



Say 'I Do' To Something New and Something Blue
Bitter End Yacht Club Invites Couples to Take the Plunge in Extraordinary Settings

Virgin Gorda, BVI (March 28, 2008) – For brides in search of barefoot elegance, the Bitter End Yacht Club on lesser-known Virgin Gorda proves the perfect place for a traditional wedding experience in a non-traditional setting. With its lush beachfront surroundings, crystal-blue waters and eternal sunshine, Bitter End is a photographer's – and a bride's – dream. The resident staff and on-site wedding coordinator can flawlessly execute a completely customized celebration for the host couple or one of the resort's pre-selected wedding packages, mapping out all aspects of the wedding day *and* week.

Over and above the actual ceremony, the experienced Bitter End staff can help to organize rehearsal dinners, cocktail events, dinner receptions and brunches (from two to 160 people) as well as daily group activities, ensuring that the betrothed won't feel obligated to entertain their guests around-the-clock. Interested in a real race to the altar? The water sports team can easily arrange a Wedding Week Regatta. Want the entire resort to yourself, with a staff of 250 to make your dream wedding come true? At Bitter End, it can be arranged.

Bitter End offers a variety of venues for that special week, including several beach options, poolside under the stars, on the resort's charming Almond Walk or even on one of Bitter End's private boats. Pre-selected packages are as follows, all of which can be customized and altered to meet any bride's needs:

- A private gazebo built on stilts above the crystal-blue waters of the Caribbean, **The Wedding Point** is perfect for an intimate celebration of small groups up to six people. A chauffer transports the bridal party from their room to The Wedding Point where the Registrar, photographer and champagne await the private ceremony.
- For the couple who desires to say their vows with the surf splashing at their feet, the **16 Sounder Wedding** package is ideal. Accommodating groups up to ten at the island's South Beach location (known for its spectacular sunsets), this package includes a personal photographer and Bitter End's signature 16-ounce Sounders in place of the more traditional cake and champagne.
- Also held on the South Beach, the **Caribbean BBQ Wedding** is a seaside ceremony that includes a photographer. Post-nuptials, friends and family gather at Bitter End's newly renovated pool to kick the party up a notch with a delicious Caribbean Barbeque.
- For a completely different approach to the customary 'just married' car departure, couples can opt for the **Sunset Cruise Wedding**. After vows are said shore-side amongst the Almond Walk's swaying palm trees, the wedding party (of up to 25 people) boards the Paranda, a 48-foot long catamaran, for a toast on the North Sound into the sunset. In addition to use of the Paranda, this package includes a photographer and a fresh baked three-tier cake.

- For the ultimate Caribbean wedding experience, the **Sunset Pool Wedding** begins with vows at sunset on the North Sound, followed by the perfect poolside reception just steps from the beach. Here, dinner is served under a blanket of stars while the live music of Caribbean steel drums fills the night sky. A photographer, three-tier wedding cake and private band are included.

All wedding packages, when purchased in conjunction with the resort's basic Admiral's Package, include location fee and photography. Flowers, site decorations, music, and all the other details can then be coordinated with Mary Jo and her staff, to create an unforgettable occasion. The popular Admiral's Package includes unlimited use of the over 100 boats in the Club fleet, snorkeling trips, champagne and dinner cruises, blue water excursions, accommodations and three meals daily.

Background:

The Bitter End Yacht Club, a family-owned and operated island outpost known for its historical charm and exclusivity, is accessible only by sea, luring tropical vacation enthusiasts from around the globe for more than 30 years. Located on the protected waters of North Sound on the lesser-known island of Virgin Gorda (British Virgin Islands), the lush, beachfront resort is a sailing and watersports mecca, thanks to its near perfect year-round sailing conditions, eternal sunshine and crystal-blue waters. Known for its casual, safe, communal atmosphere and robust activity programs, Bitter End is a favorite destination for couples, families and groups, many of which who return year-after-year.

Guests can learn to sail at Bitter End's U.S. Sailing-accredited Sailing and Windsurfing School, dive with the world-famous Kilbrides Sunchaser Scuba or take advantage of the resort's legendary Club fleet, featuring over 100 well-maintained watercraft, and its more than 15 weekly excursions to many of the BVI's treasured islands and reefs.

The resort features 85 beachfront, bungalow-style guest rooms, the world's largest complimentary fleet of watercraft, 70 moorings and 25 slips, an on-site sailing school, two restaurants, a full-service spa, a provisioning Emporium, shops, a freshwater pool and three private beaches. The barefoot elegance that characterizes this island outpost is why Bitter End is regularly hailed as one of the top full-service resorts in the world.

The Bitter End Yacht Club is just 12 miles from Tortola, 30 miles from St. Thomas and 75 miles from Puerto Rico. For more information or to make reservations, call 800-872-2392 or visit www.beyc.com.

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