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**FRIDAY, JULY 31**

## **CHECK IN & HOST DINNER**

**3:00 PM** CHECK INTO HILTON BARBADOS RESORT

**8:00 PM** HOST DINNER / COSTUME DISTRIBUTION

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 1**

## **AM BUSH, BLISS & LOST IN PARADISE**

**4:00 AM** FOREDAY MORNING J'OUVERT

**7:00 AM** RETURN TO HOTEL

**9:00 AM - 1:00 PM** COSTUME ALTERATIONS

**5:00 PM** DEPART FOR BLISS FETE

**10:00 PM** RETURN TO HOTEL

**12:00 PM** LOST IN PARADISE

**3:00 AM** RETURN TO HOTEL

### **IN DEPTH AM BUSH**

With every passing year, Caesar's Army pushes the boundaries of creating a J'Ouvert that cannot be missed. Being one of the most popular events from the Army, Caesar's Army has extended A.M.BUSH to the Barbados and Jamaica market. With patrons venturing from all

### **BLISS**

Prepare for the ultimate Crop Over experience, They have a powerful line-up of regional and international DJs just for you! And of course, an ultimate all-inclusive experience you won't soon forget!

### **LOST IN PARADISE**

Paradise is where we get lost in the moment...This Crop Over Saturday the forest comes to life again as Lost in Paradise returns, the premium drinks inclusive experience.



**SUNDAY, AUGUST 2**

## **LIMERZ CRUISE**

**10:00 AM** DEPART FOR LIMERZ CRUISE

**2:00 PM** RETURN TO HOTEL

### **IN DEPTH** **LIMERZ CRUISE**

Limerz Cruise boards from the Tiami docs, and boast 8 fully equipped boats with Barbados's top DJs along with guest DJs sailing and partying on the majestic blue waters of the Barbados coastline.



MONDAY, AUGUST 3

## MAKE UP & KADOOMENT DAY

1:00 AM - 6:60 AM MAKEUP APPOINTMENTS /  
360 PHOTOSHOOT

9:00 AM DEPART FOR KADOOMENT DAY  
( RETURN AT OWN LEISURE )

### IN DEPTH KANDOMENT WITH KRAVE BAND

'Kadooment' is a Bajan phrase meaning 'large party.' This holiday is centuries old, dating back to the time of slavery. Barbados was one of the biggest sugar cane producers in the 1700s because of slave labor. Kadooment Day and Crop Over day were introduced in the late 18th century to celebrate the successful harvest of the sugar crop. Those who worked on sugar cane plantations got the rare opportunity to smile, laugh, and be merry.



TUESDAY, AUGUST 4

## DEPART FOR HOME

11:00 AM FLY BACK HOME



# CULTURE OF CARNIVAL

## ABOUT CROPOVER

The Crop Over summer festival is Barbados' most popular and colorful festival. Its origins can be traced back to the 1780's, a time when Barbados was the world's largest producer of sugar. At the end of the sugar season, there was always a huge celebration to mark the culmination of another successful sugar cane harvest - the Crop Over celebration. As the sugar industry in Barbados declined, so too did the Crop Over festival and in the 1940's the festival was terminated completely. However, the festival was revived in 1974 and other elements of Barbadian culture were infused to create the extravaganza that exists today .... an event that attracts thousands of people from across the globe.

## KRAVE - CROPOVER BAND

The Shira Plateau Route is the original trail across the plateau. (The Lemosho Route didn't arrive until several years later.) However, the Shira Route is seldom used these days, at least not by walkers. Instead, it has been converted into a 4WD track for emergency vehicles travelling to and from the Shira 2 Campsite.

## TERMS

Carnival isn't just a celebration, but rather a part of a much larger culture in which months of planning and preparation, immediately after months of lamenting about the carnival that just past. If you are new to the culture, you are likely to be taken back by the practices and lingo that come along with it. For that reason, we've created a short-list of terms and concepts for you to get more familiar. If you aren't new to this, don't laugh and go on ahead to the next section!

## FETE

This is the term used to refer to parties, which there are certainly many! Seasoned Carnival Participants will literally party morning, noon and night.

## WINE

The type of dance often done at a fete, during the parade, and to Soca music. While it is very seductive in its movements, it is NOT twerking! Ladies you can expect many men to walk up from behind to "catchor buss a wine". Fellas, you can expect the same as well, but the women will approach you from the front. If at any point you're not interested in partaking simply say no, and you will be left alone.

## SOCA

The type of music that you will hear throughout your time in

## CARNIVAL BANDS

While this almost seems self-explanatory, it's important that you understand that there are dozens of mas bands that participate in Carnival! Each band consists sections each with its own theme. Each section has a front line and a backline; the frontline being the more extravagant.

## DRESS CODE

When attending a Fete it is best to wear comfortable casual clothes, these are parties with high amounts of energy. At no time is anyone expected to stop moving, wearing clothes that allows long term standing and movement is best. Fetes are mostly held outside because of the wonderful weather, expect to get your shoes dirty.

## THE MARCH

There are 1-2 marches (plus l'ouvert), signifying that main days of celebrating the V