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Panama San Blas

Yacht Charter Guide

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Yacht Charter Panama San Blas

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PANAMA SAN BLAS

Overview

A Panama San Blas week succeeds on choreography: San Blas / Guna Yala mooring fields nights, Guna Yala cays day-anchors (including Panama San Blas overnight roadstead), and APA set before deposit. Blue Ocean Club brokers the Caribbean reality - embark via PTY / ONX, not a brochure loop.

Crewed Panama San Blas yacht charter - Guna Yala cays cruising, marina nights and yacht charter cost clarity. Live fleet with Blue Ocean Club.

AIRPORTS

PTY, ONX

REGION

Caribbean

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WHEN TO GO

Season & rhythm

- How a Panama San Blas week actually runs.: A choreographed operation - San Blas / Guna Yala mooring fields, tenders and tables locked before wheels-down.
- Embark ready: APA open, crew briefed, transfer timed to San Blas / Guna Yala mooring fields.
- Coastal cadence: Morning toys at San Blas day anchorage, held lunch, short reposition through Guna Yala cays, quiet overnight.
- Concierge lock: San Blas Harbour Table and San Blas Beach Club confirmed weeks out.
- When to berth. When to anchor.: In Panama San Blas, quay nights buy access; hook nights buy privacy.
- Quay nights: Harbour energy at San Blas / Guna Yala mooring fields, walk-ashore dinners, event visibility.
- At anchor: San Blas day anchorage - swim platforms, quiet mornings, tender-only shore calls.
- The usual play: One or two quay nights; the rest swinging in protected water.

ON THE WATER

Cruising grounds

Guna Yala cays

Palm islets and community fees.

Shelter Bay & Canal

Atlantic canal staging.

Bocas archipelago

Caribbean west Panama island hopping.

Pacific Flamenco

Panama City Pacific marina nights.

QUAY NIGHTS

Marinas & berthing

San Blas / Guna Yala mooring fields

San Blas / Guna Yala mooring fields - primary San Blas yacht berthing. - Max LOA ~40 m - Draft ~4 m - Gateway PTY - Transfer Air / yacht run from Shelter Bay - Peak lead: 4-12 weeks for peak season slips

Shelter Bay Marina

Shelter Bay Marina - primary Colón yacht berthing. - Max LOA ~60 m - Draft ~4 m - Gateway PTY - Transfer 60-90 min from PTY + canal zone - Peak lead: 4-12 weeks for peak season slips

Bocas Marina / Red Frog corridor

Bocas Marina / Red Frog corridor - primary Bocas del Toro yacht berthing. - Max LOA ~40 m - Draft ~4 m - Gateway PTY - Transfer Air staging to Bocas - Peak lead: 4-12 weeks for peak season slips

Flamenco Marina

Flamenco Marina - primary Flamenco / Panama City yacht berthing. - Max LOA ~50 m - Draft ~4 m - Gateway PTY - Transfer 25-45 min from PTY - Peak lead: 4-12 weeks for peak season slips

Panama San Blas Hub Berths

Pillar-retained secondary berthing capacity for Panama San Blas ecosystem maps. - Max LOA ~40 m - Draft ~4 m - Gateway PTY - Transfer Air / yacht run from Shelter Bay - Peak lead: 4-12 weeks for peak season slips

DAY WATER

Anchorage

San Blas day anchorage

Protected day-stop captains favour near San Blas / Guna Yala mooring fields.

Panama San Blas overnight roadstead

Deeper holding when primary quays are full in Caribbean.

Colón lee cove

Weather-aware swim cove on the Panama San Blas circuit.

Bocas del Toro quiet hook

Lower-density day-hook for privacy mornings.

Panama San Blas weather alternative

Captain-selected fallback when the primary plan densifies.

SHORE TABLES

Restaurants

San Blas Harbour Table

San Blas

Walk-ashore dining near San Blas / Guna Yala mooring fields - book peak weeks ahead.

Colón Shore Kitchen

Colón

Local plates after a day on the water around Panama San Blas.

Panama San Blas Quay Classic

San Blas

Marina-adjacent dining for embarkation nights.

Bocas del Toro Waterfront

Bocas del Toro

Harbour-view restaurant our captains favour for quay nights.

Flamenco / Panama City Concierge Table

Flamenco / Panama City

Held table for yacht parties - advance booking in season.

DAY ASHORE

Beach clubs

San Blas Beach Club

San Blas

Signature shore stop near San Blas / Guna Yala mooring fields - tender access and advance booking in peak weeks.

Colón Day Shore

Colón

Secondary shore lunch when the primary club is dense.

Panama San Blas Sunset Deck

San Blas

End-of-day shore energy before returning aboard.

TRANSFERS

Airport to gangway.

We choreograph PTY / ONX arrivals into San Blas / Guna Yala mooring fields transfers.

Helicopter / GA

Private hops from PTY / ONX when Panama San Blas supports coastal helipads or GA strips. PTY corridor ONX corridor

Chauffeur

SUV / S-Class briefed on San Blas / Guna Yala mooring fields gates - timed to embarkation. To San Blas / Guna Yala mooring fields (Air / yacht run from Shelter Bay) To Shelter Bay Marina (60-90 min from PTY + canal zone)

Door-to-deck options are confirmed against your embarkation slot.

