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A real island



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Why Anguilla

A real place.
A connection to AI.



The .ai story

.ai

The connection behind Learn AI Island



The Anguillian Paradox

In 1995, Anguilla was quietly assigned the two-letter Internet country code '.ai'. Today, as artificial intelligence reshapes the global economy, this British Overseas Territory is leveraging a digital lottery ticket to secure its physical future.

The Physical Reality



Population:	~15,000
Landmass:	35 square miles
Core industry:	High-end tourism (historically 37% of GDP)

The Digital Reality



Registered .ai Domains:	1.2+ Million
2025 Domain Revenue:	~$85M (EC$230M)
Share of Government Budget:	41–47%



The Digital Windfall

What began as a geographic coincidence has transformed into a macroeconomic engine. With tech startups embracing the .ai suffix as the industry default, domain registrations now rival tourism as the island's primary economic driver.

1995:
Domain assigned (managed locally by Vince Cate).

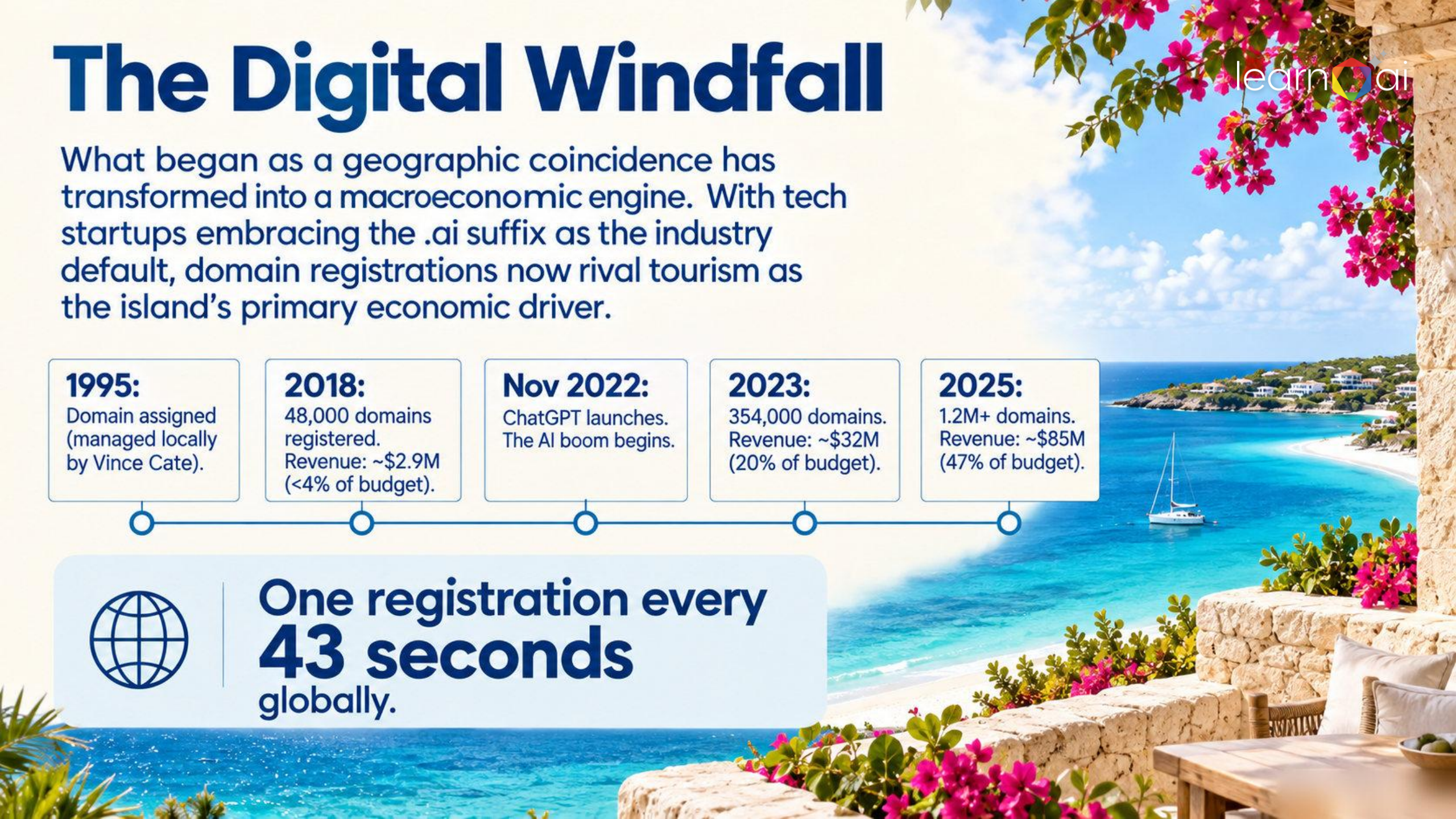
2018:
48,000 domains registered.
Revenue: ~$2.9M (<4% of budget).

