

St Thomas' biggest secret

Dunn's River Falls is world-renowned, and it might be sparkling and effervescent, cascading in a mighty rush to the sea, but it does not have that one spectacular sheer drop that Reggae Falls in St Thomas has.

Reggae Falls? Never heard of it? Also known as Dam Falls, it is St Thomas' gem of a secret, located on the Morant River, in the district of Hillside, at the foot of the Blue Mountains. It was once part of a hydroelectric project, now in ruins, but now it's alone in its misty splendour.

The milk-white water drops thunderously several feet into an inviting pool of clean, bubbling, cold water that runs silently from there on through a vast river valley. From a distance, two interlocking spurs above frame it exquisitely, as do the rocks on either side of it.

To get there, travel through the town of Seaforth. Take a right turn at the big bridge that leads to Stewart Field and Hillside.

The riverside is ideal for picnics and outings, and the water teems with fish and other edible creatures. Reggae Falls awaits the world, ready to be rediscovered, and once you have been there, no doubt you will fall in 'Dam' love with it.