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RENTAL 3/13/2022 3/20/2022 Week 11 Flamingo Beach Resort Oceanview studio. The Flamingo Resort has been recently totally redone and fully renovated. Two new hot tubs have been added, evening fire pit, new barbecues and onsite free to use laundry. Walking distance to casino, restaurants, stores and nitelife. Resort collects 50 dollar timeshare tax for week. 1500 Tom 1718-637-7350 tomisme@msn.com

See them all at http://everythingxsm.com/sxm/timeshare_rent_sale/index.shtml

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GETTING HERE:

1. BULLETIN - BREAKING NEWS: SXM To Start Approving Fully Vaccinated US Tourists for Entry Without Tests Effective 11/1 - But Not All the Details Have Been Announced

In the best news to reach St. Maarten tourists since before the Covid Pandemic began, SXM has announced that effective November 1, fully vaccinated tourists will be able to visit the country without having to take any diagnostic Covid-19 test as a prerequisite to visiting the country.

Although there are still details to be announced, here is the full text of the Dutch side announcement:

PHILIPSBURG— The Minister of Public Health, Social Development and Labor, Omar Ottley announced during press briefing that as of November 1st 2021, fully vaccinated persons will no longer require a COVID-19 test to enter St. Maarten.

This will only be applicable for travelers that are fully vaccinated with the approved vaccines of the RIVM and the WHO organization. The Minister went on to state that this is something that the ministry has been monitoring for some time, and with proven research has decided to proceed in this direction.

Background... Research has shown that the viral load of a fully vaccinated person, who is infected with COVID-19, lowers much faster than a person that is unvaccinated. This means that while there are a few break through cases of fully vaccinated persons, the chances of these persons spreading the virus or becoming severely ill is tremendously low. <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/science/science-briefs/fully-vaccinated-people.html>

The Minister stated that the vaccine allows your body to fight the virus once the infection moves from the nasal cavity and into the bloodstream. Severe illness is avoided by being vaccinated, as your body will be better prepared to fight the virus.

On St. Maarten, there is a recorded 1.6% death rate, in which 0.04% were fully vaccinated. A similar percentage is recorded for the number of fully vaccinated hospitalizations. "This shows that the vaccine is highly effective and we can move towards allowing fully vaccinated persons to enter without requiring a test" said Ottley.

Minister Ottley announced that his short term plan is to also develop the COVID-19 recovery Digital COVID-19 Certificate (DCC), which allows persons to register their past infections and show proof of natural immunity.

Please note that the requirements for unvaccinated persons remain the same, for further details visit the Government website.

Please see List of WHO approved vaccines below:

Moderna
Pfizer/BioNTech. (FDA Approved)
Janssen (Johnson & Johnson)
Oxford/AstraZeneca.
Sinopharm (Beijing) BBIBP
Sinovac. CoronaVac.

From The Editor: We have already updated our [Guide to Entry Requirements](#) located in the files area of our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#). Among the questions to be answered: Can people submit pre-approval applications up to 48 or 72 hours, or earlier, before 11/1 for trips on or after 11/1 without testing? Or are no such submissions accepted the new way until 11/1? Also... What type of proof will EHAS accept? What changes will be coming for fully vaccinated people in the EHAS preapproval process (which we fully expect to remain in place)? *As soon as we have the answers to these questions we will fully update our entire Guide to reflect all the new changes and explain how they will work. We will also post those changes in our Everything SXM Facebook Group AND in the next issue of SXM Weekly News.*

We urge all readers to keep a close eye on our Facebook Group so you have the latest information before traveling..

1a. Minor Quake Rattles SXM Saturday Evening

A minor earthquake measuring 4.6 on the open-ended Richter scale struck about 25 miles from Antigua Saturday evening just after 6:45 PM. The tremor affected the British Virgin Islands, Dominica, Saint Martin, Sint Maarten, Guadeloupe, Montserrat, Puerto Rico, Saint Kitts and Nevis, the U.S. Virgin Islands, the Caribbean Netherlands, Saint Barthélemy, Antigua and Barbuda, and Anguilla.

Although Antigua and SXM aren't far from each other, there were no reports of any damage or injury in SXM and many

people didn't know there had been a tremor.

2. What Are The French Side's Entry Requirements? What's The "Sanitary Pass"?

What you'll find behind this link are the most recently updated [French Side Entry Requirements](#).

Here is news about the French side "Sanitary Pass" (and similar Dutch side requirements).

First... Dutch side.

Bring official documentation proving that you are fully vaccinated. The Dutch side effective 11/1 (or hopefully earlier) having approved your official documentation will issue you a QR code you can use as a "Vaccination Passport" on the Dutch side to enter bars, restaurants, and other places without hassle since you are fully vaccinated.

Second... French side. (Translated by computer from French to English so it's a bit verbose; Lara Russo of Spiga informally and unofficially summarizes it at the end.)

[COVID-19 / EVOLUTION OF MEASURES TO COMBAT COVID 19 IN SAINT-MARTIN] - Modification of the closing hours of establishments open to the public

Faced with the improvement in the health situation (32 new cases during the week of October 11 to 17), the Prefect of Saint-Barthélemy and Saint-Martin decided to change the closing hours of establishments open to the public at 1 am.

Details on the scope of the health pass:

All bars and restaurants, as well as hotels, which accommodate more than 30 people, are subject from Friday 22 October to the introduction of the health pass ("sanitary pass" -Ed.). All sporting, cultural, fun and festive events that welcome more than 30 people must also apply and be declared beforehand to the Prefecture services. In return, all reception restrictions linked to the health situation are lifted, in particular the wearing of a mask in these places is left to the discretion of the manager.

Those wishing to access the previously mentioned establishments will now have to present their full vaccination certificate, the result of a PCR or antigen test of less than 72 hours or a certificate of recovery from the Covid. The operators are responsible for organizing the controls relating to the health pass.

All employees, volunteers, service providers, temporary workers and subcontractors who work in bars, restaurants and hotels, as well as during public events, are subject to presentation of the health pass, except when their activity takes place:

- in areas not accessible to the public;
- outside opening hours to the public.

Staff who make deliveries are not subject to the health pass obligation, as are those who carry out emergency interventions. However, providers who intervene on a recurring, planned and prolonged basis are concerned [sic! -Ed.] by the application of the health pass.

Kitchen staff are not subject to the sanitary pass as long as the kitchen area is not open to the public and the kitchen staff does not intervene during opening hours in areas open to the public. However, as soon as these conditions are not met, the kitchen staff must have a valid health pass like any restaurant employee working with the public.

A one-week transition period is granted to all establishments to allow the gradual implementation of the health pass. In order to ensure consistency across the island, an update will be made on October 29 in relation to the arrangements to be announced by the authorities of Sint-Maarten [Dutch side - Ed.].

The services of the Prefecture, as well as the representatives of socio-professionals, are available to operators for any questions about the application of the pass.

From Lara Russo (co-owner, Spiga, Grand Case):

What tourists need to know is: bring proof of full vaccination. Paper format is OKAY. Or bring a test 72 hrs PCR or antigen or a Covid recovery letter less than 6 months old.

Sanitary pass applies to those 18+.

From SXM Weekly News: Updates will be published both in our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#) as they are announced and in the next regular edition of *SXM Weekly News*.

3. US Updates Return-to-US Requirements Effective Nov. 8

If you are a US citizen returning to the US following a visit from SXM, there are no significant changes in current regulations applicable to you. You still must take a Covid test meeting US requirements within three days before your date of travel. This information is detailed in our [Guide to Entry Requirements](#) and to returning to US requirements document which is in the files area of our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#).

We do expect that **fully vaccinated** American citizens returning from overseas to the US may soon be able to return to the US without having to take any diagnostic Covid test — but that is not now the case.

Again, current requirements are detailed in the Guide to Entry Requirements and Returning to US Requirements document in the files area of our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#).

Here is [more on the November 8 updates](#).

4. On the Current Status of Passport Processing Operations

Here is the latest information we have on the [current status of US State Department passport processing operations](#).

