

July 7-16, 2025

Barbados Celebration Of Netball 2025

in collaboration with 

A 10-day feast of netball
in the sunny Caribbean

- Join Barbados Netball Association's 50th anniversary celebrations
- Train with England internationals
- For players aged 14-18
- Six days of netball in stunning settings

£2695pp

Price based on 20 students
(3 adults travelling free of charge)



An island paradise

A LITTLE BIT OF HEAVEN IN THE CARIBBEAN

Smile Group Travel and Solo Sessions have teamed up to present an incredible netball festival for under-14 to under-18 girls. Join us for a 10-day trip to beautiful Barbados, with flights, transfers, training facilities, and masterclasses with international netballers Sasha and Kadeen Corbin all included!

Travel with a Smile to Barbados

SMILE Group Travel was established in Barbados when founder Graeme Walker was working on the island as a tour operator and sports coach.

We have over 20 years' experience organising netball tours and events and we have excellent contacts throughout the netball community.

Our love for the island and the people is matched by our

understanding of its beauty and suitability for sports tours.

With our unique knowledge of the island, and our tour management expertise, we design and deliver incredible tour experiences.

Our exceptional support ensures that coaches can be focused on supporting the players during their trip.

50TH CELEBRATIONS

This special tour is offered in conjunction with the Barbados Netball Association, which is celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2025



STUNNING SETTINGS



AN INCREDIBLE DESTINATION

BARBADOS is **one of the Caribbean's most coveted holiday destinations.**

Gorgeous, rolling sandy beaches give way to crystal clear Caribbean waters; the towns burst with colour and personality; and **your stay will bounce along to the gentle rhythm of a steel drum in the sun.**

What's more, Barbados has a rich sporting scene, making it **the perfect location for a very special school sports trip.**

Smile has been operating on Barbados for seven years - we can be relied upon to provide a first-class experience from start to finish.

IDEAL ACCOMMODATION



PERFECT FOR YOUR NEEDS

DURING your time on Barbados, you will be staying at **carefully selected accommodation**, which offers an **important blend of practicality and proximity** from the sights and sounds of the island and your sporting facilities.

Our partner hotels are **experienced in dealing with groups of travelling students**, and guarantee a warm welcome and service with a smile. Students will stay in twin or triple bedrooms, with adults allocated single or twins. We can provide family trips for relatives to support their children on this tour, subject to school approval.

EXCELLENT FACILITIES



BE AT YOUR BEST

SMILE'S ground handlers and on-site representatives will ensure your travelling party has access to **some of the best netball facilities on Barbados.**

The two-day tournament - the featured event of the trip - will take place at the National Stadium, a 1,000-capacity venue in Bridgetown which boasts three outdoor courts.

The tour will include **two masterclasses and a QA session with former England internationals and Super League stars Sasha and Kadeen Corbin**, giving the students a chance to learn from the very best.

Learn from the best

Smile have teamed up with former England internationals **Sasha & Kadeen Corbin** to deliver exclusive masterclasses

SOLO Sessions, founded by Sasha Corbin, provide netball coaching masterclasses to players of all levels and abilities across the country.

The organisation's mission is to encourage and empower people to keep active using the power of netball.

It has always been Sasha's dream to inspire and deliver netball training sessions, and to motivate the netball community to get active through netball related activities ranging from strength exercises to netball dances and more.

Solo Sessions also deliver one-on-one and small group sessions, attend awards ceremonies, and carry out motivational talks.

The Barbados Celebration of Netball event in 2025 is the second time Solo Sessions have collaborated with Smile Group Travel on a project.

The first link-up between the two companies - a festival of netball in Barcelona - saw incredible demand, which resulted in Smile increasing the capacity for the tour.

During the Barbados Celebration of Netball in 2025,

Sasha and her sister Kadeen will give two masterclasses to the touring groups.

The masterclasses will focus on the fundamentals of the game, giving the students the chance to learn from the very best.

Solo Sessions masterclasses are packed with passion and energy, and those involved will have the opportunity to ask questions of Sasha and Kadeen to further the experience.

"We love netball, and we love inspiring young people through netball, and our masterclasses reflect that," said Sasha.

"Solo Sessions strive to ensure every participant goes away feeling as though

they have learned something new, and enjoyed themselves in the process. We can't wait to see you all in Barbados in July 2025."

**JOIN SISTERS
SASHA & KADEEN FOR
SPECIAL COACHING
SESSIONS AS PART OF THE
BARBADOS CELEBRATION OF
NETBALL PACKAGE!**



**SOLO
SESSIONS**





Barbados & netball

Find out more about the Bajans' relationship with the sport



NETBALL is the most popular and widely played sport for girls in Barbados.

There is a huge enthusiasm for the game, which permeates across all age groups, and is driven by a successful national team.

So successful, in fact, that Barbados are one of only six countries to have been ever present at Commonwealth Games netball tournaments down the years.

The country's consistent performances at international level have been fuelled by a vibrant and well structured pathway.

There are primary and secondary school age-group competitions, and a resilient

club structure.

The game is ingrained in the country's sporting culture and played to every standard, so Bajans have an incredible love and understanding of the sport.

“Watch out... the Bajan teams will want to win!”

They typically play a fast, exuberant style that offers a great challenge for players from overseas.

Indoor and outdoor facilities are plentiful, but the ideal climate means netball is a year-round sport.

The Barbados Netball Association are celebrating their 50th anniversary in 2025, and Smile is delighted to be taking part in the revelries.

A spokesperson for BNA said: “We are delighted to collaborate with Smile in hosting this wonderful Celebration of Netball.

“The interest in the sport has never been stronger and we look forward to welcoming you to our wonderful island.

