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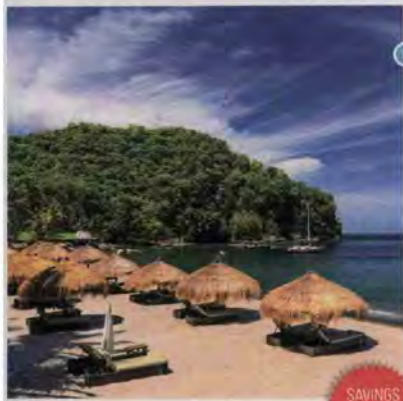
SAVINGS 13%

SABA

The smallest island in the Dutch Caribbean, little-known **Saba** is home to excellent hiking, pristine villages, and a laid-back vibe, says Sarah Greaves-Gabbadon, Caribbean travel expert of JetSet-Sarah.com. At the Cottage Club (cottage-club.com), charming houses with water views run \$130 a night in May, \$20 (or 13%) less than in high season. Saba is also a top scuba destination, thanks to the protected Saba Marine Park (sabapark.org). Beginner lessons from Sea Saba are \$105 to \$215 a person (seasaba.com).

Take the Plunge for Less

Looking for a beach trip? The temperatures are rising in the Caribbean, which means the deals are getting hot too. —STIRLING KELSO



SAVINGS 23%

ST. LUCIA

May is a particularly good time to stop at this outpost in the West Indies. The St. Lucia Jazz Festival runs until May 8 and features artists from across the U.S. and Caribbean (tickets from \$31 to \$80; stlucijazz.org). Some hotels, such as the Coconut Bay Beach Resort (cbay-resort.com), offer deals timed to the event (from \$157 a night for a garden-view room). You'll find deals all month long at the French colonial-style Fond Doux Plantation & Resort, with cottages on a 250-year-old working farm and costing \$175 to \$203 a night, up to 23% less than in March (fond-douxestate.com). For more local flavor, Orlando's uses ingredients from area farms (dinner, \$65; orlandorestaurantstl.com).



SAVINGS 31%

GRENADA

Chocolate? Did someone say chocolate? At the annual Grenada Chocolate Festival (May 13–22), you can go on a bean-to-bar farm tour (\$44) or take advantage of one of the free activities, such as the Rum, Chocolate & Jammin' festival on Pink Gin Beach. Stay nearby at the waterfront True Blue Bay Resort, which has rooms overlooking a lush jungle garden from \$189 to \$200 a night—that's compared with \$275 a night in March, a 31% savings. The resort is also close to Grenada's most popular beach, Grand Anse, where local markets and restaurants border two miles of white sand, says adviser Margie Hand of Andavo Travel. [M](#)

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