



**DREAM YACHT**  
WORLDWIDE

# Base Guide

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO ENJOY YOUR NEXT DREAM DESTINATION



THE CARIBBEAN | MARTINIQUE

## BASE ADDRESS

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Le Marin

Bassin Tortue

Le Marin

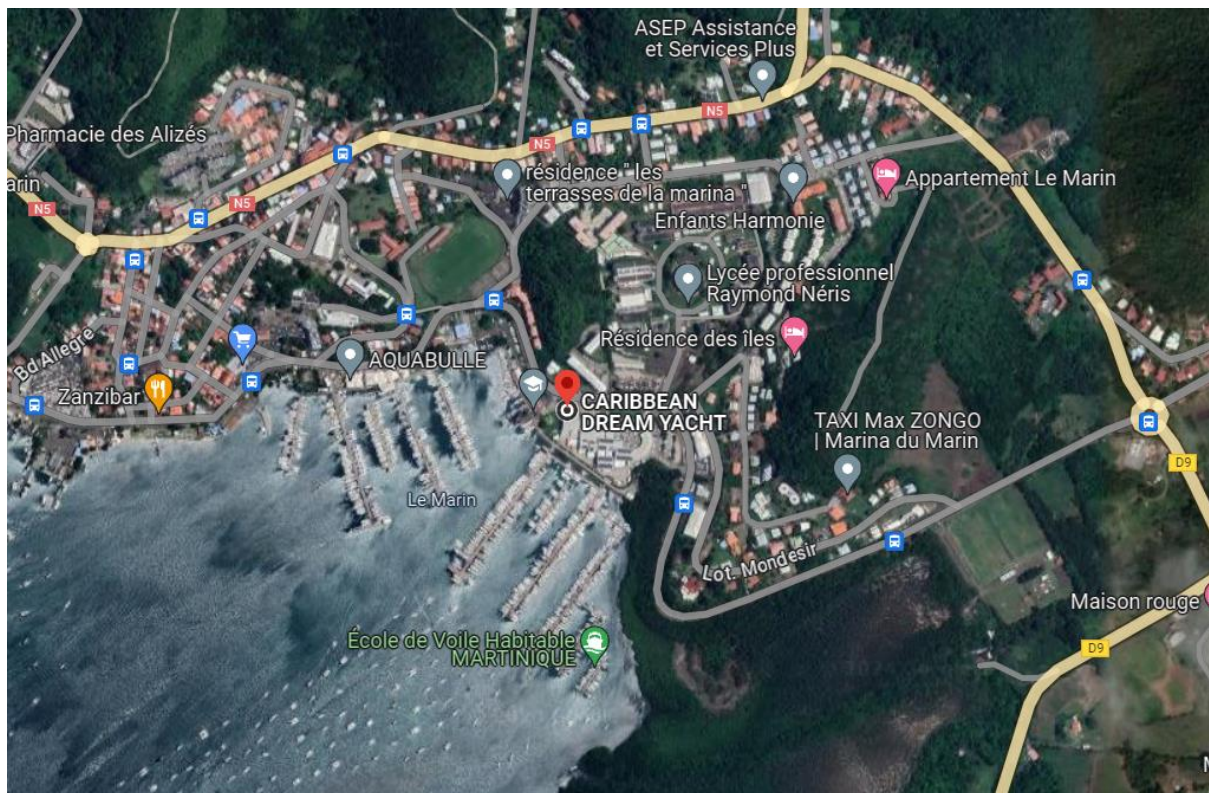
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GPS POSITION: 60.865078, 14.469420

OPENING HOURS: 8am – 6pm

## BASE MAP

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## BASE CONTACTS

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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: Yves Le Gunehec

Phone: +596 696 44 96 44

### **CUSTOMER SERVICE MANAGER:**

Maegan Bulteau

Phone: +596 596 74 81 68 / Whatsapp: +596 696 94 96 62

### **DOCK MASTER / TECHNICAL SUPPORT:**

+596 696 77 01 10 / + 596 696 78 85 67

## BASE FACILITIES

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Electricity | <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Swimming pool          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Post Office                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wi-Fi       |   |

## BASE INFORMATION

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### **LICENSE**

Sailing license required:  No  Yes

### **PAYMENT**

The base can accept:  Visa  MasterCard  Amex  Cash

### **DOCK HOURS**

Please note the docks in Le Marin Marina close at 7:30pm.



