

DREAM YACHT CHARTER



www.DreamYachtCharter.com

Antigua (pronounced An-tee'ga) is located in the middle of the Leeward Islands in the Eastern Caribbean and is roughly 17 degrees north of the equator. They say there are 365 beaches on Antigua, one for each day of the year. All of them are safe and protected inside the calm, Caribbean waters. To the south are the islands of Montserrat and Guadeloupe, and to the north and west are Nevis, St. Kitts, St. Barths, and St. Martin.

ANTIGUA BASE DETAILS

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Embarkation: Dream Yacht Charter (Antigua) Ltd.
Antigua Slipway at English Harbour (www.antiguaslipway.com)

Google map: goo.gl/maps/Tgh3KqgZTu12

Facebook: www.facebook.com/DYCAntigua

The Base is opened 8:00 am to 5:30 pm, 7 days a week. VHF channel 68.

The check in time onboard the yacht is 5:30 pm, and the briefings are not available on that day. A short orientation briefing is given to for the boat upon arrival. Even though we are officially open until 5:30 pm we do however, in most cases, wait for any client who might be arriving at the base after this time. Technical briefing at 8:30 the next morning, followed right away by the chart briefing.



*We welcome you at the DYC office waterfront
(close by the fuel dock and restaurant Papparazzi)*



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NELSON'S DOCKYARD - WORLD HERITAGE CENTRE

The World Heritage Committee, at its 40th session, 10-20 July 2016, Turkey, declared 21 new inscriptions to the UNESCO World Heritage list. Included in the decision is the Antigua Naval Dockyard. The Antigua Naval Dockyard, a former naval dockyard for the British Navy in the Leeward Islands of the Eastern Caribbean, was established in English Harbour late 1720s and as a military installation, closed in 1895. The sites consist of a group of Georgian-styled naval buildings and structures, set within a walled enclosure. The natural environment of this side of the island of Antigua, with its deep, narrow bays surrounded by highlands, offered shelter from hurricanes and was ideal for repairing ships. The construction of the Dockyard by the British navy would not have been possible without the labours of generations of enslaved Africans since the end of the 18th century. Its aim was to protect the interest of sugar cane planters at a time when European powers were competing for control of the Eastern Caribbean.

From 'vile hole' to national treasure: www.bbc.com/news/world-latin-america-37286174

SPONSOR OF ANTIGUA SAILING WEEK



Dream Yacht Charter is excited to become the Exclusive Bareboat Charter Sponsor of Antigua Sailing Week. This is an excellent and highly reputable event which epitomises the Caribbean sailing scene. Our goal is to help this event grow over the next years while further dedicating our efforts to our growing presence in Antigua and the Caribbean. It is easy to see what an important fixture Antigua Sailing Week has become in hundreds of yachtsmen's calendars and Dream Yacht Charter is honored to be a partner.

CHARTS AND PILOT BOOK

We recommend the nautical guide "The Cruising Guide to the Southern Leeward Islands". The guide picks up where The Cruising Guide to the Northern Leeward Islands ends, and covers the islands of Antigua, Barbuda, Guadeloupe, Marie Galante, the Saintes, and Dominica. These guides are an essential tool for all cruisers sailing this region. Included are over one hundred up-to-date color sketch charts, full color aerial photos of most anchorages, island pictures, and detailed shoreside information covering services, restaurants, provisioning, travel basics and island history.

www.cruisingguides.com/products/cruising-guide-southern-leeward-islands

Each boat is provided with the last edition of the cruising guide and with paper charts (Imray A27, A26, A3).



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HOW TO GET THERE

International direct flights from London (British Airways, Virgin Atlantic), Manchester (Thomas Cook Airlines), Frankfurt (Condor), Miami, New-York JFK, Newark, Atlanta, Charlotte (American Airlines, Delta Air Lines, United Airlines, US Airways), Toronto, Montréal (Air Canada, WestJet, Air Transat, CanJet).

Regional flights (LIAT, Caribbean Airlines, FlyMontserrat, St Barth Commuter).

VC Bird International Airport (www.vcbia.com)



TRANSFERS

The VC Bird International Airport is located at the North of the island and is 45 minutes by car from Antigua Slipway at English Harbour. As clients come out of the arrivals hall, there is a taxi dispatch desk. They take their details and write them a receipt right there telling them exactly how much the taxi is. They then call the next taxi in line forward. DYC can also arrange a taxi upon request.

CLEARANCE



Valid passport is compulsory. If you intend to leave Antigua and/or Barbuda, please note that Customs clearance for both checking in and checking out is mandatory in Antigua and Barbuda. DYC will assist you with the process. Please bear in mind that on re-entering Antigua you must check-in before you can leave base for the airport and you will need to ensure you have enough time.

Please note that you will be charged 500 USD if the clearance is not completed prior to the end of your charter (you must do the clearance and you must be removed from the crew list by the Immigration Officer).

The customs stations in Antigua and Barbuda are Jolly Harbour and English Harbour (no station in Barbuda).