5. The Quality of FAA's Oversight of AA Aircraft Maintenance Is Brought Into Question

The Inspector General in the US Department of Transportation has released a report which is critical of the quality of the FAA's oversight of maintenance procedures at American Airlines, one of the more dominant carriers serving SXM from the US.

According to [an article in the Washington Post](#), there have been times when the FAA has closed cases before American Airlines had completed fixes required by the Federal Aviation Administration.

[This link](#) takes you to the entire report.

6. Our "Guide To Entry Requirements" Is Updated; Another Update is Expected Close to 11/1

Our [Guide to Entry Requirements](#), located in the files area of our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#), has been updated to reflect the latest changes that are effective November 1. See the story about those changes at the top of this section.

Once outstanding questions have been answered by the Dutch side government, we will further update our Guide to Entry Requirements to reflect all of the new information available at that time.

For the latest updates on Entry Requirements, please see posts in our Everything SXM Facebook Group which highlight all Guide updates.

7. Why We Moved Our "Guide to Entry Requirements" Onto our SXM Facebook Site

Once something is published in *SXM Weekly News*, the next step for it is to be put into our archives. People were also printing our Guide to Entry Requirements and saving them for later use — a bad idea since Entry Requirements can change literally at a moments notice.

When Entry Requirements change, we update the information in our Guide. We then communicate the fact that a change has occurred on the main discussion page of our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#). *People who are going through the process of applying for preapproval to visit SXM are best advised to refer to our Guide to Entry*

Requirements in the Files area of our Facebook group when they are going through the process. Since Entry Requirements can change, it is never a wise idea to refer to something you printed or saved on your own computer or among your own valuable papers. That information could be wrong at the time you refer to it.

That is why we moved the information from SXM Weekly News to the Files area of our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#).

As we repeatedly say in that group: *For ACCURATE answers to all Entry Requirements / returning to US requirements questions, see our complete GUIDE TO ENTRY REQTS in the FILES area of our FB SXM site. FILES are here: facebook.com/groups/mysxm/files. Use the SEARCH window for "Entry". The Guide has JUST been updated.*

8. Keep Reconfirming Your Flights on Your Airline's Portal...

US airlines continue to work to staff up to meet the flight crew needs of the increasing numbers of flights they have scheduled for this fall and winter. They are also continuing to return some mothballed aircraft to service. Both of these processes are complex, and in the middle of all this the airlines are seeing inconsistent and sometimes opposing steering currents in the marketplace. The desire to travel is high, and among fully vaccinated people that desire wins out. But people simultaneously are concerned about the Delta variant and other variants that may play a role in travel decision-making.

Consequently, it is wise to keep rechecking your flights on your airline's portal to be sure there have been no changes in flight times or days. If you have connections, those can be impacted by flight changes. We suggest you do this every week to be sure the itinerary you think you have is your actual final itinerary.

WEATHER:

9. Tropical Development Possible in Central to Western Caribbean Around Nov. 1; Where to See Details

According to the latest reports from Crown Weather chief meteorologist Rob Lightbown, there are multiple indications pointing to the likelihood of tropical development in the central to Western Caribbean on or just after November 1. As of this past Saturday, Mr. Lightbown was rating the chances of such development at 30 to 40%.

SXM is not in the area where this storm system is expected to develop; SXM is in the northeastern Caribbean.

If this system develops, it is too early to tell where its track may take it. Please see other posts in this section so you know where to look to find additional information on this possible tropical system as well as any watches, warnings, and advisories that may be posted about it should it develop.

If something develops, we will post the latest information about it as quickly as we can in our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#) as well as in the weather center of our main site, www.everythingsxm.com.

10. See Our Online Weather / Hurricane Center for the Latest Tropical Forecasts / Developments

Our newly updated **weather/hurricane center** at www.everythingsxm.com delivers current forecasts for up to six storms simultaneously, and it provides all the latest watches and warnings for all storms as well as satellite images, radar images, and radar loops.

Whenever anything happens that may directly impact SXM, you'll see it covered in near real time in our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#). If the island is threatened at any time by any major tropical weather systems, we will also send a bulletin to all of our **JMB Website Supporters Island Discount Program** members advising them of that situation.

We also highly recommend that if you live on the US East or Gulf Coast or in the Canadian Maritimes or in SXM, you seriously consider subscribing to Rob Lightbown's remarkably inexpensive custom weather forecasting service which gives you a heads up on what's happening in the tropics as it affects you personally, your business, your home, and your travels. Although our site (our weather center) tells you a lot, we are journalists and not meteorologists — Rob is a seasoned meteorologist and his direct reports will be highly useful to you for planning how to react when a storm is approaching your area.

We also strongly recommend you always listen to local authorities for any dangerous weather systems that may be

approaching your area. Rob's site is www.crownweather.com and it discusses tropical storms, hurricanes, tornadoes, and much more — the best site we know of for key weather information when you really need it.

11. Hurricane Supplies Checklist

If you live or work in any area that is ever faced with any disaster — hurricanes, floods, wildfires, blizzards, etc. — you need to be prepared. The following list was prepared by Florida disaster officials and it is very comprehensive, including many things you may not have thought of. Not everything it lists may be appropriate for everyone, but much that is listed here is very important for most people.

[This document](#) is a downloadable Adobe Acrobat PDF; just click the link and you will have the downloaded Hurricane Supplies Checklist, which you should save and also print out for immediate reference and use.

12. Reminder: About Our New Daily Tropical Outlooks

Effective several weeks ago, we started posting daily Tropical Outlooks in our [Jeff Berger's Everything SXM Facebook group](#) at some point during each day. If some tropical activity is underway, our posts will generally be happening in the evening or frequently through the day. But if nothing is going on, our Tropical Outlooks from the National Hurricane Center may be posted at any time during the day.

We are also making sure that significant information is posted every day in the weather center of our main website, everythingSXM.com, as we've noted in this issue. It's hurricane season.

13. Where to Find Current SXM Weather Info

You'll find detailed observations and forecasts by visiting our main SXM website, www.everythingsxm.com.

Here are four more sources of current weather info:

- 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.*

14. Where to Download an Official NHC Hurricane Chart

You can get it right here: [click to download](#).

Or read this:

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 now 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. You might want to print a few of these now and *not* save

doing that for later.

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***Now You Can Unsubscribe Your Old Email
and Sign Up Your New One
for your SXM Weekly News subscription
Quickly and Easily
at our Site: www.sxmweeklynews.com***

COVID-19: General Information

15. Important Covid Information Has Moved...

We have moved our complete coverage of Covid, including Entry Requirements, to the Files area of our Everything SXM Facebook Group. Click [here](#) to access that info, then use the search window to find "Entry" and you'll see the correct file.

COVID-19: Guide to Entry Requirements - Please Read and Retain - REVISED 10/2021

IMPORTANT NOTICE CONCERNING THE GUIDE TO ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

16. Our Continually Revised Guide to SXM Entry Requirements Has Moved

We now publish our complete Guide to Entry Requirements only in the files area of our everything SXM Facebook group. Because the Pandemic is starting to cool down in the US, there is no need for it to appear in both places. There, online, we have the ability to make changes in seconds, a key asset regarding Pandemic news and entry requirements changes. That's why we have done this. We urge you to go to the files area now at facebook.com/groups/mySXM/files, then use the search window to search for Entry and the entire guide to entry requirements will be on your computer or other device. We won't stop publishing news about Covid and its impacts on SXM tourism, but we have now stopped publishing the guide here every week. Please make a note of this so you will be able to access the guide anytime you want online. ***Latest revision occurred quite recently.***

Going Home to the US: (NEW SECTION)

17. Our Info on US-Required Covid Testing Before You Go Home Has Moved

We now publish our Info on US-Required Covid Testing only in the files area of our Everything SXM Facebook group. Because the Pandemic is starting to cool down in the US, there is no need for it to appear in both places. There, online, we have the ability to make changes in seconds, a key asset regarding Pandemic news and entry requirements changes. That's why we have done this. We urge you to go to the files area now at facebook.com/groups/mySXM/files, then use the search window to search for Entry and the entire guide to entry requirements will be on your computer or other device. We won't stop publishing news about Covid and its impacts on SXM tourism, but we have now stopped publishing the guide here every week. Please make a note of this so you will be able to access the guide anytime you want online.

