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

**SALE** 3/7/2020 4/4/2020 Week 10 11 12 13 The Villas at Simpson Bay Resort Sleep 6, Floor 4, close to Marina building. Master suite can be used as sleep 4 with junior suite as lock off unit. Stay in one unit and rent out the other! Beautiful view of Simpson Bay with restaurants, jewelry store, casino, and grocery available on the resort and

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

### **1. New, Different, and BIG Problem on Other Boeing 737s**

As if the problems it is currently facing with its 737 Max 8 aircraft weren't bad enough, now Boeing has an entirely new set of problems with other 737 models. An airplane part called a pickle fork, associated with the connection between an airliner's fuselage and its wing, is apparently suffering some unexpected and unexplained cracking in some aircraft. The part is supposed to last the life of the plane, but in some cases that isn't happening.

Cracks in airplane parts aren't a good thing. The FAA is aware of the problem and is working with Boeing to ascertain the extent to which it is prevalent in the worldwide fleet of affected 737 NG (next generation) aircraft.

Here is the [complete story](#).

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### **2. Boeing 737 Max May Not Be Flying Until Late Winter '20**

Although airlines continue to be optimistic about a 100% safe version of the Boeing 737 Max airliner returning to the skies sooner rather than later, it seems unlikely that — given the existing obstacle course -- the plane could return to flying much before the end of next winter. Boeing must anticipate all issues with the current system; make the airplane absolutely safe to fly; make it simple and clear-cut for pilots to prioritize cockpit alarms, which is currently not the case; and both anticipate and allow for mistakes to be made in the cockpit without them being costly. Both the FAA and Boeing have received well-deserved black eyes as a result of two 737s Max crashes that took 346 passenger lives before the planes were finally grounded last March.

Neither Boeing nor the FAA is going to make any moves until they are absolutely sure the airplane will be safe once it returns to the skies. The FAA has already said it wants "average" pilots from around the world to test the plane's proposed new software before they can or will sign off on its efficacy. Completing that pilots' analysis could take months *after* the FAA has fully examined, analyzed, and tested the software and other moving parts of this disaster.

Don't expect foreign regulatory authorities to rubber-stamp the American decision, either. They believed the FAA and Boeing before and have no reason now to be so accommodating again. If an airline tells you you will be able to safely board a 737 Max before the end of next winter, greet the comment suspiciously. We're convinced this problem still has many weeks ago before 737 Max airplanes are safe to fly again.

Then there is also the passenger confidence element. Would *you* want to be scheduled on the first 737 Max airplane to return to the skies? Would *you* be confident about your safety on such a flight, since the plane had been happily sold by Boeing, bought by your airline, and blessed by the FAA before 346 people died on the two 737 Max airplanes that crashed in separate accidents before the entire fleet was grounded? The public confidence problem here is enormous. One further mistake could affect Boeing for a long, long time.

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### **3. Lorenzo Heads North, Far From SXM**

Hurricane Lorenzo, which became a Cat. 5 hurricane Saturday night with sustained 160 mph winds, is heading north in the east central Atlantic toward the Azores, far from SXM.

Nonetheless, the size and power of this current Category 4 storm enables it to produce swells that will make it all the way back to St. Maarten, Northeast South America, and even the Bahamas, Bermuda, and the US East Coast, where it may create rip current conditions that can be dangerous.

We continue to publish all advisories, watches, and warnings for all Atlantic basin hurricanes in our Weather Center at [everythingxsm.com](http://everythingxsm.com). Check that site for the latest information.

As of Saturday evening when this story was written, Lorenzo was the only game in town regarding Atlantic hurricanes.

## 4. Hurricane Karen Fouls Up Great Bay Beach

Although hurricane Karen was a good distance away from SXM when it recently passed through the area, nonetheless the storm was strong enough to bring strong surf to the island.

On Great Bay beach, for example, lots of seaweed came ashore, carrying with it some oceangoing trash — not a surprising development given the number of storms that have been swirling through the tropics so far this year.

Once the surf subsided, the cleanup began, soon returning the beach to its gorgeous, pristine self.

Here's [more](#).