Nov 2022:
ChatGPT launches. The AI boom begins.

2023:
354,000 domains.
Revenue: ~$32M (20% of budget).

2025:
1.2M+ domains.
Revenue: ~$85M (47% of budget).

One registration every 43 seconds globally.



Capitalizing the Future

Recognizing the volatility of the tech sector, Anguilla is channeling temporary high-margin domain revenue into permanent physical assets and sovereign capital reserves to shield against future hurricane shocks and tourism downturns.



Infrastructure:
Expansion of Clayton J. Lloyd International Airport and Road Bay port facilities.

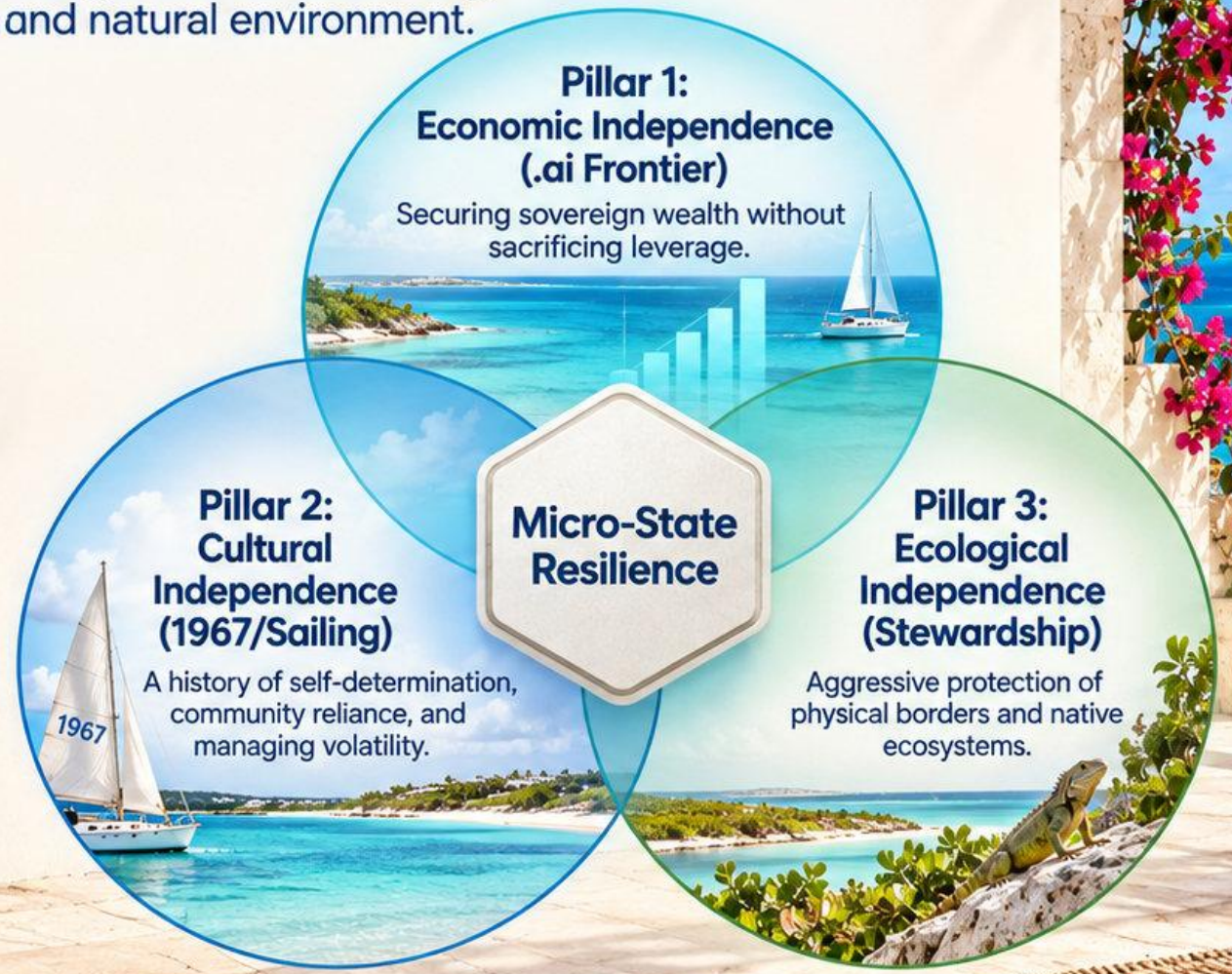
Social Safety:
Free healthcare for seniors (70+) and children (under 5).

