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# SUN, SEA & SLAMS 2021



# BARBADOS

*31st Annual Bridge Event*

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## WIN GOLD POINTS

We want to tell you about our annual bridge event held on the island of Barbados. Next year: Jan 31-Feb 7, 2021.

The island has a wonderful Prime Minister, Mia Mottley, who has been lauded by all and is revered for her handling of the Covid-19 crisis on the island. She has been interviewed on BBC, CNN and other news media. At time of writing, there are only 8 active cases on the island, all visitors, and they are all in quarantine.

ACBL has cancelled all tournaments until at least the end of February BUT they are making an exception and allowing us to hold our annual Sun Sea and Slams event because Barbados is NOT in the same category as North America and the rest of the world re. Covid.

The hotel and the Bridge event will be diligent about spacing and all will wear masks. Lots of hand sanitizer also. Plans are to use two floors for playing area and there are many other improvements. Please bring your own personal bidding boxes so you can carry around your own each day, versus boxes attached to tables.

**The BEST part though that, while 75% of the master points you win will be black, 25% of ALL points that you win will be GOLD. No section tops or overall placements needed...just any points you win...25% will be converted to gold.**

Americans...because you are travelling from a high-risk country, you will be in quarantine for 7 days after arriving on the island. At a different hotel. You then MUST be re-tested on the island at your expense (\$150.00 USD) ...SOME places are free of charge for the test. You can request to be in quarantine at Sunbay Hotel which is a quarantine hotel across the street from Barbados Beach Club (Host hotel). So you would need to come at least a week early.

Canadians: No quarantine because you are coming from a medium risk country. But you have to be re-tested in 7 days. Also at your expense or go to one of the free centres to be tested.



**Protocols change all the time** but that is the situation as it stands now. AND everyone must show proof of having a Covid test done within 72 hours of arrival on the island and you bring test results with you.

Booking is done through the hotel this time. See below for all details and please see the end of the ad for all the Covid details spelled out. A credit card is given to the hotel at time of booking but if you **cancel 15 days prior, there is no penalty**. If you cancel within 14 days, then your credit card will be charged a 3-night penalty.

Contact Roglyn Hinds Tournament chair [roglynhinds@gmail.com](mailto:roglynhinds@gmail.com) or 246-231-0149 if you have any questions.

I know this sounds complicated but we want all to be safe. I want you to focus on lovely breezes, the sound of the waves, blue sky and the beach and decide that this holiday will be worth a bit of fuss. The weather is wonderful 98% of the time on the island.

If you have questions, feel free to email me also. A huge amount of effort is being expended to make this all work well. It will be so great to be able to see real people in real time.

Please watch this video of the island performed by Sir Emile Straker of the famous group, The Merry-men.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NghkV-dDa10>

We all grew up dancing and partying to their music on the island.

***NOTE: Alex and I have had to cancel our plans to go to Barbados for the winter due to my upcoming surgery and follow up treatments. I know some of you have booked expecting that we will be there teaching. We have cancelled Florida and Mexico and we are truly broken-hearted about those but 2022, we'll be back there.***

More details follow...

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## **BARBADOS BRIDGE SUN SEA & SLAMS 2021**

**NEW!! A SPECIAL ACBL BRIDGE EVENT AWARDING BLACK & GOLD MASTER POINTS.**

**NOTE THAT 25% OF ALL POINTS WON WILL BE GOLD  
NO NEED TO WIN YOUR SECTION OR PLACE OVERALL**

SEVEN NIGHTS ACCOMMODATION INCLUDING ALL YOUR MEALS & DRINKS

USD \$1,120.00 PER PERSON (DBL. OCC.) \$1,435.00 SINGLE OCCUPANCY

Pay cash or you pay 5% surcharge if paying by credit card

EXTRA NIGHTS: \$160.00 USD per person DBL OCC. or \$205.00 per person SGL OCC.

Come early or stayover to tour this lovely island.

(You may have to be in quarantine so check protocols on next page)

## SCROLL DOWN TO READ ABOUT COVID-19 PROTOCOLS MOST important if travelling from USA

Know that the hotel & the bridge committee will be diligent. You will be required to wear masks, covering mouth AND nose and use hand sanitizer regularly. Also carry your own bidding box

### **HOTEL: BARBADOS BEACH CLUB**

MAXWELL COAST ROAD, CHRIST CHURCH

#### **THIS IS A VERY SPECIAL RATE**

BREAKFAST, LUNCH, AFTERNOON TEA, DINNER & LOCAL DRINKS ARE ALL INCLUDED. HOUSE WINE WITH DINNER. MANAGER'S COCKTAIL PARTY. TAXES INCLUDED. GRATUITIES **ARE NOW INCLUDED. HOTEL GOVERNMENT LEVY INCLUDED.**

TRANSFERS TO & FROM AIRPORT INCLUDED. BRIDGE COMMITTEE TAKES YOU TO & FROM AIRPORT!

