## MARTINIQUE



### WOODWARD ACADEMY - MARCH 2-9, 2019





### **CUSTOM GROUP TRAVEL**

# INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL FOR SCHOOL GROUPS AND ORGANIZATIONS

For 28 years, Global Works has provided students with purposeful programming that fosters learning through Service Projects, Cultural Exchange Activities, Language Immersion, and Adventure Travel.

We partner with local communities and organizations to complete meaningful, wellorganized and thoughtful service work and cultural exchange activities which take groups beyond just seeing the sights of incredible destinations. Our group leaders know where to go and what to do in order to provide the safest and most impactful travel experience possible. A Global Works travel program is an experience of a lifetime! The island of Martinique is an exotic slice of France, tucked away in the Caribbean. Surrounded by the welcoming waters of the Atlantic Ocean to the east and the Caribbean to the west, this island is a portrait of paradise. It exudes a distinctly French feeling, while boasting delectable Caribbean cuisine and charming people.





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## ⇒ ITINERARY



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#### DAY 1

#### **ARRIVAL & ORIENTATION**

Bonjour! Our Global Works Trip Leader greets us in the Fort de France airport on arrival in Martinique. We transfer by private bus to the town of Trois-Ilets, settle in to our hotel for the next 5 nights, then gather for welcome and orientation activities. Dinner at the hotel marks the end of our first day.

#### DAY 2

#### SPICE MARKET & HISTORICAL TOUR

Following a good night's rest, we head to the bustling morning market in Fort de France for a scavenger hunt!Practice French with the local vendors as they sell spices, jams, fruit, and colorful fabrics. Have you tried fresh mango? Next, we take a walking tour of Fort de France, then visit the Savane des Esclaves to learn about Martinique's history and colonial past.

#### DAY 3 MANGROVE KAYAKING & CULTURE

This morning, we take a unique kayaking trip through a submerged Mangrove forest. Along the way, our guide points out mangrove trees, crabs, and lizards. Later, we watch a pottery demonstration by a local artist in Village de la Potterie. Top off the afternoon with snorkeling in the quiet black-sand cove of Anse d'Arlet!

#### **DAYS 4-5**

#### **CARNIVAL & CULTURE**

We make time in our schedule to experience the energy and festivities of Carnival! Over the next two days, we learn more about the history and background of this yearly celebration and how it came to the Caribbean. We watch parades in Fort de France and in Ste-Anne to compare the daily themes. When the parades are done, we visit the Cap 110 memorial to a slave ship sunk off shore, visit the Jardin Creole to taste some local produce, and wind-down on a beautiful whitesand beach in the south of the island.

#### DAY 6

#### TARTANE & NATURE RESERVE HIKE

We continue the next stage of our journey by heading north to Tartane, on the Atlantic coast. We settle into our hotel for the next 2 nights, and then take a short hike to a light house overlook in the nearby nature reserve. The views are breathtaking! In the afternoon, we visit the Banana Museum to learn more about this important regional crop, and to taste-test a few products. Banana ketchup, anyone?

### EDUCATIONAL FOCUS AND HIGHLIGHTS

- PRACTICE FRENCH WITH LOCALS
- LEARN ABOUT FRENCH
  CARIBBEAN CULTURE & HISTORY
- KAYAK THROUGH MANGROVE FORESTS
- HUNT FOR LOCAL GOODS AT A SPICE-MARKET

#### DAY 7 MT. PELÉE EXCURSION

On our final full day in this beautiful place, we take an excursion to explore Mt. Pelée, the infamous volcano in the tropical north end of the island. We take a guided hike/swim through a stunning river gorge to take a dip in a waterfall. This is often a highlight of the trip! In the town of St. Pierre, we visit the ruins and learn the story of the 1902 eruption. We end the day enjoying some final beach time and a celebratory dinner.

