

THE WIND ADVENTURES CENTER

The center Wind adventures is established on the splendid Orient bay since 1992 (former Club Nathalie Simon), close to the hotels, the Village of the Orient bay (100 m) and vis-à-vis the Natural Reserve. The center will provide you all the material necessary to practise your favourite sport , and if you wish it, a shop will propose you sunscreen, lycras, energy drink, gloves, drinks and duty free gear You will also find lockers, wifi access, a weather station, a webcam and the possibility of booking other activities. The beach restaurants and snack are just next to the center, you will be able to rent umbrellas and beach chairs also there.



The team Wind adventures welcome you every day and will make you share unforgettable moments. The team will advise you on the best plans to take the most of Orient bay, but also from the authentic charms of St Martin. Since 1992, we make you discover Saint Martin and our activities in a convivial, proficient and authentic environment. All our instructors are certified and are selected for their professionalism and service.

A fun and proficient Center:

The teaching staff guaranteed you professional and quality service (French Kitesurfing School and IKO affiliated center). The instructors are all certified. The gear at the center is current year, maintained and in perfect condition of use , it is also the opportunity to test the latest gear. Safety on the site is permanent. The center is equipped with 2 semi-rigid for kitesurf lessons and a safety boat for your safety in bay.



The site:

Orient bay, elected "Best beach of the Caribbean" is also called "the Pearl of the Caribbean" because of its beauty of the landscapes which surrounds it. It is located just opposite the Natural Reserve which constitute Ilot de Pinel, Green Caye and Tintamare. It is a privileged site at a walking distance from your hotel. You will find on Orient bay many beach restaurants and all the nautical activities (all the restaurants propose beach chairs to relax)

Sailing Conditions:

Saint Martin offers lenient conditions weather, sunny and privileged because of its dry climate . The trade wind blows year round with an average of 12-13 knots. The trade winds season extends from the beginning of December until the end of April. July and June generally receive tropical waves which reinforce the trade wind. The wind is generally more established the morning, weakens at the end of the morning to be reinforced in the mid afternoon.

KITESURFING

Kitesurfing has become more popular since the appearance of the bow kites (flat kites). Since last year, this sport has largely gained in comfort of use and safety. Young people, women, sportsmen, less sporty people can discover in a few hours the joys of kitesurfing. Marriage of a power kite and a nautical board, kite-surfing will give you a feeling of power and lightness, (sustained by your wing). Kitesurfing is not a matter of strength, it's just technic. The kite will quickly become a new passion! So try it now!



ÉCOLE FRANÇAISE DE KITE



Lessons:

Each group consists of 2 or 3 students (in general 2) of a similar level, this is why the progression is rather fast. Launching and starting are from Green Cay (deserted and paradisiac islet 800 m from the center). Launching is free from any obstacles. After a 2 km drift in bay, you will be back aboard the assistance boat.

Discovery class:

Discover the basics of kitesurfing. Learn to accept and to manage the power. Our instructors will put you in confidence from the first moments. You will embark aboard a zodiac to reach the desert island of Green Caye. A sand bank awaits you there and will be your play-ground to learn in full safety. You will learn how to prepare your gear, the safety rules, the launching technics, how to control the bar and kite, and finally, the good attitudes to become a good kitesurfer. Once these acquired competences, the body-drag will make you discover the incredible feelings of kite-surfing: you will pilot and steer you kite at your rhythm in Orient bay and will learn how to move you in dynamics (moving left/right/upwind). What a magic feeling to be sustained by your kite!. Once you master the body drag, you will be ready for the board. Then, you will have to discover the coordination between your kite and your board!



Intermediate training course:

You will learn how to make your kite moving and flying and how to better coordinate piloting and the edge on the board. The precision on your piloting will enable you to stand up longer. The instructor will then start to leave you autonomy in the relaunching and you will understand all the aspects of piloting: flying window, orders, amplitudes, anticipations. You start to be precise and avoid mistakes. You discover the joys of kite-surfing (while sailing!) at the end of these a few hours.

