

Shopping Ashore

Port & Shopping Guide

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Freeport

History & Highlights Overview

In 1955, Wallace Groves, a Virginian financier with lumber interests on the island of Grand Bahama, was granted 50,000 acres swamp and scrubland by the Bahamian government. On this was built the city of Freeport (a free trade zone), which has grown to be the second most populated city in The Bahamas after the capital, Nassau. Freeport is located approximately 100 miles east-northeast of Fort Lauderdale, South Florida and gives its name to a district of the Bahamas.

The Grand Bahama Port Authority operates the free trade zone, under the Hawksbill Creek Agreement signed in August of 1955 whereby the Bahamian Government agreed that businesses in the Freeport area will pay no taxes before 2054. Freeport Harbour is accessible by even the largest vessels, and has a cruise terminal, a container port, and both a private yacht and ship maintenance facility. Grand Bahama

International Airport handles nearly 50,000 flights each year.

Tourism complements trade as a revenue earner in Freeport, with over a million visitors each year. Much of the tourist industry is displaced to the seaside suburb of Lucaya, owing its name (but little else) to the pre-Columbian Lucayan inhabitants of the island. The city is often promoted as "Freeport/Lucaya."

Freeport/Lucaya is one of the best-known destinations in the Bahamas. The city features terrific duty-free shopping and many attractions to keep visitors entertained and enthralled.

You can never get bored in Freeport because there are plenty of things to do, with its hotels, golf courses, and beaches near the town that are superbly equipped to deliver just about every kind of water sport imaginable. Along with diving, windsurfing, parasailing, and other

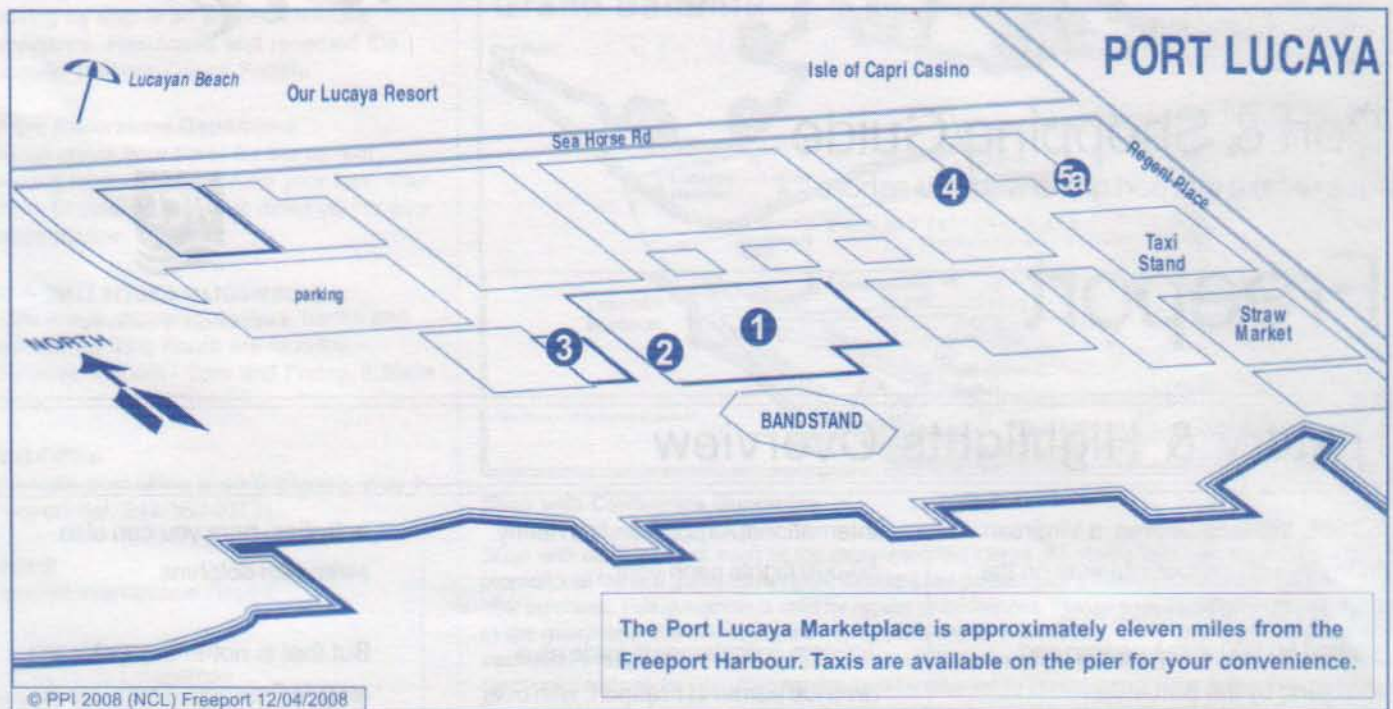
activities, here you can also swim with dolphins.