Debt Reduction:
Paying down national debt to <20% of GDP (well below the 60% Caribbean red line).

Future-Proofing:
Legislative development of a Sovereign Wealth Fund.

The Anguillian Model

The management of the AI boom is not an anomaly; it is a direct reflection of the 1967 revolutionary spirit. Anguilla applies the same fiercely independent, highly strategic mindset to its digital assets as it does to its cultural heritage and natural environment.




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The Enduring Horizon
As artificial intelligence rewrites the global landscape, a 35-square-mile island in the Caribbean has already mastered the algorithm for survival: balance the windfall of the future with the stewardship of the past.

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Explore the island.

Explore eight modules, meet the guides and turn what you learn into one useful project.

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Introduction & Welcome to the World of AI

Meet the crew, learn how the Bootcamp works, and get your first practical taste of AI tools for learning and productivity.

Course map | Human + machine intelligence | First AI tools

6, 9 & 10 June

Sat 08:00-12:00 · Tue/Wed 19:00-21:00 SAST

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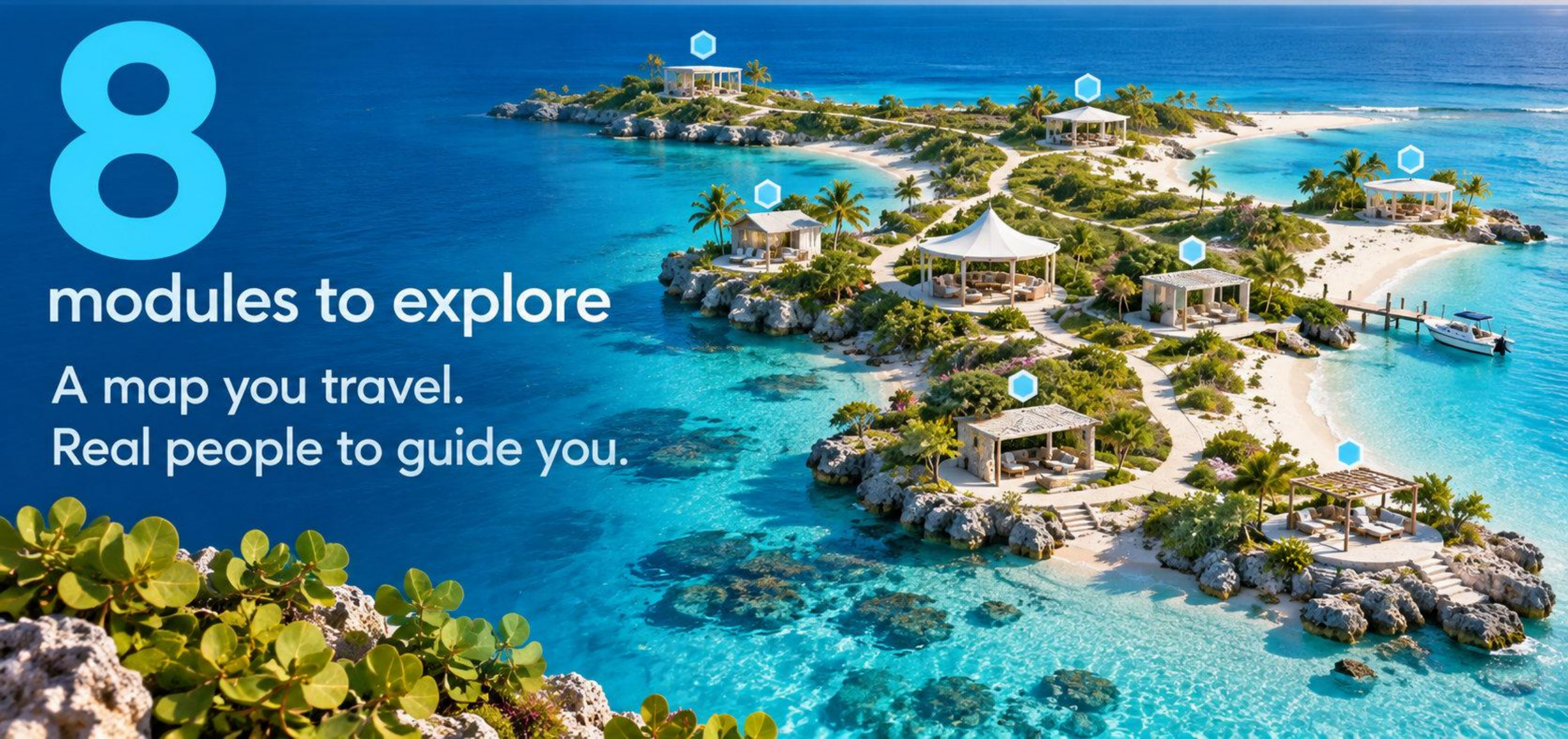
So we built an island

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modules to explore

A map you travel.
Real people to guide you.



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Welcome to Learn AI Island



A home for your AI learning

Resources you can return to.

A place to keep learning after Bootcamp.

A community we can build together.



Alongside what already works

Your student documents still arrive by email.

The Island runs alongside them through Bootcamp 8.



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The colours tell the journey



1 Black 2 Yellow 3 Red 4 Blue 5 Green 6 Orange 7 Purple 8 White

Begin in the dark → Bring it together in the light

The Learn AI colour story

Open to everyone

Explore the Island

- Map and module previews
- Module Zero and Start Here
- Guide Lodge and Compass

Find something useful

- Beginner's AI Glossary
- Public downloads and BC8 brochure
- Inspiration Power Hour details

No sign-in needed for the public areas.




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The Comfort Deck
Make the Island easier to read.
Larger text and higher contrast
Reduced movement
More space around the content
Emphasised links

Public areas and account access

Public areas

Explore the map

Use the public learning resources

Approved account

Open eligible module field guides

Access your learner features

Your approved access determines what opens.




