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Swim With Pigs In This Caribbean Honeymoon



"Swim with pigs" excursions have drawn thousands of travellers to the Exumas in recent years, but paddling porkers are just one of the many selling points that make this Bahamian archipelago of 365 cays and islands a dream Caribbean honeymoon destination.

Located just 314 miles from Miami and a three-and-a-half-hour flight from Toronto, the Exumas are surrounded by turquoise water with beach views that rival even the most remote South Pacific island. Add to this amazing food and luxurious accommodations and you've got an ideal spot for the romantic vacation of a lifetime. We'll fill you in on all of bucket-list-worthy itinerary items you need to check out in the Exumas (pigs included).

Shack up in a luxurious villa

If you've decided on a honeymoon in the Exumas, you'll likely want to stay on the main island of Great Exuma, which is home to the international airport and the majority of the area's resorts. The crown jewel of Exuma accommodations is **Grand Isle Resort & Spa**, and all-villa, beachfront property featuring an infinity pool, gourmet restaurant and direct access to the Emerald Bay Golf Course, a Greg Norman-designed course. For an extraromantic day, book a couple's massage at the on-site spa then ask the resort to arrange a private dinner for two in its secluded palapa overlooking the ocean.





Swim with pigs

Enchanting setting aside, the swimming swine are the attraction that has lured intrepid travellers from around the world to the Exumas (The Bahamas has even branded itself the official home of the swimming pigs). If you want to get up close and personal with an aquatic porker you have two choices: the first is to book a full - or half- day tour with **Four C's Adventures**, which includes a visit to the original pig—inhabited island, Big Major Cay. If you're short of time or the seas are too choppy to get out to Big Major Cay, look into booking a quick trip to Bay Cay, which is also inhabited by pigs but is closer to the main island of Great Exuma.

Feed Friendly stingrays (for real!)

Stocking Island is a dreamy tittle hideaway perfect for a day trip. Hope in a water taxi from Great Exuma's Elizabeth Harbour Government Dock, and in just a few minutes you'll arrive at a beautiful secluded beach perfect for sunbathing and snorkeling. In addition to the breathtaking surroundings, the island is also home to a group of resident stingrays who will casually approach as you enter the water. If you'd like the opportunity to feed the rays, inquire about craps at the waterside conch shack.