

Kralendijk Bonaire Walking Tour

Kralendijk, Bonaire's main city, is situated on a **natural harbor** on the lee side with the additional protection of neighboring Klein Bonaire, Kralendijk is a relatively new city, begun about 1810.

Fort Oranje, designed to stave off any invaders, was built just shortly before at the end of the 18th century.

With about 1,700 residents, Kralendijk is still quite small, though it's been undergoing a massive facelift since the end of the 1980s in order to compete for more cruise ship business.

The main street, **Kaya Grandi**, parallels the coastline and runs north-south. It takes only about ten minutes to walk through the island's main business district.

Mirroring the yellow and orange structures of Aruba and Curacao, Kralendijk offers a pleasant, safe walk, day or night.

The more interesting stops are:

- 1) The **Governor's House**, built in 1837 and restored in 1973.
- 2) The waterfront **Roman-style fish market**, usually selling vegetables rather than seafood, dates from 1935.

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