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Preparing the Nursery at this Top Caribbean Adults-Only Resort

Sea Turtle Nesting Calendar 2022 lets guests vacation during possible hatch dates

EAGLE BEACH, Aruba – April 5, 2022 – The much-anticipated joyful pitter patter of the descendants of Aruba’s first visitors is once again being timed with Bucuti & Tara Beach Resort’s annual [Sea Turtle Countdown Calendar](#).



Due date in sight

On Sunday, April 3, 2022, the first leatherback sea turtle of the season crawled ashore and laid her clutch between Bucuti & Tara’s SandBar and the water. With a 55- to 75-day range, hatchlings from Nest No. 1 are anticipated for this first nest sometime between May 28 and June 17, 2022.

To help guests plan their vacations around possible hatchling arrivals, Bucuti & Tara’s Sea Turtle Countdown Calendar provides the protected locations of each nest along the resort’s beach and the anticipate due date range of the clutch of hatchlings.

Life moments

Four species of sea turtles are found nesting on Aruba: leatherback, loggerhead, green and hawksbill. Bucuti & Tara’s wide stretch of powdery white sand beach is prized by nesting leatherbacks. Massive in size, these gentle giants are a captivating site weighing in at up to 1,500 pounds and stretching up to 7 feet long, the gentle giant – the fourth largest modern reptile in the world. Yet, when they hatch, these tiny hatchlings are only the size of a baby’s foot.

Among Aruba’s first visitors dating back thousands of years, while they travel worldwide up to 3,700 miles annually, Aruba’s leatherback sea turtles return to the beach they were born for nesting anytime between March through September. Nests – clutches - are fenced off until hatchlings arrive within 55 to 75 days.

Bucuti & Tara’s [2022 Sea Turtle Countdown Calendar](#) lets interested guests plan their stays around potential nest hatching dates from May through November.

Nature’s caregivers

Bucuti & Tara partners with Turtugaruba, the island's sea turtle conservation organization. Staff receive continuing education on how to best protect the vulnerable population including how to help guests make the most of protecting nests and witnessing a hatching along Bucuti & Tara's beach. Guests discover how to live harmonious with the sea turtles, keeping them safe, and helping them strengthen their status as a threatened species. They [learn fascinating sea turtle facts](#), such as one 1 in 1,000 currently survive to maturity, undisturbed nests have a 90% survival rate versus only 25% chance of survival rate if disturbed by humans, and how hatchlings internal magnetic compasses and the moonlight help guide hatchlings on their first steps to sea.

For this bucket list experience, interested resort guests can simply let their personal concierge know to alert them when there are nestings or signs hatchlings may emerge.

To learn more about including sea turtles in a stay at the resort, visit Bucuti.com.

For accompanying images, please visit this [Dropbox folder](#).

About Bucuti & Tara Beach Resort

Declared the [first CarbonNeutral®/net zero hotel in the Caribbean](#) in August 2018, Bucuti & Tara Beach Resort is one of the Top 10 Hotels for Romance in the World (third straight year), No. 1 Hotel for Romance in the Caribbean (sixth straight year) and No. 3 Hotel for Service in the Caribbean. Aruba's premier adults-only boutique resort is led by celebrated hotelier and environmentalist, Ewald Biemans, named by Caribbean Journal as the 2017 Caribbean Hotelier of the Year. The resort is nestled on the powdery white sands of Eagle Beach, home to protected sea turtles and named one of the "Dream Beaches of the World."

Now home to the Caribbean's Safest, Healthiest Vacation Experience thanks to its physician-developed COVID-19 safety protocols and Aruba's Health & Happiness Code seal, Bucuti has 104 well-appointed guestrooms, suites and penthouses. It offers sunbeds and shade for every guest; freshwater infinity pool; spa; WiFi; and complimentary iPad with Skype for use during stay. Award-winning healthy dining is enjoyed at oceanfront Elements, Tara Lounge and private beach dining. Reserved exclusively for guests and their friends, the newly renovated open-air SandBar offers top-shelf cocktails and live music daily along with the Caribbean's first Healthy Hour. The resort is TAG Approved® as a LGBTQ-friendly hotel. Bucuti, a worldwide sustainable tourism leader, holds eco-certifications of LEED Gold, Green Globe Platinum and Travelife Gold and was named the World's Most Sustainable Hotel/Resort in 2016 by Green Globe.

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