

Locals called Jeffrey Epstein's Caribbean retreat 'Pedo Island'

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Jeffrey Epstein's retreat in the Caribbean is known to locals as "Pedophile Island." AP

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Pedophile Jeffrey Epstein's Caribbean oasis in the US Virgin Islands was anything but chaste, locals say.

"Everybody called it 'Pedophile Island,'" St. Thomas boat operator Kevin Goodrich said of Epstein's 75-acre Little St. James Island, about a mile southeast of St. Thomas.

"It's our dark corner."

Epstein is accused of sex trafficking and a related conspiracy count for allegedly sexually abusing a network of underage girls at his homes in Manhattan and Palm Beach, Fla.

Many of those hired to work on the island are bound by non-disclosure agreements, but one reported seeing a parade of barely legal girls there — though he and others kept their heads down, he said.

"When he was there, it was keep to yourself and do your thing," the man said, noting Epstein would gift workers with old machinery and surplus lumber as well.

The 66-year-old financier bought Little St. James Island more than two decades ago, and later purchased neighboring Great St. James Island.

"He wasn't well-received," said St. Thomas native Spencer Consolvo. "People think he's too rich to be policed properly."

The island appeared quiet Tuesday, the day after Epstein [pleaded not guilty to sex trafficking](#) in Manhattan federal court: The hurricane shutters were closed on his cream-colored mansion, and a security guard puttered around the grounds on a golf cart.

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