



PASSPORTED

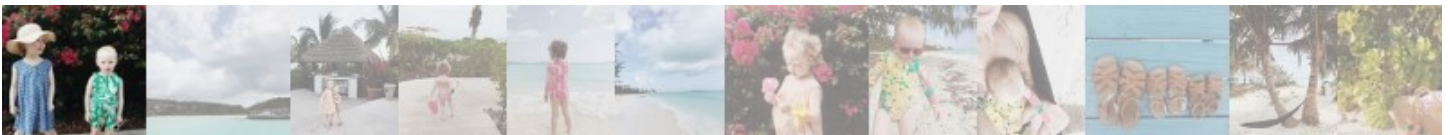
MAGAZINE



BAHAMA MAMA: LUCKY PENNY GOES TO GRAND ISLE

MAY 4, 2016

We are so excited to have one of our favorite bloggers and Instagrammers, Ana Fritsch of Lucky Penny, scope out the Grand Isle Resort in Exuma just for us. With her adorable daughters, Edith and Lilah, in tow she navigated the crystal-clear waters, craft markets in town, and even swan with the pigs. Check out her story and gorgeous snaps of her kiddos loving island life.

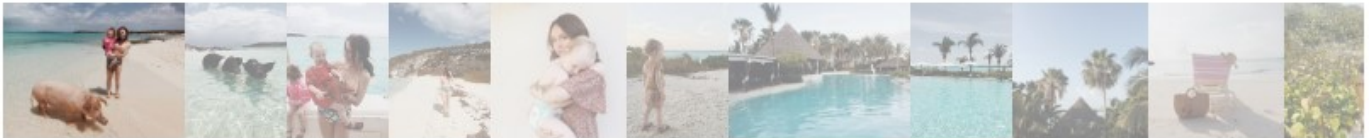




Great Exuma has so much to offer other than beautiful beaches and swimming pigs (though I'll definitely get to that in a little bit!). The main town of George Town is absolutely beautiful and has many modern conveniences with several restaurant choices, a grocery store, shopping boutiques and the straw market.

After a good nap back at the hotel, we put on our bathing suits and headed to Cocoplum Beach. We were just catching the end of low tide and it was truly an incredible sight that pictures just don't do justice. As the tide goes out here, it creates a sandbar about half a mile or so out to sea. As a result, there a hundred of shells and dozens of sand dollars that you can easily spot and pick up.





And lastly we arrived at Pig Beach, home of the famous swimming pigs! There were none on the beach when our boat approached but after a few yells from our guide, these three ran out as fast as can be and swam right up to the boat! Their size is pretty intimidating; I think most weigh in around 200 lbs!

The story goes that a man who owns a restaurant across the way brought two over to grow big as food for his own use. They waited for him to bring them food every day. One day, a mail boat was in the middle of the water and the pigs swam to it, assuming it was their food! Ever since, the man has kept the pigs here (and not eaten them) for tourists to enjoy.

This trip has really inspired me to make travel a priority for our family from this point forward, even if I have to go alone with them. The experience of new foods, places, people have provided such wonderful learning opportunities for all of us and I can't wait to see the world through their eyes.