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Your graduate access
Learning resources
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Your cohort's full resource library
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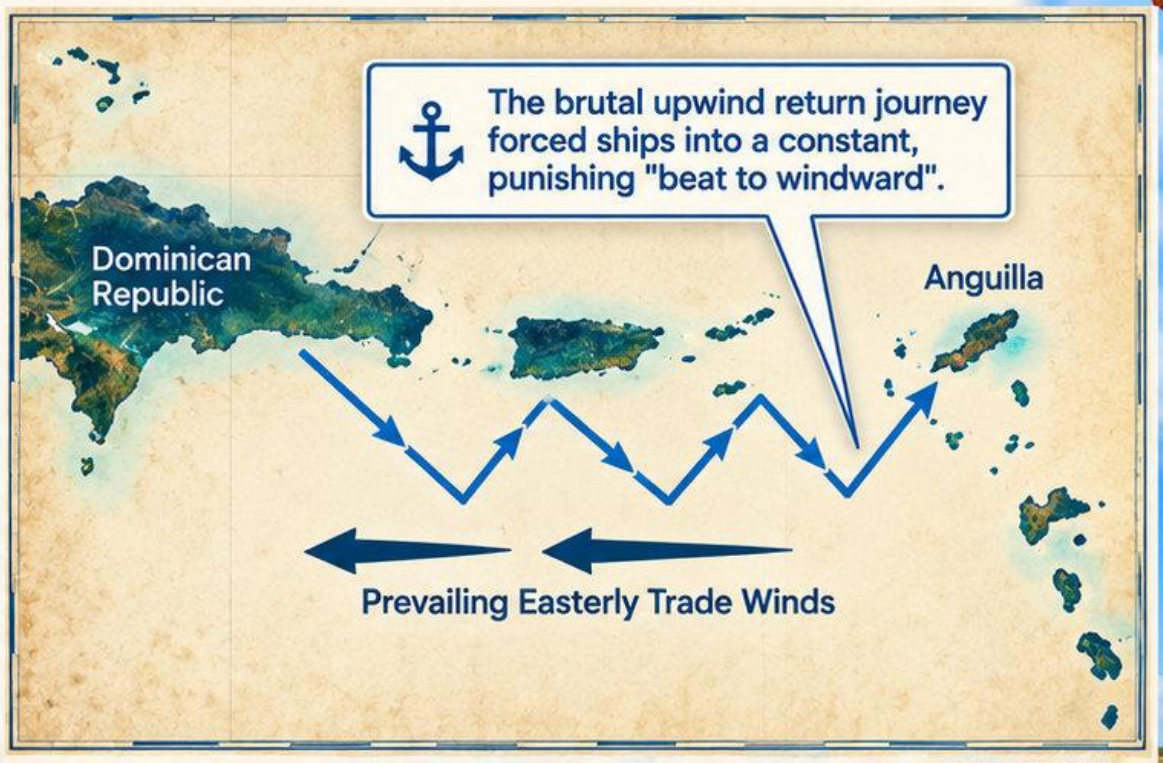


Heritage of the Sea

Lacking the rich soil for a plantation economy, Anguilla's soul was forged on the water. The necessity of fast inter-island transport, smuggling, and the brutal upwind race home from Dominican cane fields birthed a nation of master shipwrights and fiercely competitive sailors.



19th and early 20th-century migration of Anguillian men to the Dominican Republic to cut sugar cane.



Anatomy of the National Sport

Boat racing in Anguilla is a high-stakes, community-driven obsession. The construction of these precarious, ultra-fast sloops relies on 'Jollification'—a tradition of communal labor—and reflects an island culture comfortable navigating extreme volatility.



The Sail Plan: Massive 54-foot mast and 42-foot boom (over-canvassed for maximum speed).

The Deck: Non-existent (open boat, entirely exposed to the sea).

The Ballast: Movable rocks or sandbags, shifted manually by the 20+ crew members.

The Hull: 28 feet long, shallow draft.

The Rule: "Hard Lee" (boats play high-stakes chicken rather than following international right-of-way rules).


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The graduate experience

The road to Bootcamp 8

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28 September

Planned Island transition

Bootcamp 8 resource shelves
Module pages in prep mode
Resources added as Bootcamp runs



What we are working on next

Resource uploads with access set in one place

Event registration inside the Island

Answers within the Island

Search that takes you straight to the material



A guided Bootcamp journey

Progress you can see

Modules opening as you reach them

Your Coach on the Island with you



Behind the curtain




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An Island that keeps growing
More useful in six months than it is tonight.
Inspired by feedback from a graduate tester.

The Voice of the Island

Anguillian dialect, rooted in early English and West African languages, carries the oral history of the island. It is the language of the shoreline, the boat race, and the revolution.

Lime — To hang out or socialize in a public place.

Ayuh Lawd — An exclamation of surprise, equivalent to “oh my gosh.”

Safe — An affirmative reply to a request, or a confirmation of well-being (“I safe”).

Sheep don’t bring goat — An adage meaning one cannot expect children to differ vastly from their parents.




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Your first visit
starts tonight
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Explore the Island.
Register while we are together.
Tell us what needs improving.


