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St Martin / Sint Maarten

Yacht Charter Guide

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St Martin Yacht Charter
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ST MARTIN / SINT MAARTEN

Overview

St Martin yacht charter is a dual-nation lagoon operation - Simpson Bay Marina inside the Dutch bridge for megayacht services, Marigot and Anse Marcel on the French side for quieter nights, and SXM door-to-deck in 15-45 minutes. We hold bridge windows, Anguilla day-hops and Gustavia overflow plans before you fly; Christmas-New Year is not a walk-up lagoon.

St Martin yacht charter - Simpson Bay berths, Marigot nights, SXM transfers and APA with Blue Ocean Club.

AIRPORTS

SXM

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Caribbean

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WHEN TO GO

Season & rhythm

- How a St Martin week actually runs.: Lagoon services, French-side dinners, Anguilla or Tintamarre swim days.
- Simpson Bay embark: APA open, SXM transfer, bridge window confirmed.
- Island cadence: Anguilla, Tintamarre, Grand Case - swim mornings, held tables.
- Tables locked: Grand Case gourmet village booked against berth nights.
- When to take the lagoon quay.: Simpson Bay buys services; Anse Marcel buys quiet.
- Simpson Bay: Megayacht infrastructure inside the Dutch bridge.
- Anse Marcel: Protected French-side nights near Grand Case.
- Usual play: Services bookend + French-side middle nights.

ON THE WATER

Cruising grounds

Simpson Bay Lagoon

Megayacht services inside the Dutch bridge.

Marigot & Anguilla channel

French capital and Anguilla day-hops.

Grand Case & Anse Marcel

Gourmet village and protected north bays.

Toward St Barths

Île Fourchue corridor south.

QUAY NIGHTS

Marinas & berthing

Port de Plaisance / Dock Maundo area, Simpson Bay

Dutch-side lagoon megayacht hub inside the bridge. - Max LOA ~100 m - Draft ~5 m - Gateway SXM - Transfer 15-25 min from SXM - Peak lead: 8-16 weeks peak / holidays

Marina Fort Louis, Marigot

French-side Marigot marina under Fort Louis. - Max LOA ~50 m - Draft ~4 m - Gateway SXM - Transfer 20-35 min from SXM - Peak lead: 6-12 weeks peak

Anse Marcel Marina

Quiet French-side marina near Grand Case. - Max LOA ~60 m - Draft ~4.5 m - Gateway SXM - Transfer 30-45 min from SXM - Peak lead: 6-12 weeks peak

DAY WATER

Anchorage

Pinel Island

French-side day-stop with beach clubs.

Tintamarre

Nature islet day-hook.

Happy Bay

Hike-in north-coast beach.

Anguilla Road Bay

Customs day-trip anchorage.

SHORE TABLES

Restaurants

Lolo's / Grand Case lolos

French-side grill culture - book against marina nights.

Tropismo / Marina restaurants

Lagoon-side convenience when services nights are held.

Le Pressoir, Grand Case

More formal French-side evening - hold early in peak.

DAY ASHORE

Beach clubs

Oriel Beach / Pinel clubs

Pinel

Pinel Island tender day.

Le Domaine / Anse Marcel beach

Anse Marcel

North-shore resort beach.

Orient Bay clubs

Orient Bay

Windward beach scene.

DOOR TO DECK

SXM to lagoon gangway.

We choreograph Princess Juliana into Simpson Bay and French-side embarkations.

SXM

Primary dual-nation gateway - jet-capable with short marina corridors. SXM Simpson Bay 15-25 min SXM Marigot 20-35 min SXM Anse Marcel 30-45 min

Chauffeur to quay

SUV briefed on marina gates and bridge timing. Simpson Bay meeting point Night-before hotel when late arrivals risk bridge windows

Door-to-deck options confirmed against your embarkation slot - see embark utility below.

NUMBERS - ST MARTIN

St Martin fees & APA - the short version.

Embarkation side can change tax treatment - confirm French vs Dutch before contract.

Tax

French St Martin generally follows French VAT; Dutch Sint Maarten does not - confirm with yacht management.

APA

High season often 25-35% once lagoon berths and fuel are honest.

Berths

Indicative marina ranges on request - draft until agent confirms.

WITHIN THIS COAST

Local guides

Marigot

Marigot is a core St Martin / Sint Maarten charter stop - marina nights, day-anchors and shore tables we hold in advance.

Berth context: Port de Plaisance / Dock Maundo area, Simpson Bay - Day-anchor: Pinel Island - Table: Le Pressoir

Philipsburg

Philipsburg is a core St Martin / Sint Maarten charter stop - marina nights, day-anchors and shore tables we hold in advance.

Berth context: Marina Fort Louis, Marigot - Day-anchor: Tintamarre - Table: L'Auberge Gourmande

EXPLORE FURTHER

Child destinations

- Marigot - Crewed yacht charter in Marigot - berths, day-anchors and shore days our captains favour inside St Martin / Sint Maarten.
- Philipsburg - Crewed yacht charter in Philipsburg - berths, day-anchors and shore days our captains favour inside St Martin / Sint Maarten.

BEFORE YOU FLY

FAQ

Dutch or French side for embarkation?

Simpson Bay (Dutch) for megayacht services inside the bridge; Marigot/Anse Marcel for quieter French-side nights.

How early for Simpson Bay berths?

Peak December-April and holidays often need 8-16 weeks for larger LOA.

SXM transfer time?

Typically 15-25 minutes to Simpson Bay; 20-45 minutes to Marigot/Anse Marcel.

VAT treatment?

French St Martin follows French VAT; Dutch Sint Maarten does not - embarkation side can change tax treatment.

Anguilla day-hop?

Yes - classic channel day when clearance and weather align.

Combine with St Barths?

Common on longer Leeward programmes - Gustavia berths need their own hold.

What does it cost to charter a yacht in St Martin / Sint Maarten?

Yacht charter cost in St Martin / Sint Maarten depends on LOA, season and hull class. As an indicative band, crewed motor yachts often sit from the mid five-figures per week upward before APA (typically ~25-35% of base for fuel, berthing and provisions), VAT where applicable, and crew gratuity. We set an honest range before contract - not a fake nightly rate.

OPERATIONAL

Mooring notes

Simpson Bay Marina

Dutch-side lagoon megayacht hub inside the bridge. 8-16 weeks peak / holidays. Christmas-New Year and Heineken Regatta densify berths. Primary services embark - confirm bridge openings.

Marina Fort Louis, Marigot

French-side Marigot marina under Fort Louis. 6-12 weeks peak. Peak winter densifies French-side nights. Quieter capital-side alternative.

Anse Marcel Marina

Quiet French-side marina near Grand Case. 6-12 weeks peak. Holiday weeks sell preferred slips. Privacy-led north-coast embark.

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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