



Caneel Bay, A Rosewood Resort

Hotel Rating: 5 Star ★★★★★

Overview

Set within the Virgin Islands National Park on St. John, the resort features seven powder-white beaches on a secluded 170-acre peninsula.

Instead of televisions, radios, or telephones, 166 rooms provide tranquil views of lush gardens and azure blue seas.

Caribbean specialties are served at a restaurant atop the ruins of an 18th-century sugar mill, and casual fare is served beachside.

What to Expect: Set on its own peninsula and bordered by the Atlantic Ocean, Caneel Bay, a Rosewood Resort, is part of the Virgin Islands National Park, providing rest and rejuvenation in harmony with nature. Known as a retreat for celebrities and others seeking relief from stress, the resort emphasizes privacy and tranquility. A degree of gentility prevails: men are asked to wear long pants (or dress shorts), collared shirts, and closed-toe shoes (no athletic shoes) after dark. Loyal guests return yearly to be greeted by long-time staff members, and "Good morning," "good afternoon," and "good evening" are expected by all.

Amenity Highlights: Seven beaches fringe the resort's peninsula and provide snorkeling opportunities. Six are private; two are adults-only. A 40-foot-long, irregularly shaped freshwater pool is flanked by thickly cushioned lounge chairs isolated near tennis courts. Dining choices range from buffets to fine dining with piano music in an air-conditioned setting where men customarily wear jackets.

Insider Tip: For a surcharge, the staff of Equator Restaurant sets a table in the sugar-mill ruins, dresses it with white linen, lights tiki torches nearby, and serves a private dinner under the stars.

Location:

CANEEL BAY PO BOX 720
VIRGIN ISLANDS NATIONAL PARK, ST. JOHN, 00831-0720
U.S. Virgin Islands

Airport:

Cyril King Airport - STT

Room Features

Beach Front These rooms feature spacious balconies or patios. All rooms feature casually elegant interiors that are decorated with hand-crafted furniture, richly woven fabrics, plush reading chairs, commissioned artwork and tiled bathrooms. All rooms feature either a patio or balcony and offer breathtaking views of the pristine white-sand beaches or lush tropical gardens. All guestrooms include sitting area, fully stocked refrigerator/mini-bar, in-room safe, individually controlled air-conditioning and ceiling fan, alarm clocks, bathrobes and slippers, iron and ironing

board, hairdryer, and umbrella. Most rooms are not equipped with bathtubs. There are no telephones or televisions in the individual guestrooms.

Courtside These rooms offer views of lush tropical greenery and are a short walk to the beach. All rooms feature casually elegant interiors that are decorated with hand-crafted furniture, richly woven fabrics, plush reading chairs, commissioned artwork and tiled bathrooms. All rooms feature either a patio or balcony and offer breathtaking views of the pristine white-sand beaches or lush tropical gardens. All guestrooms include sitting area, fully stocked refrigerator/mini-bar, in-room safe, individually controlled air-conditioning and ceiling fan, alarm clocks, bathrobes and slippers, iron and ironing board, hairdryer, and umbrella. Most rooms are not equipped with bathtubs. There are no telephones or televisions in the individual guestrooms. These rooms do not have internet access.

Garden View Pleasantly scattered throughout the resort, ground level rooms, they are surrounded by Caneel's beautiful foliage and just a short stroll to the beach. All rooms feature casually elegant interiors that are decorated with hand-crafted furniture, richly woven fabrics, plush reading chairs, commissioned artwork and tiled bathrooms. All rooms feature either a patio or balcony and offer breathtaking views of the pristine white-sand beaches or lush tropical gardens. All guestrooms include sitting area, fully stocked refrigerator/mini-bar, in-room safe, individually controlled air-conditioning and ceiling fan, alarm clocks, bathrobes and slippers, iron and ironing board, hairdryer, and umbrella. Most rooms are not equipped with bathtubs. There are no telephones or televisions in the individual guestrooms.

Ocean View These rooms offer panoramic patio or balcony views of the beach and sea and are near the water's edge. All rooms feature casually elegant interiors that are decorated with hand-crafted furniture, richly woven fabrics, plush reading chairs, commissioned artwork and tiled bathrooms. All rooms feature either a patio or balcony and offer breathtaking views of the pristine white-sand beaches or lush tropical gardens. All guestrooms include sitting area, fully stocked refrigerator/mini-bar, in-room safe, individually controlled air-conditioning and ceiling fan, alarm clocks, bathrobes and slippers, iron and ironing board, hairdryer, and umbrella. Most rooms are not equipped with bathtubs. There are no telephones or televisions in the individual guestrooms.

