

Donna and Bill Zimmerman
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Bill steers on his watch while
Randy seeks seconds on lunch
servings





The harbor at Bequia is quite busy with ferry traffic and lots of charter boats. It is the best place for private yachts to clear customs and immigration.

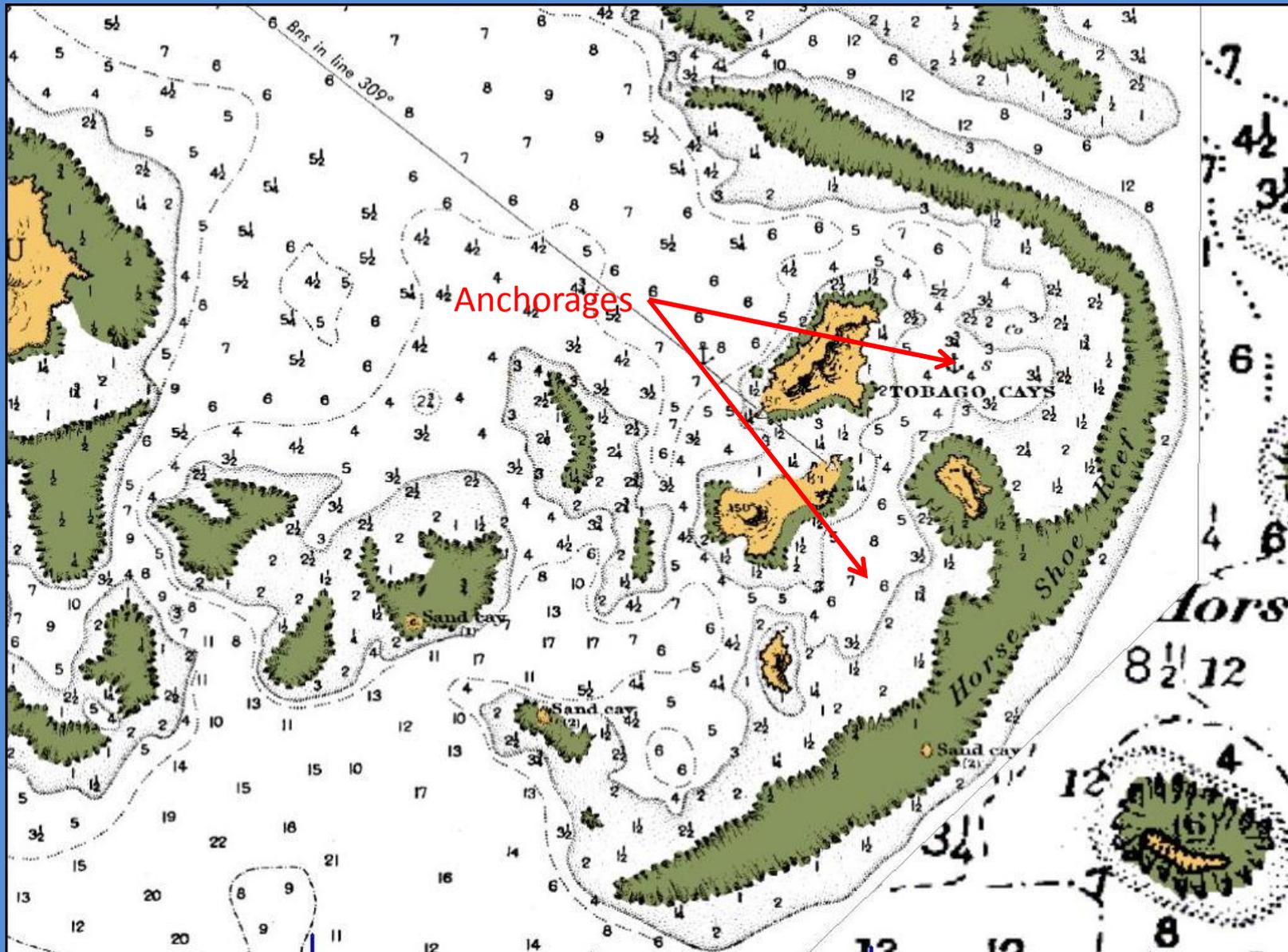




Moon Hole is a resort on the western tip of Bequia that was built by an eccentric architect. He used mostly materials he found on the site and made each cottage a part of the landscape. The resort is no longer in business and the properties are being sold as individual cottages.



The *Amazing Grace* does charter day sails out of Bequia to Tobago Cays. We passed her on our way to the Cays.



Tobago Cays is my favorite location in the Caribbean. The reef is about 3 miles long and protects the anchorages. The bottom is beautiful sand with some grass that the turtles feed on. Depths shown are in fathoms.



When a storm comes through it usually brings lots of rain and wind and occasionally lightening but it is usually over in less than an hour.



