



DESTINATION - YACHT CHARTER GUIDE

Stone Town

Yacht Charter Guide

CRAFTING SIGNATURE CHARTER YACHT EXPERIENCES

Charter a Yacht in Stone Town

Region: Indian Ocean

Gateways: ZNZ - PMA

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STONE TOWN

Overview

Stone Town yacht charter sits inside the Zanzibar ecosystem - Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access berthing, local day-anchors and shore tables we hold before you fly.

Crewed Stone Town yacht charter - Stone Town cruising, marina nights and yacht charter cost clarity. Live fleet with Blue Ocean Club.

AIRPORTS

ZNZ, PMA

REGION

Indian Ocean

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WHEN TO GO

Season & rhythm

- How a Stone Town week actually runs.: A choreographed operation - berths, tenders and tables locked before wheels-down.
- Embark ready: APA open, crew briefed, transfer timed to Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access.
- Local cadence: Morning toys, held lunch, short reposition around Stone Town, quiet overnight.
- Concierge lock: Restaurants and clubs confirmed weeks out - not left to chance.
- When to berth. When to anchor.: In Stone Town, quay nights buy access; hook nights buy privacy.
- Quay nights: Harbour energy around Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access, walk-ashore dinners, event visibility.
- At anchor: 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

Stone Town

UNESCO nights and harbour tender culture.

Nungwi north

Sandspit and sunset coast.

QUAY NIGHTS

Marinas & berthing

Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access

Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access - primary Stone Town yacht berthing. - Max LOA ~40 m - Draft ~4 m - Gateway ZNZ - Transfer 15-30 min from ZNZ - Peak lead: 4-12 weeks for peak season slips

DAY WATER

Anchorage

Stone Town day anchorage

Protected day-stop captains favour near Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access.

Stone Town overnight roadstead

Deeper holding when Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access is full.

Stone Town lee cove

Weather-aware swim cove on the Zanzibar circuit.

Zanzibar overnight roadstead

Deeper holding when primary quays are full in Indian Ocean.

SHORE TABLES

Restaurants

Stone Town Harbour Table

Stone Town

Walk-ashore or tender dining near Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access - book peak weeks ahead.

Stone Town Shore Kitchen

Stone Town

Local plates after a day around Stone Town in the Zanzibar circuit.

Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access Quay Dining

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Marina-adjacent dining for embarkation nights at Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access.

Zanzibar Quay Classic

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Marina-adjacent dining for embarkation nights.

DAY ASHORE

Beach clubs

Stone Town Shore Club

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Shore lunch stop near Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access - advance booking in peak weeks.

Stone Town Day Shore

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Secondary shore stop when the primary club densifies.

Stone Town Beach Club

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Signature shore stop near Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access - tender access and advance booking in peak weeks.

Zanzibar Sunset Deck

Stone Town

End-of-day shore energy before returning aboard.

TRANSFERS

Airport to gangway.

We choreograph ZNZ / PMA arrivals into Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access.

Helicopter / GA

Private hops when Stone Town supports coastal helipads or GA strips into the Indian Ocean gateway. ZNZ corridor PMA corridor

Chauffeur

SUV / S-Class briefed on Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access gates - timed to embarkation. To Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access 15-30 min from ZNZ

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

NUMBERS - STONE TOWN

VAT & APA - Stone Town short version.

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

VAT / tax

Tanzania / Zanzibar cruising permits required - confirm APA, park fees and monsoon timing. Confirm commercial charter tax treatment and APA with the broker before deposit.

APA

For Zanzibar 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

Stone Town

Stone Town is a core Zanzibar charter stop - marina nights, day-anchors and shore tables we hold in advance. Berth context: Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access - Day-anchor: Stone Town day anchorage - Table: Stone Town Harbour Table

BEFORE YOU FLY

FAQ

When is the best time for yacht charter in Stone Town?

Shoulder months in Indian Ocean usually balance weather and berth availability for Stone Town near Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access.

Which marina should we embark from in Stone Town?

Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access is the primary embarkation for Stone Town, with anchorage fallbacks when LOA or events block the preferred quay.

How far ahead should we book berths in Stone Town?

For peak season around Stone Town, 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 Stone Town charter?

Fuel, berthing, food and beverage, and most guest concierge extras. For Stone Town we set an honest APA band before contract - not a vague percentage.

Can you arrange airport transfers into Stone Town?

Yes - chauffeur and helicopter where available from ZNZ / PMA, timed to the embarkation slot at Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access.

How does a Stone Town week use Stone Town?

Stone Town is a core Stone Town pocket - we sequence Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access nights and day-anchors so the week feels unhurried. Stone Town sits inside Zanzibar as a focused stop, not a duplicate of the country hub.

OPERATIONAL

Mooring notes

Stone Town - Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access

High in peak season around Stone Town - broker relationships matter for larger LOA. 4-12 weeks for peak season slips Event or festival weeks near Stone Town can multiply rates and eliminate availability. We hold Stone Town / Zanzibar harbour access alternatives and 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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