

# Bishop Burton College PROJECT INFORMATION PACK



# Trip Overview



#### **Bishop Burton College-Booking Reference 4675**

#### **Trip Dates:**

1st February – 11th February 2026

#### Flights:

Flight No	Fliaht Date	Dept.	Dept. Time Arr.	Arr. Time
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01/02/2026 London Gatwick (LGW) St Lucia (UVF) 10.05 15.10 TBC

11/02/2026 St Lucia (UVF) 20.40 London Gatwick (LGW) TBC 08.55 +1day

### **Project:**

Caribbean Multi-Sports & Community Project

#### **Trip Cost:**

£2195.00 per person (to be confirmed once flights are available)

£300.00 deposit

£947.50 Instalment due 12/10/2025

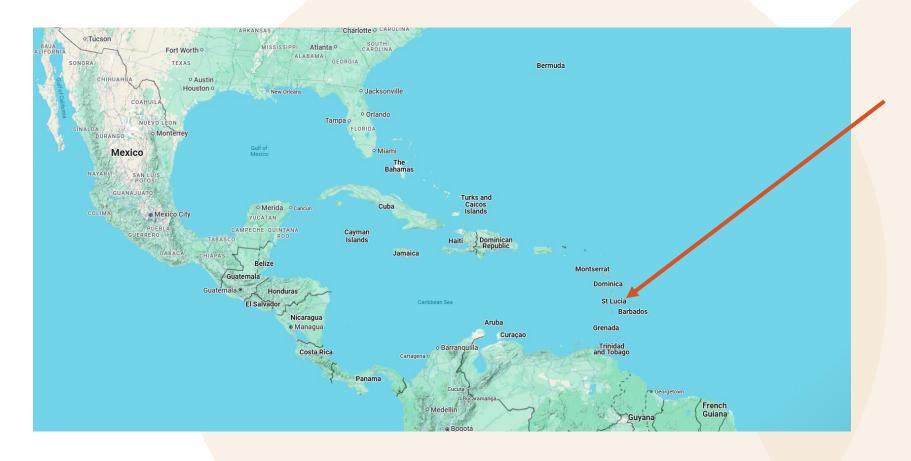
£947.50 Balance due 07/12/2005





#### Location

Staying on the Beautiful Island of St Lucia in the Caribbean





#### Location

St. Lucia, a breathtaking Caribbean island in the Lesser Antilles, lies between St. Vincent and the Grenadines to the south and Martinique to the north. Known for its stunning natural beauty, the island features lush rainforests, volcanic beaches, and the iconic Pitons, a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Castries, the capital, is the cultural and economic heart of the nation.

The island's communities are tightly knit, with traditions celebrated through events like the Saint Lucia Carnival and Jounen Kwéyòl, which honour Creole heritage. Fishing and farming remain central to local life, particularly in towns like Soufrière and Vieux Fort.

Globally, St. Lucia maintains strong ties through tourism and its vibrant movement in the UK, US, and Canada. Cultural festivals like the St. Lucia Jazz Festival showcase its global connections. Blending local traditions with international influences, St. Lucia thrives as a vibrant Caribbean cultural hub.







### **United Though Sport**

United Through Sport is a charity dedicated to transforming lives through sport by raising health awareness, building life skills in young people and improving education. Working throughout South America, The Caribbean, Africa and Asia and impacting thousands of lives each year.

United Through Sport is committed to using sport as a tool to develop disadvantaged and vulnerable youth. They do this by:

Using direct sports coaching – for its health benefits, improved emotional well-being and increased life skills.

Using sport to discuss critical issues – by delivering curriculum on topics such as HIV/AIDS awareness in a fun and interactive manner on the sports field.

Using sport for improved education – by providing pathways to success for talented and dedicated individuals through scholarships to top local schools and tertiary education.