18. Will US Requirements for Covid Testing Before Returning Home be Changing?

The United States is starting to back off on Entry Requirements for foreign nationals, enabling fully vaccinated individuals to enter the country more easily.

So far, the United States has made no changes affecting the ability of Americans returning from foreign travel to get home without having to take a Covid test within three days of their return flight. Since the US is facilitating the ability of fully vaccinated foreign nationals to come to the US more easily, it stands to reason that it should also make it easier for fully vaccinated Americans returning from foreign travel to get back into the country more easily — such as without the need for a Covid test. That has not yet happened, but when it does, we will report the information both here in *SXM Weekly News*, in our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#), and in our Guide to Entry Requirements in the files area of our Facebook group.

Etc.

19. SkyMed TRAVEL Guarantees Big-Time Savings on Hotels, Cruises, Car Rentals

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.

SkyMed Travel offers exceptional pricing on everything and almost invariably beats everyone else's pricing. We have found their pricing excellent across the board and their 15% 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 there to get the absolute greatest possible discounts.*

You won't be disappointed.

Not a SkyMed member? Learn more about it at www.skymed.com/jmb, then call us with questions or to sign up. Call 508-747-8281 any weekday. Thanks..

SECTION 2: Accommodations: Hotels, Resorts, Timeshares, Villas Etc

20. Just Updated: Hundreds of Timeshare Condos Available for Rental / Sale Directly from Timeshare Owners

If you're planning to visit SXM, chances are you're looking for a place to stay. One attractive option is renting a timeshare condo directly from its owner through our main site, www.everythingsxm.com. There, you can rent without any middleman markup since you deal directly with the timeshare owner. A variety of timeshare condos is available, including studios, one-bedroom units, plus two and three bedroom units.

If you need something larger or would prefer a villa, please see the story in this edition of *SXM Weekly News* listing our Sponsors. There, you will find the best SXM realtors — the people best qualified to find exactly the type of villa that would serve your needs perfectly. As you know, there are web clearinghouses that purport to represent villas. We highly recommend, however, that you deal with a local Realtor or a villa owner who is a Sponsor of our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#) — that way you get confirmed high-quality accommodations — not a shot in the dark which may or may not work as can be the case on web clearinghouses..

Plenty of units are available of all sizes in the timeshare rentals/sales page of our www.everythingsxm.com main SXM website.

21. SXM Timeshare Owners Deserve Prompt Action Enacting Real Consumer Protection

Timeshare owners, who are the largest contributors to SXM's tourist economy, have a right to evidence of respect from the Dutch side government — and that evidence is the swift enactment of genuine timeshare owner consumer protection legislation that would prevent future debacles from happening to timeshare owners such as the ones that have happened to Caravanserai timeshare owners, Towers at Mullet Bay timeshare owners, Ocean Club timeshare owners, and others. *Reassurance that the government of the Dutch side values timeshare owners and wants to protect them is essential for the future of the island's tourism economy -- and that reassurance must happen now, for the long-term well-being of both timeshare owners and the island's fragile, one-pillar economy.*

22. Full-Ownership Condo Sales Continue Through the Roof - Who to Contact

See the Realtors in our Sponsors list below; they are the most qualified to help you learn more about and acquire a condo on SXM that meets your specific needs. Also see the story immediately below about BrightPath #Caribbean, a company that can help enormously with required paperwork. They know what they're doing.

23. Buying a Condo in SXM: Important Procedural Help

A while ago, 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 '18 seminar is 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](#).

Please check this link to [BrightPath SXM](#), 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, or relocating there. They're located in the Puerta del Sol building opposite Avantika, Simpson Bay, Dutch side. Ask for Vivian Chamas and let her know you heard about BrightPath through Jeff Berger's *SXM Weekly News*.

24. How To Rent Out Or Sell Your Timeshare Units

If you own timeshare weeks that you would like to rent out or sell on our main everythingSXM.com website, you can do it once you become a member of our JMB Website Supporters island discount program. For all the details, go to our main site, everythingSXM.com and click on timeshare rentals in the navigation bar. You'll find the details about posting there. For information about joining JMB Website Supporters, click the page curl on all pages of everythingSXM.com. As a member, you will have access to a growing pallet of about 300 discounts and other benefits including the ability to post up to 10 ads per year in our rental pages at everythingsxm.com.

The ability to post timeshare rentals on our site is limited to JMB Website Supporters members only, and is not available to any others at any price.

SECTION 3: JMB Member Discounts & Benefits

25. NEWS About JMB Member Discounts / Benefits Updates

Once Covid is gone and the fallout from it has cleared, we will resume working to further increase the already huge number of restaurants, jewelry stores, hotels, and other businesses offering discounts or other incentives to members of our **JMB Website Supporters SXM Island Discount Program**. As these additions are made, they will be reported in

SXM Weekly News and will also be noted in our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#).

JMB Website Supporters currently offers roughly 300 discounts and other benefits to its thousands of members.

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

SECTION 4: Island News, Info, & Features

26. Beat the SkyMed Price Increase Because... SKYMED NEVER DOES SALES -- EXCEPT RIGHT NOW:

Up to 21 Free Weeks added to new, renewal, and upgrade SkyMed purchases!

WHAT IS SKYMED?

SkyMed is a medical evacuation membership company. "SkyMed Takes You Home" when you become seriously or critically ill or injured when traveling anywhere throughout the USA, Canada, all the nations of the Caribbean, Mexico, Bermuda, and the Bahamas. Global protection is also available. SkyMed members pay nothing for SkyMed-arranged medical evacuation flights that would cost non-SkyMed members \$35,000 and up – payable in cash, in advance. Why risk that? Of course, you must get your SkyMed membership before you need it – just like fire insurance.

LOW GROUP PRICING:

All of the SkyMed memberships we sell go to either members of our JMB Website Supporters Island Discount Program, to members of our online SXM groups, or to readers of SXM Weekly News. The prices we charge for all multiyear Ultimate memberships are substantially less than the retail prices you will see online from SkyMed's website. Call or email us (contact info below) for details on all of our major-league savings on SkyMed Ultimate multi-year membership prices.

LIFETIME PRICE GUARANTEE:

All existing SkyMed memberships and new SkyMed membership purchases of one-year or longer are now price-guaranteed for life. The price of your membership will not increase if you buy during this 2021 sale or if you already are a SkyMed owner of any annual or longer membership: this applies as long as your renewals are paid on time.

FREE BONUS WEEKS (UP TO 21 WEEKS) FOR PURCHASES OF SKYMED'S MOST POPULAR MEMBERSHIPS:

- Buy a new 5-year Ultimate SkyMed membership OR UPGRADE TO ONE and get an added 21 weeks of medevac protection at no added cost. More on SkyMed memberships is on our site, www.skymed.com/jmb or call us at 508-747-8281 for answers to any questions. Guaranteed renewable *as long as your renewals are paid on time*. Does not apply to monthly-payment 5-year Ultimates.
- Buy a new 3-year Ultimate SkyMed membership OR UPGRADE TO ONE and get an added 12 weeks of medevac protection at no added cost. More on SkyMed memberships is on our site, www.skymed.com/jmb or call us at 508-747-8281 for answers to any questions. Guaranteed renewable *as long as your renewals are paid on time*.
- Buy a new annual (one-year guaranteed renewable *as long as your renewals are paid on time*) SkyMed membership and get an added 21 free days of medevac protection at no added cost.

REWARDS FOR REFERRALS FROM SKYMED MEMBERS FOR NEW MEMBERSHIPS:

- 21 Free Weeks added to your SkyMed membership when you refer someone who buys a 5-year Ultimate.
- 12 Free Weeks added to your SkyMed membership when you refer someone who buys a 3-year Ultimate.
- 21 Free Days added to your SkyMed membership when you refer someone who buys an annual SkyMed membership.

