Pointers for St. George Hill

1. Saint George Hill, also called Signal Hill (864 feet above sea level)
2. Saint George Hill is within the Westend Quarter (St. Croix was divided into nine quarters & within these quarters estates were created by the Danes).
3. On top of Saint George Hill is the Atlantic Fleet Weapons Training Facility. From on top of the hill, you can see Frederiksted Pier, Fort Frederik, Westend salt pond, Sandy Point National Wildlife Refuge and beyond.
4. From the south side of Saint George Hill, you can see the airport, Ruth Island a dredge spoil from the dredging of the Krause Lagoon in the early 1960s, Oil refinery, & many other historical landmarks, etc.
5. From east to west, you can see Blue Mountain (elevation 1096 feet) Flat-topped Mount Eagle (elevation 1165 feet, the highest point on St. Croix.
6. From west to north, you can see Bodkin mill on a ridgeline, northern Virgin Islands (on a very clear day), mills of Estate Victory, & Nicholas barely visible at the skyline; Mill of Estate Punch just below the skyline: Puerto Rico to northwest (on a very clear day)
7. The south side of Saint George Hill is the old Estate Carlton quarry (an impressive rock exposure made by a quarry). This formation is the main component of the highest peaks on St. Croix. (Gray rock on the northern edge is the Cane Valley Formation)
8. In addition, you will be hiking west coming down to Estate La Grange and back to your vehicles. I add a brief history of Estate La Grange that connect to Saint George Hill. Nevertheless, the deep of Saint George Hill is a tropical moist forest. There are guts/streams that flow through Carlton & other estates south of Saint George Hill.
9. On the northwest & west side of Saint George Hill, there are also guts/streams that flow west.
10. Enjoy the hike!!

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