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Your adventure awaits

Brilliant Barbados offers a wealth of diverse days out, from spectacular island safaris to fabulous night-time entertainment. It's all waiting for you...

DISCOVER THE CARIBBEAN

TIAMI CATAMARAN CRUISE



CLIMB aboard a luxurious, breathtaking catamaran and set sail on the clear waters around Barbados.

The friendly and experienced Tiami crew will ensure you have a

truly enjoyable trip.

The trip includes a snorkel stop to swim with fish, turtles and the underwater life.

The perfect opportunity to have a day of relaxation during your sports tour.

Feel free to roam beautiful beaches or just relaxing on deck.

Lunch is included, with local dishes prepared by a chef.

This excursion is included within the Barbados Celebration of Netball Package.



OISTINS FISH FRY



FABULOUS LOCAL FOOD

ENJOY a true Bajan experience with a trip to Oistins - dinner at this memorable venue is included as part of the Barbados Celebration of Netball package. Enjoy the **very best local food in intimate and vibrant surroundings.**

Choose from fried and grilled fish, fish cakes, sweet potato, macaroni pie, coleslaw and so much more.

After your meal, take a walk around the many stalls selling souvenirs, handmade crafts, art and jewellery, enjoy live music and dance the night away.

HARBOUR LIGHTS DINNER SHOW



MEMORABLE NIGHTS OUT

THIS exhilarating experience is an optional add-on to the Barbados Celebration of Netball package. Enjoy live entertainment from **fire-breathers, limbo dancers and a live band.**

Set against the backdrop of beautiful Carlisle Bay, this under-the-stars spectacular is a **high-energy end to a day on the island,** bringing only the best vibes.

Unlimited drinks – including freshly prepared mocktails, cocktails and soft drinks - and a high-quality meal are included as part of the entry price.

THE BOATYARD



SPLASH IN THE SUN

AN OPTIONAL extra excursion within your Barbados Celebration of Netball experience, The Boatyard is **a haven for water-sports enthusiasts and sun-seekers.**

Those who simply want to soak up the rays can do so in comfort on the beach, while tour members with a little more steam to blow off have a **water trampoline, iceberg and rope swing** to keep them entertained.

There is never a dull moment.

Enjoy lunch and four hours of unlimited soft drinks during your day as part of the entry fee.

BBQ AT BARBADOS YACHT CLUB



A UNIQUE (AND TASTY) END-OF-TOUR EXPERIENCE

AS PART of your Barbados Celebration of Netball package, Smile Group Travel is delighted to offer an end-of-tour celebration at a fabulous and exclusive location.

The Barbados Yacht Club in St Michael was founded in 1924, is a key part in the social fabric of the island today, and provides a historic stage for our farewell barbecue and

prize-giving ceremony.

Set against one of Barbados's very best beaches, tour members will be treated to an evening of **delicious food, excellent company and the sounds**



INCLUDED!

of the sea.

Unique to Smile, this event is the perfect way to say goodbye to the perfect sports tour.

ISLAND JEEP SAFARI



THE DRIVE TO EXPLORE

INDLUGE your inner explorer with this optional additional excursion. Explore the highlights of the island on 4x4 jeeps, taking in **the most natural features and wildlife of Barbados during a riveting half-day tour.**

See the majestic Lion at Gun Hill and the rugged East Coast, which is spotted with rock formations, with a stop at Bathsheba.

The safari-style jeeps are capable of reaching many of the more inaccessible outposts on the island, and you will get a thrill out of riding the off-road routes that intertwine across Barbados.

Knowledgeable and energetic local guides will make sure you leave the tour informed and entertained.

The safari lasts four hours, and refreshments are included within the price.

#1 BAJAN BUS



ON THE BUSES

EXPERIENCE Barbados in true Bajan style. The Bajan Buses blend **great music, terrific views and seemingly limitless energy** to create a fun-filled experience for their passengers.

There is no way of seeing the island quite like this!

The buses run both during the day and through the evening, giving very different perspectives on Barbados.

Custom private charters can be arranged. This tour is an optional add-on.



WELCHMAN HALL GULLY



TROPICAL TREATS

WELCHMAN Hall Gully was formed by the collapsed roofs of caves and you can get a first-hand look with this fascinating, self-guided 45-minute walk through one of the deep ravines that are so characteristic of this part of Barbados.

Located in the centre of the island, **this enchanting excursion will make you think about what the region was like 300 years ago:** a tropical forest, littered with exotic plantlife.

This tour is an optional extra to the Barbados Celebration of Netball package.

Your itinerary

Netball. Sightseeing. Masterclasses. This trip has it all.



MORNING: Fly UK to Barbados (estimated flight time: 9 hours)
AFTERNOON & EVENING : Check into hotel, at leisure

MORNING: Training session at high-quality local facilities
AFTERNOON & EVENING: Relax on stunning local beaches, welcome dinner



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AFTERNOON & EVENING: Fixture against local opposition

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AFTERNOON & EVENING: Free afternoon to stroll around Bridgetown



MORNING & AFTERNOON: Optional excursion (examples on pages 6-7)
EVENING : Dinner at the fabulous Distins (see page 6)

MORNING & AFTERNOON: Tournament at National Stadium
EVENING: At leisure



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EVENING : At leisure

ALL DAY: Tiarni catamaran cruise, taking in sealife spotting and chance to swim in the Caribbean Sea. Trip includes lunch (see page 6)



MORNING: Beaches and souvenir shopping
AFTERNOON & EVENING : Fixture against local opposition

MORNING: A final chance to relax
EVENING: End of tour BBQ dinner at Barbados Yacht Club (see page 7)



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