- **HOW TO CONTACT US: Phone us during normal business hours EDT at 508-747-8281 for answers to questions or to sign up. When you call us directly, we get credit for the sale. You can also email us directly through SkyMed at jeff.berger@skymed.com.**

My SkyMed website: <http://www.skymed.com/jmb>. But please call me directly with questions or to sign up.

Feel free to contact me via Facebook Messenger as well or now WhatsApp, 721-588-4188 (through WhatsApp ONLY)..

--Jeff Berger

27. Join Our JMB Website Supporters Island Discount Program Today: *It Funds SXM Weekly News!*

This brief email was sent recently to all recipients of *SXM Weekly News*:

This time of year is our toughest season, when we work long hours making sure we have the latest news – including the latest about tropical cyclones near SXM -- gathered, written, and posted in our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#) and written in detail for each edition of *SXM Weekly News*, along with many other breaking news stories affecting our readers and all SXM tourists.

The cost of producing and distributing SXM Weekly News is paid for through memberships in our JMB Website Supporters Island Discount Program which offers about 300 SXM discounts and other benefits. If you're not a member, we need your help today and we humbly ask you to please become a member today.

Our costs to produce and distribute *SXM Weekly News* are substantial and if you're not already a member of JMB Website Supporters, PLEASE join today to help us continue working for you.

How You Can Help:

To sign up, please visit our main site, everythingxsm.com, and click the page curl at the top of the home page. That takes you to where you can join, helping us continue to produce *SXM Weekly News* ... continue to organize and deliver our complete Weather Center / Hurricane Center on our main site, everythingxsm.com ... and continue to expand our JMB Website Supporters benefits significantly this Fall in efforts already underway.

Please don't put it off... we do need your help and ask you to join (or renew, if you're already a JMB member) today. Thank you...we've been writing *SXM Weekly News* since 1992 and with your help now, we can keep it going. Please allow several days for processing your new membership or renewal / reinstatement.

.....Here's More Island News.....

28. Decline in Covid Numbers on Both Sides of SXM Continues

In many locations around the world, the numbers of people suffering from Covid has been dropping like a rock. Millions of people have realized that the epidemic over the last few months is an epidemic of the unvaccinated -- and seeing friends, family, and others get seriously or critically ill from Covid, or having unvaccinated friends pass away while vaccinated people are generally fine seems to have been a major-league wake-up call for millions of people who had been anti-vaccination. Also: none of the vaccines contains any Covid virus -- dead or alive.

On both sides of SXM, the numbers of people fighting Covid is now in the 40s, where earlier this year hundreds of active cases were counted on each side of the island. The evidence for vaccine effectiveness has been simultaneously startling and chilling. From the perspective of tourists, it has been greatly reassuring since they now know *they can come to SXM and expect to encounter people who are observing proper Covid protocols to keep everyone safe.*

If you have been holding back on returning to SXM, it's time to plan to come back soon. The latest relaxation in Entry Requirements, effective Nov. 1 and detailed in this *SXM Weekly News*, now makes entry even easier.

For ACCURATE answers to all Entry Requirements / returning to US requirements questions, read our complete GUIDE TO ENTRY REQTS in the FILES area of our FB SXM site. FILES are here: facebook.com/groups/mysxm/files. On devices other than phones, use the SEARCH window for "Entry" -- or go directly to the Entry file through this link: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/mysxm/permalink/10157742672701367> . The Guide was updated in the last few days.

29. Both Dutch and French Sides Further Liberalize Restaurant /

Bar Operating Hours as Curfews All But Disappear

The continuing improvements in Covid numbers have led both sides of the island to further liberalize the ability of bars and restaurants to maintain longer opening hours.

In fact, the latest liberalizations mean that curfews have almost disappeared. They aren't gone entirely, but if you usually finish dinner before midnight, you will now have no problem having an hours-long relaxing and memorable dinner at any of hundreds of restaurants across the island — exactly as you have been hoping. You will need a Vaccine Passport or French side sanitary document, both fully described in other stories in this *SXM Weekly News*.

For the latest information on business opening hours — and for more information about vaccine passports for use on both sides of the island, join our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#) and ask the question there if you don't see the info you need in this issue of SXM Weekly News. Our more than 30,000 members and two dozen moderators and administrators know what's going on and will be happy to help you.

30. "Vaccination Passports": Starting in November, Fully Vaccinated Visitors Will Get Them Free

Vaccination passports are devices that recognize that the individuals holding them are fully vaccinated and are therefore entitled to access facilities from which unvaccinated people are barred.

Nonetheless, there is currently no uniformity in what format is widely acceptable or who is entitled to issue the vaccination passports. That's why many people still carry copies of their vaccination records — to prove that they are fully vaccinated.

The Dutch side will solve this problem for tourists starting next month. Starting soon on the Dutch side, when tourists are admitted to the country at SXM airport, they will be given a QR code which includes all the required information about their vaccination status and which should enable them to go to restaurants, bars, and elsewhere. We know this is coming but we don't know exactly when and what exact places of business will be accepting it — as of the moment, this is more great news from the Dutch side government, as is the sanitary pass being used on the French side of the island. As soon as the details are nailed down and formally announced, we will be publishing them both in our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#), as well as here in *SXM Weekly News*. They will not be posted in our Guide to entry Requirements since they aren't entry Requirements....

31. Restaurants Reopening for The Season; Mario's Bistro, Spiga Are Back; Vesna Taverna Reopens Soon

Like popcorn kernels when the popper gets hot, SXM restaurants are now popping open for the season across SXM.

Many do soft openings as they integrate new personnel and equipment and get everyone accustomed to changes in menus and procedures.

Mario's Bistro at the Cliff in Cupecoy opened more than two weeks ago and has been quite busy -- without publicizing things. Long one of SXM's top restaurants, they had relocated to the Cliff from Porto Cupecoy a while back — into an extraordinary new location on the ocean for one of the very best restaurants you'll ever have the good fortune to visit.

In the same qualitative category as Mario's Bistro, **Spiga** has been a standout in **Grand Case** (we think it's the best restaurant of any kind in Grand Case) for almost 20 years. Lara and Ciro do great things here in a location that continues evolving and getting even better year after year.

After spending time unwinding in the mountains of her native Macedonia — during which they recently encountered some snow — Vesna and Yannick of **Vesna Taverna** are making plans to reopen the restaurant for dinner in the near term; it had never closed for breakfast and lunch.

For a complete listing of restaurant reopenings, please see the Files section of our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#). If you own an SXM restaurant that is reopening, PM any site administrator or moderator there about when your restaurant is reopening and its location.

32. Haunting Vintage Images of SXM in "St. Maarten Past,

Present, & Future"

Almost 16 years ago, Flipper SXM, who operated government Gadfly website SXMprivateeye.com, posted a number of environmentally oriented videos on YouTube and elsewhere. One of them, St. Maarten past, present, and future, chronicled the disastrous potential impacts of global warming, now renamed as the more politically correct climate change.

16 years ago, climate change was a lightning rod for criticism since many people didn't buy the notion that it was actually happening. In recent years, with wildfires killing hundreds of people and destroying thousands of structures and millions of acres of property every year in countries around the world, with more tropical cyclones of greater intensity, with widespread droughts and flooding, and with oceans rising and glaciers melting at rates that were beyond humanity's imagination 16 years ago, most people have accepted the fact that climate change is real and that it is having an enormous, catastrophic impact on our planet.

St. Maarten Past, Present, and Future features many vintage photographs of SXM as it has evolved over more than 100 years — showing in real terms the impact that it will have on the island if the current level of global use of fossil fuels isn't drastically reduced. [See the video here](#) and be sure to have your speakers on so you can feel the full impact.

33. Christmas in the Caribbean

Christmas in the Caribbean -- just as Jimmy Buffett says in his now classic song -- has everything North American Christmases in North America have -- except snow. Let Jimmy Buffett [tell you the story](#).

