

**Texas A&M University**

**Dominica 2017**

**May 23 – June 13, 2017**

**Final Schedule**

- Tues. May 23 Group departs from Easterwood Airport, College Station and/or Houston Bush Intercontinental Airport for travel to San Juan, Puerto Rico. Overnight in San Juan.
- Wed. May 24 Travel from San Juan, arrive Melville Hall airport, Dominica. Orientation and move-in at Archbold Tropical Research and Education Centre, Springfield, group meets with Director, ATREC.
- Thurs. May 25 Unpack gear and set up labs. Instructors to town for permits from Forestry, Wildlife and Parks Division of Dominica and to purchase project supplies.
- Fri. May 26 Explore ATREC; Meet with instructors to discuss logistics of starting group and individual projects. Students begin setting up group and individual projects.
- Sat. May 27 Work on research Projects.
- Sun. May 28 Hike to Middleham Falls through the Lower Montane Rainforest of Morne Trois Pitons National Park.
- Mon. May 29 Work on research projects.
- Tues. May 30 Trip to Cabrits National Park (dry forest/historical site) and Morne Diablotin National Park (montane rainforest and habitat for the endemic Dominica parrots).
- Weds. May 31 Work on research projects.
- Thurs. June 1 Work on research projects.
- Fri. June 2 Trip to East Coast beaches, Kalinago Indigenous Territory, and Emerald Pool in the Morne Trois Pitons National Park. **Midpoint.**
- Sat. June 3 Morning trip to Roseau for market, shopping and lunch. Work on research projects.
- Sun. June 4 Roseau early morning – optional for students to attend church services. Work on research projects.

- Mon. June 5      Work on research projects.
- Tues. June 6      Hike around Freshwater Lake, Boeri Lake and Elfin Forest in Morne Trois Pitons National Park. Work on research projects
- Weds. June 7      Work on research projects.
- Thurs. June 8      Work on research projects.
- Fri. June 9        Hike to the Boiling Lake in Morne Trois Pitons National Park.
- Sat. June 10      Work on research projects.
- Sun. June 11      Dive Dominica - snorkeling and whale watching.
- Mon. June 12      Work on finishing research projects. Finish all projects and reports, begin inventory and cleanup; to town for export permits, sandals, etc. Organize and pack gear for storage at Springfield or return to College Station
- Tues. June 13      Early morning: leave for airport, travel to San Juan and on to College Station.