Be advised that all clients who order a taxi after 7:30pm will have a code to access the docks.

## **EMBARKATION TIME**

Embarkation time is 5:30pm. Technical briefing will be carried out the following morning.

## **YACHT BRIEFING**

The chart and technical briefing take approximately one hour. All briefings are conducted on the chartered yacht and will take 40-90 minutes, depending on yacht size and crew experience

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.

## **STOP OVERS**

First and last night stop overs at the marina are free.

## **DISEMBARKATION TIME**

Disembarkation is at 10am.

## **BAGGAGE**

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

## **BASE AND EMERGENCY CONTACTS**

- Base emergency telephone number: +596 696 78 85 67
- Marina emergency telephone number: +596 696 815 882
- Coastguard emergency telephone number: +596 596 709 292
- VHF marina channel: 9
- VHF emergency channel: 16

## **HOW TO GET THERE?**

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### **ACCESS BY PLANE**

Martinique Aimé Césaire International Airport (FDF): The airport is 43km from the base, which is a 45-minute journey by car/shuttle. Regular flights are available from most major cities.

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.

## ACCESS BY ROAD

Leave the airport and get on the N5. Continue to Le Marin and continue on Morne Courbaril to your destination at our Le Marin base.

Information subject to change without notice.

# PROVISIONING & RECOMMENDATIONS

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## BASE PROVISIONING SERVICE

This base provides a provisioning service:  Yes  No

- **Direct delivery on board:**

### *Paradise Foods*

Whether you're anchored in a serene bay or docked at a bustling pier, Paradise Foods' reliable delivery service ensures that **your provisions arrive within just a few hours**. At Paradise Foods, they understand the importance of high-quality ingredients and exceptional service to enhance your boating experience.

**Available in most marinas and anchorages in Martinique, Guadeloupe, the Grenadines and soon also Grenada!**

- An entire supermarket in one app - hundreds of products!
- At supermarket prices.
- Delivery directly to your boat. Tiny delivery fee of only 5 €.
- Order any time in advance or enjoy same day delivery when you arrive.
- Easy mobile payment options - Credit Card, PayPal, Apple Pay, Google Pay.
- Customer service available in English, French, German or Polish: WhatsApp +596 969 76 88 66 or [hello@paradisefoods.com](mailto:hello@paradisefoods.com)

**We recommend you provision in advance to have groceries ready when you arrive.**

**Order in the app**



Use the promo code “**dream30**” to get a 30 € discount for orders > 300 € placed in the app



**Paradise Foods**

Want to order via Excel list instead?

You can download Paradise Foods’ product list here:

- [Martinique >> https://paradisefoods.com/list-dy-mq-en/](https://paradisefoods.com/list-dy-mq-en/)

## LOCAL SUPERMARKET

### Carrefour Market

Montgerald, Le Marin

*Accessible by car from the marina*

Day	Work hours
Monday - Saturday	8am – 8pm
Sunday	8am – 1pm

### Auchan (order not possible)

Quartier Mondésir, Le Marin

*Accessible on foot from the marina*

Day	Work hours
Monday - Saturday	8am – 8pm
Sunday	8am – 12pm

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

## FUEL AND WATER

Fuel and water are conveniently available at **Le Marin Marina**, **Trois Îlets Marina** and **Fort de France**.

## HOTEL SUGGESTIONS:

- **Aqualodge floating villas**

Book an Aqualodge if you want to relax near the water. Our floating villas offer modern, chic self-catering facilities and the wonder of being able to easily take a dip or snorkel with tropical fish. You do not need any sailing experience as our Aqualodges are moored and do not sail.