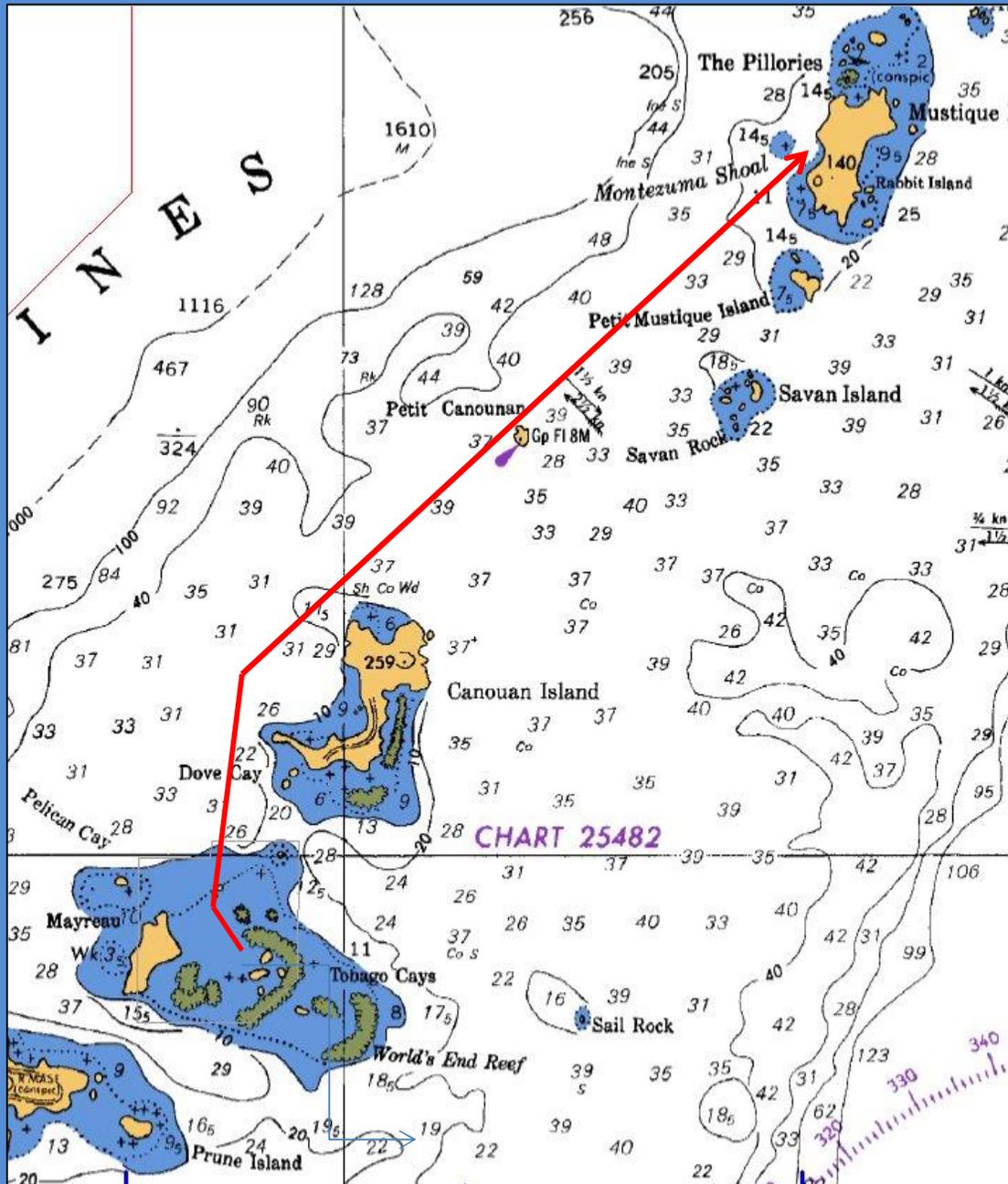
The islands of the Tobago Cays are uninhabited with wonderful beaches. Iguanas live on them and turtles feed on the sea grass in the shallows





The sand beaches are usually bounded by rocky areas that make it difficult to walk around the island. However you can climb to the top and get spectacular views. You do have to be careful of the cactus.





From Tobago Cay we sailed to Mustique Island. This is a privately owned and developed island with homes that range from \$4M to 20M dollars. The owners are from all over the world and include many movie stars, music performers, business people and politicians. Since almost none of the owners live here year round most of the homes are available for rent. David Bowie, Mick Jagger and Princess Margaret are among the owners.



The anchorage can be very rolley and the holding is not great but they have several well maintained moorings just off the beach for rent.



They do have an airport with a few commercial flights each day but most of the owners use their private jets to access the island



We have visited Mustique many times since 1995 and each time we rent a Kawasaki Mule to tour the island. In 1995 only a few of the roads were paved and you were allowed to go off-road in your travels. Now most of the properties are developed and the roads are mostly paved so you have to stay on the paved roads



Lots of land turtles but not much other wild life on the island



Basil's Bar and Restaurant



Though it was high vacation season we rarely saw anyone on any of the beautiful beaches.