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Anguilla, a few things worth knowing


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Sovereignty, Stewardship, and the .ai Frontier
How a 15,000-person micro-nation is translating a trillion-dollar digital windfall into ecological survival and enduring cultural independence.
The Anguillian Model of Micro-State Resilience

The ccTLD Playbook: Sovereignty over Surrender

By avoiding a flat-fee buyout and maintaining a 90/10 revenue split with global registry partners, **Anguilla** retained the financial upside of the AI capital cycle while outsourcing its cybersecurity risks.

Anguilla (.ai)

- **Partnership:** 2024 deal with US-based Identity Digital
- **Model:** Revenue-Sharing (90% to Anguilla treasury, 10% to Identity Digital)
- **Infrastructure:** Servers moved globally to protect against local hurricane outages
- **Result:** Escalating, uncapped revenue capturing the AI boom

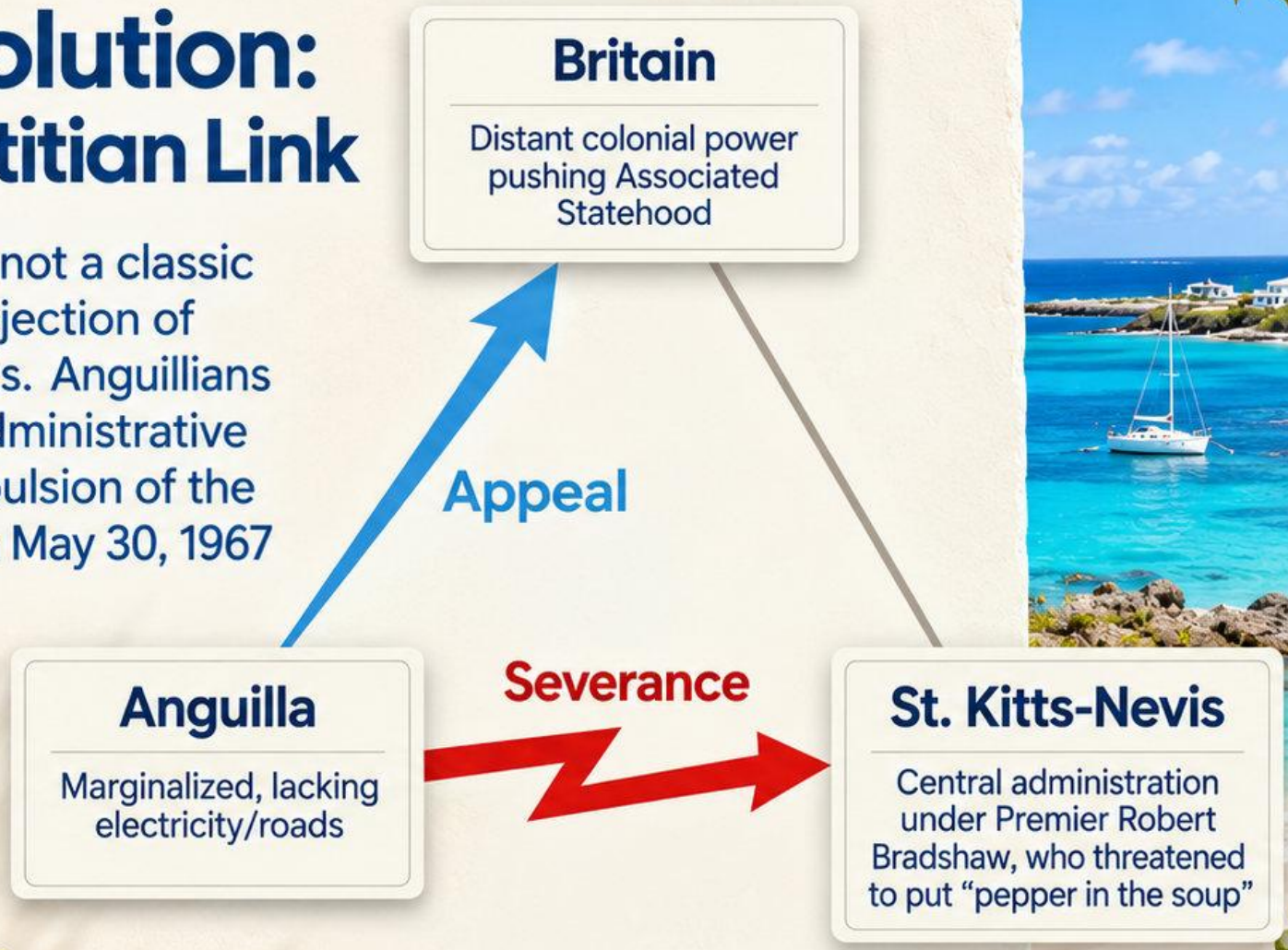
Tuvalu (.tv)