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## 5. Where to Download the NHC's Hurricane Tracking Chart

Blank hurricane tracking charts similar to those that have been used by the folks at the National Hurricane Center for many years are now available for download; download yours [here](#) (that's the NHC download site).

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## 6. NHC Watches, Warnings, Etc. Are Our SXM Site

Regardless of whether there are systems being watched, the National Hurricane Center (NHC) posts Tropical Outlooks and other routine posts multiple times per day. As long as the tropical Atlantic and Caribbean remain quiet, we will have few NHC posts on our site. But when the tropical Atlantic becomes active, we will be posting all significant bulletins both in the Weather Center of our main everythingSXM.com website and, later, on our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#).

Our Weather Center on everythingSXM.com this season will include all current hurricane informational bulletins, satellite images, radar, etc. Be aware that Crown Weather Services, our long-time partner private weather forecasting organization, will be posting its exclusive content in our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#) as necessary when any storms threaten SXM.

If you live or work anywhere where tropical systems could conceivably impact you or your business, we urge you to subscribe to Crown Weather Services predictions. We know a number of TV meteorologists and they invariably refer to Crown Weather's Rob Lightbown as the person to go to for accurate hurricane weather forecasting. Find out more at [crownweather.com](#).

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## 7. See Current SXM Weather / Tracking Serious Weather

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. There are now also active weather widgets on the site's home page.
- 3) Our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#), 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.
- 5) For a quick look at weather radar exactly where you are or where you're going, try the My Radar phone app or My Radar for Windows -- excellent programs.

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.*

#### **Download your own NHC Hurricane Chart:**

Years ago, before we were all saturated with weather information from cable TV to local (redundant and repetitive) news and forecasts plus weather updates and bulletins on our smart phones, gas stations and television stations offered printed hurricane tracking charts so people at home could try to figure out for themselves whether they were about to get slammed by the latest hurricane.

We haven't seen hurricane tracking chart handouts for years, but if you want one they are easy to get.

The exact charts used by the National Hurricane Center (NHC) are available for download from the NHC [here](#). Select "Atlantic" and you're good to go. You can print out the chart and use it repeatedly, or simply print a bunch of them and use one for each storm that may approach an area of interest -- like, SXM. Bear in mind that this hurricane season may well be frontloaded — so you might want to print a few of these now and *not* save doing that for later.

More stories are below.

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## **8. Guaranteed Big-Time Savings on Hotels, Cruises, & Car Rentals**

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**9. Big Winter Season Looks Highly Likely**

All indications we've seen say that the 2019/20 high season for SXM will be the busiest in years -- great news for SXM.

Although the island was quite busy last winter, hordes of tourists are talking about returning to the island for the first time since Irma this winter. Moreover, many others, having heard about St. Maarten during and after Irma, are now

hearing about the island's recovery which is being covered heavily in social media — and many of those newbies want to visit the island, too.

*If you have not yet made reservations for your fall 2019 or winter 2020 SXM trip, get going. See the following articles about places where you can rent timeshare condos, villas, other condos, villas, etc.*

*And if you are interested in acquiring a condo for yourself so you can live part time in SXM in the coming years — or use it as an income property — see the appropriate articles in this section for lots of guidance and information.*

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## 10. Hundreds of 2019, 2020 T/S Condo Rentals Available Online

If you're looking to rent an SXM timeshare condominium directly from its owners for your use during an upcoming 2019 or 2020 trip to SXM, go to our main SXM website at [everythingSXM.com](http://everythingSXM.com) and click on the timeshare rentals page. You'll find hundreds of ads and you'll be able to deal directly with the people who own the timeshares. If you have SXM friends who are also looking for accommodations, don't hesitate to mention our page to them, which also has links to additional sources of rentals plus villa rentals and more.

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## 11. Original SXM Relocation Seminar Now Available Online

Just before last Thanksgiving, working with Arun Jagtiani of Island Real Estate Team, we put together and conducted an SXM Relocation Seminar for dozens of attentive attendees at Emilio's Restaurant at the Emilio Wilson estate near Philipsburg.

Many of you have asked whether it would be possible for you to see video we made of our relocation seminar.

Although we do intend to put on future relocation seminars, the video of our November seminar is now available online to anyone interested in buying on SXM, whether for a vacation home, retirement home, income property, or anything else. Lots of outstanding info was communicated during this excellent seminar, and another is now in the early planning stages.

