

Young Island

St. Vincent & The Grenadines

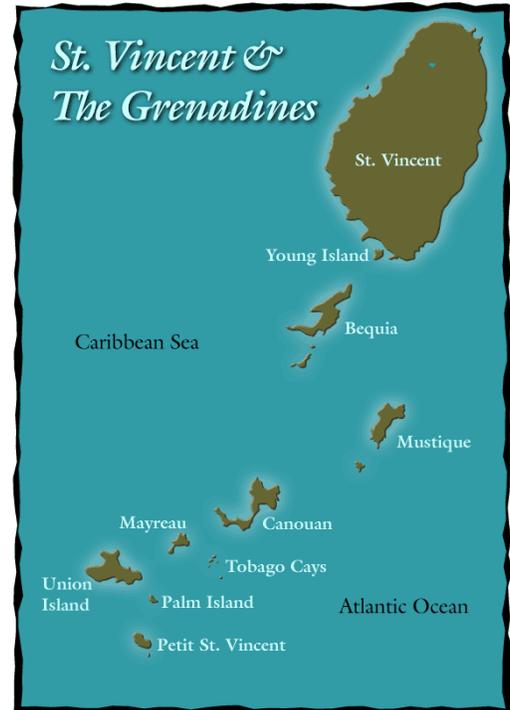
Overview

Private, romantic Young Island Resort is the sole resort on Young Island of St. Vincent & The Grenadines located in the enchanting southern Windward Islands in the Caribbean Sea between St. Lucia and Grenada. Only a two-minute private ferry ride from the mainland, guests arrive to the resort where 29 cottage accommodations set across 13 lush acres invite guests to retreat in the natural beauty of the archipelago.

Young Island's idyllic setting and laidback vibe lets guests set their own pace for their vacation on a private island overlooking St. Vincent's southern shores on one side and the link of Grenadines islands and cays to the other including Bequia and Mustique.

The resort strives to make guests feel at home and sets high standards as demonstrated by being named one of the world's top resorts according to *Fodor's* and *Condé Nast Traveler*.

Young Island offers an affordable private island experience complete with beach, non-motorized watersports, spa and *Panthera*, a Leopold 46' fully outfitted catamaran for day sails and overnights. Guests enjoy island-inspired cuisine and spirits at the resort's open-air beachfront restaurant, on-island bar and off-island swim-up bar.



Accommodations

Young Island's 29 cottages have sea views along with an open-air garden shower and private patio.

- **19 Superior Cottages.** Tucked along the shoreline or nestled hillside, some are free standing with others that can interconnect. Upon request, the king bed can be replaced with two twin beds.
- **4 Deluxe Cottages.** Each has a king bed with either a bedroom sitting area or large private patio.
- **5 Luxury Cottages.** Complete with a full-suite with a king bed, sitting room and private plunge pool. Two cottages are beachside and three are hillside with broad views of the Caribbean Sea.
- **1 Duvernette Suite.** The resort's largest accommodation, this air-conditioned two-bedroom, one-bathroom hillside cottage comes with spacious separate living and dining areas. Perched at the top of the island, stunning views of the water, Fort Duvernette, St. Vincent and Bequia beckon. The suite is surrounded by a private yard with a small infinity-edge pool and a deck equipped with chairs, umbrella and hammock.

Cottages include rattan furniture, a small refrigerator, hair dryer, digital safe and ceiling fan. Deluxe and Luxury cottages include a coffee maker and electric tea kettle. Gentle trade winds keep cottages cool, while some cottages are equipped with air conditioning.

Daily rates include a full breakfast and dinner. Check-in is 2 p.m. or later. Check out by noon.

**The Government of St. Vincent and the Grenadines will be implementing a Climate Resiliency Levy on the accommodation sector. Guests will be subject to a \$3 per night room tax beginning July 2018.*

Open-air Dining

The resort restaurant's open-air, yet intimate, thatched-roof dining huts overlook the glistening waters and the boats gliding around this sailing destination. Young Island's gourmet offerings showcase local ingredients throughout its menu of Continental to West Indian dishes. Specialties include freshly caught fish and lobster. Dine on fresh fruits and vegetables, along with sophisticated selections featuring fish, lamb, beef, pork and chicken. Sample dishes include smoked salmon fritters served with dill sauce, roasted beef tenderloin drizzled with black wine reduction and chicken tandoori with a dome of herb rice and tropical fruit salsa. Guests particularly savor the resort's popular fresh-baked breads with six flavors available daily on the bread board. Menus change regularly to highlight the freshest of ingredients.

Breakfast, lunch and a four-course dinner are each served at the restaurant. Friday is the Manager's Cocktail Party where guests are invited to mingle with the general manager over drinks. Every Saturday evening Young Island hosts its popular barbeque buffet feature local steel pan music to the delight of overnight guests and locals. Buffet lunch is served on Sundays. Room service and picnics are also available.