Premium Ocean View These rooms are perched along the shoreline with unobstructed views of the sea. All rooms feature casually elegant interiors that are decorated with hand-crafted furniture, richly woven fabrics, plush reading chairs, commissioned artwork and tiled bathrooms. All rooms feature either a patio or balcony and offer breathtaking views of the pristine white-sand beaches or lush tropical gardens. All guestrooms include sitting area, fully stocked refrigerator/mini-bar, in-room safe, individually controlled air-conditioning and ceiling fan, alarm clocks, bathrobes and slippers, iron and ironing board, hairdryer, and umbrella. Most rooms are not equipped with bathtubs. There are no telephones or televisions in the individual guestrooms.

Premium Beach Front This suite is comprised of a separate bedroom and parlor along with a spacious terrace that is ideal to entertain. All rooms feature casually elegant interiors that are decorated with hand-crafted furniture, richly woven fabrics, plush reading chairs, commissioned artwork and tiled bathrooms. All rooms feature either a patio or balcony and offer breathtaking views of the pristine white-sand beaches or lush tropical gardens. All guestrooms include sitting area, fully stocked refrigerator/mini-bar, in-room safe, individually controlled air-conditioning and ceiling fan, alarm clocks, bathrobes and slippers, iron and ironing board, hairdryer, and umbrella. Most rooms are not equipped with bathtubs. There are no telephones or televisions in the individual guestrooms.

Room Amenities

Air conditioning	Climate control	In-room safe	Shower only
Balcony	Coffee/tea maker	Iron/ironing board	Slippers
Bathrobes	Cribs (infant beds) available	Minibar	Television
Bathroom telephone	Designer toiletries	Premium bedding	Turndown service
Bottled water in room (complimentary)	Hair dryer	Refrigerator (on request)	Wake-up calls
Ceiling fan	Housekeeping	Rollaway beds	Window opens
Child care (in room, surcharge)	Hypo-allergenic bedding available	Separate sitting area	

Hotel Details

Property Amenities

Isolated on a hillside and featuring panoramic ocean views, The Self Centre at the Caneel Bay offers sessions designed by an associate of Dr. Deepak Chopra. Choices include Aqua-Chi (guided water movements), Breathwalk (breathing, walking, meditation), Chakra Meditation, Pilates, yoga, and YogaPlay for Kids. (Surcharges for all.)An activity room contains a big-screen television for nightly complimentary movies. Another television is located in a teen center, which also includes a video game and Internet-connected computer (both complimentary). Complimentary Internet access is also available at a business center computer. Complimentary wireless Internet access is offered in the lobby. For children ages 3-12, there are supervised activities and dinner-and-a-movie evenings (surcharges for all).Ground transportation:

Rental cars for getting around St. John can be reserved during the process of booking a reservation for this hotel, via this Web site, and added to the total trip cost.

Airport transportation (surcharge)	Concierge desk	Internet access in public areas - complimentary	Room service (limited hours)
Arcade/game room	Concierge services	Internet access in public areas - high speed	Safe-deposit box - front desk
ATM/banking	Conference room(s)	Internet access in public areas - surcharge	Security guard
Audio-visual equipment	Doorman/doorwoman	Massage - treatment room(s)	Spa services on site
Banquet facilities	Dry cleaning service	Medical assistance available	Suitable for children
Bar/lounge	Event catering		Supervised child care/activities
Business center	Fitness equipment		Swimming pool - outdoor
	Front desk (limited hours)		Tour assistance

Business services
Complimentary breakfast
Complimentary newspapers in lobby

Garden
Health club

Parking (free)
Porter/bellhop
Private beach
Restaurant(s) in hotel
Room service (24 hours)

Wedding services
Wheelchair accessible

Policies

Extra-person charges may apply and vary depending on hotel policy.

Rollaway beds and cribs (infant beds) may be available and should be requested at the time of booking; fees may apply.

Photo identification and credit card or cash deposit are required at check-in for incidental charges.

Special requests are subject to availability upon check-in. Special requests made via this Web site cannot be guaranteed and may incur additional charges.

Pets not allowed

Resort fee charged at hotel/condo

Check-in time: 3 PM

Check-out time: Noon

Dining

A complimentary Continental breakfast is provided each morning in the main building's Breezeway. Complimentary afternoon tea is served in the open-air Reading Room at Turtle Bay Estate House.