Advanced Training courses :

You ride without being 100% trustful. The advanced training course will take you to a 100% autonomy. You will be able to ride in any wind conditions, no matter what is the launching area, spot configuration, local weather. You will also learn how to tack, jump, loop, tune your kite and even learn wave-riding.



Special instruction :

Private instruction are also proposed by the center. You will be equipped with radios for better learning. A video analysis is also possible. Nothing like it to learn the wave riding, the jumps and rotations for better understanding the key gestures and moments.

Rental:

The center is equipped with the latest kites and board on the market. We propose hiring to independent kitesurfers (level required: level 5 for the FFVL and level 3 for the IKO). The center provides harnesses, protection vests, helmets with any hiring. An assistance for takeoff and landing is included. A drop of in Green cay is also possible at extra cost.



The teaching staff:

Thomas : French certified instructor, Thomas had great experience of the land kite since 1995 before kite-surfing existed! Professional and patient, he will make you share his passion. You will learn a lot, whatever the sailing conditions are. Thomas speaks english, french and german.

Guillaume: French certified, Guillaume is also Snowkite instructor. It will know how to make you discover kitesurfing and make you confident in a simple way. Guillaume speaks english and french

The kitesurfing spot:

Orient Bay (2,5 km) is an ideal area for kiting. It offers a wave spot, a lagoon, and make it possible to ride island - to islands. The site is only for independents kites: to reach the kite zone, it is necessary to go upwind by the cross channel. It is not allowed to ride in the zone of the 100 m being reserved to the bathers. The center proposes to intermediate levels (80% upwind capabilities) to drop them on Green cay. The wave riding spot of Cay green is ideal to learn surfing. The small islands are also pretexts to speed-crossing and island- to islands riding.





Kitesurfing Trips:

One day kitesurfing trip to Anguilla Island: discover Anguilla best spots with a sailing catamaran. You can book at the club. Wind is always stronger at Anguilla, you can expect 3 more knots than in Saint Martin, it is an interesting opportunity for lightwind days. Trips are done depending on weather forecasts and on the number of people.

Sailing boat rental: the club is also renting a First 21.7 in order to go on Cove Bay spot at Anguilla.

ÉCOLE FRANÇAISE DE KITE

Wind Adventures School is a French Kitesurfing School, a quality label that guaranty you a professionnall teaching with a maximum safety (number 99907). It is also a International Kitesurfing Organization center (IKO CENTER 155)

A professionnall team:

All our kite instructors are choosen for their proficiency. They are french certified and International Kitesurfing Organisation recognized. They also have a large experience of teaching. Their level and implication in the kitesurfing world make them share their passion with you.

The Gear:

The kites: 95% of our kites are bowkites, from which the advantages in kitesurfing schools are evident: 100% power, large scale of use, landing and launching alone on the beach... the gear is now 100% safe.

The Equipment:

Moreover than the usual gear (helmets, life jackets), our instructors will equip you with a radio in order to keep in contact with you all the time.

Safety Boats:

The school has 3 inflatables safety boats for your safety during the lessons. A 12 people boat with 115hp, a 8 people boat with 40hp and another similar 30 hp.

Pedagogy +:

Video: for advanced level kitesurfers, the school propose performance courses with video analysis. In order to see all the key movements, thats a lesson you shouldn't miss.

Radios: radio assistance allow advanced kitesurfers to go in the waves or to get a better technique.

TV and DVD: pedagogy sequences, or performance, are shown at the club.

The Level certificate EFK: The level card Pass' Kite will be delivered to you at the end of your training course (6 levels), subject to be dismissed.

The level certificate I.K.O: The level card I.K.O will be also delivered to you if you wish to continue abroad.

Progress of the training courses:

After being equipped to you to the Club, having been briefed by the instructor, you will embark aboard the Zodiac to reach the site school of Caye Verte.



WINDSURFING



The equipment :

The center is equipped with the last gear for windsurfing formula, slalom-race, freestyle and wavesboards. According to your level, you will choose an adapted, easy and a professional gear. The center is equipped with 35 boards and 50 rigs located at 20 meters to the water. Booms are equipped with harness lines. Harnesses are also supplied. The represented brands : JP Australia, Bic sport, Tiga, Neil pryde.



