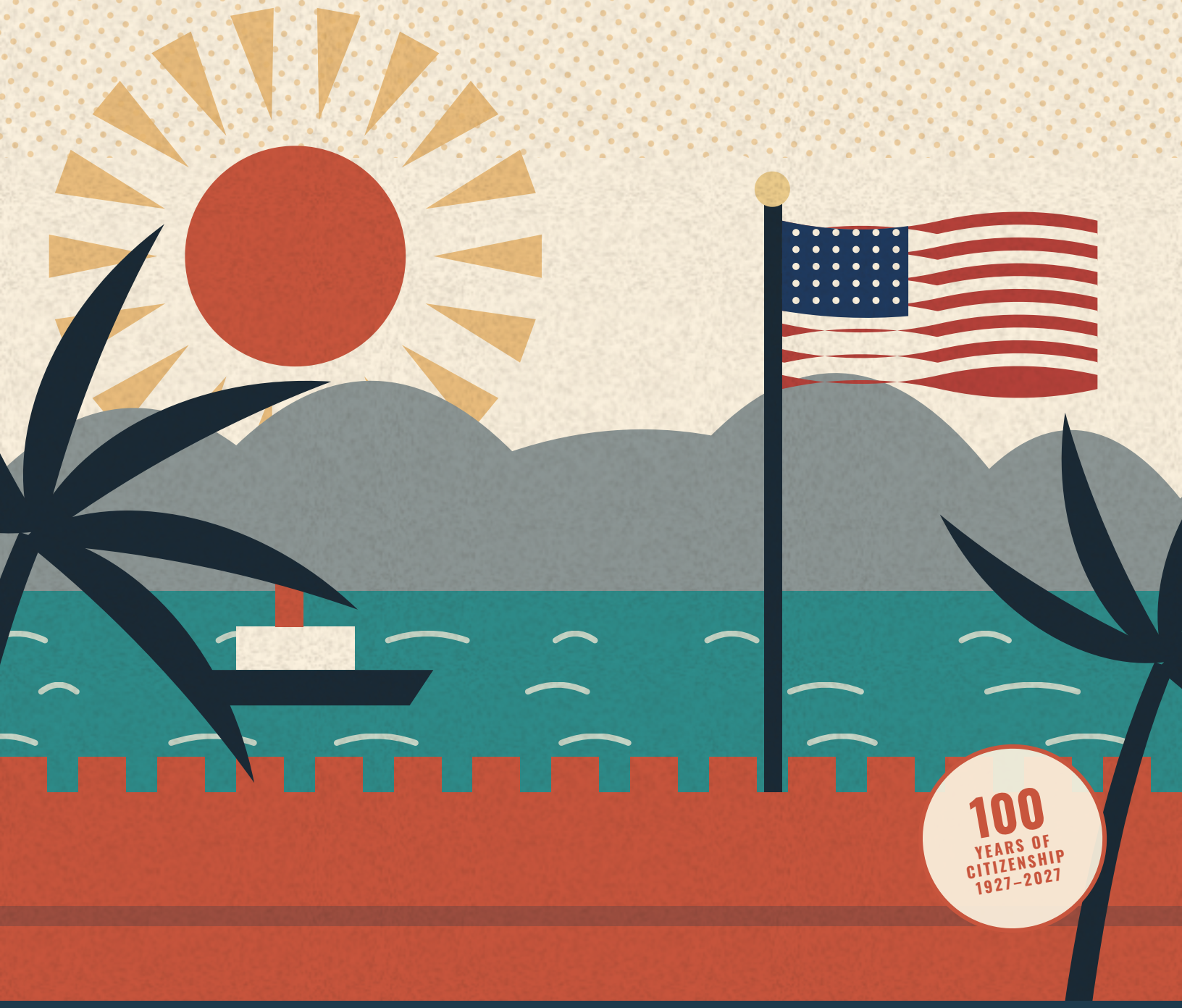


U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS · HISTORY EDITION

2027 CALENDAR

Twelve months, twelve stories from St. Thomas, St. John and St. Croix

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Our history, one month at a time

2027 marks 100 years since Virgin Islanders became U.S. citizens and 110 years since Transfer Day. This calendar pairs each month with a moment that shaped the islands: the people, struggles and milestones behind the holidays we keep.

