

INFORMATION FOR GUESTS

Necker, Sir Richard Branson's private island paradise, is situated in the British Virgin Islands, a stunning and unspoilt area of the Caribbean. At 74 acres, Necker sits in turquoise waters surrounded by coral reefs and fringed with beautiful white sandy beaches. Necker can become your own private hideaway; away from the stresses and strains of daily life. The island can be hired exclusively or if you're not looking to hire it exclusively, you can still enjoy the Necker experience during Celebration Weeks when individual rooms can be booked by singles or couples to enjoy our fabulous island paradise 'house party' style.

Revised offering for 2011 and 2012

Following the devastating fire which broke out in the Great House on 22nd August, 2011, the usual complement of 8 rooms and suites will be unavailable while the rebuilding project is ongoing.

While we restore the Great House to its former glory the island will still be available for exclusive hire with its six beautiful Bali Houses as well as Temple House, Richard Branson's home, which he is making available in these exceptional circumstances. Our luxury catamaran, Necker Belle, will also be moored alongside the island offering further accommodation.

The Bali Houses - These 6 beautiful private houses are built in authentic Balinese style and each can accommodate a couple or single however most cannot be split into twins. Some of the Bali Houses are split levels complete with a meditation room. Bali Hi, Bali Cliff and Bali Beach are built on a cliff in order to maximise views, sea breezes and the sounds of the sea. They are quite close together with one shared plunge pool but all with private en-suite bathrooms. Bali Cliff has a stunning fully open-air bathroom. Bali Beach as you might expect overlooks the beach! Bali Lo, Bali Buah and Bali Kukila are built in the middle of the island and boast wonderful views with a large private pool. Golf buggies (mules) are provided so you can drive to and from your Bali House to other areas of the island. Guests driving the mules must be 18 years old and hold a valid international driving license. All Bali Houses have home entertainment systems with iPod docking leads.

Temple House – Situated in the middle of the island with panoramic views, this house was built to Richard Branson's exacting standards and boasts a beautiful freshwater pool, large lounge with TV and surround-sound system. There is also a free-standing marble bath – ideal for soaking as you gaze out to sea!

Cabins on Necker Belle

Necker Belle is a 32-metre (105ft) luxury catamaran and while Necker Island Great House is being rebuilt she will be docked at the island. Necker Belle's four main cabins with large windows are situated on the main deck above the water line.

The Master suite offers stunning views of the ocean through large windows. This room has ample storage space along with a comfy queen size bed, private bathroom with a double basin and shower room. If a lie in is the perfect start to your day, you can snuggle up in bed and switch on your 52 inch LCD TV, watch a DVD or listen to a selection of music through the sound system. Guests can also hook up their iPods for hours of listening pleasure.

Two double VIP guest cabins can be arranged into twins and both have a junior version of the Master Suite's bathroom with shower room. Other features include a 26 inch LCD TV, DVD and sound system. The double guest cabin, which can not be split into a twin, offers an en-suite,

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DVD and sound system. All enclosed guest cabins are fully air conditioned. In the evenings an area of the main salon can be converted to sleep an additional two people, with a privacy screen, separate toilet and shower.

The Beaches - There are plenty of places to lie on the beach and enjoy the sea. Main Beach is where most of our water activities are based and where you will find the Tennis and Beach Pavilion. Turtle Beach is a more peaceful palm-fringed beach, with hammocks hanging between the trees and an aqua-trampoline anchored to the sea floor. There are many other places where guests can find a peaceful spot to relax and the more energetic can take the 2-hour walk around the island to view the flora and fauna.

The Pools - The Beach Pavilion has one of the most stunning pools around! This is located at Main Beach and can be accessed from both land and beach sides. There is a swim-up bar complete with rocks in the pool where guests can sit and enjoy a drink. It is a freeform infinity pool with a stunning waterfall. Within the pool complex is our thatched Crocodile Pavilion, complete with a large solid teak crocodile table where guests can be served fresh food from the Pavilion's gourmet kitchen. At Temple House the lounge area leads directly onto a freshwater infinity pool, and a large private pool can also be found at Bali Lo & Bali Buah along with a plunge pool at Bali Hi, Bali Cliff & Bali Beach.

Water Activities - We have a large selection of state of the art equipment, enabling us to provide guests with the opportunity to try kite-surfing, sailing, windsurfing, waterskiing, kayaking, power boat trips and plenty more. We also provide snorkeling equipment for those who want to go out and blow some bubbles with Necker's underwater wildlife! The watersports building is located right on the main beach and not only is it a perfect place to find all the water toys you need, but it is also somewhere to take it easy and enjoy the views! There is a decking area with chairs for spectators and even a hammock so you don't have to be involved in the sports to come down and join the action. Not only do we have plenty of equipment in a fantastic location, but we also have highly qualified instructors who are all very eager to give you the chance to try all the sports that we have available.