- **Pierre et Vacances Resort, Sainte Luce**  
- D7, Sainte-Luce 97228, Martinique

### **RESTAURANT SUGGESTIONS:**

- **KokOaRum**
- **Le Punch**
- **Zanzibar**
- **Marin Mouillage**

## **AREA GUIDE**

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### **LOCAL AREA INTRODUCTION**

Martinique is one of the shining jewels of the French Caribbean and is part of the Windward Islands in the Lesser Antilles. It has flawless beaches with white sand on the south coast and dramatic black volcanic sand on the north coast. Enjoy swimming and snorkeling among coral reefs or visit pretty fishing villages, hot springs, thick rainforests and rugged peaks.

The capital of Martinique, Fort-de-France, celebrates every aspect of French culture with style and panache, from the excellence of its cuisine to the chic sophistication of its fine resorts and hotels. Shops, art galleries, theatres and museums all pay homage to its French heritage, and you can watch boules being played in the squares while people sit and chat outside cafés.

### **TOP THINGS TO DO IN MARTINIQUE:**

1. Walk the gardens at Jardin de Balata: Discover the most beautiful flowers and trees of Martinique in these gardens located in Fort-de-France. Amateur botanists and bird watchers alike will enjoy the peaceful, well-manicured grounds.
2. Snorkeling in Anse d'Arlet: We'd recommend cruising to the village of Anse d'Arlet on the southwest coast for snorkeling along the rocky shoreline. Green sea turtles can sometimes be spotted in the grassy areas off the beach.
3. Tour the rum factories: Martinique is well known for the unique rums that have been produced there for centuries. There are 10 distilleries on-island for exploring, and tasting!
4. Visit the waterfalls at Les Gorges de la Falaise: Bring only bathing suits and waterproof gear for this fully drenched adventure where you can hike along the river to the falls.
5. Sail to the Tobago Cays: Cruise toward the renowned Tobago Cays, which is an itinerary highlight. With their glittering cobalt waters and white sand beaches, this location is ideal for snorkeling, swimming and relaxing.

**CURRENCY:** The currency in Martinique is the Euro, while it is the Eastern Caribbean Dollar for other nearby islands (St. Lucia and St. Vincent, etc).

**VOLTAGE:** 220V

**DIALING CODE:** +596

### **CUSTOM CLEARANCE**

Due to regulations enforced by BVI authorities, only DYC boats located in the BVI can charter there. Clients not following this rule and entering the BVI on a DYC boats chartered in another Caribbean base like USVI, St Martin, Antigua, etc... will be in breach of contract terms & conditions, & responsible to pay any fine resulting of it.

### **INTERNET**

The Wi-Fi in Martinique is free at our marina. Getting online is easy with plenty of Wi-Fi spots in restaurants and cafes, but you may find that speeds vary.

### **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**

Night sailing is not permitted. Fishing with a line or a rod is permitted except in marine parks. Spearfishing in Martinique is forbidden.

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## **SAILING CONDITIONS**

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### **SAILING AREA**

Depart from Le Marin and cruise along the coast with stops at Petite Anse d'Arlet, Fort de France and St. Pierre, or sail south to the neighboring island of St. Lucia and explore the waterfalls, hot springs and volcano at Soufrière.



For longer stays on your Martinique yacht charter, you can sail farther afield to St. Vincent and the Grenadines islands, including Bequia, Mustique, Mayreau, the Tobago Cays, and many more.

## **WEATHER**

The best time to visit Martinique is between December and April, while the shoulder seasons of May to June and October to November offer fewer crowds.

The average temperature in Martinique is low to mid-80°Fs all year with relatively high humidity.

## **TEMPERATURE**

Climate in Martinique:

- Summer high: The August high is around 88°F
- Winter low: The December low is 70°F

## **WIND SYSTEMS**

Martinique wind systems typically blow ESE or ENE. The “Christmas Winds” in December and January tend to be stronger and can occasionally reach 30 knots for a few days. From January to mid-April, the northeast trade winds blow steadily and with moderate intensity. From mid-June to mid-November the winds are more irregular yet remain pleasant.

## **LOCAL FORECAST**

You can find local weather forecasts on the [Meteofrance website](#) ahead of your vacation sailing in Martinique.