Want to hear much more Christmas reggae music? Google Reggae Christmas music or search our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#) for "reggae" and you'll find a recent post with more than an hour of holiday reggae music.

34. Heineken Regatta is ON for 2022

The Heineken Regatta - the largest warm-water Regatta in the world - is back in the water early in March to bring "serious fun" and lots of ocean racing to the waters encircling SXM. As the Regatta itself says:

The St. Maarten Heineken Regatta will celebrate its 42nd edition in 2022 from March 3 - 6, 2022. It is the largest regatta in the Caribbean and probably the largest warm water regatta in the world. This world-renowned sailing event offers four days of World Class Racing and wonderfully entertaining nights keeping with the event's motto of "Serious Fun"! With an impact on the sporting community extending beyond the Caribbean into Europe, the United States, and beyond.

Our 4-day event attracts well over 20,0000 visitors annually, from young professionals to businesspersons, from party-goers to international sailors, aging from 18 to 55+ coming from over 37 different countries. After an amazing day of sailing, the participants are able to enjoy great local food and enjoy an ice-cold Heineken in the Regatta Village. This is an event where business meets pleasure in the best possible way, in a very inspiring and energetic atmosphere. Come and enjoy life in the Caribbean, come for some Serious Fun from March 3-6, 2022!

For much more info, see www.heinekenregatta.com and watch for full coverage here in SXM Weekly News and lots of pictures, news, and videos in our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#)!

35. Please Patronize Our Sponsors (Updated 10/25/21)

AMUSEMENTS

[Island Pedals Beer Cycle](#) (Philipsburg)

ARTISTS

Roland Richardson
Patty Meotti
Laura Fisher Saxon

AUTHORS/NOVELISTS

Russell Clark

Jacky Rom

BOAT TOURS / BOAT CHARTERS

[Celine Charters](#) (Enigma)

Luxury Private Catamaran Charters:
www.sxmstmartincatamarancharters.net

Rumbelly Boat Charters Pleasure boats, motorized and catamaran (new)

BREWERIES & DISTILLERIES

SXM Beer Brewery

Toppers Rhum & Vodka Distillery

Caribbean Brewing

CAR RENTALS:

[Leisure Car Rental](#)

[Sax Car Rental](#)

Exclusive Car Rental

Tropicana Car Rental

CHILD CARE & MORE FOR VISITORS

Alisha Brookes

CUBAN CIGARS:

[Cigar Mack](#)

[SXM Cigars](#)

DOLLAR STORES

[All in One Place](#)

DUTY-FREE SHOPPING (NEW)

Great Deals on Watches, Bags, Wallets, Sunglasses and Fashion Jewelry:

<https://www.facebook.com/buy.sxm>

EMERGENCY MEDICAL EVACUATION MEMBERSHIP PROGRAMS:

[SkyMed International](#) (Covers the entire USA, Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, the Bahamas, and all the nations of the #Caribbean Global protection available. Sold only to Americans, Canadians, and X-Pats living in these countries.)

JEWELERS:

[Zhaveri Jewelers](#) in Philipsburg.

[#Caribbean Gems](#)

Oro Diamante

[Majesty Jewelers](#)

[Ray's Jewelers](#)

[Alpha Jewels](#)

[JN Jewelers \(Maho under Jax, open late\)](#) NEW!

Jewels & Beyond (Maho) NEW!

[Shoppers Haven](#)

Royal Jewelers (new)

Kay's Fine Jewelry (new)

Joe's Jewelry International (new)

Ballerina Jewelers (new)

LIVE MUSIC

Hole in the Wall, Maho Plaza, Dutch side

[MAPS](#) (SXM MAPS and others in the #Caribbean)

[Kasprowski Publishers](#)

PARFUMERIE / PERFUME

Tijon Parfumerie, Grand Case, www.tijon.com

REAL ESTATE COMPANIES: (See also [VILLA RENTAL COMPANIES](#), below)

[Island Real Estate Team](#) is widely regarded as SXM's top real estate organization. A long-time JMB Sponsor, they offer both residential and commercial real estate in every price range. Call the number that follows and ask to speak with the agent who handles what you seek: 1 721 520 7284. Please let the agent know that you were referred by Jeff Berger's *Everything SXM Facebook Group*.

Jennifer's Vacation Villas

Century 21 St. Maarten

Sunshine Properties

Candie Billant does condo and villa rentals and sales. You will find her at **#Caribbean Estate Agency N. V.**

BrightPath Real Estate (new)

RESORTS:

Baker's Suites

Belair Beach Hotel

Simpson Bay Resort

Azure Hotel & Art Studio

RESTAURANTS & BARS

[IZI](#)

[SPIGA](#)

[VESNA TAVERNA](#)

ISOLA

Mandarin Asian Bistro (Port de Plaisance)

Melange (Port de Plaisance)

Pelican Bistro

Soggy Dollar Bar

Sale and Pepe

Topper's Restaurant

LA PATRONA (Simpson Bay Resort)

MARIO'S BISTRO (Porto Cupecoy)

Pineapple Pete Restaurant

Wasabi Charlie Japanese Restaurant

Emilio's

Taloula's Blue Bitch Bar

Nowhere Special

ROXXY Bar / Restaurant

LA ROSA

NONNA ROSA

LAZY LIZARD

RANCHO (new)

SUNSET CAFE (new)

AVANTIKA (new)

MOVIDA (new)

ASTRA (new)

JAI'S CONTEMPORARY INDIAN RESTAURANT (new)

STAR WARS / YODA GUY MUSEUM

[Nick Malley, Front Street](#)

VILLA RENTALS / RENTAL COMPANIES:

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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[GoBeach Vacations](#)

[Sunshine Properties](#)

[Monte Verde / Belle Vue](#)

Villa Acropole:
www.acropole-stmartin.com

Villa Vijoux:
<https://www.facebook.com/VillaVijoux>

40Weeks (new)

Villa En'sea 5 bedroom Villa, overlooking Philipsburg bay (new)

Relocation / Business Formation / "Papers" Consulting Companies

Bright Path is posting in our [Everything St. Maarten / St. Martin / SXM Facebook Group](#)

Wedding Planners / Wedding Venues

[Fawnette Scott-Angelides - Azure Hotel and Art Studio](#) (Fawnette is a minister and she owns Azure, a venue on beautiful Simpson Bay Beach, where beach weddings are her specialty)

Sint Maarten Marry-Me Destination Weddings (new)

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36. Restaurant of the Week: Isola

"Isola" means "Island," a perfectly appropriate Italian word for one of SXM's very finest Italian restaurants. But it wasn't always that way.

We have to tell you that when seasoned Italy-born Chef Marco Ferrante first took over top management of this restaurant several years back, before Irma hit, the restaurant was a nice but unimaginative-looking place with a peculiar menu and an unmotivated staff. Marco literally picked the restaurant up, turned it upside-down, and threw out everything that didn't belong, including much of the menu, unmotivated members of the staff he had inherited, and once those issues were solved he rebuilt the inside of the restaurant as well as its entire kitchen.

Isola today has an inspired multifaceted menu, a beautiful interior, one of the classiest bars in the Caribbean, excellent service, and big portions of delectably delicious food. Marco tells his team that the success of the restaurant comes from the combined work of all its members -- and they all work hard.

Creative, imaginative Italian fine dining is what Chef Marco has achieved here. Regardless of the type of cuisine you seek -- fish, lobster, gorgeously delicious salads, steaks, poultry, freshly handmade pasta...this place knows what it's doing. Isola since soon after Marco took it over has been a consistent winner of our Everything SXM Culinary Award of Excellence -- for all the right reasons. Free valet parking, located next door to the main entrance to Hollywood Casino at the center of Simpson Bay Resort. Just go, and tell Marco we sent you...