NUMBERS - PANAMA SAN BLAS

VAT & APA - Panama San Blas short version.

On a Panama San Blas charter the base fee is only the starting line. Budget tax treatment and a realistic APA before you lock dates.

VAT / tax

Panama cruising permits, Guna Yala community fees and canal transit are operational - confirm APA line items with broker. Confirm commercial charter tax treatment and APA with the broker before deposit.

APA

For Panama San Blas in high season, budget APA at roughly 25-35% of base fee covering fuel, berths, permits and held tables - confirm against LOA and itinerary.

What we send PAs

A line-item estimate before deposit, then a live APA report from the captain during the week.

WITHIN THIS COAST

Local guides

San Blas

San Blas is a core Panama San Blas charter stop - marina nights, day-anchors and shore tables we hold in advance. Berth context: San Blas / Guna Yala mooring fields - Day-anchor: San Blas day anchorage - Table: San Blas Harbour Table

Colón

Colón is a core Panama San Blas charter stop - marina nights, day-anchors and shore tables we hold in advance. Berth context: Shelter Bay Marina - Day-anchor: Panama San Blas overnight roadstead - Table: Colón Shore Kitchen

Bocas del Toro

Bocas del Toro is a core Panama San Blas charter stop - marina nights, day-anchors and shore tables we hold in advance. Berth context: Bocas Marina / Red Frog corridor - Day-anchor: Colón lee cove - Table: Panama San Blas Quay Classic

Flamenco / Panama City

Flamenco / Panama City is a core Panama San Blas charter stop - marina nights, day-anchors and shore tables we hold in advance. Berth context: Flamenco Marina - Day-anchor: Bocas del Toro quiet hook - Table: Bocas del Toro Waterfront

EXPLORE FURTHER

Child destinations

- San Blas - Crewed yacht charter in San Blas - berths, day-anchors and shore days our captains favour inside Panama San Blas.
- Colón - Crewed yacht charter in Colón - berths, day-anchors and shore days our captains favour inside Panama San Blas.
- Bocas del Toro - Crewed yacht charter in Bocas del Toro - berths, day-anchors and shore days our captains favour inside Panama San Blas.
- Flamenco / Panama City - Crewed yacht charter in Flamenco / Panama City - berths, day-anchors and shore days our captains favour inside Panama San Blas.

BEFORE YOU FLY

FAQ

What does it cost to charter a yacht in Panama San Blas?

What it costs to charter a yacht in Panama San Blas tracks yacht size and peak weeks. Smaller crewed sailing yachts and cats start lower; superyachts scale into six figures. APA, local tax context (Panama cruising permits, Guna Yala community fees and canal transit are operational - confirm APA line items with broker. Confirm commercial charter tax treatment and APA with the broker before deposit.) and berthing are confirmed in writing before deposit.

Which marina should we embark from in Panama San Blas?

We match embarkation to LOA, flight into PTY / ONX, and the first night's plan - often San Blas / Guna Yala mooring fields when available.

Can you charter a superyacht in Panama San Blas?

Megayacht and superyacht charter weeks in Panama San Blas need earlier berth holds than midsize yachts. Blue Ocean Club sequences quay politics with the captain before contract.

How far ahead should we book berths in Panama San Blas?

For peak season and event weeks around Panama San Blas, 4-12 weeks is typical for larger yachts; shoulder season is more flexible. We open the berth conversation with the yacht shortlist.

What does APA usually cover on a Panama San Blas charter?

Fuel, berthing, food and beverage, and most guest concierge extras. Tax context for Panama San Blas: Panama cruising permits, Guna Yala community fees and canal transit are operational - confirm APA line items with broker. Confirm commercial charter tax treatment and APA with the broker before deposit. We set an indicative APA band before contract.

Can you arrange airport transfers into Panama San Blas?

Yes - chauffeur and helicopter where available from PTY / ONX, timed to the embarkation slot at San Blas / Guna Yala mooring fields.

OPERATIONAL

Mooring notes

San Blas / Guna Yala mooring fields

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Shelter Bay Marina

High in peak season around Panama San Blas - broker relationships matter for larger LOA at Shelter Bay Marina. 4-12 weeks for peak season slips Event or festival weeks near Panama San Blas can multiply rates and eliminate availability at Shelter Bay Marina. We hold Shelter Bay Marina alternatives and San Blas day anchorage fallbacks before you sign.

Bocas Marina / Red Frog corridor

High in peak season around Panama San Blas - broker relationships matter for larger LOA at Bocas Marina / Red Frog corridor. 4-12 weeks for peak season slips Event or festival weeks near Panama San Blas can multiply rates and eliminate availability at Bocas Marina / Red Frog corridor. We hold Bocas Marina / Red Frog corridor alternatives and San Blas day anchorage fallbacks before you sign.

Berth fees, APA budgets and event lead times are indicative and move with LOA, season and harbour policy. Blue Ocean Club confirms live figures in writing before deposit. Not a substitute for captain pilotage or marina contracts.

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