But that is not to say you can't relax in Freeport. There are so many isolated beaches that you can easily wander away from the crowd for peace and quiet, or you can take a stroll in Freeport's botanical garden.

After the sun sets in Freeport/Lucaya, the night comes alive with entertainment and spectacle. Visit one of the many nightclubs where you can catch the sounds of local bands.

So if you're looking for a taste of the tropics come on down and enjoy a tropical adventure in our capital city. No matter what you're looking for in the Bahamas, you can find it in Freeport/Lucaya. The largest island in the Bahamas isn't called "grand" for nothing, there's something here for everyone. 🌴

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The recommended store in International Bazaar is open; however, some structural remodeling is underway.

1 COLOMBIAN EMERALDS INTERNATIONAL

Celebrating Life's Most Memorable Moments!

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- Genuine Colombian emeralds, diamonds, and colored gemstones.
- Exclusive agents for Gregg Ruth colored diamond jewelry.
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- Large selection of gem-set jewelry.
- Sapphires, tanzanite, precious and semi-precious gemstones.
- The same duty-free prices in all 50 stores.
- U.S. service center with a toll-free number.
- Complimentary certified appraisals at time of purchase.
- International guarantee of authenticity on all purchases.
- Lifetime trade-in policy on all diamond solitaire purchases.
- Wear your new jewelry home and pay for it later.
- Instant credit. Up to one full year to pay. No interest, no payments.
- U.S./Canadian residents open a dutyfree.com gold advantage card.
- Attention: Dutyfree.com Gold Advantage card holders.
- Present a valid photo ID. Present your card at purchase.
- Jaeger LeCoultre, Tag Heuer, Ebel, Baume & Mercier.
- Raymond Weil, Tissot, Rado, and Gucci.

2 JEWELER'S WAREHOUSE

Affordable Fine Jewelry from the Island's "Value Leader."

- Up to 50% off quality jewelry and fine watches.
- Diamonds, emeralds, rubies, sapphires, pearls, and tanzanite.
- Fine Italian gold jewelry.
- Great fashion watches including Seiko, Citizen, and Wenger.
- All jewelry comes with a certified appraisal at time of purchase.

3 THE JEWELLERY BOX

Blue Diamond and Tanzanite Specialist!

- Caribbean Blue Collection with certified blue diamonds.
- Chameleon Collection of rainbow and pink sapphires.
- Asher Collection of rose gold and pink mother of pearl inlay.
- Exotic quartz, green amethyst, topaz, and opal jewelry.
- Caribbean topaz jewelry from \$75 and Spanish sunken coins.
- Loose, top quality tanzanite stones. U.S. based service center.

4 JOHN HEATH JEWELLERY

Featuring the Blue Diamond Azure Collection in 14 and 18kt. gold.

- 14kt. Sea Oro gems – custom-designed sea life and island charms.
- Moderno sterling silver chain, anklet, bracelet, earrings, etc.
- V.E.X. stainless steel jewelry and Venata Italiana 14 -18kt. jewelry.

5a GOLDY LOCKS JEWELRY

Family-Owned Business with Quality Products!

- Tanzanite, emeralds, rubies, pearls, and more. Certified appraisals.
- Up to 60% discount on our unique fine gold and silver jewelry.
- Layaway plan for U.S. passengers. Free gift with \$50 purchase.

More About the Port

Docking/Anchorage

Arriving by ship is an entirely pleasant experience. Renovated and renamed the Lucayan Harbour Cruise Facility.

Shore Excursions Departures

Please check your ticket for the correct meeting time and location for your tour. Your Shore Excursion Team will direct you to your transportation.

Banking

ATMs are in shopping centers, banks and casinos. Banking hours are Monday – Thursday, 9:30am - 3pm and Friday, 9:30am - 5pm.

Post Office

The main post office is on Explorer's Way in Freeport (tel. 242/352-9371).

Airport

Freeport International Airport.

In Case of Emergency

Global United Bahamas
Harbour Building, Queen Highway
Suites 1 - 8
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E-mail: gulops@gulbahamas.com

At a Glance

Capital: Nassau

Location: 50 miles from Palm Beach, Florida

Taxi: Taxis are available

Currency: Bahamian dollar. 1 \$B = 1 \$U.S.

Language: English

Population: Approximately 250,000 people

TV

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