

## One Destination, FOUR WAYS

**THE BAHAMAS** are a perfect honeymoon destination with tropical breezes, warm seas, quick flights and a multitude of options for travel. Ann Petronio of Annie's Escapes, and member of the Rhode Island Wedding Group, says "The Islands of the Bahamas truly offer something for everyone – from glitzy resorts, casinos and shopping to laid back, barefoot relaxation. They are easy to get to, on our same time zone, and their currency (the Bahamian dollar) is on par with the U.S." At right, Ann

offers some insight into four different ways to visit the Bahamas: cruising the open water, vegging out at an all-inclusive resort, saving some dough on a budget-friendly hotel and renting a vacation home.



### BY SEA: CRUISING THE BAHAMAS

See a little bit of the Islands of the Bahamas and get a taste for what each has to offer.

- All meals and entertainment are included
- There are a variety of price points to fit all budgets based on cabin location and length of cruise
- If a hurricane hits, the ship can change itinerary to stay out of harm's way
- There's no need to fly; some cruises leave right from local ports

### RELAX: IT'S INCLUDED

All-inclusive resorts offer a no-hassle vacation with many romantic touches.

- An easy vacation to budget for, as you will know the cost of everything up-front
- Stress-Free: You never have to leave the resort and everything is taken care of for you
- Many "Adults Only" resorts, making for a calm and more relaxing honeymoon
- Included activities like snorkeling and diving are a great value add

### BAHAMAS: ON A BUDGET

"Barefoot casual" properties are great for couples who want to lay on the beach, soak up local culture and just spend time with one another.

- Smaller, unique properties
- Reasonable room rates
- Immersion in local culture (and cuisine!)
- Quiet atmosphere

### PERSONAL PIECE OF PARADISE: THE VACATION RENTAL

Live like a local when you rent a villa or beach house on any island of your choice.

- Often more spacious than a hotel room
- Freedom to do as you please in your own space
- More privacy
- Opportunity to cook and eat in, keeping you on budget

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