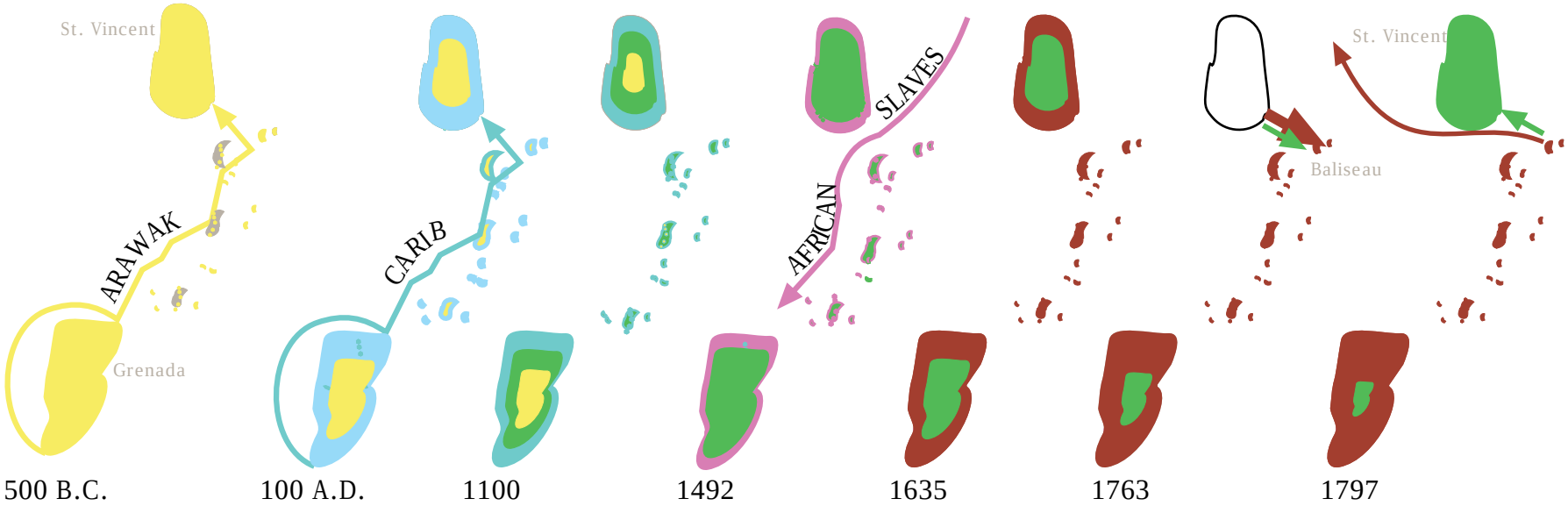
The Migration of the Garifuna People



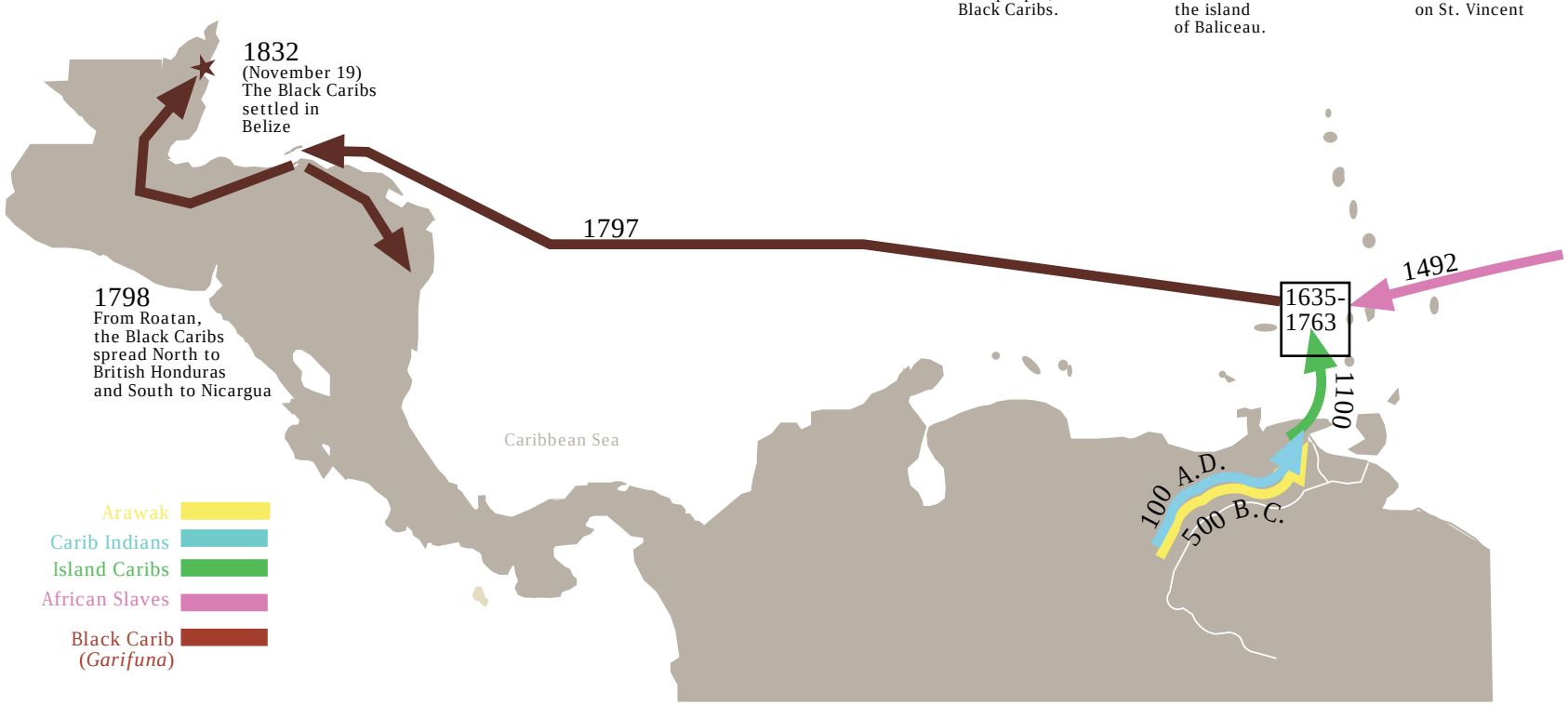
500 B.C. By this year some of the Arawak had moved up the Orinoco River sailing from Venezuela, Suriname, and Colombia to the Antilles Islands of the Caribbean.

100 A.D. The Arawak were later followed by the Caribs.

1100 The Caribs mixed with the Arawaks in the Caribbean islands and created a new people, Island Carib.

1492 After this year Slaves from Africa and Europeans came to the Caribbean.

1635 African slaves adopted Carib way of life, intermarred with the island Caribs and created a new people, Black Caribs.

1763 The British took the Black Caribs and Island Caribs captive and sent them to the island of Baliceau.

1797 British permanantly exiled the Black Caribs to the island of Roatan. The light-skinned, Island Caribs remained on St. Vincent