See the video [here](#).

Next week we expect to add a link here to Bright Path, a company that can help provide very deep and expeditious help in completing residency requirements for people buying a second home, income property, or a new business in SXM. They're located in the Puerta del Sol building opposite Avantika, Simpson Bay, Dutch side.

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## 12. Get That Condo on the Beach You've Been Dreaming Of

*Spacious New Townhouses on Simpson Bay Beach:*

If you've been thinking about moving to SXM but are turned off by large condo developments and have an urge to be on the beach in a place that is state-of-the-art strong, gorgeous, functional, and reasonably priced, we may just have found it for you on Simpson Bay beach, near its quiet northern end.

Drake Residences is built using quad-lock® insulating concrete forms construction which delivers rugged durability as well as great soundproofing.

There beachfront location consists of a four-story beachfront tower and five spacious townhouses, all offering beachfront access.

Construction is state-of-the-art using strong, steel reinforced concrete which is fire resistant, ultra-energy-efficient, with high wind resistance, impact resistance, seismic resistance, and flood resistance as well.

Drake Residences also offers true luxury, with modern design; an Italian kitchen; a waterfall island; floating staircases; all in a spacious, private, turnkey location. Preconstruction prices begin at just \$850,000; construction is about to begin. This is the last buildable lot on Simpson Bay beach and at these prices, you can expect Drake Residences to be sold out quickly.

If you'd like detailed information directly from the developer (whom you may well already know), email Jeff at

[jmbweb@jmbcommunications.com](mailto:jmbweb@jmbcommunications.com). Include your email and phone number with the subject **Drake Residences**. We'll put you in direct contact with the developer himself so he can tell you all the details. This is the most attractive, incredibly durable beachfront property we've seen in SXM in many years, and it is brand-new construction. Photos have been posted in our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#).

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## 13. Places to Stay: Many Available, Take Your Pick

With most timeshare resorts back online — Belair, Sea Palace, Divi, Atrium Resort, La Vista, Simpson Bay Resort, Port de Plaisance, and Oyster Bay Beach now open too -- timeshare owners continue to post units available for rent on our [timeshare rental site](#) on [everythingSXM.com](#) and on our new companion Villas for Rent page, also on [everythingsxm.com](#). Check them out.

Get your rental weeks now. Note: ads on those pages are from JMB Website Supporters members exclusively are very frequently updated.

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### SECTION 3: JMB Member Discounts & Benefits

## 14. JMB Member Discounts / Benefits -- Updated

We've recently updated the site to reflect ongoing changes on the island.

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

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### SECTION 4: Island News, Info, & Features

## 15. Sky Dinner Hoisted, but Will it Fly?

Chances are if you travel much, you have heard of many restaurants "in the sky" — Seattle's space needle, for example.

SXM isn't launching a space needle, but it is hoisting a place called Sky Dinner somewhere near 300 feet into the sky above the Port de Plaisance area at water's edge near Princess Casino.

We've written before about this and have never heard from the airport or the developer about whether this project was presented to the Airport and whether the Airport approved its existence. After all, small Winair aircraft sometimes approach the airport from over the lagoon, landing to the west. Would a restaurant perched roughly 300 feet above the ground be a wise thing? We haven't seen a definitive answer to that. We also don't know how high the crane is that hoists the restaurant — no doubt it is higher than the restaurant itself. The natural question is how much higher, and does that not create something even remotely resembling an obstacle course for small planes landing East to West over the lagoon?

People visit restaurants at various times. Is there a simple, easy, foolproof way for diners to get up to the restaurant if they arrive late? Where is the food cooked, and what is done to ensure that it stays hot? How will food be brought back if an order is wrong, and how long will it take to fix? Are there restrooms in the restaurant? How is plumbing handled? What happens if weather suddenly gets very windy or there's a power failure or sudden rainstorm or thunderstorm? Does the restaurant start swaying in the wind? What prevents people close to it on the ground from being hit by flying debris, from hot food to steak knives to dishes?

The developers should have a Frequently Asked Questions document for this project, but we haven't seen it — and this publication, along with our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#), appeal to a huge tourist audience which ought to have that information -- but does not.

