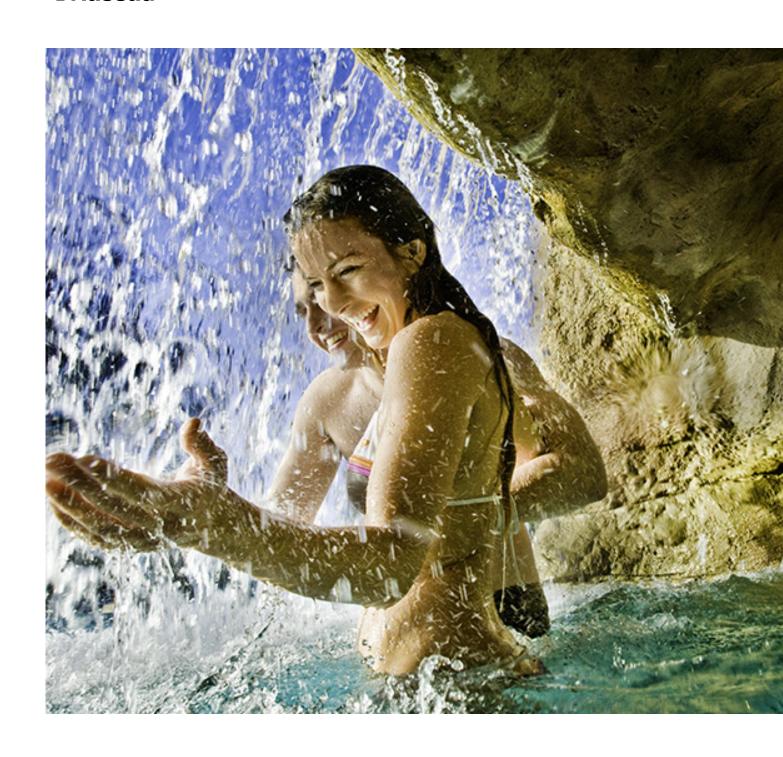
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Atlantis Paradise Island

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Nassau and Paradise Island are to the Bahamas what Disney World is to Florida. Expect plenty of fun for the entire family or for a romantic getaway, especially with the world-class Atlantis Paradise Island just a quick boat ride from the cruise dock.

Nassau boasts some of the most beautiful beaches in the world, with plenty of activities to keep you wet! And if shopping is your thing, you will not be disappointed by the offerings that await. Eat fresh seafood that is literally straight out of the ocean, or try your luck at a thrilling casino.



Atlantis is something that you almost have to experience to even believe that it is real! I know that this expression is horribly over-used, but stepping foot onto the grounds of Atlantis is like entering paradise. If you need a place to get away with the entire family, unwind, and have more fun than you ever thought possible, then this is definitely the place for you! While you may spend or week or two in a luxury hotel located right on the grounds, Atlantis has not forgotten about the cruise passenger, who may wish to try to cram in as much of Atlantis as they can while at port. With the purchase of a day pass, you can experience a taste of what there is to offer. For starters, Aquaventure encompasses 141 acres of wet fun, designed to include activities for both the thrill-seeker and those just wanting to grab a

float and relax. With over 20 MILLION gallons of water, Aquaventure is able

to include a mile-long river ride that throws in rapids and huge waves of water, 11 swimming pools, 20 swimming areas, a children's water fort, and

high speed water slides... some that even tunnel you through shark habitats.

When you are ready to hit the beach, Atlantis has three to choose from with the Cove Beach, Paradise Lagoon, and Atlantis Beach. Whether you want a traditional beach with warm waves and soft sand, or a protected lagoon that is just perfect for snorkeling, Atlantis has thought of everything... offering more choices for visitors and constantly providing new experiences.

And if you still want to stay wet, more personalized water adventures abound! Snorkel the ruins of Atlantis, scuba or snuba, or get up close with sharks and stingrays. And the younger children can experience the Sea Squirts program, where they may wade into an environment full of sea life!



And when you are ready to dry off, experience the many marine exhibits! The Dig takes the idea of the standard aquarium and stands it on its head, with an 11,000 year old lost continent to explore... brimming with exotic sea creatures! You may also visit sharks, barracudas, and other things you may not want to come face to face in the water with at the Predator Lagoon. You may also visit the Cenote, the Royal Ray Lagoon, the Stingray Lagoon, and plenty of other exploratory areas.

Atlantis Paradise Island Resort also boasts the largest casino in the Bahamas. With 75 gaming tables and 750 slot machines, your favorite game is always only steps away. Complimentary gaming lessons are also available, as well as special events and tournaments.



Now if all of this excitement has you wondering about the food and drink options at Atlantis, an amazing 21 restaurants and 19 bars and lounges are at your disposal. Ranging from fine dining to a quick bite, there is definitely something to tempt anyone's palate!

While spending a day at Atlantis is definitely THE thing to do when in port at Nassau, it is truly impossible to even experience half of what the Atlantis Paradise Island Resort can offer.

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For more, visit Atlantis Paradise Island Resort online, or call (888) 877-7525.

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