



## St. Thomas Historical Trust's Historic Walking Tour

Lacing the edge of a magnificent harbor, St. Thomas' capital town of Charlotte Amalie draws adventurers from over the ocean, as it has for more than three centuries. One of the "jewels of the Caribbean," today St. Thomas' huge wooden doors lining Main Street are thrown open to showcase the town's worldly treasures. Yesterday, these same stone warehouses marketed the fortune-making goods which made St. Thomas a premier international trading port in the New World.

The town's details delight: shaded balconies overhang the streets, walkways thread throughout. Fountains, and even brick ovens appear in leafy corners. Danish names endure (Kongens Gade: King Street; Snegle Gade: Snail Street), and some yellow-bricked streets rise by steps to access historic neighborhoods.

Stopping at Fort Christian, the town's oldest building, the tour proceeds up shady Government Hill with its colonial town mansions, some edged with gardens. Passing step-streets and landmarks, the group returns to Main Street to explore the lively commercial district, ending at St. Thomas' traditional Market Square, where bartering over produce and 'fresh catch' still occurs.

- The Tour takes about 90 minutes.
- Walking shoes are recommended (though many guests are comfortable wearing sandals or flip flops).
- While about 30 stairs are climbed in one section, the route is relatively flat.
- Children are welcome (sorry, no wheelchairs or strollers due to the stairs, please).

*Architectural highlights: Fort Christian, Government House, 99 steps, Hotel 1829, Downtown warehouses (& merchants' homes above), Market Square.*

Tour Starts at the **St. Thomas Historical Trust Museum** at 5332 Raadets Gade.  
Call for tour times and for reservations.

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**A guided walking tour is an excellent way to experience and absorb St. Thomas' vibrant history.**

*Highlights include:*

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<b>Government House</b>	<b>Downtown Warehouses</b>
<b>99 steps</b>	<b>Market Square &amp; More</b>