When we posted a story about this in our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#), the idea was widely pooh-poohed. It strikes us that the safety issues involved with such a project are beyond daunting. Has the government properly vetted it?

Will it fly? Nobody knows.

We'll keep you posted.

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## 16. Fire at Claude Mini-Club, Marigot

Until a few years ago, Claude Mini Club in Marigot was a happening place — busy whenever it was open. But a few years ago it closed, and has been pretty much a derelict property since.

Last week, a fire was reported there. Here is [that story](#).

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## 17. EPIC Group Marks Hiking Trails

Epic, a conservation group, is now marking hiking trails on the island, a project certain to pique the interest of increasing number of tourists interested in hiking. Here are the [details](#).

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## 18. Emilio's, Sunshine Properties, Celine Charters Now Sponsors

The upscale Emilio's restaurant at the Emilio Wilson estate near Philipsburg, real estate company Sunshine Properties, and the seagoing Celine charters company, which operates the Enigma catamaran, have all joined our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#) as sponsors. Sponsors help underwrite the cost of everything we write about St. Maarten — *SXM Weekly News*, our everythingSXM.com website, and our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#), now serving an audience of nearly 24,000 tourists.

While enlightening tourists — primarily Americans and Canadians — about the products and services they offer, our Sponsors help gain business for themselves and increased tourism for SXM — two great goals that together help build the island economy and keep these vital lines of communication to tourists open, reliable, and readily available.

We thank them for helping keep the lights on for us and for the island.

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## 19. Dutch Side Politicians Argue About 11/25 Election

As we reported last week, the Dutch side government has fallen again — the ninth time in the last nine years since country St. Maarten was officially formed on 10/10/10.

The fall of the government was greeted with consternation by the people of the island and with shrugs by most tourists. A date for new elections was set — November 25, only a few weeks away.

Now, politicians are arguing about that -- apparently with good reason. Here are [details](#).

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## 20. Anguilla Ferries Resume Service

Frequent small ferry service from the ferry terminal in Marigot to the Blowing point ferry terminal in Anguilla has now resumed, after an unexpected break thanks to rough seas from the recent passage of hurricanes in the area.

More info on the ferry is [here](#). Fees require cash.

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## 21. Chinese Investing Heavily in SXM

Ever since their humongous Pearl of China condominium/hotel proposal several years ago essentially crashed and burned, the Chinese for some reason have continued to have great interest in investing in construction projects in SXM.

That interest continues; here are the [details](#).

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## 22. Jax Steakhouse, Maho, Reopens 10/1

This new restaurant opened last winter in Maho Plaza and was packed for weeks. It reopens with a new menu October 1 and should continue to serve to a large audience.

Chief honcho here is long-time seasoned SXM restaurateur Jay Time.

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## 23. Please Help Stop the Scourge of Brain Tumors...

*Jeff Berger writes:*

Our son Scott Berger has had two brain tumors. He's married with two kids and understandably his passion and ours is supporting the efforts of the National Brain Tumor Society (NBTS) in finding the cause of brain tumors, improving diagnostic tools, advancing treatment modalities, patient care, and more.

Scott in a few weeks will once again be active in the Brain Tumor Walk where he lives, in the Phoenix area. Please see more in [his post for the NBTS](#) and please help in any way you can. Every family affected by brain tumors will thank you - us especially! -*Jeff & Ilene*

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## 24. Your Invitation: SkyMed Member Appreciation Luncheon 1/3

Starting early in November, SkyMed members (read on even if you're not) will be receiving invitations by mail from SkyMed's headquarters in Scottsdale, Arizona, inviting them to come to our [SkyMed Member Appreciation Luncheon in Simpson Bay, St. Maarten, on January 3](#). The menu is fantastic, not at all surprising since SkyMed takes great care of its members. On hand will be Eleanor and Will Klein, Chairman/CEO and President of SkyMed respectively. Jeff Berger, long-time SkyMed Ambassador, will also be on hand.

