

40 Great, Fun, Incredible, Relaxing, Wonderful, Interesting, Exciting, Educational Things to do on Bonaire!

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Picnic on Klein Bonaire (Little Bonaire), a peaceful deserted island about one mile by water taxi off our western coast. 2. Windsurf at Lac Bay on the windward side. Equipment and lessons are available for all skill levels. 3. Deep-Sea Fish with a boat charter, only minutes from shore. Catch marlin, sailfish, wahoo, dorado, or tuna. 4. Snorkel anywhere you can fall into the water on the west coast and in designated areas in Washington Slagbaai National Park. 5. Stroll through Kralendijk, our quaint capital. Be careful not to get lost in the city's maze of four streets! 6. Bike in Washington Slagbaai National Park and check out birds, lizards, goats, iguanas, and more. Don't miss the new Visitors' Center and Museum at the entrance to the Park. 7. Sunset Sail in the Bay of Kralendijk. Relax, enjoy the warmth of good friends while searching for the elusive Green Flash. Many charters are available. 8. Ride Horseback at rustic and accommodating ranches, like Kunuku Warahama. 9. Watch Flamingos at Willemstoren lighthouse or the salt flats, or take a guided nature tour. 10. Dance on the Water at Karel's Bar on the wharf in Kralendijk. Enjoy local bands, drink a cold Amstel, and watch the fish swim by. 11. Contemplate the Meaning of Life at Lourdes Grotto, a shrine in the village of Rincon. 12. Climb 784-foot-tall Brandaris, Bonaire's highest peak, in Washington Slagbaai National Park. Trails both up and down the mountain are clearly marked. 13. Lose your Shirt, or hit the jackpot in either of Bonaire's two casinos. 14. Socialize with Bonaireans at Lac Bay Cai on Sundays. Enjoy local foods, music, dancing, and conversation. 15. Mountain Bike around Bonaire on marked trails and pathways which crisscross the island. 16. Scoot around the island on a scooter, moped, or even a Harley Davidson! Find flamingos, lighthouses, obelisks, land houses, slave huts, the Tourist Road, Ol' Blue, and more. 17. Sunbathe on beautiful Pink Beach, where the sand is pink and soft. Watch flamingos fly overhead on their way to and from Venezuela at early morning or sunset. 18. View from Heaven: the breathtaking panoramic views from Seroe Largu. See Klein Bonaire, Kralendijk, Lac Bay, the salt flats, and more. 19. Take a Sunday Drive any day of the week through the 13,500 acre Washington Slagbaai National Park. Bring a picnic lunch and sunscreen. 20. Party in the Streets with the Karnival Parade. Wear your craziest costume. Karnival time is around the beginning of February in both Rincon and Kralendijk. 21. Kayak through the Mangroves on a guided excursion for a firsthand look at this nursery for reef fish. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 22. Experience the Action of Bonaire's Annual Sailing Regatta in October. This week-long event features sailing races and nightly entertainment in the streets of Kralendijk. 23. Decipher the more than 500-year-old Indian inscriptions at Boca Onima. 24. Marvel at the oasis of lush vegetation at Dos Pos (Two Wells), and note the variety of fruit trees and species of birds. 25. Find a Fresh Deal at Bonaire's outdoor market by the old pier in Kralendijk. Venezuelans come by boat to sell fruits and vegetables at this Roman-style building located on the waterfront, near historic government buildings. 26. Birdwatch at Pos Mangel in Washington Slagbaai National Park. 190 species have been sighted. 27. Learn to Sail with one of Bonaire's qualified sailing instructors, or rent a sailboat and take to the waters on your own. 28. Speak Papiamentu, the native language of the Netherlands Antilles. Pick up new words and phrases, like <i>Bon Dia</i> (good day), by talking with locals. 29. Souvenir Hunt in Kralendijk and pick up a wheel of delicious Gouda cheese. 30. Take a Saltwater Shower along the eastern shore, where rough surf pounds the coastline, shooting spray 20-30 feet high. 31. Stroll leisurely to Kralendijk along the waterfront at Playa Pabou in the early morning and watch fisherman head out in small handmade boats for the "catch of the day." 32. Capture Beautiful Flamingos on film at Goto Lake, Bonaire's landlocked saltwater lake. 33. Be a Rock Star, discover where Iguana Head, Devil's Mouth, Indian Head, and Piedra di Boneiru are! 34. Play Tennis at several hotels, or at the public courts behind Maduro & Curriel's Bank in Kralendijk. 35. Examine a shell collection, artifacts, photography, archeology, and island mythology at Museo Boneriano. 36. Count the steps at Thousand Steps, a great place for snorkeling, exploring, and climbing stairs! 37. Make a Photo Stop at Para Mira (Stop & Look), and enjoy the view over Rincon, a Spanish missionary village. 38. Wander Aimlessly around Rincon, the oldest village on Bonaire, with friendly people, old homes, beautiful birds, and the island's largest goat population! 39. Beachcomb at Lagun, and ask about Spelonk Lighthouse, a delightful historic building. 40. Mingle with the Windsurf Stars from around the world at Bonaire's annual King of the Caribbean windsurfing event, held at windy Lac Bay. |
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