One (and only one) problem: deciding what to have. There is so much on the menu here to excite you that picking only ONE appetizer or ONE main course (etc.) is not easy. Then, of course, you will see a conga line of pizzas pass by. In addition to their huge menu is an almost equally huge pizza menu. And -- wait for it -- voting in our popular [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#) twice has selected Isola is the source of SXM's very best pizza. If we just made your selection a bit more complicated, sorry. (Not sorry.)

Here are recently featured SXM restaurants:

Isola next to Hollywood Casino at Simpson Bay Resort, (featured 10/25/21). Italian. Excellent food, many choices (pizza too), busy, good specials. Lively; busy; entertainment some nights. Many folks from Simpson Bay Resort dine here as well as many locals and lots of casino high-rollers. www.isolaristorante.com

Topper's <http://www.sxmtoppers.com/> (featured 10/11/21) One of SXM's oldest and busiest restaurants, now in a beautiful new over-water setting at the Carousel building on Simpson Bay lagoon. Lunch, dinner, and late dining. Karaoke. Co-located with Toppers Rhum Distillery so have some rum (rum is the French spelling) and rum cake when you dine. Open until late night. Sports on TV. From cops to billionaires, everyone loves Toppers.

Mandarin Pan Asian at Port de Plaisance Resort off the Union Road, Cole Bay, (featured 9/27/21). Excellent selection of palate-pleasing offerings from Japan, Thailand, and China. Highly recommended.

La Patrona, Simpson Bay Resort (featured 9/13/21) La Patrona is SXM's only truly authentic Mexican restaurant. Highly recommended: great food, great service, not to be missed.

La Rosa Restaurant, Maho Plaza, 9/7/210: Loved the relaxing vibe, attentive service, GREAT food, reasonable prices, and BIG portions. www.larosarestaurant.com/index.html

Pineapple Pete, www.pineapplepete.com (featured 8/30/21) Known for great lobster Thermidor and lots, lots more. Generous portions, reasonable prices. Huge variety. Games for kids & their parents.

Wasabi Charlie Japanese Restaurant (formerly Sushiiitto) (8/30/21) now combined with Pineapple Pete at the Pineapple Pete location, opposite IZI Ristorante Italiano in Simpson Bay.

Vesna Taverna, www.vesnasxm.com (featured 8/16/21). Now open every day for B/L; dinner is offered Tuesday through Saturday. Outstanding dining and very reasonable pricing.

Blue Bitch Bar www.bluebitchbar.com, formerly Taloula Mango's Blue Bitch Bar, is THE bar/restaurant to visit on the Boardwalk in Philipsburg. (featured 8/9/21) Great open-air atmosphere, outdoor dining/drinking, entertainment. Their menu is extensive with excellent food, fun atmosphere, and beautiful ocean views. Located on the beach, at the Boardwalk....

Mama Pizza, Porto Cupecoy & Oyster Pond, (featured 8/2/21) Big, outstanding pizza, and sizable portions plus reasonable prices on numerous other delicious Italian specialties. They also have a number of fresh fish entrees you should not miss. On the plaza at Porto Cupecoy, Cupecoy Beach, and on the main drag through Oyster Pond, French side. <https://www.facebook.com/Mamapizzaisthebest>

Astra Steak & Seafood (featured 7/26/21) is the newest creation of Anish Chugani, who also operates Avantika and Movida in the same area of Simpson Bay. It's new, beautiful, and has high-quality written all over it. We just went and loved it. See <https://www.astrasxm.com/>

Emilio's: outside Philipsburg (featured 7/19/21) offers fine dining in an historic, classic ambiance. **Not to be missed.** <https://emilios-sxm.com/menus/dinner-menu/>

Spiga, www.spiga-sxm.com (featured 7/12/21) Chef-co-owner Ciro Russo & Lara Russo haven't missed a beat here as Spiga has finally reopened. Incredibly irresistible food, great staff, service, and beautiful ambiance. Everything is great, appetizers are out of this world. Absolutely not to be missed.

Avantika Thai www.avantikasxm.com (featured 7/6/21) Avantika is wonderful; SXM's best Thai. Delicious food artfully presented and reasonably priced, backed by knowledgeable service. Go...you'll become a regular.

Jai's Contemporary Indian Cuisine (featured 6/28/21), **Simpson Bay** A 15-second walk to the side of the building from Reveil Matin (R/M is a breakfast/lunch restaurant). Outstanding dinners in Jai's, a fun new contemporary Indian fusion restaurant operated by two young SXM graduates of the Culinary Institute of America (CIA). Super creative, artfully presented, top-notch delicious selections spanning a wide spectrum of flavors, aromas, and textures. You gotta try this place! Highly recommended.

IZI Ristorante Italiano, www.izirestaurant.com (featured 5/31/21). Open for lunch and dinner except Mon., when they're closed. Great food from one of SXM's very best restaurants. Fun atmosphere, too. \$10 pasta specials at lunch - lots of great food in every meal.

Mario's Bistro at the Cliff, formerly Mario's Bistro www.mariobistrot.com/en/ 5/24/21 Mario's is one of the most spectacular culinary experiences you'll ever have -- here in SXM or anywhere else. Go. Phenomenal dining at very reasonable prices. Formerly on the plaza at Porto Cupecoy, Cupecoy Beach, they are now at the Cliff. Open every day but Monday, they serve both lunch and dinner six days a week. Traditional and highly creative Continental dinners, with Tapas and other selections at lunch. Do not miss it. Reservations essential. They do not use an answering machine, so call when they are open and let it ring.

Pure Ocean Restaurant at Divi Little Bay Resort, Dutch side (featured 3/1/21) Fine new beachside restaurant serving breakfast, lunch, and fine dining dinners. Excellent choices for everyone, innovative menu, beautiful presentation, and downright delicious. Great #Caribbean ambiance on their open-air beachside deck. Attentive service and responsive staff.

Sale & Pepe (featured 1/11/21) Cool location among breathtaking megayachts, cool decor, knowledgeable staff, and extensive menu, good service, and delicious food. Chef Davide Zagami stays mostly in the kitchen ensuring things go just right. <https://www.facebook.com/saleandpepemarina/>

Freedom Fighters ITAL SHACK Rasta Restaurant, www.sxmfreedomfighters.com/restaurant 4/15/19. Just go.... **Dany's Smooth 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?
Enigma C3 luxury Catamaran, 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.
Melange International Grill (featured 2/20/17) 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.

37. Key Differences Between SkyMed Short-Term & Annual Memberships

Many people who buy SkyMed memberships first request short-term protection. Is that the best solution for most people? That's a decision you have to make, but before you do, we wanted to give you a little information about SkyMed's types of memberships so you can get a better feel for exactly what is offered.

First, short-term memberships are available only for a specific defined short term. They protect you with SkyMed Takes You Home® membership that applies throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, the Bahamas, and all the nations of the Caribbean including Cuba. Short-term protection cannot be upgraded or renewed since you buy it for specific trip; it's temporary protection. There is no waiting period for any benefits. When you want protection for a future trip, you must make a separate application for it. It is economical if you seldom travel and if you take brief trips. The cost is \$9/day per person, or a maximum of \$15 a day per family (parents and kids).

We always tell people who are 50 or over about the most important advantages of SkyMed annual and multiyear memberships. We feel the single most important benefit is that SkyMed annual and multiyear memberships are guaranteed renewable, regardless of advancing age or declining health. Details are in SkyMed's Member Services Agreement. We currently have members who are still traveling and are in their upper 80s and 90s.

The cost of annual memberships per family — far more economical than the \$15/day per family for short-term coverage -- is only about \$1.35/day total. Multiyear memberships are even less expensive and have more features; contact me and I can send you full information about features of each type of SkyMed membership. Ultimate memberships protect you worldwide. I can answer all your questions by phone in a matter of minutes, and we can also conveniently take your application by phone. Phone us any day at 508-747-8281 during daily business hours, 9am to 8pm. That's a direct line to Jeff Berger's office.