**Save the date.** Not too long after formal invitations go out, we'll be inviting other St. Maarten / St. Martin visitors from the USA and Canada (as well as American and Canadian XPats) to join us as well. SkyMed is handling all arrangements. SkyMed TAKES YOU HOME® when you become critically ill or injured while traveling -- and not just to SXM. See [www.skymed.com/jmb](http://www.skymed.com/jmb) for more SkyMed info and call Jeff directly for answers to questions or to sign up by phone (that way we get credit). *Nothing else is SkyMed.*

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## 25. Want to See Back Issues of SXM Weekly News? Here's How

Our *SXM Weekly News* PDF archives enable you to download any issue of Weekly News published since Spring 2014, including our amazing *2018 April Fools' Day parody* and many Special Editions.

Check it out [here](#). It has now been thoroughly updated. Each week's newsletter is being added just hours after mailing of that issue to its subscribers completes.

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## 26. Green Palms SXM Euro Oval Going Away; Get it Now or Never

They're back - our famous SXM Euro-Ovals! You'll find pictures of the ovals in our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#).

Order three for \$15 or five for \$20. Pay through PAYPAL payable to [jeff@jmbcommunications.com](mailto:jeff@jmbcommunications.com). Include your US or CANADIAN address (none shipped elsewhere). Style may vary SLIGHTLY from the photo. Allow 6 weeks for delivery. Use them on your car window or on smooth, hard-sided luggage (makes ID easy in baggage claim). You can also send a check to us (US dollar checks drawn on US banks ONLY) to OVALS, c/o JMB Communications, P. O. Box 1812, Plymouth, MA 02362-1812. Checks do take extra time for processing.

## 27. Major SkyMed Promo Now Underway

A major promo continues on SkyMed memberships. Not only are all multiyear SkyMed memberships heavily discounted for JMB members, but *when you buy a new multiyear SkyMed membership through us or upgrade your annual SkyMed membership bought from us to a multiyear membership, we will extend your JMB membership on us for the number of years you buy SkyMed.*

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## 28. Restaurant of the Week:

Returns next week...

Here are recently featured SXM restaurants:

**Isola** next to Hollywood Casino in Simpson Bay Resort, 7/13/19. 100% redesigned, inside and out, floor to ceiling and everything inside. Just go.

**Pineapple Pete**, [www.pineapplepete.com](http://www.pineapplepete.com) (featured 7/8/19) Known for great lobster Thermidor and lots, lots more. Generous portions, reasonable prices. Huge variety. Games for kids.

**Wasabi Charlie Japanese Restaurant (formerly Sushiitto) (7/8/19)** is the new name of Sushiitto, now relocated next door to Pineapple Pete in Simpson bay. Essentially the same menu, same staff, same great food/service.

**Spiga**, [www.spiga-sxm.com](http://www.spiga-sxm.com) (featured 7/2/19) New bar, great staff, service, and phenomenal food. Everything is great, appetizers are out of this world. Not to be missed.

**Mario Bistro** [www.mariobistrot.com/en/](http://www.mariobistrot.com/en/) 6/24/19 Mario's Bistro is one of the most spectacular culinary experiences you'll ever have. Go. Phenomenal dining. On the plaza at Porto Cupecoy, Cupecoy Beach.

**Mama Pizza, Porto Cupecoy** (featured 6/17/19) Excellent pizza, and sizeable portions / reasonable prices on numerous other Italian specialties. On the plaza at Porto Cupecoy, Cupecoy Beach.

**Mandarin Pan Asian, Port de Plaisance** (featured 6/10/19) Excellent Pan-Asian dining including Japanese, Thai, and Chinese. Nice setting near the casino at Port de Plaisance.

**Vesna Taverna**, [www.vesnataverna.com](http://www.vesnataverna.com) (featured 4/29/19). Now open every day for through B/L; dinner is offered Tuesday through Sunday.

**Emilio's** at Emilio Wilson Estate (featured 4/21/19) is as stupendous as it ever was, with spectacular dining in an equally spectacular restored building on the Emilio Wilson Estate. Ask to see the wine cellar and the museum. Open for lunch and dinner: not to be missed.

**Freedom Fighters ITAL SHACK Rasta Restaurant**, [www.sxmfreedomfighters.com/restaurant](http://www.sxmfreedomfighters.com/restaurant) 4/15/19. Just go....

**Avantika Thai** [www.avantikasxm.com](http://www.avantikasxm.com) (featured 4/8/19) Avantika is wonderful; SXM's best Thai.

