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## THE BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS TASTE OF VIRGIN GORDA RETURNS FOR AN EVENING OF CARIBBEAN CULINARY EXCELLENCE

*This culinary event will showcase Virgin Gorda's top culinary talent  
and include a live cooking demonstration from celebrity Chef JJ Johnson*

Road Town, Tortola, British Virgin Islands, 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2025 – [The British Virgin Islands](#) (BVI) will once again come to life with the vibrant flavors of the Caribbean at a [Taste of Virgin Gorda](#). Taking place at The Ruins at Nail Bay on Saturday, March 22 from 5 - 10 p.m., the highly anticipated spring tasting event will showcase the culinary brilliance of the BVI, specifically from establishments on Virgin Gorda, with live cooking demonstrations, tastings, entertainment and more.

Under this year's theme, "Vivid Hues," guests are encouraged to don their most colorful attire while indulging in the best of Virgin Gorda's gastronomic offerings. The event will feature a curated selection of the island's beloved restaurants, including Chez Bamboo, Coco Maya, Exquisite Delights, Island Pot, Lee's Roadside Bar and Grill, LSL Bake Shop, Moka, Sugarcane Restaurant, The Jerk Pit and Winnie's Steak House. Each participating restaurant will bring its signature flavors to the Food Cave, offering guests the opportunity to sample various dishes, all while enjoying beverages that complement them. In addition to the culinary delights, Taste of Virgin Gorda guests will enjoy live entertainment from local musicians Sythesax and Final Faze and music by DJ Quanie.

"The Taste of Virgin Gorda is a true celebration of the British Virgin Islands' rich culinary heritage, showcasing the incredible talent of our local chefs and restaurants," said Clive McCoy, the British Virgin Islands' Director of Tourism. "The event not only highlights the diverse flavors of Virgin Gorda but also brings together our community and visitors for an unforgettable evening of food, music and culture."

Among the event highlights is a live cooking demonstration from celebrity Chef [JJ Johnson](#), an award-winning culinary innovator, author of 'The Simple Art of Rice', and television host of 'Just Eats' on CleoTV. His acclaimed New York-based restaurant, FIELDTRIP, emphasizes fresh, locally sourced ingredients and global flavors through rice. The live cooking demonstration will be at 8 p.m., where Johnson will bring his signature Afro-Latino Caribbean flavors to the BVI.

"The flavors of the Caribbean have been instrumental to me in my upbringing and culinary career, so I'm thrilled to be heading to the BVI for Taste of Virgin Gorda," said Johnson. "Through the live cooking demonstration, I look forward to sharing my Afro-Latino Caribbean roots, showcasing bold, fun flavors and rich culinary traditions of the BVI."

Tickets are \$100 per person and include an open bar and free samples from participating restaurants and are available for purchase from the BVI Tourist Board & Film Commission Offices at St. Thomas Bay Jetty, Virgin Gorda and at Road Town Ferry Dock, Tortola. Speedy's is offering a special roundtrip rate of \$25 for patrons traveling from Tortola. Complimentary roundtrip shuttle service from the ferry to the event venue will be available for guests arriving from Tortola. This event is sponsored by Road Town Wholesale (RTW).

For more information on Taste of Virgin Gorda, visit [BVIFOODFETE.COM](http://BVIFOODFETE.COM).

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### **About the British Virgin Islands**

Known as a treasured destination rich in undiscovered experiences, the British Virgin Islands (BVI) is an alluring archipelago comprising 60 islands and cays located in the northeastern region of the Caribbean Sea. With plentiful private villas and luxury boutique resorts, there is no shortage of accommodations from which to choose, whether for leisure or MICE (meetings, events, and incentives) travel. The BVI has long been hailed as the sailing capital of the world for its line-of-sight sailing, myriad boat charter options (bareboat, crewed, powered, traditional hoisted sail), and an array of experiences catering especially to yachties. The destination's unparalleled offerings continue to garner global recognition. Recent accolades include making The New York Times' "52 Places to Go in 2025" list, being named one of "Top Islands in the Caribbean, Bermuda and the Bahamas" in Travel + Leisure's World's Best Awards and consistently ranking among U.S. News & World Report's "Best Places to Visit in the Caribbean," including #2 for 2021-2022. For more information on how to experience BVILOVE, visit the British Virgin Islands Tourist Board & Film Commission website at [www.bvitourism.com](http://www.bvitourism.com) or contact 1-800-835-8530.