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Fire Dance

● Originally African, the Bahamian Fire Dance was always an essential part of negro festivities a century ago. Tom Tom rhythm, played even to this day with remarkable effect, is assisted by the clapping and chanting of the dancers who stand around a fire and, in turns, jump through it. Fire Dances are still seen around Nassau, and winter visitors occasionally visit them when the rendezvous is discovered.