

## Dolphin Quest Bermuda

Dolphin Quest is located on the west end of the beautiful island of Bermuda in the Royal Navy Dockyard. The site is within an old stone fortress that also houses the National Museum of Bermuda.

### Local Living Information

#### Currency

The Bermuda dollar is equivalent to the US dollar on the street. There is a small exchange rate at the bank. The two currencies are used interchangeably. Personal checks are accepted on the island as long as they are drawn on a global bank. All major credit and debit cards are also widely accepted. There are two main banks, Bank of Bermuda and Bank of Butterfield. Both have cash machines that are linked to many universal banks and allow transactions for a fee.

#### Accommodations

There are a few housing options for interns. Pending availability, the most convenient and affordable option is the hostel at the National Museum of Bermuda. This is located within the walls of the museum as is Dolphin Quest, and is just a short walk down the hill to the site. It is a privately run hostel that throughout the year houses Dolphin Quest interns, researchers, archeologists and doctoral candidates. It is not open for the general public.

#### Amenities

- Fully equipped kitchen
- Large Communal eating and living area with TV, DVD and cable
- Wireless internet connection
- A male and female dorm which houses up to 12 people each
- Air conditioning in the dorms
- Communal single sex bathrooms
- Washing machine
- Telephone for local calls

#### Transportation

The city of Hamilton is where the majority of events and nightlife occur. Travel time from Dockyard to Hamilton is about 40 minutes by taxi or scooter, 1 hour by bus (15 miles), 20 minutes via ferry. A monthly transportation pass that provides unlimited use for both the ferry and the busses is \$55 per month.

There are **four travel** options on the island:

- **Ferry** – There are three main ferry routes around the island of Bermuda.
- **Bus** – There are two main roads on the island and several bus stops along the routes
- **Scooter** – All visitors to the island above the age of 16 may rent scooters to travel around the island. They may be rented by the hour, day, week or month. When renting a scooter, gas prices must be taken into consideration. Gas in Bermuda is per liter. Important to note, transportation drives on the LEFT side of the road.
- **Taxi** – Rates increase after midnight and on weekends. This is a costly way of getting around.

#### Food and Drink

Since much of the food in Bermuda is imported, prices are generally high. Depending on an individual's diet, groceries can cost between \$100 and \$200 per week. There is a grocery store located in Somerset, which is 3 miles away and easily accessible by bus. In addition, there are several restaurants located in Dockyard, as well as Somerset and Hamilton.

### **Telecommunications**

There are two main communication providers on the island and pre-paid calling cards may be purchased from both. Each may be used to call internationally from any touch-tone phone in Bermuda:

- Cable and Wireless Calling Cards can be bought in denominations of \$10, \$20 and \$50. TeleBermuda International Global Calling Cards can be bought in denominations of \$10, \$25 and \$50.
- Most interns choose to communicate with family and friends via Skype or instant messenger.

### **In addition to the above costs, an intern is responsible for providing the following:**

- Company approved swimsuit – 2 or 3 are recommended
- Waterproof watch
- Khaki shorts, Capri's, or pants

Dolphin Quest will provide all other uniform pieces.