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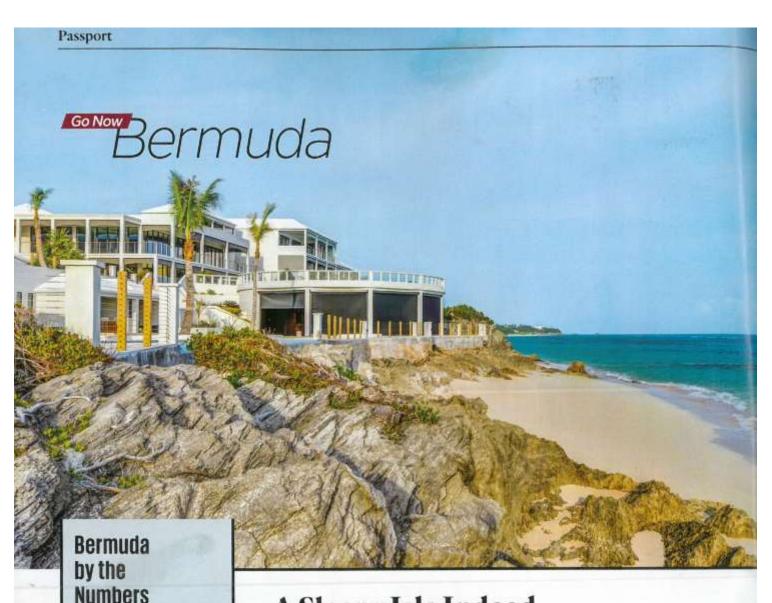
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- Islands in Bermuda, totaling 21 square miles
- Golf courses in Bermuda-the highest concentration per square mile in the world
- Approximate number of shipwrecks submerged among the isles and reefs
- Distance in miles to Cape Hatteras, N.C., the closest large landmass
- Approximate population of Bermuda-almost half the number of expected attendees at the America's Cup

A Sleepy Isle Indeed

RITZ-CARLTON, St. Regis, and even actor Michael Douglas are busy developing Bermudan resorts for next year and beyond. For now, these new or newly renovated retreats are great spots for a proper Bermy getaway.

Hamilton Princess & Beach Club . Bermuda's 132-year-old grande dame-and the America's Cup host hotel-emerged from a \$100 million renovation last year with redesigned rooms, a 60-berth marina, a restaurant by Marcus Samuelsson, and a world-class art collection featuring works by Andy Warhol, Damien Hirst, and Nelson Mandela. thehamiltonprincess.com

Hawkins Island • Richard Branson's Necker Island is the inspiration for this 26-acre private-island resort, located a 10-minute speedboat ride from Hamilton. The fully staffed exclusive-use property-slated to open in May-will eventually accommodate up to 16 guests in a white-roofed main house and a converted guard tower. Reservations available through events@thewaterfront.bm

The Loren at Pink Beach . This contemporary hotel and residence complex, which opened in February on the site of the former Pink Beach Club, strikes a sophisticated tone with modern design, stunning ocean views, and two international restaurants, thelorenhotel.com

Coral Beach & Tennis Club • Quintessential Bermuda at its best, this 26-acre membersonly resort comprises 22 rooms, six suites, and 10 cottages, some of which are newly renovated. Exclusivity is key and perks are plenty, from a private tennis complex and members' clubhouse to guaranteed tee times at elite golf courses like Mid Ocean Club and Port Royal. (Nonmembers can book stays with the referral of an existing member.) coralbeachclub.com





Local Flavor

Bermuda's dining scene—known mostly for its expensive yet unremarkable Continental-style restaurants—is having a breakthrough, with a recent influx of more casual and creative eateries. **Devil's Isle** (devilsislecoffee.bm) was among the first to focus on seasonal cuisine when it opened in 2014, offering largely organic dishes like Scottish salmon with green-tea gremolata and line-caught rockfish with tomato, spicy caper, and olive sauce. **Village Pantry** followed suit with a similarly local-minded ethos (and the same owners). But it was New York—based chef Marcus Samuelsson who took Bermuda dining to new heights when he opened **Marcus'** at the Hamilton Princess & Beach Club, featuring his masterful takes on island favorites like grilled Bermuda onion and fish-chowder croquettes.

Old mainstays, meanwhile, have started taking cues from their newer and cooler counterparts. At Rosewood Tucker's Point, the elegant **Point** restaurant (rosewoodhotels.com) will soon have a new poolside location and an updated look. And even the stalwart of old-school fine dining, **Waterlot inn** (waterlotlinn.com), has let its guard down: Jackets are no longer required at dinner.



Pole Positions

Bermuda successfully outbid serious competition—including saling hubs like San Francisco and Newport, R.I.—for the honor of hosting the 35th edition of the **America's Cup** (americascup.com). Of the more than 100,000 spectators expected for the monthlong event, which runs from May 26 through June 27 on the island's Great Sound, the most fortunate will arrive via superyacht. For prime positioning, the marina at the new Louis Vuitton America's Cup Village offers views over the entire racecourse. Additional berths can be booked at **Caroline Bay Marina** (carolinebaymarina.com), which opened in March just south of the course. Visitors traveling sans private yacht can also catch the action by chartering a crewed catamaran—complete with a personal captain and gournet chef—from the **Moorings** (moorings.com). For a view on dry land, head for the private open-air deck at the America's Cup Village's Longtail Lounge, just opposite the course's finish line.



Shorts Required

Bermuda shorts first made an appearance in the early 20th century, when British military officers stationed on the island cut their trousers off above the knees to combat the unbearable heat. Today the garment—often paired with long socks and, for more formal occasions, a jacket and tie—remains a staple in every Bermudan man's wardrobe Here, Adam Petty and Sam Outerbridge, cofounders of Bermuda's Coral Coast Clothing (coralcoastclothing.com), share the secrets to mastering the island's long-enduring fashion.

What's the proper length and fit for Bermuda shorts?

A.P.: Two inches above the knee, with socks just below the knee, You have to show that exact amount of skin. Most shorts are a little wide in the leg. Ours are more tapered, and we use spare shirting fabric to line the pockets, giving them a pop of color.

How do you dress up the shorts for formal affairs?

\$.0.: The formal look is typically associated with an evening or dinner party. The components of the formal look are a more neutral-colored short paired with dark knee-length socks. The jacket should also be navy, but you can get away with a gray jacket. The tie and dress shirt are usually the showpiece: A white or blue shirt paired with a colorful printed tie is an easy combination. Always keep it colorful!

Any faux pas to avoid?

S.O.: The color of your socks should not match your shorts identically. You cannot go wrong with always sticking to the navy Bermuda-length knee socks. They go with everything. But if you are feeling a little more flamboyant, you could go with a pink or pale-yellow hue. It really depends on how much fun you plan on having!