The training course:

Novice training course: learn the basics of windsurfing: the balance, the sailing positions, tack and return to the starting point. Our instructors will make you progress in all the conditions of navigation.



Intermediate training course:

If you are able of sailing back to the starting point , then discover quickly the harness so as to navigate longer without getting tired. Try advanced equipement and learn beach start and jibes. The center board will not be useful any more and waterstarts is almost in your reach.



Advanced Training course :

If you wish to discover the glide and the exhilarating sensations of the windsurfing, then this training course is for you. You will teach it to pass your waterstarts, as well as has to put feet in footstraps. The fun opens to you . An initiation to the jibe is also proposed.



Private lessons:

Our instructors propose every day lessons with subjects: jibes, planning, jumps. Do not hesitate to ask the team to join. Possible video analysis.

Windsurfing to Anguilla: every week, the center propose trips on the magnificent island of Anguilla. (Cove bay). The wind is there generally stronger from 3 to 4 knots and the site is deserted and paradisiac. The registrations are made from the club. Departure according to the number of persons and the meteorological conditions.



The Oriental Bay stretches on more than 3 km and offers a tremendous playground for all watersports. In windsurfing, the beginners can evolve in their own rhythm in the lagoon and ride to the island of Green caye. The advanced level people shall enjoy the swell of the Atlantic Ocean and waveriders will be able to surf waves behind Green Caye. The amateurs of speed crossing and island-to islands sailing will be enchanted with the landscape of the Reserve and will certainly see turtles. In winter, it happens to navigate with dolphins and whales.

The teaching staff:

Cédric: professionnel gradué instructeur, Cédric est également un entraîneur de windsurfing. Il saura comment vous faire progresser dans les meilleures conditions. Sa spécialité: le freestyle. Le front loop, speed loop and spock have no secret for him.



Olivier: Professionnel gradué instructeur, Olivier vous fera partager sa passion pour le windsurfing. Sa polyvalence et sa patience vous garantiront un résultat positif, quel que soit votre niveau. Sa spécialité: le slalom et le freestyle.



SPORT CATAMARAN - HOBIE CAT CENTER

The fleet: the center is equipped with 3 Hobie cat 16, 2 Hobie Cat Gateway, 1 Hobie Cat 14 and 1 Hobie Wave. The HC 16 is dedicated to the trips, however, it is allowed to go to the island of Tintamare in Hobie Cat Gateway. The center supplies life jackets, waterproof bags and trapeze (boots, gloves and hats on sale to the club).

Training courses:

Beginners training courses: you wish to become autonomous in conditions of light wind, this training course will allow you to manage the basics tricks to sail safely : know how to slow down his boat, man's operations in the sea, tacking, jibing.

Intermediate training course: you wish to navigate in a more steady wind, the intermediate training course will learn you to put the boat back after tipping over in all the conditions, to adjust sails to navigate better and stabilize your boat.

Advanced Training course: you wish to sail in all the conditions and to take less experienced crew, opt for this training course autonomous 100 %. You will be taught so as to use the trapeze, to adjust the sails, to better find the balance of the boat, to prepare you for the safari and for the regatta.
Training courses children: the training courses children will allow a first discovery of the sail with the Hobie cat Wave.



The Safaris

: the center proposes trips in the day on inquiry. In half a day, we take you around the site of Orient bay to discover the islands of the Nature Reserve (Tintamare, Pinel, green Caye, Creole Rock). In the day, it is possible to navigate around St Martin and to ride until Anguilla.



SAILING SCHOOL FIRST 21'7 FT SAIL BOAT

St Martin is a perfect starting point for the cruises. Then, so that your dream becomes reality, become a skipper aboard our sailing boat First 21,7

You will be introduced on a small transportable monohull Beneteau First 21,7, equipped with an asymmetric spinnaker, electronic equipment VHF, GPS, telephone and nautical maps. You will learn the basics of coastal cruising as well as the navigation in open sea: basic manoeuvre, moorings, sails adjusting, map reading, rules and safety in navigation etc... Sailing will have no secrets for you anymore

The sailing area:

You will practice around the Orient Bay, but also around St Martin, towards Anguilla and St Barth'. You can discover the Natural Reserve of St Martin and St Barthélemy, as well as the marine environment. In winter, you will probably see whales and dolphins.