Summer clothing and cover-ups are recommended during the day. After 6 p.m., long dress pants and collared shirts for men, are required. Note that it is *illegal* to wear any form of camouflage clothing in St. Vincent & The Grenadines.

Coconut Bar

Just offshore, take a leisurely swim over to this bar, climb up and claim a seat. Refresh with the bar's signature creamy Coconut Delight served in a fresh-plucked coconut. Popular Caribbean drinks, specialty rums and liquors are available and the stunning views are captivating.

Captain Bligh Lounge & Bar

Relax with a sundowner cocktail in an aura of refinement fit for a brave sea captain. This stately bar is named in honor of the 18th-century explorer who brought exotic plants from Tahiti to St. Vincent to help colonize the island. With the signature Island Special cocktail in-hand and as the rhythm of songbirds and Caribbean music fill the air, this is a fitting start to a memorable evening.

Amenities & Services

- Boat excursions on *Panthera* catamaran for sailing day trips and overnights throughout the Grenadines including Bequia and Mustique
- Games are available at the bar or front office
- Ice buckets filled daily
- 24-hour fresh water lagoon swimming pool

- Complimentary Wi-Fi throughout the resort
- Telephones can be accessed at front office or some cottages
- Tennis court with complimentary equipment
- Complimentary non-motorized water sports including snorkel equipment, kayaks and paddle boats
- The Spa offers massages and facials
- Complimentary two-day hand-laundry service for guests staying on resort packages
- Scuba diving can be arranged at the front office and Dive St. Vincent
- Car rentals and taxis can be arranged through the front office
- Babysitting services available at prevailing rates

Weddings

A private island setting, cottage-style accommodations and island cuisine make Young Island an ideal location for an intimate wedding ceremony.

From nuptials in the sand during sunset to “I do” in a tropical garden, Young Island’s wedding coordinator and dedicated staff help ensure a dream destination wedding.

Getting to Young Island

Guests can fly into the brand-new Argyle International Airport (SVD) or nearby guests can moor and use their dinghy to sail right up to Young Island’s dock. Flights to St. Vincent route through Barbados, San Juan, Puerto Rico, St. Lucia and Trinidad. After arriving on St. Vincent, a 25-minute taxi ride brings you to Young Island’s ferry dock for a two-minute voyage to the resort. The 24-hour ferry runs on demand. However, if you plan to be on St. Vincent later than midnight, please inform security and the boatman. All visitors should bring valid passports to facilitate entry and return home.

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History

The allure of a private island is a story for the ages. Even 300 years ago, tradition tells us that mighty Carib Chief Joseph Chatoyer spotted a stallion belonging to Sir William Young, the British Governor at the time. He greatly admired the horse and wished to own it. "If you desire it," replied Sir William to the Chief, "it is yours." Chief Chatoyer readily accepted the horse in exchange for an island, Young's Island, later known as Young Island.

Over the years, Chief Chatoyer went on to become a national hero. Recognized as the chief of chiefs, Chatoyer led his fellow Caribs in their plight to hold onto their homeland. Today, he remains admired for his intellect, diplomacy and fierce desire to protect the natives.

Many years later, Young Island's idyllic qualities and highly desirable Caribbean seclusion attracted the lens of travel professionals. The island was developed into a luxury resort by John Houser of the Hilton Group followed by Canadian, Charles McCulloch from 1975 to 1979 then ownership moved in 1980 to its current Vincentian owners, Mr. Vidal Browne and Sir Frederick Ballantyne.

Mr. Browne is a career-long hospitality and business professional. Sir Frederick, is a cardiologist by trade and served as the country's Chief Medical Officer from 1985-1992. He is also a prominent businessman, has built a successful physician training program for the country and continues to be a statesman. Since 2002, Sir Frederick has served as Governor-General of St. Vincent and the Grenadines. In connection with his new appointment, he was created a Knight Grand Cross of the Order of Saint Michael and Saint George by Queen Elizabeth II.

Under the care of Mr. Browne and Sir Frederick, Young Island has developed into the Caribbean's quintessential private island vacation destination. They take great pride in caring for their community while introducing Young Island guests to the resort and homeland.

Young Island's spectacular scenery, secluded setting and superb service are impetus for the many loyal guests who return often. The resort's appeal lies beyond the idyllic setting says Mr. Browne: "We are very low key. Our cottages are free of televisions, as people need a quiet escape. We have dedicated staff with a staff to guest ratio of 3:1. Many guests come back specifically to see our staff.

Guests do what they want to do in their own time. There is no pressure, no organized tours. Guests simply set their own pace." Sir Frederick adds, "We foster a relationship with our clients that makes them feel as if they are in their own homes. The resort sets very high standards for personal service."

Everyone who visits Young Island becomes a part of the story as much as the island becomes a part of them. *The question is, what do their chapters hold?*