

THINGS TO SEE

- 1 Derek Walcott Square**
Named for the Pulitzer Prize winner in literature and home to a 300-year-old Saman tree.
- 2 Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception**
One of the largest churches in the West Indies.
- 3 Castries Central Library**
Opened in 1924 but was destroyed in the 1948 fire and reopened in 1950.
- 4 Morne Fortune**
This fort was constructed by French colonizers and still stands with other military buildings today. 🗼
- 5 Our Planet**
Interactive environmental center where visitors can learn more about the planet Earth.

- 6 The Castries Market**
Built in 1894, has a selection of craft goods, exotic fruits, and spices.

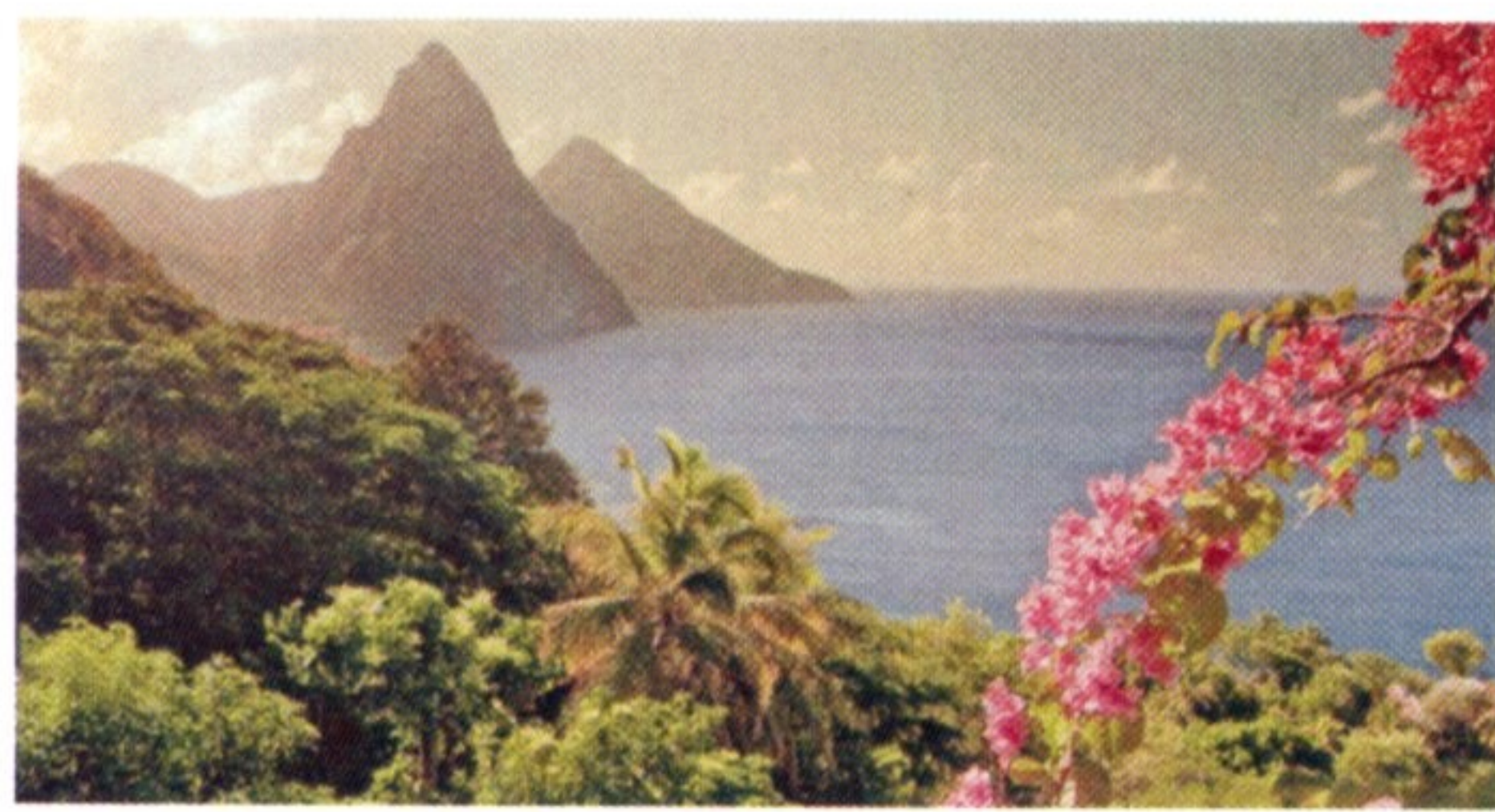
EAT

- 7 The Coal Pot**
Specializes in local seafood.
- 8 Chic**
Fine-dining French restaurant.
- 9 Hardest Hard Restaurant**
Local food made fresh daily.

SHOP

- A Effy Jewelry**
Colored diamonds & gemstone specialists.
- B Diamonds International (two locations)** #1 recommendation for diamonds.
- C Tanzanite International (two locations)** #1 recommendation for tanzanite.
- D Diamonds International Watch and Design (two locations)**
Fine timepieces and designer jewelry.
- E Del Sol (two locations)**
World's largest retailer of color-changing clothing.
- F Carihola (two locations)**
Where everything is made of luxuriously soft bamboo.





From Your Location Team

Head to the northwestern coast of the island of St. Lucia and arrive at the capital city of Castries. Founded in the mid-17th century by the French, Castries eventually became a major coaling station for the Royal Navy. The city has been rebuilt several times after suffering devastation from three substantial fires in 1796, 1813 and 1948. Today Castries boasts a booming tourism industry, attracting thousands of visitors from around the world. Head to Derek Walcott Square and roam this popular area where the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception and the Castries Central Library are located. Spend some time in downtown Castries perusing the duty-free shops. Pick up a souvenir or grab something to take home for yourself at one of many stores in the mall. Continue your shopping excursion at Castries Market, where you'll find locally crafted goods and Caribbean spices. Take the kids to Our Planet, where interactive exhibits allow visitors to see the effects of growing worldwide environmental concerns. Head over to the military cemetery, Morne Fortune, to learn about the conflicts between the French and the British while enjoying a picturesque view of the landscape and seascape below. Wrap up your adventure with some relaxation time just enjoying Marigot Bay. Whether you're on the beach or in a palm tree-sheltered cove, this is an experience you'll remember for a lifetime.

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GET OUT OF TOWN

The Pitons

These two scenic peaks have been made a UNESCO World Heritage Site. 🌐

Pigeon Island

A historic fort sits high on the hill overlooking the bay, and there are many beaches and hotels nearby. 🌐

Fond Doux Estate

Site of the Battle of Rabot in 1795, where today fortifications still exist, along with the ruins of the original estate houses and working buildings. 🌐

St. Lucia Botanical Gardens

Botanical gardens complete with a sulfur waterfall. 🌐

🌐 Our award-winning shore excursions provide convenient access to these sights. See the Journeys Ashore™ order form for a description of offerings, or ask your Journeys Ashore Manager.

ESSENTIALS

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East Caribbean dollar (XCD)

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