Day Charter to Anguilla:

Sail to Anguilla with our First 21,7. Discover Rendez-vous Bay, one of the most beautiful beach of the Caribbean. The best way to discover Anguilla is by the sea. You can stop on Shoal Bay, 3rd most beautiful beach to the world, visit dolphins of Meads Bay and discover the white sandy beach of Rendez-vous Bay. Trip with or without skipper



Day Charter to St Barthélemy :

discover Saint-Barthélemy by the sea. On the road you can stop on Fourchue Island, island of the marine sanctuary which constitutes St Barth's nature reserve. In the arrival, the shopping in Gustavia is a must. Then You can go on the beach of St Jean or Colombier for a barbecue or for snorkeling.

The SXM challenge:

Discover St Martin by the sea. The downwind along the Caribbean coast will allow you to discover the Creole Rock (natural reserve), and especially Happy Bay, accessible only by the sea and surrounded with a palm grove. Philipsburg will allow you to make a break for duty-free shopping ! The last ride through the Natural reserve will doubtless let with you the occasion to meet dolphins and whales.



SEA - KAYAKING

Kayak / Waveski rental to Green Caye (or Pinel): the rental is possible for 1 hour, half day, a day or a week. The center supplies life jacket, waterproof bag and stuff for snorkeling (flippers, masks, snorkels). The gear : the club is equipped with 10 Kayaks Bic sport (simple and double kayaks) and of Wave skis (epoxy) to surf the waves of the Bay.

The possible itinerary:

Green Cay : after a 10 minutes paddling, you will reach the paradisiac island of Caye Verte. Discover sea life on the left (coral reefs); the desert beach on the windward side, the sight on St Barthélemy. It is an ideal excursion to spend the day in family. No experience needed on this route: the crossing is flat and the paddling is short.



Pinel:

Discover Pinel Islet. In 25 minutes, you will reach Pinel island, thus a first experience is necessary. Don't miss, the restaurants: lobster, local rum. Discover the sea life, or simply taste the enjoyments of the idleness! On the way back, visit Little key islet.

French Quarter mangroove:

from the center, you can reach in 35 minutes the mangrove of Orleans and discover the wild life : mangroves, and all sea birds... This excursion is only for experienced sea- kayakers. (3 hours of minimum kayak go / return).



ECO - TOURS



Eco-Tours: the Wind adventures Center is an ideal starting point to discover the Nature Reserve and its jewels. The instructors of the center shall make you discover the fauna and the flora . You can so discover the sea birds (sterns, pelicans, gannets), the turtles (ground and marine), dolphins and humpback whale in winter for the most lucky; iguanas, mongooses and lots of others species.

Tintamare Discovery:

Explore Tintamare, its white sandy beaches, its marine birds, its land turtles and for the more lucky, you will meet dolphin and whales in winter. Also best snorkelling with colourful coral fishes. Our guide will make you take the most of the site. A hiking is possible to reach the North point and to discover the natural jacuzzi and clay cliffs. Unforgettable adventure ! Sporting catamaran trip (2h: 80 € for 1-3 per) or with a sailing boat (3 h : 280 € for 5 pers.)



Discovery trips on 3 days:

Islands discovery: Tintamare - Green Pinel - Caye (pers 1 or 2.):

1st day: day to Pinel-

2nd day: 2h trip on Tintamare (cata of sport).

3rd day: Discovery of Green Caye. Half day. In kayak (without instructor)

Rate: 130 €

Nature Discovery (1 or 2 persons).

1st day: 3h trip to Tintamare (it cata of sport)

2nd day: 2h trip to the Creole rock (cata of sport).

3rd day: 1h of kayak in Green Caye.



SURFING | BOOGIE BOARDS | PADDLE BOARDS



Rental:

The center is equipped with all the range mini malibu from Bic sport (15 boards): Performer 7' 6, mini malibu 7' 3, 7' 9, 8' 2, evolution 6' 7, but also Morey boogie Mach (flippers). A cover will be given to you to transport your board and move around the island. Rentals are possible by half-day, the day or week.

