



### **Historic Trip to St. Georges**

*Addresses listed for Google Maps*

**9.00am** *Buffet Breakfast at Crown & Anchor*

**10.00am** *Pick up Twizy from Rental office*

**10.20am** *Drive to Fort Hamilton Happy Valley Road, Hamilton*

Built in 1870s to protect the Hamilton Harbor and form a line of defense for the western Royal Naval Dockyard. Today it offers spectacular views over the rooftops of Hamilton.

**11.00am** *For a scenic route navigate through the roads of North shore and head towards LF Wade airport and follow signs to St. Georges, the Islands Original Capital.*

Originally called New London, St. George's was first settled in 1612. This was three years after the first English settlers landed on St. George's Island on their way to Virginia. Led by Admiral Sir George Somers and Lieutenant-General Sir Thomas Gates, they had deliberately steered their ship, the Sea Venture, onto a reef to escape a storm. The survivors built two new ships, the Deliverance and Patience, and most continued their voyage to Jamestown, but the Virginia Company laid claim to the island.

**12.00pm** *Lunch at Wahoos 36 Water Street, St Georges*

Known for their Fish Tacos, this local favorite is serving up fresh local wahoo in a variety of mouthwatering ways.

**1.30pm** *Explore the Historic Town of St. Georges, UNESCO World Heritage Site*

-St. Peters Church *33 Duke of York St. St Georges*

The oldest surviving Anglican and oldest continuously occupied Protestant church in the Western hemisphere

-The Tucker House Museum *Water Street, St Georges*

One of the first settled homes on the island

-Featherbed Alley Print Shop *3 Featherbed Alley, St Georges*

Featuring a replica Gutenberg press, and is located in the lower level of the Mitchell House, in St. George's, a UNESCO World Heritage town in Bermuda. The upper level of the house holds the St. George's Historical Society Museum. The house is named for its architect, Walter Mitchell, who had it built in the 1720s. The museum is a replica of an 18th-century print shop, though its location was never formerly the site of such a business (it occupies the former servants' quarters of the Mitchell House).

- The Deliverance *Ordnance Island, Just past the St. Georges Square*

This is an exact replica of the original ship that was built by the survivors of the Sea Venture

-The Unfinished Church *Duke of Kent Street, St. Georges*

The construction work began in the year 1874 when St Peter's Church was badly damaged by a storm and was thought to be beyond repair. So a new church had to be built to replace St. Peter's. William Hay of Edinburgh was the architect and he was a specialist in Gothic designs. Although the construction work of the new church was started, it could not be completed due to various reasons.

-Fort St. Catherine *15 Coot Pond Road, St. Catherines Point, St Georges*

This coastal artillery fort was used first by Bermudian Militia and then by regular Royal Artillery units from 1612 into the 20th Century.

**5.30pm** Head back to The Hamilton Princess & Beach Club *76 Pitts Bay Road Hamilton*