

BASE GUIDE

DREAM YACHT  CHARTER

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO ENJOY YOUR NEXT DREAM DESTINATION!



THE CARIBBEAN | ANTIGUA

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BASE ADDRESS

Jolly Harbour Marina

Dock D

The Boat Yard

Bolans, St. Mary's

GPS POSITION: 17°04'04.9"N 61°53'02.5"W (Office) / 17°03'59.0"N 61°52'59.2"W (Dock)

OPENING HOURS: 8am – 5:45pm

BASE MAP



BASE CONTACTS

If you need support while on your charter, contact the base immediately using the contact details in this guide. Please contact your booking agent for all requests prior to your charter.

BASE MANAGER & CUSTOMER SERVICE:

Base Manager: Thierry Ote

Phone: +1 268 717 3870

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Customer Service Manager: Ashlee Charles

Phone: +1 268 717 3879

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BASE FACILITIES

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Electricity | <input type="checkbox"/> Luggage storage |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restaurant |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Toilets | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bar |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Showers | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Supermarket / Grocery store |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laundry | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ATM |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Swimming pool | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Post Office |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wi-Fi | |

BASE INFORMATION

LICENSE

Sailing license required: Yes No

PAYMENT

The base can accept: Visa Mastercard Amex Cash

EMBARKATION TIME

The check-in time is at 5.30pm. Briefings are not available on day of embarkation, although, a short, basic orientation is given. The following morning after check-in a technical briefing is conducted at 8.30am, followed by a chart and safety briefing / inventory walk-through.

YACHT BRIEFING

The team will give a detailed walk-through of your yacht's technical equipment, information about safe and accurate navigation, including the yacht's navigational instruments, as well as mooring, anchorage and itinerary help. The safety briefing introduces the safety equipment and your yacht's general inventory.

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For all DYC charters starting and/or ending in Antigua, the first and last night at the marina is free of charge. If customers wish to stay on further, there is a daily rate of about \$0.65 USD per foot per day

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(multi hull rate at \$1.50 USD). The dock's utilities (water and electricity) are metered. All rates are subjected to government tax.

DISEMBARKATION TIME

The vessel should be back at 'D Dock' by 10am for disembarkation. To assist in making checkout as smooth as possible, we ask that you contact our Dock Master (+ 1 268 772 2356) approximately two hours prior to arrival at the marina.

The team will inspect your yacht's equipment and a general visual check of its interior and exterior. A diver will check its hull, keel, rudder(s) propeller(s) and /or bow thruster. General inspection will take approximately one hour depending on the size of the vessel.

At the beginning of the charter, you are provided with a full tank(s) of fuel, water and gasoline for the dinghy. At the end of the charter, you are required to refuel, refill water tanks and refuel dinghy tank. It is also required that all dirty linens be put in garbage bags and placed in the salon area. Please remove all garbage from boat. All snorkel gear should be rinsed and free of sand.

BAGGAGE

Please only take soft bags and not suitcases, as they would be too cumbersome onboard.

BASE AND EMERGENCY CONTACTS

- Base emergency telephone number: +1 268 717 3870 (mobile) / +1 268 786 8161 (mobile)
- Marina emergency telephone number: +1 268 562 1234 (Antigua, Barbuda, Search & Rescue)
- Coastguard emergency telephone number: +1 268 462 3206
- VHF base channel: 68
- VHF marina channel: 68
- VHF emergency channel: 16

HOW TO GET THERE?

ACCESS BY PLANE

V.C. Bird International Airport (ANU): The airport is 15km from the base, which is a 45 minute journey by car/shuttle. There are regular flights from New York, Newark, Charlotte, Miami, Atlanta, Toronto, Montreal, Manchester, London with Air Canada, WestJet, United Airlines, American Airlines, Delta Airlines, British Airways, Virgin Atlantic Airways, Condor, US Airways. Please check the schedule on the [airport website](#).

TRANSFERS FROM THE AIRPORT TO OUR BASE

If you need organized transfer from the airport, please contact our base manager. Major car rental companies operate from the airport, please refer to airport website for info, working hours and contacts.

Taxis are regularly available in front of the airport buildings. There is a taxi dispatch desk just beyond the arrival hall where the agent will take your details and arrange for a taxi transfer.

ACCESS BY BUS

Bus number 20 and 22 from the West Bus Station terminal will provide transfer to and from St John's only. Airport transfers are not available.

Information subject to change without notice.

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PROVISIONING & RECOMMENDATIONS

BASE PROVISIONING SERVICE

This base provides a provisioning service: Yes No

LOCAL SUPERMARKET

Epicurean Fine Foods & Pharmacy
Jolly Harbour
St. Mary's
Antigua

Day	Time
Monday - Sunday	7am – 9pm

Opening hours may differ during public holidays and are subject to change without notice.

FUEL AND WATER

Fuel and water are conveniently available at [Jolly Harbour Marina Fuel Dock](#) and [Antigua Slipway](#), located in English Harbour.