BOOK YOUR OWN AIRFARE (NOT INCLUDED). NOTIFY ROGLYN OF YOUR FLIGHT PLANS.

Contact Roglyn Hinds [roglynhinds@gmail.com](mailto:roglynhinds@gmail.com) so she can arrange transportation to and from airport

BRIDGE EVENTS ARE NOT INCLUDED. Average: \$15.00 USD per session. All bridge is optional.

This is a smaller tournament. Very friendly and fabulous. It will be sold out so book now.

**Highly recommended by Barbara Seagram & Alex Kornel.  
Barbados is Barbara's homeland for MANY generations  
(almost 4 centuries!)**

The Barbados Bridge League is now a full member of ACBL.  
The rate is so excellent that you cannot afford not to do this trip. Get away from the winter!!

### **TO BOOK:**

Contact Reservations Department at Barbados Beach Club 1-246-428-9900 or  
email [reservations@barbadosbeachclub.com](mailto:reservations@barbadosbeachclub.com)

BOOKING CODE IS **BRIDGE 2021**

**One night's deposit is required by the hotel by credit card  
Cancellations within 14 nights of arrival: Penalty of 3 nights**

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For further information:

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1 Feb: 9.30 am: Pairs Gamel  
1 Feb: 7.00 pm: Pelau Pairs # 1 session  
2 Feb: 9.30 am: Pairs Game

2 Feb: 7.00 pm: Pelau Pairs # 2 session  
3 Feb: 9.30 am: Pairs Game  
3 Feb: 3.00 pm: Rum Pairs  
4 Feb: 9.30 am: Team Game # 1 session  
4 Feb: 1.00 pm: Team Game # 2 session  
5 Feb: 9.30 am: Pairs Game  
5 Feb: 3.00 pm: Lady Burton Pairs # 1 session  
6 Feb: 9.30 am & 3.00 pm: Lady Burton Prs # 2 & 3

*You can play in one, two or all three of the Lady Burton Pairs.*

*All bridge is optional. You can take a morning off here and there to do some sightseeing.*

*There is no significance to the names Pelau Pairs, Rum Pairs, Lady Burton Pairs etc:  
It is just a designation to distinguish one event from another.  
Average cost per session is \$15.00 - \$ 16.00 USD.*

*I was born and raised on this beautiful island in the Caribbean. The Barbados Bridge Committee do a wonderful job running this delightful bridge tournament in February each year.*

*Imagine \$1,120.USD per person to spend a week at a hotel on a beach in Barbados in February, including all meals and drinks. They even pick you up at the airport! The players are friendly, the sun shines forever and the island beckons. You cannot afford to not go! It is a very special island and I invite you to visit and enjoy all its magic.*

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## **COVID-19 PROTOCOLS**

### **NOTE THAT THESE CHANGE REGULARLY**

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<https://www.visitbarbados.org/covid-19-travel-guidelines-2020>

[www.barbadostravelprotocols.com](http://www.barbadostravelprotocols.com)

or call 1-246-536-4500 24 hour hotline for updates

(It may be hard to understand the accents of those manning the hotline. I would recommend websites versus telephoning)

On arrival on the island, all visitors must arrive with proof that they have had a Covid-19 test completed (and that it is negative) within 72 hours of arrival on the island.

Visitors from high-risk countries, e.g. USA (at time of writing), must arrive on island with certificate of testing AND enter a specified Quarantine hotel. (You may choose and hotel is at visitor's expense). They will have their temperature checked daily and after one week, they must have another Covid test (approx.. \$150.00 USD (at visitor's expense) or attend a free centre for being tested.

(Note that Sunbay Hotel across from Barbados Beach Club is designated a Quarantine Hotel). Without taking that second test, visitors from high-risk countries are required to be in quarantine for two weeks.

Visitors from medium-risk countries e.g. Canada (at time of writing) must arrive on island with certificate of testing and then check their own temperature daily (or twice daily) BUT are NOT quarantined. But they must be re-tested after 7 days.

Visitors fill in form a day before arrival on the island [www.travelform.gov.bb](http://www.travelform.gov.bb)

Yes, it is all a bit complicated but I know you want us all to be safe and we are all so pleased that Barbados is working around the clock to enforce these protocols so that none of us will be exposed to risk.