JANUARY

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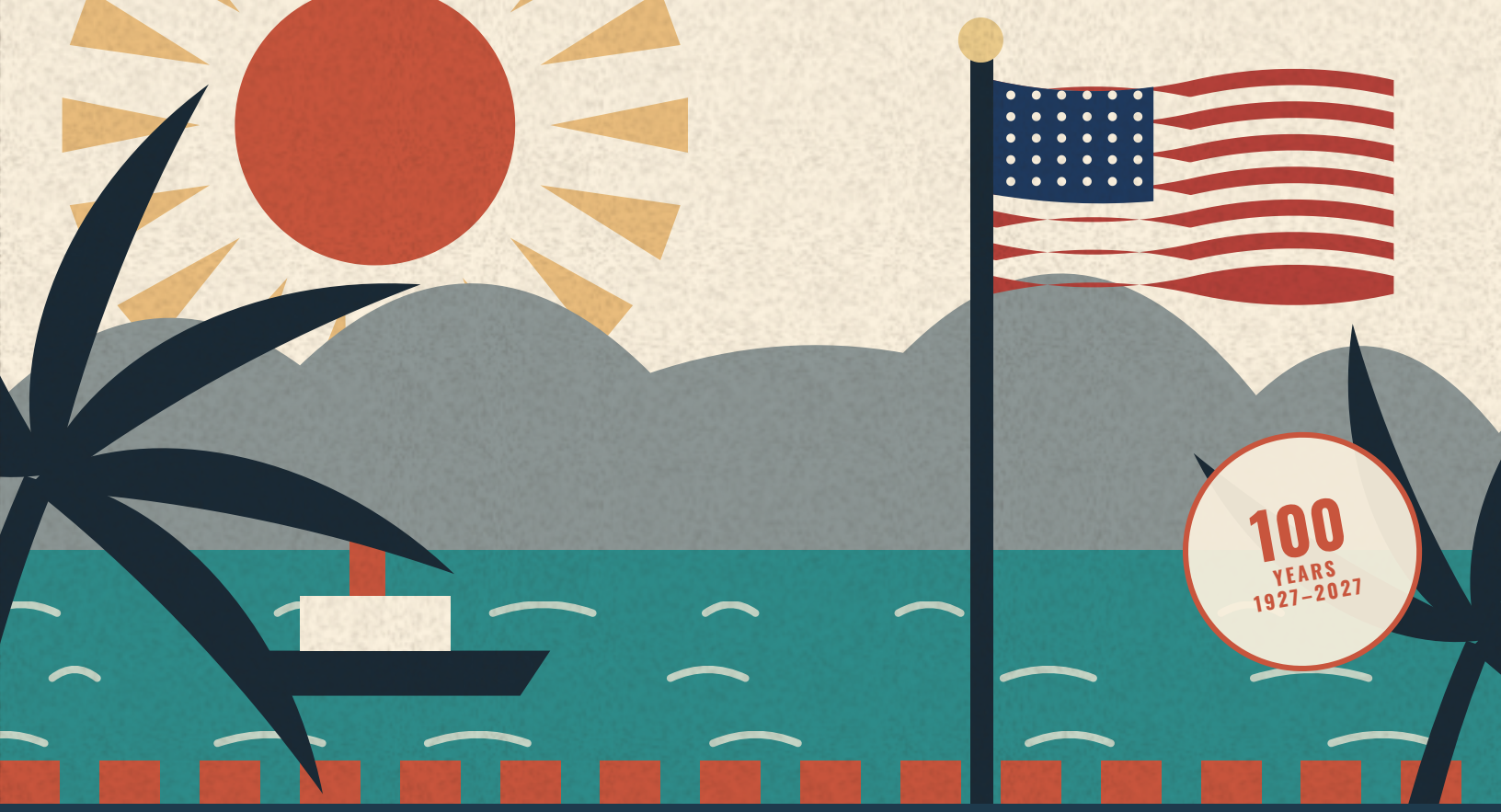
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2027 V.I. legal holidays

