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ST. THOMAS, U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

Walking Tour: Havensight Dock to Downtown Charlotte Amalie Shopping and Restaurants

IMPORTANT: This walking tour is only valid for ships that dock at the "Havensight" Dock, which is managed by the West Indian Company Limited. Check the company's Ship Schedule to ensure your ship will be docking at "Havensight" Dock. http://wico-ltd.com/cruise-ship-dock/ship-schedule-port-availability

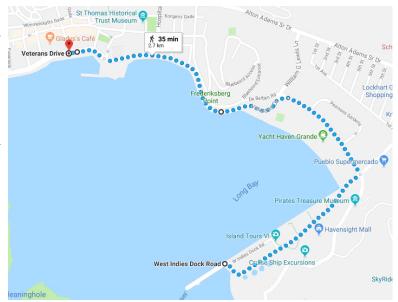
Route Info

Time: 35 minutes each way

Difficulty: Easy; mostly flat

Admission

The Shops at FREE Yacht Haven Grande:



https://goo.gl/maps/mUnZLHmz8m52

Overview

The downtown area of Charlotte Amalie is a primary destination for many visitors to the island of St. Thomas. The area features many restaurants and bars, jewelers, food shops, clothing stores, and more!

The walk from the port to the shopping area is a nice stroll along the waterfront of Long Bay. After you do some shopping and enjoy a bite to eat, the downtown area is great place to explore, particularly all the small, off-the-beaten-path alleyways.

IMPORTANT NOTE

This walking tour starts at the corner where Virgin's Haven is located. There is a *small* possibility that your cruise ship will dock beyond the Virgin's Haven corner. If so, simply walk to the Virgin's Haven corner to start the walking tour.

1. At the Virgin's Haven corner, take the road that leads you away from the cruise ship dock and continue following the road as it curves to the left.



2. Continue following the road straight as you walk past various parking lots, buildings, and shops. This is an active roadway, so be sure to use the sidewalks.



3. When you reach the gate by the restaurant at the end of the road, continue past the gate by walking through the opening between the gate and the building.

After walking past the gate, turn left.



4. Continue walking along the road between the gate and large building.



5. When you see the gated entrance for The Shops at Yacht Haven Grande, turn left and walk through the entrance.

[NOTE: If the gated entrance is NOT open (10 pm - 6 am), continue walking in the direction you were headed to the intersection of Edward Wilmot Blyden Rd. Turn left, walk along Edward Wilmot Blyden Rd, and pick up this tour at Step 13.]





You can find a map of The Shops at Yacht Haven Grande at: http://shopsatyhq.com/map/

6. Continue walking mostly straight along the brick walkway toward the stores.



7. Continue following the walkway mostly straight as you walk among the shops.



8. Walk around (either direction) the octagonal shop located in the middle of the walkway.



9. On the other side of the octagonal shop, look for the narrow passageway next to the Luis Vuitton shop. Continue walking through that passageway.

[ALTERNATE ROUTE: You can turn left, walk to the marina boardwalk, then turn right and walk along the boardwalk and continue this walking tour at Step 12]



If you need restrooms, they are located just past the Louis Vuitton store, on the right side of the walkway.



10. When you get to the courtyard, walk around the planting area in the middle to the small passageway in the building on the other side. Continue walking through the passageway.

[ALTERNATE ROUTE: As you cross the courtyard, turn left, walk to the marina boardwalk, then turn right and walk along the boardwalk and continue this walking tour at Step 12]



11. After walking through the passageway, continue mostly straight along the brick walkway.



12. Continue walking along the brick walkway, and then continue along the short boardwalk to the exit of The Shops at Yacht Haven Grande.



13. From the exit of The Shops at Yacht Haven Grande, continue walking west/northwest approximately 15 minutes on the sidewalk that parallels Veterans Dr. The downtown shopping and restaurant area begins at the intersection of Veterans Dr. and Tolbod Gade.