HOTEL SUGGESTIONS:

- [Sugar Ridge Resort](#)
- Tottenham Park, Jolly Harbour
- [Cocos Hotel](#)
- Valley Church Road, Bolands, Jolly Harbour
- [Starfish Jolly Beach Resort](#)
- Bolans Village, Bolans, Saint Mary's

RESTAURANT SUGGESTIONS:

- [Sheer Rocks](#)
- [Melini's](#)
- [Roti King \(customer favorite\)](#)

AREA GUIDE

LOCAL AREA INTRODUCTION

Come join us in exploring Antigua's winding coastline bursting with hidden coves and historic ports. You can navigate the same waters as Horatio Nelson and scuba or snorkel the same coral reefs that were once the bane of marauding enemy ships. At 14 miles long and 11 miles wide, Antigua is the largest of the English-speaking Leeward Islands.

The warm climate makes the region one of the world's most desirable sailing destinations along with its complex coastline, abundance of safe harbors and the nearly unbroken protective coral reef

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surrounding the island. There is said to be 365 distinct beaches on Antigua, one for every day of the year - so there's plenty to see when you're sailing in and around Antigua.

TOP THINGS TO DO IN ANTIGUA:

1. **Visit Nelson's Dockyard National Park:** Remarkably rich in history, this national treasure is a fully restored and working marina with modern shops and restaurants housed in eighteenth- and nineteenth-century buildings. You'll also find the natural beauty of hiking trails and beaches.
2. **Swim with stingrays:** The Southern Stingrays of Antigua are gentle and friendly. Snorkel and swim among them and delight in the unique experience of touching and feeding these curious creatures.
3. **Sunday night at Shirley Heights:** Ideally located on the hills overlooking Nelson's Dockyard, Sunday at Shirley Heights is a long-standing island tradition complete with sunset, steel drums, festive drinks and delicious food.
4. **Snorkel at the Pillars of Hercules:** This towering limestone rock formation "guards" the entrance to English Harbor and can only be fully viewed from over the water by boat, so stop by during your Antigua sailing charter. The area below the structure is well known as an excellent snorkeling spot.
5. **Antigua Sailing Week:** This yacht regatta is one of Antigua's most popular events, attracting as many as 200 yachts and 5000 spectators each year. Come to race or enjoy the competitive action from a distance – and join in the after parties.

CURRENCY: Eastern Caribbean Dollar (XCD)

VOLTAGE: 220 V

DIALING CODE: +1 268

INTERNET

Cell phones can work depending on zones but don't forget the roaming fees! Wi-Fi can be rented for \$75 USD per week. Free Wi-Fi is available at the marina.

CUSTOMS CLEARANCE

If you plan to leave Antigua and/or Barbuda, it is mandatory to check in and out and be crossed off the crew list by the customs officer before you leave the marina for the airport. Plan to allow enough time for this process, as it can be a bit time consuming.

Importantly, there is a fine of \$10,000 USD (but not limited to) by the Antigua and Barbuda Customs and Excise Division if these procedures are not followed.

ENVIRONMENT

- Respect your surroundings and leave only footprints in the sand
- Only use the engine or genset when needed (fill up your tanks for the water maker at the docks when you can)
- Recycle your garbage in the correct containers at the marina
- Respect regulations around marine reserves and private islands where disembarking is not permitted

REGULATIONS

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Please keep Antigua clean and refrain from littering.

There is a 5-knot speed limit in English Harbour, Falmouth and Jolly Harbour. This applies not only to yachts, but also to dinghies, tenders and inflatables.

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SAILING CONDITIONS

SAILING AREA

Some recommended anchorages include:

Green Island - This is Antigua's most easternmost tip. It is the gateway to Nonsuch Bay, a reef protected expanse of water covering several square miles.

Nonsuch Bay - Protected from the east, by Green Island the barrier reef, Nonsuch Bay is a delight. You can anchor almost anywhere in the bay.

Long Island Anchorage - This is a large exclusive resort in setting of pale green water, sprinkled with snorkeling reef. There is an exquisite anchorage off the beach in Jumby Bay.

Dickenson Bay - The mile-long beach is a lively resort area with plenty of action. There are all kind of water sports, from jet skis to glass bottom boats, beach bars and a variety of restaurants.

Deep Bay - This is a charming anchorage, with long sandy beach. The wreck of the Andes is in the middle of the bay.

WEATHER

The best time to visit Antigua is between January and May when the weather and trade winds are more stable, and temperatures are comfortable.

The average temperature in Antigua between December and May (the winter months) can reach 86°F with cooler nights around 68°F and a water temperature of 78°F.

Between June and November, the weather is warmer and less stable with temperatures around 89°F and a water temperature of 82°F.

TEMPERATURE

Climate in Antigua:

- Summer High: The July high is around 89°F
- Winter Low: The December low is 68°F

WIND SYSTEMS

The sailing conditions during the winter months are stable with trade winds generally blowing from the east or north-east around 18 to 20 knots, with occasional higher speeds during gusts or squalls.

During winter, there can sometimes be northerly ground swells that affect some anchorages – especially Barbuda. Talk to the base about your itinerary before you set off. In the summer, winds blow from the east to southeast between 10 and 25 knots.

LOCAL FORECAST

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You can find Antigua weather forecasts on the [AccuWeather website](#) and [WeatherCarib](#) ahead of your vacation sailing in Antigua. Hourly weather updates are provided on the local station FM 95.50.