#### **Project Overview**

Your role as a volunteer on this placement will work to improve and renovate facilities across the island communities that need it most; while supporting our partner charity's housing project, you will also be able to work with children in local community to run and supervise training and matches for the players in the local communities and schools in the surrounding area.

Unless you are used to training young children this may sound like a daunting task however you will soon realise the local children whom you will teach are desperate to absorb your skills and knowledge of the game. This project is highly rewarding as the talent and enthusiasm is often present in the players that you will train however the experience of structured training and team formation is lacking.

You will not be alone on your project and will receive support from our in-country team and other volunteers as well as our local sports coaches who will point you in the right direction, offer training ideas and tournament concepts. You will soon develop your own training techniques, unique to you and your players and leave your project knowing you have made a genuine difference.

It is ideal for those who have a desire to make a difference in communities and are willing to get their hands dirty,

In this project, you will be working to add to national sporting infrastructure on the island: providing seating and shelters to local community playing fields. We will also focus on improving existing local sports facilities by renovating unsafe or worndown structures. Throughout the year, we also support our partner charity in building basic homes for those in need on the island.

This work will be more manual labour-focused, but will still have a lot of involvement at the local schools and organisations with children.



#### **Project Activities**

The Youth Rugby Crime Prevention Project uses rugby to promote discipline and life skills like teamwork, leadership, and communication among St. Lucian youth in high-crime areas and youth offender institutions. By channeling aggression positively, the program has successfully diverted participants from gangs and crime. Many have achieved milestones, such as representing St. Lucia internationally. Notably, some joined the U19 team in Trinidad, highlighting rugby's power to transform lives and inspire personal growth.

The Young Leadership Project empowers youth in impoverished communities to sustain initiatives from within. It trains young players as leaders and coaches, encouraging older children to guide and mentor younger peers. Graduates return to their schools to inspire the next generation. This approach fosters leadership and community ownership, with teams in La Guerre, Baboneau, and Laborie now managed by former participants, showcasing the program's lasting impact on both individuals and their communities.







### **Project Activities**

The Female Empowerment Project uses netball, St. Lucia's top women's sport, to tackle health and social challenges faced by young females. Through school coaching, it combats obesity, promotes healthy lifestyles, and boosts self-esteem. Notably, it supports at-risk females at the Uptown Girls Centre. Additionally, the program encourages female participation in maledominated sports like football, rugby, and cricket, breaking stereotypes and fostering inclusion through grassroots initiatives in schools, clubs, and summer camps across the island.

The Competition Project provides clear pathways from mass participation to elite sport, addressing limited opportunities for St. Lucian youth. With high unemployment and scarce higher education options, it supports players' transition to adulthood through career guidance and life skills development. National development squads in Castries and Laborie focus on elite performance while linking sports skills to career prospects. Youth representative teams mirror senior national environments, offering tailored training, media preparation, nutrition guidance, and inspiration for reaching top-level competition.







### Sample itinerary

Day 1 – After a very early start you will depart from Gatwick Airport for your flights to St Lucia, once you arrive at Hewanorrra Aiport in St Lucia, here you will be greeted by one of our friendly staff members before the coach transfer back to accommodation for a short tour of the grounds including an approximately 5-minute walk down to local Eastwinds beach Meals - Dinner

Day 2 - Following induction and orientation to help your group settle into your surroundings, you will visit the island's most popular beach and tourist area, Rodnay Bay – home of the Baywalk Shopping Mall, numerous bars and restaurants, water sports and Splash Island; an inflatable water park/obstacle course - Breakfast and Dinner

Day 3 - This will be your first chance to show off your skills as you compete against local teams in a play fixtures or mini tournament depending on sport, numbers and preference. As with any visiting team fixture, expect a traditional 'Lucian Lime' after the match which will include music, food and social activities with the competing team - Breakfast and Dinner

Day 4 - A day trip to Pigeon Point: a beautiful, relaxing national park with rare wildlife, private beaches, hiking trails, historic forts, ruins and perfect viewpoints. Great for exploring and snorkelling! - Breakfast and Dinner

