



Saint Barthélemy : The Pearl of the Caribbean



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French version
English Version

A documentary of 52'

High Definition

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Discovered in 1493 by Christopher Columbus, Saint Barthelemy was named in honour of his brother Bartolomeo.

Saint Barts, as it is more commonly known, is a popular destination for rich Americans, particularly from the east coast of the United States.

The island's history has been marked by both French and Swedish influences (it was ceded to Sweden for almost a century), the port is still neatly lined by small red-roofed maisonettes.

But Saint Barthelemy has inherited the French "art de vivre" with its luxury hotels, gastronomic restaurants, and the millionaires with their massive villas and their yachts moored in the port.

Gustavia, the island's capital, feels somewhat similar to the Rue du Faubourg St Honoré or Avenue Montaigne in Paris, or Madison and 5th Avenue in New York; the streets are lined with brand name stores, luxury products, haute couture, perfumes and jewels.

Saint Barthelemy is a paradise isle where everything is about luxury and beauty.

Visitors are invariably lulled into a state of reverie by the island's idyllic atmosphere and exquisite landscapes.