Necker Nymph - If all the activities on Necker Island weren't enough to keep you busy, this private island paradise now has a new world-first - a 3-person aero submarine we call Necker Nymph. This underwater 'aircraft' has been designed especially for Virgin Limited Edition and takes exploration under the sea to a whole new level - or should that be depth?! Discover some stunning parts of the British Virgin Islands you might not get to see any other way! Use of Necker Nymph is charged additionally so please ask us if she's available when you book a stay on island.

The Tennis Pavilion - Also located in the Main Beach area; here guests have access to two floodlit courts and a viewing pavilion. Equipment is provided, although enthusiasts may wish to bring their own. We also have a professional tennis coach who is normally resident at Necker for those who wish to perfect their game and also arrange tournaments.

Spa Treatments -Leha Leha is the Balinese way of describing peace, relaxation and daydreaming, and there is no better place to experience this than with a spa treatment on Necker Island Spa. We have two fully trained resident beauty therapists offering a fabulous range of treatments. These are not included in our normal rates and a treatment list is available on request.

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Food & Drink - Fine food is the highlight of any guests stay and our rates are fully inclusive of all food and all beverages, including champagne. Our wonderful chefs prepare food that we have become famous for and it is up to guests whether they want to dine on lobster and caviar or a Sunday roast! Dining can be formal or informal, inside or outside, themed or traditional or a mixture of everything!

We stock a fine range of international wines, top quality spirits, international beers and excellent house champagne. If you would like us to ship in something special, simply give us plenty of notice (generally there is no extra charge unless the item is particularly rare or extra shipping is involved). No limit is placed on the amount of food or beverage consumed and guests are encouraged to treat Necker like their own home, therefore they are welcome to help themselves to anything they want, any time.

Children - Richard Branson designed Necker Island to be his family's holiday home and his own children spent almost all of their school holidays there since they were infants, therefore it is no surprise that Necker Island is child friendly. The only time where Necker is best left to the grown ups is during our couple-only Celebration Weeks where it's time for the adults to enjoy themselves! We do, however, have special Family Fun Weeks, when whole families are welcome on island.

On Necker there are plenty of things for children to do; we have a large range of children's DVDs, toys, books and games. There are all of our usual activities however we can also arrange activities such as treasure hunts or beach Olympics. We have cots, baby baths and babysitting is provided at an additional cost. Children's meals can be provided any time. Guests can bring their own diapers and formula or let us know in advance what they will need and we will make sure we have it in time for their arrival.

Weddings & Honeymoons - It is hard to think of a better place to get married and we love weddings on Necker. Please contact your Reservations Office for more information. We are also an ideal location for a romantic honeymoon in paradise, Celebration Weeks are ideal for this too as it is not necessary for a couple to hire the entire Island.

Birthdays, Anniversaries & Other Celebrations - We can arrange practically anything to help mark a special occasion – fireworks, hundreds of balloons, a non-stop feast; you tell us what you want and we'll make it happen.

ISLAND RENTAL RATES – EXCLUSIVE USE

When hiring Necker Island exclusively a minimum stay may be required, however please call our Reservations Office for details. Supplements may also apply over Christmas, New Year and Easter.

Your accommodation

Exclusive hire includes use of six Balinese-style houses, Temple House and full use of Necker Belle, our luxury catamaran.

Rates include

- Your accommodation
- All meals and drinks (including all alcoholic beverages)
- Return launch transfer from Virgin Gorda or Beef Island airports
- A dedicated team of fabulous staff.
- Two freshwater pools and large Jacuzzi
- Two floodlit tennis courts
- Windsurfing and kite surfing equipment
- Sailing and speed boats
- Kayaks, water-skiing equipment, snorkelling equipment, inflatable banana etc.
- Fishing equipment (not deep sea)
- Local calypso band for one party evening
- 7% local tax

**Please contact our reservations team
for rates in 2011 and 2012.**

CELEBRATION WEEK RATES

Normally the entire Island is hired privately by an individual or group, but during Celebration Weeks, held on selected weeks throughout the year, couples or singles can book rooms individually and share the Island with others.

How does it work?

During Celebration Weeks there's no particular schedule, and you can do as little or as much as you like. Every morning our team will find out what everyone is interested in doing and will arrange activities accordingly. Some people may choose to go sailing while others brush up on their tennis skills with our resident professional. Or you could find a private spot on a beach or by a pool and spend the day doing absolutely nothing!

Meals are generally taken together in a variety of locations around the island, however if you wish to dine privately on one evening our staff can make all the necessary arrangements. Please contact our reservations team for rates and availability in 2011 and 2012.

What's included?

Everything you see listed above in the exclusive use section.

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