38. Where & When SkyMed Protects You

Basic SkyMed short-term and annual memberships protect you throughout the USA, Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, the Bahamas, and all the nations of the #Caribbean In that SkyMed universe, SkyMed *Takes You Home*® when you become critically ill or injured. Optional protection covering most of the rest of the world is provided by GETS, Global Emergency Transportation Services, a SkyMed company.

For much more SkyMed information please see a few of SkyMed-related articles that appear later in this issue.

39. Think About Where You're Going & About This:

TRAVELING *ANYWHERE* THIS SUMMER? SkyMed TAKES YOU HOME® when you become critically ill or injured when traveling anywhere in the USA, Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, the Bahamas, or all the nations in the #Caribbean (Global protection is also available.)

So if you're traveling to SXM -- or anywhere else -- in the next few months, get SKYMED

Medical evacuation membership FIRST: It could easily save you \$35,000 -- the approx. cash cost of an emergency medical evacuation YOU MUST PAY IN CASH IN ADVANCE should you become seriously or critically ill or injured on SXM -- or anywhere else -- and need to get home.

The SkyMed Difference: SkyMed members pay only the small cost of membership, currently under \$1.35/day on an annual basis -- but you must get SkyMed BEFORE you need it, like fire insurance. CALL JEFF FOR INFO OR TO SIGN UP: 508-747-8281 (8am-8pm EDT). Or email him at jeff.berger@skymed.com.

40. Join Our New Conversational Everything SXM Group on MeWe, the Facebook Alternative

For years, you have been able to obtain a great deal of SXM information and photos/videos in our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#). Unfortunately, not everyone is a fan of Facebook, so we have started a new Everything SXM group on a platform that has become a strong competitor Facebook — it is called MeWe.

We urge all fans of *SXM Weekly News* to become members of MeWe and join our group there; [here is the link](#).

41. Going Home? Check Your State's Return Policies

It's essential for visitors returning home to the US to know their home state's policies and procedures for passengers returning from overseas flights well before they head to the airport.

We suggest at least a couple of weeks before your return date that you visit your state's main web portal to see exactly what its requirements are regarding Covid. Some states may require a negative test be taken X number of hours before your return flight; others may require some degree of quarantine, and others may require nothing.

The US REQUIRES Covid tests for everyone returning there from SXM. Details are in our Guide to Entry Requirements, published early in this issue of *SXM Weekly News*. Ask about testing locations on SXM that you can use — to do that, go to our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#). Please do not ask questions there about your state's requirements — our group is SXM centric and will not accept such posts. Your state's web portal is certainly the best source of current, accurate information about requirements related to returning international passengers.

42. First Responders Now Get Platinum-Status JMB Discounts

If you're U. S. Military with a DD214, you're able to get a Platinum-Status Military JMB Membership for \$16.99/year, the lowest we ever charge anyone. You get instant Platinum Status which is permanent as long as you're a JMB member plus 300+ SXM discounts and other benefits. All you do is pay for four years to start and renew in four-year increments (\$67.96). Nobody else pays so little -- our small way of expressing how grateful we all are for your service.

And now we're adding police, firefighters, EMTs, and nurses to our just-renamed Military / First Responder Memberships in recognition of their sacrifices for the rest of us every single day. We just need you to send us documentary proof (ID) that you're one of America's very best. To sign up or upgrade your JMB membership to Military / First Responders, visit everythingxsm.com and click the page curl to sign up for your JMB military membership (the page still says Military). We'll also need a DD214 (or other police / fire / nursing ID) with your SS# obliterated for security. We'll be delighted to welcome you all to our new best-of-all JMB Website Supporters Platinum Memberships.

43. SkyMed Q&A / FAQ - Frequently Asked Questions

SkyMed® FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Answers to Common Questions

This document contains general SkyMed information in answer to common questions. SkyMed's services are defined by its Member Services Agreements – plain English documents that tell you what you get and how it works (see much more info below). As always, SkyMed offers a 30-day “Free Look period,” so if for any reason you’re not satisfied with your unused SkyMed protection before 30 days have expired, SkyMed will refund your money.

Q1. Does it cover my trip to...?

1. Basic short-term and annual “SkyMed *Takes You Home*®” protection applies throughout the USA (all 50 states), Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, the Bahamas, and all the nations of the #Caribbean Global Emergency Travel Services (G.E.T.S., a subsidiary of SkyMed) protection is available outside the USA, CANADA, MEXICO, BAHAMAS, BERMUDA, and the CARIBBEAN (the rest of the world), however neither SkyMed nor G.E.T.S. covers trips to nations on the U. S. State Department’s then-current “Do Not Travel” list – North Korea, Iran, and Venezuela currently, for example, and several others. Before planning a trip, check that list if you have any question about whether protection is provided for your destination – or call SkyMed directly during normal office hours (Mountain Standard Time) at 480 946 5188 or 1-800-475-9633.

Q2. Who is protected?

1. “Single” protection is available for individual travelers. “Family” protection includes your spouse or domestic partner and your young children up to 18 or 24 if they are full time students.

Q3. Do I need to call SkyMed before traveling outside my home country?

1. If you’re traveling during the normal high season for travel to your destination, no. If you’re traveling to your destination during its low season, do call SkyMed Member Services at the 800 number in the first question and let them know.

Q4. What if I’m going to a country not listed above in question 1?

1. Then you’ll need (G.E.T.S) protection. If you have one of our Ultimate multiyear memberships, (G.E.T.S.) protection is included. On Annual (one-year) memberships, “G.E.T.S.” protection is an inexpensive option.

Q5. What’s the difference between “short term” and “Annual” or multi-year protection?

1. Short-Term protection is intended for brief trips, say a week or two. Like Annual protection, it “Takes You Home®” to doctors and hospitals you know and trust when you suffer a serious or critical illness or injury while traveling. Preexisting medical conditions are covered from day one with the short-term plan. It’s inexpensive, only \$15/day for family protection. Remember, though, that Annual and Multi-year Ultimate memberships cost much less – only about \$1.35/day for family plans. Plus, they’re guaranteed renewable without regard to advancing age or declining health. If you get a short-term plan, once it has expired, it is done, and you must reapply and requalify for another when you next travel. With Annual and multiyear Ultimate memberships, all you need do is renew before the renewal deadline – no need to reapply unless your membership has lapsed and the grace period has ended.

Q6. Is there an age limit for applications?

1. There is no age limit to apply. There’s no age limit on renewals, either.

Q7. Can you cancel my protection at a certain age or if I get really sick?

1. Annual and multi-year Ultimate memberships are guaranteed renewable, as noted above. They will not be canceled simply because you’re a certain age or because your health has changed.

Q8. Will you raise the price of my membership at a certain age or if I get sick?

1. Once you’re a SkyMed member, at renewal time you’ll pay the same low renewal fees that everyone else with your type of membership pays. If you join at age 75 or older and purchase the X-Pat plan because you live in Mexico, the Bahamas, Bermuda, or the #Caribbean, the X-Pat plan is more expensive than the standard traditional (Annual or multiyear Ultimate) plan.

Q9. What exactly does SkyMed cover? Is it health insurance?

1. You’ll find an overview of all key SkyMed Features & Benefits here:
<http://www.everythingsxm.com/sxmweeklynews/SkyMedServices.pdf>

This is the same list you’ll find on the back of our current membership applications. SkyMed provides up to 18 benefits related to medical evacuation if you suffer a serious or critical illness or injury while traveling. It is not health insurance – in the “SkyMed universe,” SkyMed *Takes You Home*® to doctors and hospitals you know and trust, where your health insurance works.

Q10. What about pre-existing conditions? Are they covered?

1. Yes: for short-term memberships, medevac protection (including items listed in the answer to Q9, above) is included for critical illnesses or injuries related to pre-existing and non-pre-existing conditions. For Annual and multiyear Ultimate memberships, pre-existing conditions are covered after a brief 90-day waiting period.

Q11. I want guaranteed renewable protection because of my age, but I'm going on a trip sooner than 90 days. What can we do about that?