Fri, Jan 1	**New Year's Day**
Wed, Jan 6	**Three Kings Day**
Mon, Jan 18	**Martin Luther King Jr. Day**
Mon, Feb 15	**Presidents' Day**
Thu, Mar 25	**Holy Thursday**
Fri, Mar 26	**Good Friday**
Mon, Mar 29	**Easter Monday**
Wed, Mar 31	**Transfer Day**
Mon, May 31	**Memorial Day**
Sat, Jul 3	**Emancipation Day**
Sun, Jul 4	**Independence Day**
Mon, Sep 6	**Labor Day**
Mon, Oct 11	**Columbus Day & P.R. Friendship Day**
Mon, Nov 1	**Liberty Day**
Thu, Nov 11	**Veterans Day**
Thu, Nov 25	**Thanksgiving**
Sat, Dec 25	**Christmas Day**
Sun, Dec 26	**Christmas Second Day**

Holidays as set by the Virgin Islands Code (Title 1, §171). When a holiday falls on a weekend, the Government of the Virgin Islands announces the day off it will observe. Every Sunday is also a legal holiday.

● holiday 12 history anniversary



02 FEBRUARY 2027

1927
CITIZENSHIP CENTENNIAL

A century of citizenship

After the 1917 transfer, most Virgin Islanders were U.S. "nationals" but not citizens, a status with fewer rights. On February 25, 1927, Congress passed a law declaring many islanders citizens of the United States, and a 1932 law reached most of those it had missed. 2027 marks 100 years since that first act, the start of a long road toward a vote, a governor and a voice of their own.

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14	15 PRESIDENTS' DAY	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 1927 · *Citizenship Act: 100 years*	26	27
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February is also Black History Month in the United States.



05 **MAY** **2027**

1672

COLONIAL BEGINNINGS

The Danes arrive

In late May 1672, the Danish West India Company's ship Færøe anchored at St. Thomas, carrying settlers under Governor Jørgen Iversen. Many died within the first year. The company soon turned to slavery: from 1673, enslaved Africans were brought to work the island's plantations. Denmark later claimed St. John (1718) and bought St. Croix from France (1733), and slavery would last for 175 years.

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23	24	25 1672 · *Danish settlement of St. Thomas*	26	27	28	29
30	31 MEMORIAL DAY					

Sources give May 23, 25 or 26, 1672 for the arrival; most use May 25.

FIVE CENTURIES IN BRIEF

A Virgin Islands timeline

1493 Columbus's fleet reaches Salt River, St. Croix, and clashes with the island's Indigenous people (November 14).

1672 The Danish West India Company settles St. Thomas. Enslaved Africans are brought from 1673.

1718 Denmark claims St. John and settles at Coral Bay.

1733 Denmark buys St. Croix from France. The Akwamu-led revolt on St. John begins November 23.

1848 Emancipation in the Danish West Indies, won on July 3 in Frederiksted.

1878 Fireburn: the labour uprising on St. Croix, led by the Four Queens.

1915 D. Hamilton Jackson publishes The Herald and founds the St. Croix Labor Union.

1917 Transfer Day: Denmark sells the islands to the United States (March 31).

1927 Congress grants U.S. citizenship to many Virgin Islanders (February 25).

1936 The Organic Act removes property and income limits on voting.

1946 William H. Hastie becomes the first Black governor of the Virgin Islands.

1954 The Revised Organic Act creates a single Legislature of the Virgin Islands.

1956 Virgin Islands National Park is dedicated on St. John.

1971 Melvin H. Evans takes office as the first elected governor.

2017 Hurricanes Irma and Maria strike. The islands rebuild.

2027 100 years of U.S. citizenship.

GO DEEPER

Visit Fort Christian (St. Thomas), the Christiansted National Historic Site, Fort Frederik and Estate Whim (St. Croix), and the Annaberg ruins (St. John). Or ask Moko, our AI island guide, at **welcometovi.com/ai-guide**.

Sources (checked November 2026): Virgin Islands Code Title 1 §171; Act of Feb. 25, 1927 (44 Stat. 1234); National Park Service (Virgin Islands National Park, Salt River Bay, the 1733 Akwamu Insurrection, Buck Island Reef); Legislature of the Virgin Islands; Presidential Proclamation 3443 (1961); St. Croix Source and St. Thomas Source archives; University of the Virgin Islands. Historical dates sometimes differ between sources; we note those differences where they matter. Festival dates change each year, so confirm locally.

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