**IZI Ristorante Italiano**, [www.iziristoranteitaliano.com](http://www.iziristoranteitaliano.com) (featured 3/11/19). Open for lunch and dinner except Monday, when they're closed. Great food from one of SXM's very best restaurants. Fun atmosphere, too.

**Topper's** <http://www.sxmtoppers.com/> (featured 1/28/19) One of SXM's oldest and busiest restaurants, Breakfast, lunch, dinner, and late dining. Open morning until late night. Sports on TV. Karaoke some nights.

**Dany & John's Cupecoy Beach Bar** (on Cupecoy beach); follow the road toward Shore Pointe and turn near Shore Pointe to get there. (Featured 1/20/2019) Parking, drinks, chairs and umbrellas, lolo-type food, and an all-over tan. What could possibly be better?

**La Patrona, Simpson Bay Resort** (featured 12/30/18) La Patrona is SXM's only truly authentic Mexican restaurant. Highly recommended: great food, great service, not to be missed.

**SkipJack's SXM**, <http://www.skipjacks-sxm.com/> (featured 12/24/18) SkipJack's triumphantly reopened with an entirely new dining deck late in January, 2019. Great place - go!

**Enigma C3 luxury Catamaran**, [www.sailstmaarten.com](http://www.sailstmaarten.com) (featured 8/7/17). Neil's new boat is as big as Celine Too was and it has now entered service. Neil is known for amazing cooking on board his boats.

**Domino's Pizza** <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Dominos-Pizza-St-Maarten/95635717338> (featured 9/16) Open.

**The Hideaway**, <http://www.lavistaresort.com/restaurant.html> (featured 10/31/16) Open; contact the restaurant for details and reservations. Updated 3/2/18.

**Melange International Grill** (featured 2/20/17) Reopened.

**Papagayo**, <http://www.cluborient.com/papagayo.php> (featured 10/17/16) Club Orient was wrecked by Irma;

rebuilding is planned. ETA not yet known.

**St. Maarten Yacht Club, at the Dutch Side Drawbridge** Reopened.

**Jimbo's**, [www.jimboscafe.com](http://www.jimboscafe.com) (featured 6/12/17) Reopened.

**Taloula Mango** <http://www.taloulamango.com/> (featured 4/20/15) Reopened.

You will find hundreds more restaurants from both the Dutch Side and French Side listed in the Files area of our [Everything St. Maarten / St. Martin / SXM Facebook Group](#). Our thanks to our Admin there, Contessa Aiello, who edited the restaurant entries on that site.

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## 29. Ensure Best SkyMed Deal - Jeff Berger / SkyMed.com/jmb

Our new SkyMed website is [www.skymed.com/jmb](http://www.skymed.com/jmb), now live; please bookmark that and not any other site.

**When you're ready to sign up for SkyMed, be sure to call us and let us take your application by phone: that way we get credit.** It takes about 10 minutes, and we submit it electronically. We know what SkyMed is looking for and we can make sure you submit it efficiently; that way we do get credit for the purchase, which in a small way helps fund this newsletter and everything else we do for you.

SkyMed inquiries only can be received at 508-747-8281 during regular office hours, Eastern time. Thank you. Customer stories are below.

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## 30. Going Somewhere 1/1 or Later? Beat SkyMed's 90-day Exclusion on Pre-Existing Conditions by Buying Guaranteed Renewable Annual Protection Now, Only About \$1.35/day

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See next story for much more on SkyMed. Offer ends soon.

Again, our new SkyMed website is [www.skymed.com/jmb](http://www.skymed.com/jmb): please be sure you bookmark that and not any other site. Thank you.

Customer stories are below.