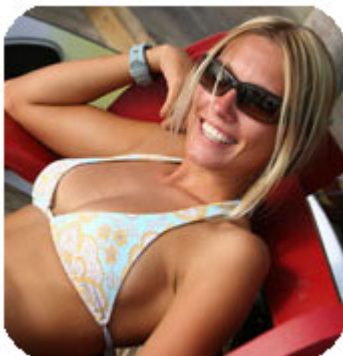


The sites around Orient Bay: numerous surfspots around Saint-martin, and according to the swell direction, surfing is possible almost everyday of the year.. The average of waves is 1,5 m, which is perfect for mini-malibu and morey boogie. It is however possible to find a more than 3 m swell in winter. The best thing to do is to drive around to find the best wave.



Wilderness: it is St Martin's spot for the experienced surfers. This right is located on the Northcoast. Little caye- departure from grandes-cayes (15 minutes walk to reach the spot). Be careful at the entrance: (coral + sea urchins). (Swell direction: NNO)
Galeon Bay: it is THE beginners spots: closed bay, with an easy wave acces (300 m of paddling for warming up!). Ideal to learn (Swell direction: E)
Friar bay: a good intermediate spot!. You will find a beach break wave (good for mini malibu on the left) and a reef break (faster). (Direction NW)
Plum Bay: the perfect wave for mini-malibu and boogie boards. This long wave works by NW swell Cupe Coye: very fast wave located on the southcoast. For confirmed surfers (Orientation: SW)
Mullet Bay: A very beautiful wave which works by swell of W

MULTI - ACTIVITY



Unlimited rentals: take completely advantage of our activities according to your desire and the meteorological conditions. We propose you a family pack, valid for a couple and 2 children until 12 years. It includes an unlimited access for one week to all the following activities: windsurfing rental, hobie cat rental, Open bic rental, sea kayak rental, kite surfing rental, surfing rental, boogie boards rental, and snorkeling stuff.

Rate : 490 euros/week For half days : 390 euros/week (valid for all the family!)

All activities discovery classes:

Try windsurfing (1 hour), hobie cat (1 hour), kitesurf (1 hour) and spend a day to Pinel after 45 minutes of navigation. A mix which will doubtless make you discover a new passion.

Rate: 195 €



KIDS



In family, St Martin is the ideal family destination. Hotels are close to the center, and you will find a wide choice of activities there. The equipment is adapted to the sizes of your children. We also give them bodyboards, skimboards, balls, and beach toys.

Open Bic Training courses : Open Bic is the ideal boat to discover the sail and the glide! With this small boat doing planning becomes easy. It will make of your children sail adepts !

Hobie cat Wave's training courses : your young sailors will take themselves for true race sailors in their multihull adapted to their size.



Windsurfing training courses : the center is equipped with junior riggs for beginners, as well as advanced riggings (One). Then, no excuses to stay behind dad or mom!

Kite surf training courses : training begin from 9 years (30 kilos is a minimum). Instructors are trained to teach kids.

In sea kayak, nothing more easy for the young people.



ADVANTAGES

For any training course or weekly rental, the access to sea kayaks, waveskis, surfing, bodyboards, snorkelling gear and open Bic is free and at will. Rum tasting will also decorate your stay: 20 different flavors! La dégustation de Rhum arrangé agrémentera également votre séjour : 20 parfums différents en dégustation au centre !



KITESURFING | WINDSURFING CRUISES



In winter the center organizes kitesurfing and windsurfing cruises with a catamaran (8 sleepings around). You will cross spotlights around St Martin, Saint-BARTHÉLÉMY and Anguilla during a week. Ask for the center for dates and quotes.

- Day 1: arrival and boarding on your catamaran. :
- Day 2: Orient bay sailing
- Day 3 : Crossing to Anguilla. Navigation in Cove Bay and Rendez vous bay
- Day 4: Prickly pear downwind. Return the evening on Cove BAY
- Day 5: Sailing to St Barthélémy.
- Day 6: Crossing to Tintamare. Mooring in Tintamare
- Day 7: Taxi at 1 pm and back to plane

Please, check our website for more information:

<http://www.wind-adventures.com>

