

JAMAICA'S MAIN EVENTS

JANUARY

ACCOMPONG MAROON FESTIVAL

Accompong, St. Elizabeth. Contact Kenneth Watson/Ava Simpson. 952-4546.

AIR JAMAICA JAZZ & BLUES FESTIVAL.

Montego Bay. Contact 1-888-LOVEBIRD.

ANNUAL NATIONAL ART EXHIBITION

Kingston. Contact National Gallery of Jamaica. 922-1561; 922-1563-4.

CHUKK COVE POLO TOURNAMENT.

Ocho Rios. Contact Chukka Blue, 953-5619.

RED STRIPE CRICKET

COMPETITION

Kingston. Contact Jamaica Tourist Board, 929-9200-19.

FEBRUARY

SUGAR CANE BALL

Round Hill Hotel, Montego Bay. Elegant annual benefit for Hanover Parish charities. Contact Katrin Schafelner 956-7050-5.

BOB MARLEY WEEK

Throughout the Island. Contact Bob Marley Foundation, 978-2991/3.

JAMAICA INTERNATIONAL MARATHON

National Stadium, Kingston to Port Royal. 927-5331.

THE JAMAICAN MUSIC INDUSTRY AWARDS

Kingston. Contact The Little Theatre, 926-6129.

MARCH

MISS JAMAICA UNIVERSE

Hilton, New Kingston. Contact Pulse Investments Ltd., 960-1089/1320-1.

SPRING BREAK

Negril and Montego Bay. Continues through March. Contact Jamaica Tourist Board offices, (800) 233-4582.

PORT ANTONIO INTERNATIONAL SPRING FISHING TOURNAMENT

Port Antonio. Contact 923-8724.

APRIL

JAMAICA CARNIVAL

Across the Island. Contact 800-233-4582.

MONTEGO BAY YACHT CLUB'S EASTER REGATTA

Takes place Easter weekend. Contact Montego Bay Yacht Club, 979-8038.

MONTEGO BAY EASTER TENNIS AND SPORTS SPECTACULAR

Wyndham Rose Hall Hotel, Montego Bay. Contact 953-2650.

ST. ELIZABETH HORTICULTURAL SHOW

St. Elizabeth Horticultural Society Showground, Black River. Contact Joyce Francis, 965-2288.

MAY

JOHNNY BRISTOL CELEBRITY GOLF CLASSIC

Ocho Rios. Contact 800-284-5258.

CALABASH INTERNATIONAL LITERARY FESTIVAL

St. Elizabeth. More information: www.calabashfestival.org.

JAKE'S ANNUAL JAMAICAN OFF-ROAD TRIATHLON

Treasure Beach, St. Elizabeth. Contact Jake's, 965-3000.

JUNE

SHARP NATIONAL AMATEUR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

Caymanas Golf Country Club, St. Catherine. Contact the Jamaican Golf Association, 925-2325.

OCHO RIOS JAZZ FESTIVAL

Renaissance Jamaica Grande/Almond Tree, Ocho Rios. Contact Jazz Hotline, 927-3544.

PORTLAND JERK FESTIVAL

Boston Playing Field, Portland. Contact Jamaica Tourist Board, 929-9200-19.

JULY

INTERNATIONAL REGGAE DAY

St. Andrew. Contact the Bob Marley Museum, 702-3291.

NATIONAL DANCE THEATRE COMPANY'S SEASON OF DANCE

Kingston. Contact The Little Theatre 926-6129.

BEST OF JAMAICA FESTIVAL

St. Andrew. Contact Jamaican Cultural Development Commission, 926-5726/9.

MISS JAMAICA FESTIVAL QUEEN CONTEST

St. Andrew. Contact Jamaican Cultural Development Commission, 926-5726/9.

REGGAE SUMFEST

Catherine Hall, Montego Bay. Contact Summerfest Office, 952-0889.

HI PRO FAMILY POLO TOURNAMENT & JUNIORS POLO TOURNAMENT

St. Ann Polo Club. Contact Shane Chin. 952-4370.

AUGUST

JAMAICA INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

St. Thomas. Contact Jamaican Cultural Development Commission, 926-5726/9.

APPLETON TREASURE ISLE

Negril. Three days of huge celebration.

ROYAL JAMAICAN YACHT CLUB'S ANNUAL INDEPENDENCE REGATTA

Kingston Harbor. Contact Jamaica Tourist Board, 929-9200-19.

CARIBBEAN FASHION WEEK

Kingston. Contact 968-1089/90.

SEPTEMBER

FALMOUTH MARLIN TOURNAMENT

Glistening Waters, Falmouth. Contact Heather Wates. 954-5934.

JAMAICA SPICE FOOD FESTIVAL

Ocho Rios. Contact Jamaica Tourist Board, 929-9200-19.

MONTEGO BAY YACHT CLUB MARLIN TOURNAMENT

Montego Bay. Contact Montego Bay Yacht Club, 979-8038/8650.

OCTOBER

ANNUAL HOOK 'N LINE CANOE TOURNAMENT

Treasure Beach, St. Elizabeth. Contact Jason Henzel, 965-0635.

HEROS DAY

Negril. Three days of unbelievable wild parties.

OKTOBERFEST

Jamaican German Society, St. Andrew, Kingston. Contact Holger Waehling, 926-4747.

PORT ANTONIO INTERNATIONAL MARLIN TOURNAMENT

Port Antonio Marina. Contact Dr. Ron DuQuesnay, 927-0145.

WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP OF DOMINOES

Montego Bay. Contact 1-888-LOVEBIRD.

JAMAICAN OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT AND PRO-AM

Half Moon, Montego Bay. Contact 952-2325.

NOVEMBER

JAMERICAN FILM AND MUSIC FESTIVAL

Wyndham Rose Hall, Montego Bay. Contact Island Girl Productions, (323) 692-9537.

ST. ELIZABETH HOMECOMING

St. Elizabeth. Contact George Watson. 906-5455.

CARIBBEAN FASHION WEEK

St. Andrew. Contact Pulse Investments Ltd., 968-1089

PORT ROYAL ANNUAL SEAFOOD FESTIVAL

Port Royal. Contact Jamaica Tourist Board, 929-9200-19.

DECEMBER

SOUTH COAST CRAFT & SHRIMP FESTIVAL

St. Elizabeth. Contact Jamaica Tourist Board, 929-9200.

REGGAE MARATHON

Negril. Contact Jamaica Tourist Board, 929-9200-19.

JONKUNNU FOOD FESTIVAL

Kingston. Contact Jamaica Tourist Board, 929-9200-19.