#### DAY 8 DEPARTURE FOR HOME

It's time to pack our bags and return to the airport for our flight home. It may be the end of a trip, but it's the beginning of a new awareness about ourselves and French Caribbean culture.



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## ⇒ TRIP INFORMATION



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#### AIRFARE

**OUR MISSION** 

Global Works Custom Group Travel provides integrative service and educational opportunities which create stronger, better informed, and more engaged communities.

#### **OUR METHODOLOGY**

Global Works frames learning experiences within the context of cultural exchange and service activities. For each activity, or segment of a trip, our leaders integrate an orientation, discussions, and a de-briefing.

#### **OUR GOALS**

We believe that meaningful service projects and community relationships are a powerful way to connect people and ideas. At the heart of every Global Works trip are well thought out service activities which integrate reflection and experiential learning. Our goal is for students to better understand and participate in the cultural, societal, and ecological systems and processes within the country.

#### **TUITION & PRICING**

Base tuition prices include all in-country expenses including all meals, lodging, scheduled activities, and an experienced Global Works leader to accompany your group and handle all logistics. Tuition also includes Global Works Emergency Medical Insurance (\$5.95 per participant per day). Not included in the tuition is student round trip airfare, meals in the airport, or any activities not described in the itinerary or agreed upon prior to departure. Tuition is set on a group size of 12-14 paying participants and includes free travel (tuition and round trip airfare) for 2 teachers/chaperones, as below. If the group does not reach the base number, a surcharge may apply (per student under the minimum) or the trip is subject to cancellation with a full refund. Deposits are fully refundable for 30 days following your group's Application Due Date or in the case that the group does not reach its minimum number.

#### AINFANL

March 2, 2019: AA 1177, depart Atlanta (ATL) 6:45am, arrive Miami (MIA) 8:33am AA 1319, depart Miami (MIA) 10:50am, arrive Fort de France (FDF) 3:19pm

March 9, 2019:

AA 1319, depart Fort de France 4:00pm, arrive Miami (MIA) 6:45pm AA 2245, depart Miami (MIA) 9:40pm, arrive Atlanta (ATL) 11:42pm

Approximate total, including all taxes and fees: \$1,290 per person

#### **CUSTOM ACCOMMODATIONS**

Our group stays in a comfortable hotel on the east coast of Martinique for the duration of the trip. Accommodations are carefully selected. They are secure and offer private meeting areas for groups.

#### **CUSTOM TRANSPORTATION**

Our primary mode of transportation is through private buses. We have been working with the same reputable travel companies and drivers for many years.

#### COMMUNICATION

Global Works provides 24/7 emergency contact service for the families of all participants. Families will be able to stay connected to participants by reading updates and viewing photos posted on the trip blog. Participants will be able to call home periodically during the program.

#### SAFETY AND SECURITY

Since our inception in 1990, health and safety have been our first and foremost criteria in choosing our travel locations. We take a preventative approach to minimize the inherent risks of travel, avoiding areas that do not meet our standards. First aid kits are on all programs and leaders are minimally certified in First Aid and CPR. We have an Emergency Action Plan detailing medical care and evacuation plans for each location. Each location is visited and scouted prior to the trip by trip leaders to ensure a positive, safe, and healthy experience for our participants. Our Home Office staff and leaders continue to attend risk management conferences, medical training, and our risk management systems and training programs are seen as a model for the industry.

### **TUITION AND DUE DATES**

**TUITION & AIRFARE** \$2,439 Tuition + \$1,290 Airfare = \$3,729

**APPLICATION AND DEPOSIT DUE DATE** \$500 deposit per participant due October 31, 2018 **FORMS DUE DATE** January 15, 2019

**TUITION BALANCE DUE DATE** December 15, 2018

#### HOW TO ENROLL

Visit us online at www.globalworkstravel.com and click "Enroll" to access the online application. A \$500 deposit is required to secure your space on the trip. You may pay the deposit via credit card online. Only checks and bank transfers are accepted for tuition and airfare balances.

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