

In the BVI, Virgin Gorda's side shore breeze blows in just the right direction, so you'll be sure to get the ultimate ride.



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There's one simple reason why the BVI is one of the best spots in the Caribbean for kiteboarding: "Our consistent winds," says Scott Allerton, a Florida native who opened Carib Kiteboarding in 2003, the BVI's first operation in Virgin Gorda's Bitter End Yacht Club. "Back then, we were only teaching beginners — people who were visually drawn in by the sport," says Allerton, who has taught over 1,000 people, including the BVI's most famous resident, Richard Branson. "Now, the destination draws more experienced boarders with their own gear, ready to enjoy a world-class ride." Adrenaline junkies will love Virgin Gorda's side shore breeze — one that blows parallel to the shoreline for the ultimate lift — and the accessibility of stepping right off the beach and into the blow. "The wind is my life," says Allerton. "And it's just outside my back door." caribkiteboarding.com

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