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Bermuda & Bahamas Map Pack



Synopsis

ISBN: 9781553414803 UPC: 815534148025 Price: \$15.95 (regular retail = \$24.00) The Caribbean is normally thought of as including the islands of the Bahamas archipelago (including Turks and Caicos), but technically the country of Bahamas is part of the Atlantic chain of reefs rather than the Caribbean. Then there is Bermuda, which isn't Caribbean except in its temperate climate, nor does one tend to think of it as a mid-Atlantic entity, although it is, nor part of Europe (like the Azores are). Technically, it is part of North America, yet it doesn't seem to fit into any category it just IS. Well, Bermuda and the Bahamas have a lot in common and, in conjunction with tiny Turks and Caicos, form an entity: Atlantic-based Caribbean island countries. The 700 islands that make up Bahamas range from urbane New Providence (housing Nassau) to unoccupied atolls and chains, most of which are barely above sea level. Bahamas is very close to the Florida coastline, and is a popular and inexpensive cruise for holiday-makers. It is also a sophisticated tourist destination, with upscale resorts on several islands, offering romance and adventure for snorkelers, beach loungers, and those wanting to get away from it all. Our ITM Bahamas map was released in 2011, so is quite current. Printed on plastic for durability, this is a popular map in its own right. Bermuda shares a British heritage, but has opted to remain a self-governing entity under the British crown. Its climate is more temperate than tropical and its ambiance is more that of a giant resort of pastel-coloured cottages than of a bustling banking centre (which it is). Our double-sided map shows the historic sites to advantage, along with detailed inset maps of Hamilton and St. George. As one of the earliest of British colonies in the Americas, Bermuda participated in the Philadelphia Convention of 1775 that opted to declare unilateral independence but Bermuda, like Quebec and two other colonies, decided to remain loyal. The British fleet used Bermuda as a major repair base for centuries, and the Americans built an airfield here during WW2 (still in operation). St George is the oldest American English settlement in the Americas (after Jamestowne), and its Parliament is the oldest colonial one in the world. Bermuda has history, class, and a sense of pride. It also has tons of quaint B&Bs, fancy resorts and golf courses everywhere. It's Cornwall without the clotted cream. Both maps are now presented as a bundled package for \$15.95; a bargain for maps sold separately for \$24.00.

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