- **Partnership:** Historical deals with Verisign/GoDaddy
- **Model:** Flat-fee buyout ($2.2M annually + minor commissions)
- **Infrastructure:** Static legacy contracts
- **Result:** Fixed ceiling, complained of receiving “peanuts” while global video streaming boomed



The 1967 Revolution: Breaking the Kittitian Link

The Anguillian Revolution was not a classic anti-colonial struggle, but a rejection of forced subordination to St. Kitts. Anguillians revolted to define their own administrative destiny, culminating in the expulsion of the 13-man Kittitian police force on May 30, 1967 (Anguilla Day).



1,813 to 5: The Drive for Self-Determination

A near-unanimous populace engineered one of the Caribbean's most extraordinary political stories, defying both regional powers and the British military to secure autonomous governance.

July 11, 1967 (The Referendum)

1,813 to 5

in favor of secession.

Feb 6, 1969 (The Republic)

Brief establishment of the unrecognised Republic of Anguilla under Ronald Webster.

Mar 19, 1969 (Operation Sheepskin)

British paratroopers land expecting armed insurrection; met instead with waving flags and flowers.

(Dubbed the "Bay of Piglets" by international press).

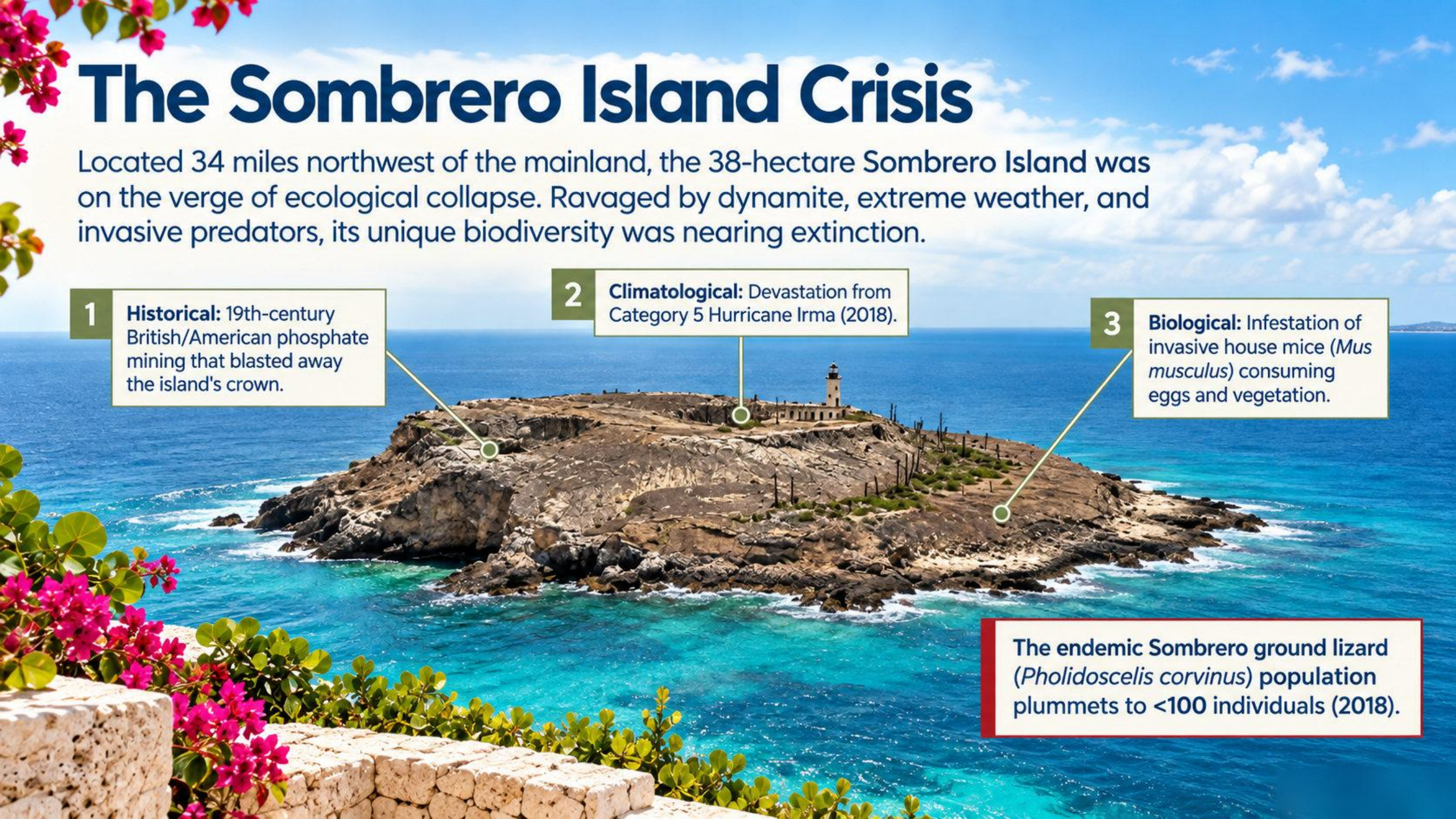
Dec 19, 1980 (Formal Separation)