1. Get our inexpensive short-term membership to cover your near-term trip, including medical evacuations for serious or critical illnesses or injuries due to pre-existing conditions. At the same time, apply for an Annual or Ultimate membership, to kick in once your near-term trip ends.

Q12. I'm not traveling for a while. When should I apply?

1. Get SkyMed before you need it – just like fire insurance. Since you don't know when you'll need it – and since health can change in a heartbeat thanks to falls, accidents, or other issues – it's always better to do it sooner rather than later. Beyond that, if you have pre-existing conditions and get SkyMed Annual or multiyear Ultimate medevac protection now, that 90-day exclusion period for pre-existing conditions protection may well be finished by the time you travel.

Q13. What kind of questions do you ask in your application? Do you send somebody to do a medical exam?

1. There's no medical exam. Our application is simple, asking about hospitalizations in the last six months, your current medical conditions, and your prescriptions – and on the prescriptions, all we need is their name, not dosage info. If you have a complex medical history, SkyMed may ask for a "HQ" (health questionnaire) to be completed by your doctor and submitted to SkyMed by fax. You should also have your passport number handy; we record it so it's there in case you need help outside your home country.

Q14. How long does it take before I hear whether I'm accepted?

1. Generally just a few business days, but it's always best to do your application early to ensure sufficient time for processing.

Q15. I have more questions. Where do I find the answers?

1. SkyMed Ambassador Jeff Berger, located in Massachusetts, will be happy to answer your questions. Call his private line at 508-747-8281.

Q16. Can I sign up online?

1. For fastest results, we always suggest you contact us directly. We've done thousands of applications and can whisk you through the process in minimal time and with minimal bother. To get additional information first and see some customer stories, check our site, www.skymed.com/jmb. But to sign up, always call 508-747-8281. The process normally takes about 10 minutes, if that.

Q17. Who can get SkyMed?

1. SkyMed is available to residents of the USA and Canada, and to X-Pats living in the countries listed in Q1. X-Pat protection is necessary if you live outside the US or Canada for six months or more, in aggregate, in any 12-month period. Always notify SkyMed if you move.

Q18. I have a rather deep medical history. Will SkyMed still accept me?

1. Although SkyMed accepts the vast majority of applications, others do get health questionnaires (see Q13) and occasionally some do not qualify. There is no cost to apply if your membership application cannot be accepted. A history of a heart attack or cancer several years ago or other maladies does not automatically signal any issues for SkyMed. Apply – there is nothing to lose (again, no charge if you're not accepted). And as we noted in Q6 there is no age limit to apply and no age limit to renew.

SkyMed World Headquarters business office operations:

We are following the White House #Coronavirus Task Force '15 Days to Slow the Spread' guidelines released March 16th, 2020. We have team members fully functional and working from home. We are all connected on line and have access to all programs necessary for efficient operations. We have a seamless business operation whether employees are working in the office or from home.

We are on duty 24 SEVEN for our members.

SkyMed Travel reservation # 1-800-568-8994 is open during regular business hours 8am to 5pm (MST). Messages can be left off hours.

Resources to help you:

Center for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) www.cdc.gov/travel

Canadian government updates www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019-novel-coronavirus-infection.html

National Institutes of Health (NIH) www.nih.gov

US Customs & Border Protection (CBP) www.cbp.gov

US State Department emergency assistance coronavirusemergencyUSC@state.gov

World Health Organization (WHO) www.who.int

SkyMed Travel reservations www.skymedtravel.com or email info@skymedtravel.com

SkyMed Member Services 1-480-946-5188 or 1-800-475-9633 or memberservices@skymed.com

Please do not hesitate to call or email us with your questions or concerns. We are here to help as much as we can. Regular member services are being conducted everyday.

Our thoughts and prayers are with everyone in the SkyMed Member family wherever you are in this time of uncertainty.

Eleanore Klein, President
SkyMed Group of Companies

From JMB:

How to Contact Us or Sign Up

Jeff is a SkyMed Ambassador. Reach him directly at 508-747-8281 during regular office hours, Eastern time. You can also find him in Facebook Messenger through www.facebook.com/groups/mysxm or you can email him at jeff@jmbcommunications.com with the Subject **SkyMed**. He has an alternate Skype number too, 508-591-3483. It is always best to sign up by phone directly with Jeff at the numbers above – it's fast & easy.

From:
JMB Communications
Membership Services
support@jmbcommunications.com

44. Getting SXM Questions Answered Quickly

Join our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#) and you'll find about 28,000 SXM tourists who love SXM as much as you do.

Our site is the best place around to ask questions and get answers about SXM -- around the clock. Check it out.

45. 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 just been thoroughly updated. Each week's newsletter is usually added within a few days after mailing of that issue to its subscribers completes (Monday).

[Get The Current Low Price](#)
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Ask Jeff for details -- call him at 508-747-8281 (SkyMed calls only, reg. hours Eastern time.) More info? See skymed.com/jmb. SkyMed is the Principal Sponsor of JMB SXM programs.

See the [rundown of all SkyMed Features & Benefits](#)

46. Are You Military, First Responder, or Nurse?

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And now we're adding police, firefighters, EMTs, and nurses to our just-renamed Military / First Responder Memberships in recognition of their sacrifices for the rest of us every single day. We just need you to send us documentary proof (ID) that you're one of America's very best. To sign up or upgrade your JMB membership to Military / First Responders, visit everythingxsm.com and click the page curl to sign up for your JMB military membership (the page still says Military). We'll also need a DD214 (or other police / fire / nursing ID) with your SS# obliterated for security. We'll be delighted to welcome you all to our new best-of-all JMB Website Supporters Platinum Memberships.

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at island92.com ...

and hear Jeff Berger LIVE on the air every Monday

between about 9:45am and 10am island time

on "Fresh Air in the Morning" with Dr. Soc.

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

SXM Weekly News, our everythingxsm.com website and its Hurricane Center, and our [Everything SXM Facebook Group](#) — along with our many Vacation Giveaways and hundreds of benefits of JMB Website Supporters membership — are all made possible through our partnerships with our JMB Website Supporters members and our Sponsors.

Our **JMB SXM Web Media Sponsorships** enable SXM businesses to present their products or services to a huge, responsive audience of tourists from around the world, but primarily the USA and Canada. (Our site is based in the U. S. and is focused on the needs of tourists traveling to SXM.) If you own an SXM business and want to look into and take advantage of this unique marketing opportunity, please email susank@jmbcommunications.com with the subject "JMB Sponsorships". Or PM us on FB for an even faster response. We'll get complete information to you quickly. (Or again, just PM Jeff Berger on Facebook Messenger or phone us / text us on WhatsApp at 721-588-4188.)

Tourism is returning in a big way and with it, plenty of opportunity to bring more tourists into your business not only in the short term, but especially as tourist business increases in the months ahead. Contact us today for more information.

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.](#)

Rent Out or Sell Your Timeshare (both SXM and Worldwide) -- Frequently Updated

JMB members can run up to 10 free ads on our website per 12-month period to rent out or sell St. Maarten / St. Martin timeshare weeks they own -- or any timeshares, anywhere worldwide. If you're not a member, learn more about membership here: http://everythingxsm.com/sxm/about_sxm/paypal.shtml .

Want to rent or buy a week?

2020 & 21 St. Maarten / St. Martin Timeshare Weeks For Rent or Sale are posted at http://everythingxsm.com/sxm/timeshare_rent_sale/index.shtml Listings are now updated weekly. Ads are free (no commission) but are accepted from our JMB Website Supporters members only.

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.

About Email Address Changes / How To Unsubscribe (Updated 4/17/17)

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To change your email address, visit www.sxmweeklynews.com; unsubscribe your old email address and subscribe your new one. *JMB Website Supporters members should notify Membership Services of the new email address for continued Secret Site access.*

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Contact Us (Revised 3/15/21)

All member discounts and benefits are explained in detail on the members-only *secret* website, <http://www.everythingsxm.com/secret> . If you're a JMB Website Supporters member and have a question not answered there, contact support@jmbcommunications.com

NON-members who wish to contact us should write to susank@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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