The entrance gate to one of the homes

Most of the “cottages” have spectacular views like this one



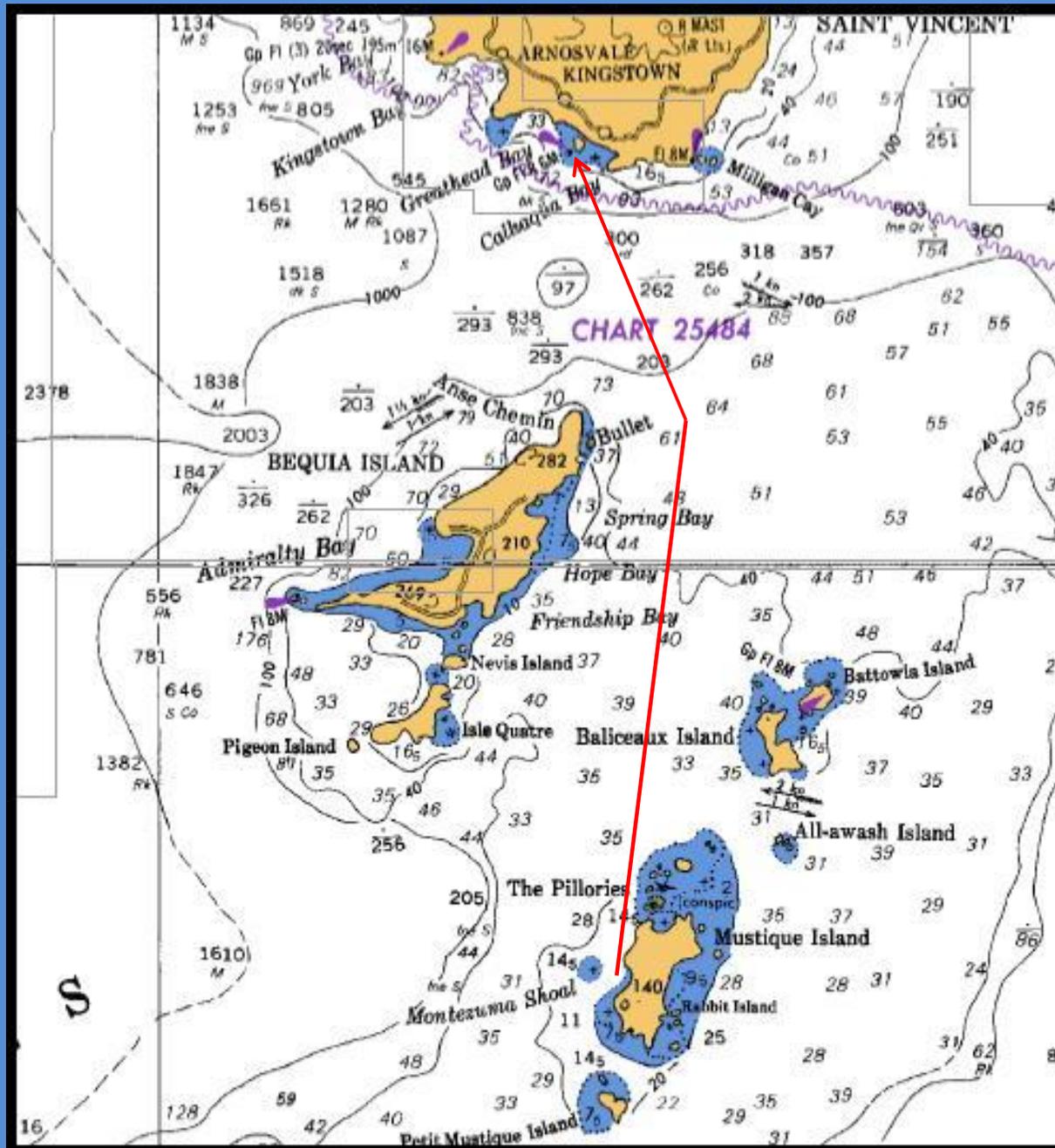
Views like this are why
we rent the Mule and
tour on our own



The harbor at Mustique.
Windward Passage is the
furthestest to the left and
closest to shore



When the fishermen come in with their catch the cooks from the houses come to buy for the evening meal. We were having dinner at the Firefly Restaurant so we passed on this fillet



We sailed from Mustique to Young Island Cut where we use moorings owned by Sam's Taxi Service and use their vans to access the airport for our guests. Usually we do guests changes on Saturday and Susan and I make use of the day to provision for the upcoming week.



Bill and Donna dry their SCUBA gear before packing for their trip home





Susan enjoys the shade of our sun screens while catching up with her log of the trip