The entry procedures involve customs, immigration and the port authorities. These three offices are side by side in Nelson's Dockyard and are all open every day from 08:00 to 15:45.

No formal sailing licenses are required for cruising in Antigua and Barbuda, although experience is necessary. There are no taxes to be paid for sailing between Antigua and Barbuda.



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EMERGENCY PROCEDURE

Immediately take contact with the Base Manager (+1 268 786-8161) in the event of an emergency. The Base Manager will assist you and he will provide instructions which you must follow. VHF 16 channel can also be used in case of SOS.

Please note that the international law of salvage is in force in Antigua & Barbuda. Ensure that you have contacted the DYC base before signing any document (salver, shipyard...). The principal undertakes personal liability (bear in mind that the cost of a salvage can be up to 50% of the boat value).

Please note that your responsibility as Captain can be enforced (own financial liability) in the case you have signed a LOF (Lloyd's Open Form).

Please note that your yacht is equipped with a full GPS tracking system on board. Your responsibility can be engaged (deposit lost) if you are sailing in forbidden areas (as described during the chart briefing).

WEATHER FORECASTS

Between December & May (Winter Months):

This is the trade wind season. The weather during this period is stable. The wind blows generally from the East (even North-East) with speeds of around 18 to 20 knots, sometimes reaching higher speeds during passing showers/squalls. The water temperature is about 26 degrees C°, the air is at 30 degrees C°. Nights are often fresh (20 degrees C°).

Note: in winter, attention needs to be paid to northerly ground swells that may affect some anchorages, especially Barbuda.

Between June & November (Summer Months):

The weather is generally warmer and less stable. Winds tend to blow from the East to South-East with varying strength (between 10 and 25 knots). Water temperature is about 28 degrees C°, air temperature can be than 32 degrees C°.

Clients should be aware of Tropical Storm / Hurricane alerts, follow the development of the weather systems attentively and respect the Bases orders.



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SERVICES AND FACILITIES

The fuel station is right in front of the DYC office in Antigua Slipway. Water and ice on spot.

The Antigua Slipway at English Harbour has all the usual tourist facilities in the shape of restaurants, shops, and money exchange facilities.

Dream Yacht can take care of your provisioning. Send us back the provisioning list available on the site (once you filled it up) and everything will be on board upon your arrival.

The supermarket Epicurean in St John's opens at 7am and closes at 9pm every day (45 minutes by taxi) (www.epicureanantigua.com).

Soft bags are essential as storage facilities for excess luggage is limited in the vessel and at the base.

DOCKAGE FEES

The first night and the last night are free of charge for DYC charter starting and/of ending in Antigua. Free WiFi for customers docked in the Marina.

Daily rate about 0.65\$US per ft. per day (multi hull rate x 1.5). Dock water and electric metered. All rates are subject to government taxes.

CREDITS CARDS / ACCEPTED CURRENCIES

Eastern Caribbean (EC) Dollars and US Dollars, both are accepted almost everywhere. Foreign currency can be exchanged in the bank, which is located close to the Base. The exchange rate is 2.7\$EC = 1\$US.

We accept Visa and MasterCard credit cards (we do not accept American Express cards).

DIVING – KITESURFING – WINDSURFING

- 40 Knots – Kitesurfing and Windsurfing School – www.40knots.net
- Dockyard Divers – www.dockyard-divers.com



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HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS NEARBY

There are several hotels very close to English Harbour:

- The Inn at English Harbour - theinnantigua.com
- More at www.tripadvisor.com/Hotels-g147244-English_Harbour_Saint_Paul_Parish_Antigua_Antigua_and_Barbuda-Hotels.html

And plenty of restaurants:

- Ristorante Papparazzi
- More at www.tripadvisor.com/Restaurants-g147244-English_Harbour_Saint_Paul_Parish_Antigua_Antigua_and_Barbuda.html

RETURN THE BOAT

We thank you for chartering with Dream Yacht Charter (Antigua) and trust your sailing ventures will be talked about for years to come. Feel free to share with us information that could be helpful for next charterers. We welcome all posts and photos on our Facebook page DYCAntigua.

Before signing the delivery contradictory inventory, Charterer will check that boat and equipment is in good working order and properly. Acceptance by Charterer certifies that the obligations of Dream Yacht Charter (Antigua) for delivery have been fulfilled. After delivery, Charterer and crew are fully responsible of the yacht.

To help make check out go smoothly we ask that the following requirements be met when you return the yacht to Antigua Slipway at English Harbour. Contact the DYC office before coming into the marina. He will allocate a slip to you, and additional assistance if required. At the beginning of the charter the boat and the dinghy is delivered with a full tank of fuel and full tanks of water. At the end of the charter you are required to refuel the boat and dinghy and refill the water. Put all dirty linens into pillow cases or garbage bags and place in salon area. Remove all garbage from the boat. All snorkel gears should be rinsed and free of sand.

For the safety of future charters and to continually improve our service, we appreciate your comments and suggestions regarding the condition and operation of the equipment and systems on board your charter yacht.

Check out time on the last day is 11:00 am.



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