Day 5. Spend a day within our mass participation programme assisting our staff team in coaching fun inclusive sports sessions for children in an underprivileged community (after school or Summer Camp depending on the time of year, aged 6-12) – Breakfast and Dinner





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- ❖ Day 6 Spend a day within our mass participation programme assisting our staff team in coaching fun inclusive sports sessions for children in an underprivileged community (after school or Summer Camp depending on the time of year, aged 6-12) - Breakfast and Dinner
- ❖ Day 7 Marigot Bay Excursion This picturesque historic landmark was the site of a number of battles between the French and British navies, was famously the setting of the 1967 film; Doctor Dolittle, and is oft<mark>en described as "The most</mark> beautiful bay in the Caribbean"
- Day 8 Fishery and Gros Islet Street Party day Enjoy the day's catch, grilled fresh in local herbs and spices in the fishing village of Gros Islet before sampling the live music and atmosphere of the Gros Islet Friday Night 'Jump Up' street party.

- Day 9 A Day free for excursions, options include: A trip around the island visiting the Pitons, Sulphur Spring Mud Baths and waterfalls, stopping at important towns & sites along the way by either bus or boat. Or a challenging but achievable hike up one of the island's most iconic landmarks with views well worth the walk!
- Day 10 . Compete against local teams in a mini-tournament or play fixtures at a new venue before more post-match festivities!
- Day 11: Today you will leave the island for your return trip home to the UK
- Day 12: Early morning arrival at London Gatwick and transfer back to college.



# ACCOMMODATION & LIFESTYLE

#### **Island Accommodation**

Accommodation is based in a shared house with dorm-style rooms and all bed linen is provided. The accommodation is a large open-plan guest house, only a few minutes walk from the beach, making it the perfect base for a Caribbean adventure! There's a large kitchen, sitting room and WIFI is available. Each bedroom has a shower and toilet and there are also laundry facilities...

Breakfast and dinner are included (where stated) on a help-yourself basis. A simple breakfast with a choice of items.

Dinner is a protein; Carbohydrates Lunch can be prepared in groups or individually as there is a supermarket close by.













### WHAT'S INCLUDED



#### Included

- **Flights**
- Transfers to/from project
- Accommodation
- Meals as specified on the itinerary
- All activities as part of the project
- ATOL protection
- Airport meet/greet
- 24/7 support



#### **Not included**

- Personal travel insurance \*
- Any activities not specified as part of the project
- Visas/travel documents
- Any meals not specified in the itinerary (lunches are not included)

\* We recommend that you take out personal travel insurance as soon as your booking is confirmed.

### WHAT'S INCLUDED



#### **Additional Activities**

- Additional excursions at extra cost may include Piton hike, Sulphur Springs, forest ziplines and water sports like jet skiing, banana boats, scuba diving.
- **Pricing Guidelines**

Pigeon Point = \$12

Splash Island = \$12

Rainforest Zip-lining = \$92

'Round the Island' trip = \$65

Soufriere Boat Trip = \$10<mark>0</mark>

Gros Piton Hike = \$92



### **Suggested kit list**

- Short sleeve shirts
- Long work trousers and shorts (Or work trousers with zip-off longs)
- T shirts
- Hiking Boots/comfortable walking shoes to work in every day
- Rain jacket
- Sweatshirt/Fleece (Winter months pack plenty)
- Daypack rucksack
- Socks
- Hat for sun protection / Warm Hat (winter only)
- Working gloves
- Gloves for warmth (winter only)
- Changes of casual clothes for evenings
- Underwear

- Sandals / comfy shoes to wear after work hours
- Beach towel
- Swimming costume
- Toiletries
- Tick / insect repellent
- Personal medical items & First Aid Kit
- Binoculars
- Sunscreen & Sunglasses
- Water bottle

#### Other useful items:

- Good torch
- Notebook/diary and pen

- Camera
- Spare batteries



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