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## 31. \*\*\*\*\*SkyMed Customer Stories\*\*\*\*\* Protect Against Pricy Emergency Medical Evacuations by Getting SkyMed:



***Emergency medical evacuations are payable in cash in advance and often cost upwards of \$45,000 -- unless you have a SkyMed membership. SkyMed Takes You Home® to doctors and hospitals you know and trust, and where your health insurance actually works. It's available to Americans and Canadians and to X-Pats of both countries, taking them home from throughout the USA, Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, the Bahamas, and all the nations of the Caribbean including Cuba. Global coverage is available covering every country around the world except those on the U. S. State Department watch list. SkyMed makes all medical evacuation arrangements and pays for them directly...you just pay for your SkyMed membership.***

***Here are examples of SkyMed in action:***

***On a recent Thursday at Mullet Bay Beach***, a woman at the edge of the water fell and accidentally knocked down her friend, standing close by. The friend felt pain in her leg as she got up, went to a hospital, and was told she had a "soft tissue injury" and should relax in the sun. Pain continued. Next day she went to the Maho Clinic for another opinion since she couldn't put any weight on the leg without pain. The doctor there sent her to the French Side for a new x-ray. That diagnosis came back - broken leg and she had to be medically evacuated back to the US for surgery. A few days before, the woman had bought short-term SkyMed medevac protection for her short trip to SXM. Cost, under \$100. She was sent home by jet by SkyMed. The charge for the jet: \$0. Without SkyMed, had she needed a medevac jet, the \$26,000 (approx.) price of that jet home would have had to be paid in cash in advance; with SkyMed she was home and in the hospital of her choice the next day for \$0 out-of-pocket.

***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.

***An MD from Florida*** who always visits SXM was on a cruise vacation to the Greek Islands with his wife when he 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: huge.

***A 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 Cay 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 takes its members home, usually 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's just one of up to 18 benefits received by SkyMed members for not much more than \$1.30/day for annual or multiyear memberships.

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SkyMed Takes You Home® when you become critically ill or injured when traveling. There is no age limit to apply, and once you're enrolled you can renew without further medical checks regardless of your attained age or your health at the time of renewal. Without SkyMed, if you need an Emergency Medical Evacuation, you must pay for it in cash, in advance. No cash, no evacuation. And the cost without SkyMed can be astronomical. Why risk that?

By contrast, if you're a SkyMed member, you call SkyMed directly and they make all the arrangements for all the services they provide. SkyMed Takes You Home -- what else matters?

And there is *no age limit to apply*. Call us at 508-747-8281 and ask for Jeff; he'll answer your questions and can take your application by phone, usually in under 10 minutes.

It's available to Americans, Canadians, and X-Pats from both countries. Short-term and annual coverage includes the USA (all 50 states), Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, the Bahamas, and all the nations of the Caribbean including Cuba. Global coverage is available on annual memberships for a \$99 additional yearly fee, but global coverage is standard on multiyear SkyMed Ultimate memberships, which are both SkyMed's best and its least expensive medevac memberships.

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### 34. Please Patronize JMB Sponsors (Updated 9/28)

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**Sale and Pepe**

**LA PATRONA (Simpson Bay Resort)**

**MARIO'S BISTRO (Porto Cupecoy)**

**Pineapple Pete Restaurant**

**Wasabi Charlie Japanese Restaurant**

**Emilio's (NEW)**

**Taloula's Blue Bitch Bar (NEW)**

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If you're interested in making a villa reservation (doing it with close friends can be fun and more economical than you'd imagine), contact our top recommended Villa rental/sale partners at [Island Real Estate Team](#). Call the number that follows and ask to speak with the agent who handles villa rentals: 1 721 520 7284. Please let the agent know that you're interested in a rental and you were referred by Jeff Berger's *Everything SXM Facebook Group*. Hundreds of villas are now online.

[Jennifer's Vacation Villas](#) has also joined us as a villa rental partner. *Jennifer's Vacation Villas* is a licensed management, real estate and villa rental company specializing in the rental of private villas and condos on both French and Dutch St. Maarten. Its proprietor, Jennifer, is a New Yorker who has been residing in St. Maarten for 40 years and whose goal is to provide guests with personal attention and to ensure that their vacations are memorable. Jennifer's Vacation Villas also does Weddings, Private Events, and any additional services including massages, boat trips, and private catering. Their aim is to make your vacation stay as comfortable, accommodating, and easy going as possible. Call 1 (721) 544-3107 | +1 (631) 546-7345. When you contact them, please tell them you were referred by Jeff Berger's *Everything SXM Facebook Group*.

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**35. SXM Business Owners: How To Increase Foot & Web Traffic**

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- 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](http://www.everythingsxm.com). To change your password, click that same link.
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