memberships:

First, **short term memberships** are for brief trips in North America, the Caribbean, the Bahamas, Bermuda, and Mexico -- over 30 countries total. Short-term memberships are very inexpensive, about \$9 per day per person, maximum of about \$15 per day per family. *The disadvantage is that they only cover you for the short term you are traveling: when they expire, your protection disappears, and when you're ready to travel again, you must reapply for a new short-term membership. The process is quick, but **you still must be medically approved** and at some point, that may be impossible. Bear in mind that many people travel more than once or twice a year, even if it's only a few hundred miles from home. We recommend annual or multiyear SkyMed memberships instead of short-term memberships when you make multiple trips because the cost is about equal. More important, **annual and multiyear memberships are guaranteed renewable regardless of changes in your health or advancing age. You do not want your protection to end just when you may need it most.***

Second, both **annual and multiyear SkyMed memberships** are essentially permanent coverage. *Once you've been approved and as long as you continue to pay your membership fee on time, **your membership cannot be cancelled as a result of advancing age or declining health*** — two critically important advantages that ensure you have coverage when you may need it most.

Third, **Ultimate memberships** cover multiple years and provide protection worldwide. The only exceptions are places like Syria, Afghanistan, Somalia, North Korea — places you won't visit anyway. (Ask before going anywhere dangerous/unusual.) Ultimate memberships also offer the greatest breadth of coverage. You can see a complete list of all the features and benefits of these coverages [here](#).

Fourth, if you're an **American or Canadian ex-pat** living in St. Maarten / St. Martin or elsewhere outside your country for six months or more per year, you can still get SkyMed protection in the form of an **ex-pat** membership. Email us (see next paragraph) and we can tell you how it works and answer your questions.

In addition to everything else, Jeff Berger has been a SkyMed rep -- and now a SkyMed Ambassador -- for over 15 years. He'll be happy to answer questions; email him at Jeff.Berger@SkyMed.com. He generally returns messages within 24 hours, weekdays. To see [online frequently asked questions, go here](#). You can also see his SkyMed site at www.GetSkyMed.com.

JMB members get serious discounts on all multiyear SkyMed memberships. If you're not already a JMB member, join today and take advantage of those discounts.

New JMB memberships: Three years, \$89; Five years, \$109 Sale Prices Other durations available.
http://everythingxsm.com/sxm/about_sxm/paypal.shtml

Renewal JMB memberships: Five years, \$109. Other durations available.

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JMB Membership Reinstatements: Five years, \$109. Other durations available.

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

Ten-Year Price Guarantee on New Five-Year "Ultimate" Memberships

SkyMed is now offering a remarkable 10 year price guarantee on its best memberships, the SkyMed five-year Ultimate. SkyMed ultimate memberships cost only \$499 per year when you pay for their full five year duration at inception. When applying, if you indicate on the application that you want to renew automatically, that renewal will be charged at the same \$499/year rate (prepaid for five years at \$2495) that you had paid *for the full five year new membership at its inception.* All SkyMed annual and multiyear memberships are guaranteed renewable regardless of health or attained age: *this ten-year price guarantee is remarkable especially considering what you get: see the details [here](#).*

The best way to get your questions answered is to call Jeff directly on his SkyMed line, 508-747-8281. He can also take your application by phone and send it to SkyMed electronically. Most applications are processed within a few business days. Get it today, before you need it — make your next trip worry-free.

Best Bang for the Buck

SkyMed's biggest bang for the buck comes in its five year Ultimate memberships, which offer the broadest selection of benefits and features of any SkyMed membership as well as the lowest price per day of any membership — roughly \$1.30, or \$499 yearly total for your family when you pay for the five-year term at inception.

JMB SkyMed Bonus: Now, when you purchase a SkyMed five-year Ultimate through us either by phone or by visiting www.getskymed.com, notify us as soon as you receive SkyMed's letter of acceptance and we'll extend your current JMB membership by five full years on us. (JMB members only.) If you're not a JMB Website Supporters member, join now — the savings for our members on all Multiyear SkyMed memberships are very, very substantial.

Answers to a Frequently Asked Question:

What's the upper age limit to join SkyMed? There isn't any: apply today regardless of age.

What's the upper age limit to renew your existing SkyMed membership? *There isn't any.* Just pay your SkyMed renewal on time and your membership will continue regardless of your health or age at the time of your renewal. There is no membership cutoff for advancing age or declining health, unlike so-called competitive programs. *And the price of your renewal membership will not increase due to declining health or advancing age.* We know we repeat this... we do it for very good reason.

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

And you'll find **Frequently Asked Questions** here:

<http://www.everythingsxm.com/sxmweeklynews/2015SkyMedFAQ.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](#).

Contact Jeff About SkyMed:

He'll be happy to answer questions; email him at Jeff.Berger@SkyMed.com. He generally returns messages within 24 hours, weekdays. You can also phone him, about SkyMed only, at 508-747-8281 during normal business hours, Eastern time.

Get The Current Low Price
on SkyMed's Best 5-Year Ultimate Membership
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More benefits... same price.

Ask Jeff for details -- see preceding article.

36. ... Plus The SkyMed JMB Membership Bonus -- and More Info

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Join today at www.getskymed.com.

Email Jeff now: jeff.berger@skymed.com or Call 508-747-8281

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*When applying at www.getskymed.com, you must approve an automatic 5-year renewal. When you do, your renewal will be at the same price you paid when buying your five-year Ultimate through us. Applies to new SkyMed 5-year Ultimate memberships purchased through us only.

37. Restaurant of the Week, Past Restaurants Features Return In November

We had suspended these two very popular features shortly after Irma struck the island. Now that many restaurants have reopened and others are preparing to do so, we will be reintroducing both features early in November. They'll give you great insight into many of the island's best restaurants, both past and present.

38. Jeannie Gee Introduces Grocery Vouchers You Can Give...

Jeannie Gee, well known for her "Shop 'n Drop" Grocery delivery service for tourists, has come up with an ingenious program which enables you to get groceries to needy locals, many of whom lost everything in Irma. And no shipping is required.

Under the program, you can buy grocery vouchers for Le Grand Marché from your computer or smart phone. Once you've done that, those vouchers are delivered on the island directly to its neediest people who can use them to buy needed groceries at the store.

We endorse the program and have it listed in the files area of our [Everything St. Maarten Facebook Site](#).

You can also go directly to [Jeannie's new website](#) for more information on the vouchers and to order them online.

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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Want to rent or buy a week?

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SECTION 5: For Members Only

A. **Where to Get Member Info:** www.everythingsxm.com/secret

B. **Password Recovery Info:** Your username is the email address you have registered with JMB Website Supporters. If you forget your password, click "forgot / change password" in the orange login box near the masthead at www.everythingsxm.com. To change your password, click that same link.

C. **How To Submit Rental or Sale Ads or Update the Price in an Ad:** See www.everythingsxm.com/secret .Your username and password are required.

SECTION 6: Background Information for Travelers (For New Readers) Updated 7/2017

See www.everythingsxm.com.

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NON-members who wish to contact us should write to ***jmbweb@jmbcommunications.com*** with the subject *Free Newsletter Recipient,* but due to the huge volume of mail received, we may not respond individually.

Our main St. Maarten / St. Martin website: www.everythingsxm.com .

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