Anguilla Act confirms status as a distinct British Overseas Territory.



The Sombrero Island Crisis

Located 34 miles northwest of the mainland, the 38-hectare **Sombrero Island** was on the verge of ecological collapse. Ravaged by dynamite, extreme weather, and invasive predators, its unique biodiversity was nearing extinction.



1 **Historical:** 19th-century British/American phosphate mining that blasted away the island's crown.

2 **Climatological:** Devastation from Category 5 Hurricane Irma (2018).

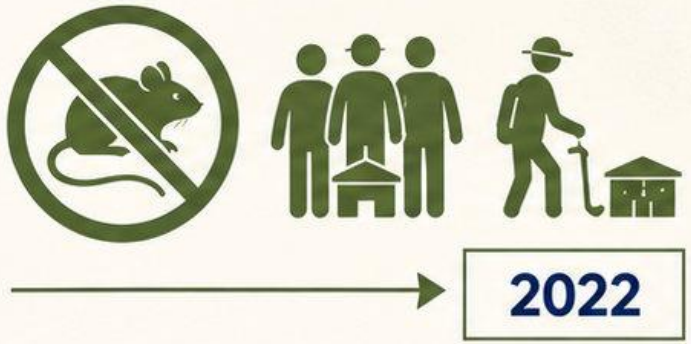
3 **Biological:** Infestation of invasive house mice (*Mus musculus*) consuming eggs and vegetation.

The endemic Sombrero ground lizard (*Pholidoscelis corvinus*) population plummets to <100 individuals (2018).

The 2021 Eradication & Regreening

Recognizing that native species could survive hurricanes but not invasive predators, a coalition of conservationists executed a grueling, manual restoration of the island's trophic foundation.

Action 1 (Eradication)



2022

Systematic removal of invasive mice. Declared mouse-free in 2022.

Action 2 (Regreening)



Planting of native Sea Bean, Spider Lily, and Prickly Pear to bind soil and create structural shelter.

The Return of the Ground Lizard

In just six years, Sombrero Island has transformed from a barren, predator-infested rock into a recovering ecological haven, proving the astonishing resilience of native ecosystems when given a fighting chance.

Trophic Cascade

Before/After Diagnostic Dashboard

2018

<100



Sombrero ground lizards

Collapsing brown booby nesting sites



Zero native ground cover





2024

1,660



Lizards
(a 1,500% population spike)

Returning seabird colonies (Brown noddy, Bridled tern)



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