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## The Best Honeymoon Spot For Couples That Love World-Class Beaches And Puppies

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Turks and Caicos has developed a reputation as the ultimate place to kick back and relax – and this is not without warrant. Serene Grace Bay, a wide stretch of sand on the main island of Providenciales, is a postcard-perfect spot to embrace the art of doing nothing. However, spending your entire honeymoon in Turks and Caicos in the chill zone would mean missing out on all of the amazing things these 40 islands and cays have to offer.

Scenery aside, there are so many things that sets the Turks and Caicos islands apart from other popular Caribbean destinations. A plethora of luxurious accommodations, in particular, have drawn honeymooning stars like [Sofia Vergara and Eva Longoria](#) to Turks and Caicos, while [Kylie Jenner](#) and [Nicki Minaj](#) both headed to the islands to celebrate birthdays recently.

Read on to learn more about why you can't go wrong with a honeymoon in Turks and Caicos.



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### The beaches are amazing

All of the beaches in the Caribbean are pretty much the same, right? Wrong! Turks and Caicos is home to a stretch of sand that trumps them all. With ultra calm waters (thanks to the protective barrier reef a mile offshore), a sandy bottom and plenty of room to sunbathe in relative seclusion, it's no surprise this natural attraction continues to collection accolades. Most recently, Grace Bay was named the second best beach in the world in the [TripAdvisor Travellers' Choice Awards](#).

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### The food is out of control delicious

Not all remote islands are blessed with world-class chefs and top-shelf cuisine. Luckily, this is not the case in Turks and Caicos. Recently revamped Solana, an open-air, beachfront resto at Ocean Club West in Providenciales, boasts Morimoto-trained sushi chefs while Opus at sister property Ocean Club lays claim to the largest wine cellar on the island and gourmet food to match. Even a no-frills lunch in Turks and Caicos has the ability to surprise and delight; especially at Da Conch Shack, where you can watch the namesake shellfish go directly from the ocean to your plate (the cracked conch and conch fritters pictured here are to die for).

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### There are plenty of luxe accommodations

Thankfully, you don't need to have Nicki Minaj's vacation budget to shack up in style in Turks and Caicos. At Ocean Club West you can score oceanview suites with all the amenities of a modern condo starting at \$359 USD per night. The property boasts a prime beachfront location on Grace Bay, a giant freshwater pool, tennis courts, a fitness centre, as well as complimentary kayaks, paddleboards and bicycles for exploring the surrounding area.

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**You can ride horses in the ocean like people on the cover of a romance novel**

Romantic honeymoon photo ops don't get much better than this. Hop on a trusty steed and prance out into the deep blue sea to snap the ultimate swoon-worthy Instagram shot with your new hubby. Provo Ponies offers morning and afternoon rides for all skill levels into the clear turquoise waters of Long Bay Beach.

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### You can take a celeb-worthy sunset cruise to secluded islands

Want to see how the other half lives? Then you absolutely must book a cruise aboard Sun Charters' Atabeyra. On this 77-foot schooner, which has played host to stars such as Michael Phelps (he famously raced the boat during a sunset sail) you can cruise, cocktail in hand, to some of the most stunning secluded spots in the island chain. You'll sail past the private island where Kylie Jenner celebrated her 19th birthday then pull up on the sand for a swim and snorkel off idyllic Pine Cay Island. Before heading back to the dock you'll drop anchor off the shores of Little Water Cay, an iguana sanctuary and the perfect place to watch the sun disappear into the ocean.



### There are puppies you can walk for a touch of voluntourism

Want to give back during your honeymoon (and possibly head home with a new addition to the family)? Volunteer with Potcake Place K9 Rescue! Potcakes are a breed of dog found throughout Turks and Caicos and the Bahamas that got their name from reliably licking clean caked cooking pots. This medium-sized breed is known to be smart, loyal and loving, and Potcake Place is a non-profit organization devoted to finding homes for abandoned strays. Tourists can sign up to walk adoptable pups on the beach every day from 10am until 1pm. Through Potcake Place you can also sponsor a puppy in care, volunteer to courier a pup to its new home, and, of course, apply to adopt a potcake of your own.

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