Welcome to the Tobago Cays – Aboard S/V Era



"Era rests beneath the Grenadine moon, where every tide begins an adventure."

Sail with Roux and Christine Gerber

Join Roux and Christine aboard their sailing catamaran, **Era**, for a true Grenadine adventure. Sail from Bequia through the islands to the Tobago Cays — fishing along the way, eating freshly grilled lobster with your toes in the sand, and sleeping beneath the stars at anchor within the calm lagoon. Each voyage carries the rhythm of the wind, the laughter of the sea, and the quiet grace of life under sail.

The Tobago Cays Marine Park

The park protects five uninhabited islands — Petit Rameau, Petit Bateau, Baradal, Jamesby, and Petit Tabac — surrounded by Horseshoe Reef. It's home to coral gardens, sea fans, eagle rays, reef fish, and sea turtles grazing peacefully in the shallows.

Snorkelling Etiquette

• Move slowly and keep fins off the seabed. • Don't touch or chase turtles or stand on coral. • Use reef■safe sunscreen. • Please use designated moorings where provided.

"The sea, once it casts its spell, holds one in its net of wonder forever." – Jacques Cousteau

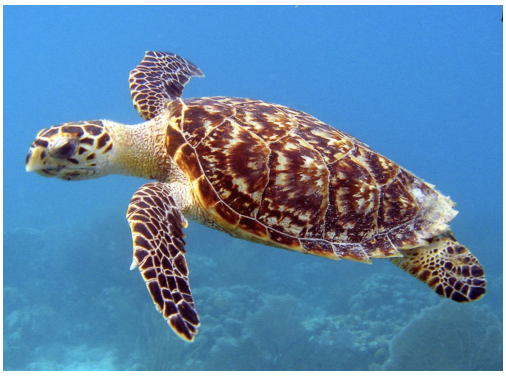
The Isles, the Turtles & Their Story



The five emerald islets of the Tobago Cays within the turquoise Horseshoe Reef lagoon.



Green sea turtle grazing in the lagoon



Hawksbill turtle on the reef

Ownership & Protection — A Short History

For centuries the Tobago Cays were privately held under colonial-era land grants, later passing through local families — notably the Eustace family — and eventually to overseas owners. The Government of Saint Vincent & the Grenadines declared the area a marine park in 1997 and, on 12 April 1999, purchased the cays from the Tobago Cays Holding Company for just over US$1 million to secure permanent public protection.

Turtle Life Cycle in the Grenadines

Green turtles (*Chelonia mydas*) and Hawksbills (*Eretmochelys imbricata*) are the most commonly seen species here. Nesting peaks from April to September, with females returning to the same beaches where they hatched. Each female lays several clutches of about 100 eggs per season. After 60 days, hatchlings emerge at night and dash to the sea.

"These islands were once traded like gems — now they shine freely for all who arrive with respect."