

Recently, myself, my wife and 15 of our closest friends all traveled to St. Croix and stayed at the Villa on Polaris Point for my 40th birthday. It was such a special vacation, I am sitting here trying to figure out how to write a review for this place that will actually do it justice! This is my attempt at writing the most epic review possible for the Villa at Polaris Point.

It wasn't my first time visiting St. Croix; it wasn't even my first time seeing the house. The first time I was visiting St. Croix, I looked up to see the property on top of the hill known as Polaris Point thinking to myself, "Next time, I'm staying there!" I decided to learn more about the history of the house and property; it was so unique and secluded. I encourage you to look it up for yourself. I promise, you will not be disappointed. The property's story is a little salacious (think rich arms dealer who built a safehouse in paradise). This origin means it was built for seclusion, privacy, and peace.

It takes 47 minutes to drive from one end of the island to the other, and the drive to the Polaris Point Villa gives you the best possible view of it all. The Polaris Point Villa is so luxurious, the property has been dubbed the "Jewel of the Caribbean." It's the perfect place to soak in a true Caribbean experience in a world class setting. The property is built to entertain, with numerous pockets and settings inside and out for smaller intimate gatherings and great communal spaces to bring larger groups together. It allowed our entire group to relax and enjoy themselves, while having a home base to go explore all the best beaches and activities the island has to offer.

Your Experience starts with the drive up to the property. It's a 1.6 mile climb from the east end road to the house gates, and the view the entire way takes your breath away. You come to the double iron, coded gate, which opens to a grand drive leading up to the house. The villa sits atop Polaris Point, the hill from which it gets its name. Looking south, you have an unobstructed view of the Caribbean sea, looking to the North you can see the islands of St. Thomas and St. John.

The most beautiful view Polaris Point offers in my opinion, is from the belvedere. I experienced such a remarkable spiritual peace watching the sunrise early, while the rest of the house was still asleep. I can only describe it as a surreal tranquility that made me feel like I was a part of the incredible natural beauty that surrounded me.

My favorite part of the house was definitely the kitchen. It was an ideal setting to be able to cook for all my loved ones that joined me to celebrate my 40th birthday. First of all, it is simply gorgeous and the layout is exactly how I would have designed it. The island in the spacious kitchen allowed everyone to sit around and engage in conversation and fellowship while we prepared amazing food for one another each morning and night. Then there were the two amazing refrigerators that had enough room to store all our food for the week.

We would make breakfast together in that amazing kitchen, go about the day doing different things to explore the island, and then come back together to make a communal dinner. The gas stove was perfect for our foodie selves to make some of the best food I have personally prepared or eaten, including when two of our party caught a couple of mahi mahi when they decided to go fishing, and we were able to prepare them for dinner that same night. Hands down, it was the freshest mahi mahi I've ever had.

My wife's favorite part of the house was the pool and hot tub area. Designed for daytime and nighttime use with gorgeous lighting around the pool that makes it a beautiful part of the landscape, she loved spending time relaxing, laying out and enjoying the divine views.

This property allowed me to bring together those I hold dear and build stronger bonds with them. Old friendships were strengthened, new friendships were made, and dreams were discussed. We immediately started planning our next trip back! Polaris Point is such a special place, it felt like a home away from home.

Robert was an attentive host; we couldn't have asked for someone more accommodating. His communication was great and he promptly handled any questions we had, making sure we were comfortable. He made it welcoming, safe, and secure. We knew, though we were away from home, that we could rest easy.

The worst part about the trip was that it had to end. None of us wanted to leave. None of the listed pictures of the property did it justice, and none of the pictures we took do it justice either. It has to be experienced in person. Sunsets and sunrises, days by the pool and nights in the hot tub, and always our morning and evening meals that brought us all together gave us the perfect setting to enjoy our time with each other.

When you visit Polaris Point you will feel like you become part of the history of the house, and like you become part of the Caribbean. It is truly the most decadent, relaxing, peaceful vacation stay anyone could ask for. All in all, I highly recommend this property for a private getaway, or large groups of friends or families taking time to reconnect and enjoy one of the most beautiful places on earth.

When you book this stay for your next vacation, be sure to check out all the amazing experiences that St. Croix offers:

- We had the opportunity to snorkel in the tropical waters of Buck Island. We traveled by boat to get there, escorted by Cap'n Carl - island local and one of the happiest gents you will ever meet. We got to see Buck Island's coral reef, hang out on turtle beach, and swim with all the beautiful tropical fish in the ocean.
- We visited Sandy Point, a beach boasting peaceful and protected nature. A very friendly starfish came over to say hi when we were swimming there and suctioned itself to my leg. It was so cool!
- We visited Point Udall, the easternmost point of the United States. The view at night is incredible..There is zero light pollution, creating a spectacular view of the cosmos and a particularly stunning and clear view of the Milky Way. It is like standing in a snow globe looking up at the stars. No camera can do it justice. Don't miss this one!
- Every beach on the island is different, offering a variety of oceanside experiences. Rainbow beach is like a tourist attraction with lots of activities and a bar and restaurant scene.