Caneel Beach Terrace

Breakfast and lunch. Dinner during winter high season. Sunday brunch. Monday-night "grand buffet" (prime rib, grilled lobster, mahi mahi, roasted chicken, braised short ribs, pasta, pizza, salads, fruits, desserts) following complimentary cocktail party. Dress code: long pants or dress shorts and collared shirts for men.

Equator Restaurant

Located atop 18th-century stone sugar-mill ruins on hillside. Open-air, with curved front providing views of Caneel Bay and St. Thomas beyond. Stone floor, wood-shingle ceiling, awning-covered terrace. Oil lamps. Gentle steel-band music, with tree-frog singing as background. Steaks and Caribbean-flavored choices such as jerk-spiced ahi, goat-cheese-conch Caesar salad, jerk-marinated beef salad, lobster-crab cake, West Indian roti, coconut shrimp, broiled lobster, cowboy steak, triple lamb chops, jerk-spiced pork chop, guava-lemongrass roasted chicken. Dinner only. Dress code: long pants or dress shorts and collared shirts for men.

The Dining Room at Turtle Bay

Located in Turtle Bay Estate House. Upper and lower dining rooms under high bleached-wood ceilings, with glass-door "walls." Air-conditioned. Doors opened for fresh-air dining when appropriate. Buffet breakfasts and lunches. À la carte dinners during winter season. Dinner only during summer. Piano music. Dinner choices such as lobster-mango salad, smoked salmon in buttermilk crêpe, lobster ravioli, bouillabaisse with mascarpone-truffle polenta, almond-crusting cobia, filet mignon, rack of lamb, duck breast with mango-barbecue glaze, truffle risotto with English peas. Dinner dress code: long pants, collared shirts, closed-toe shoes (no athletic shoes) for men. Jackets customary but not required.

The Wine Room

Private dining room at Turtle Bay Estate House for advance-reservation dinner parties. Minimum four diners, maximum 12. Set menu of six wine courses, five food courses. Menu might include skillet-roasted prawns with goat-cheese butter sauce, baby mozzarella and roasted tomato salad, quail stuffed with Parma ham and figs, "beef and onion three ways," and dessert soufflé. Dress code: long pants, collared shirts, closed-toe shoes (no athletic shoes) for men. Jackets required in winter season.

Caneel Beach Bar & Grill

Casual, open-air spot on beachfront. Salads, sandwiches, wraps, pasta, light meals like grilled game hen. Lunch and dinner. Live music some nights. Two TVs.

The Starlight Terrace

Rooftop terrace above main building Breezeway. Bar service afternoons and evenings.

Recreation

Seven beaches (six private) fringe the resort's peninsula and provide snorkeling opportunities. At least five supply calm water on any given day. Caneel near the main building includes water sports. Hawksnest catches tradewinds and provides afternoon shade. Honeymoon (the most isolated) and features a snorkeling reef at each end. Little Caneel supplies peace and quiet near the resort's pier. Turtle Bay offers views of marine traffic between islands. Paradise is tiny and tranquil. Scott features sea turtles. (Paradise and Scott are adults-only.)The resort provides complimentary snorkeling gear, pedal boats, small sailboats, windsurfers, and kayaks. Play on 11 lighted tennis courts is also complimentary, as are tennis clinics. Private lessons are available for surcharges. Beginning scuba divers enjoy a complimentary class. Scuba and snorkeling excursions and sailing and fishing trips depart from the resort's dock. Aerobics classes are offered during winter season. Hiking trails as well as Trunk Bay's underwater snorkeling trail are located in the Virgin Islands National Park, which covers two-thirds of St. John. (The park's Visitors Center is 1.5 miles away in the town of Cruz Bay.)For freshwater swimming there's a 40-foot-long irregularly shaped pool flanked by thickly cushioned lounge chairs. Activities include watercolor classes, wine tastings, sunset cruises, and a snorkeling/swimming trip to an uninhabited

island followed by a beach barbecue (surcharges for all). Guided tours of the former sugar plantation are complimentary. Use of a fitness center containing cardio and weight machines as well as free weights is complimentary. The recreational activities listed below are available either on site or near the resort; fees may apply.

Aerobics	Hiking/biking trails	Parasailing	Tennis
Bicycle rentals	Horse riding/rental	Pilates classes/instruction	Volleyball
Dock	Jet skiing	Running track/path	Water skiing
Fishing	Kayaking	Scuba diving	Windsurfing
Helicopter/airplane sightseeing	Motor boating	Snorkeling	Yoga classes/instruction

Special Offers

Classic Romance 2011

- One bottle of champagne upon arrival
- One candlelight dinner for two in the Sugar Mills Ruins or on the beach

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