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MARINA - BERTHING GUIDE

IGY Yacht Haven Grande

Berthing Guide

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IGY Yacht Haven Grande, St. Thomas: The Essential Superyacht Marina Guide
Destination: St Thomas
Ecosystem: US Virgin Islands
Gateway: STT
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CARIBBEAN - US VIRGIN ISLANDS

Overview

IGY Yacht Haven Grande sits on the eastern side of Charlotte Amalie Harbour, the natural deep-water port that has made St. Thomas a maritime crossroads for centuries. For charter yachts, it is the US Virgin Islands' most complete superyacht address: close to the airport, open to the cruising grounds of St. John and the British Virgin Islands, and directly connected to the shops, restaurants and services of Yacht Haven Grande and Havensight. Arrive from the south and the harbour feels purposeful rather than remote, with cruise piers, ferries, pilot boats and working launches moving against a backdrop of green hills and red-roofed colonial buildings. Yet the marina itself is ordered and resort-like, with broad docks, palms, boutiques and terraces looking back across the water. Yachts come here to begin and end itineraries cleanly, to handle US entry formalities, to provision well, to give guests an easy first night ashore, and to place the yacht within a short run of some of the northeastern Caribbean's best sheltered anchorages.

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DESTINATION	St Thomas (https://blueoceanclub.com/charter/destinations/st-thomas-yacht-charter)
ECOSYSTEM	US Virgin Islands (https://blueoceanclub.com/charter/destinations/usvi-yacht-charter)

QUAY FACTS

Specifications

INDICATIVE MAX LOA **approx. 200 m**	INDICATIVE MAX DRAFT **approx. 6 m**
BERTHS **50**	FUEL **Available**
POWER **Shore power typical - confirm amp rating vs LOA**	WATER **Available**
WASTE **Pump-out on request / by arrangement**	WI-FI **Harbour Wi-Fi variable - starlink aboard preferred**

PILOTAGE NOTES

Approach

Approach IGY Yacht Haven Grande with local pilotage notes from the captain; high season berths book weeks ahead. Confirm fuel, shore power amp rating and waste before arrival.

HOLDS & LEAD TIMES

Berthing

Peak berths around IGY Yacht Haven Grande typically need 4-12 weeks for larger LOA. We hold anchorage fallbacks before you fly.

TRANSFERS

Door to deck

Primary gateway STT. We choreograph chauffeur or helicopter into the gangway window.

AIRPORT	STT

EMBARK UTILITY

Embark at IGY Yacht Haven Grande

Door-to-deck for St Thomas: fly into the gateway, transfer timed to the gangway, luggage aboard before guests. We choreograph the buffer - not a taxi scramble.

MEETING POINT	Meeting point: IGY Yacht Haven Grande - confirm quay / pontoon with the captain the morning of embarkation.
ARRIVAL BUFFER	Plan 60-90 minutes from wheels-down to passerelle for chauffeur corridors; helicopter windows are tighter when helipad access is confirmed.
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Captain notes

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Tender fallback

When berths are scarce we hold a sheltered anchorage + tender (or captain-only standby) plan before you fly - never a last-minute scramble at the mole.

Luggage / hotel

Night-before hotel near the gateway (or marina) when late arrivals risk missing the embarkation slot - we hold rooms against the transfer plan.

STT

Primary gateway STT.

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SHORE TABLES

Nearby dining

Navy Beach St. Thomas

A relaxed marina-side choice for lunch, cocktails or a soft first night ashore. The harbour views make it particularly useful for mixed-age charter parties.

Grande Cru Restaurant & Wine Bar

One of Yacht Haven Grande's more composed dinner options, with a wine-focused feel and a menu broad enough for guests wanting something polished but informal.

Enkai Sushi Bar

A convenient marina option when guests want clean flavours, sushi and lighter plates. Reserve in peak weeks, especially for an early post-arrival dinner.

Tap & Still Havensight

A lively, unfussy stop close to the marina, popular for burgers, beers and quick crew meals. It suits casual evenings rather than formal charter dining.

The Smoking Rooster
A straightforward Havensight favourite for smoked meats, ribs and a relaxed island bar atmosphere. Best for casual groups and hungry crew off watch.

Prime at Paradise Point
Reached via the nearby Skyride or by road, this is the view-led reservation above the harbour. Sunset tables should be booked well in advance.

FALLBACKS

Nearby anchorages

Honeymoon Beach, Water Island
Yachts go for an easy first or last swim stop close to Charlotte Amalie, with a relaxed beach scene and short tender runs.

Lindbergh Bay
A convenient south-coast anchorage near the airport, useful for short pauses, guest logistics and settled-weather beach time.

Christmas Cove, Great St. James
Popular for clear-water snorkelling, protection in the right conditions and an easy transition towards St. John or the BVI.

Magens Bay
Yachts use the north-shore bay for its famous beach, broad curve of sand and family-friendly swimming in suitable conditions.

Caneel Bay, St. John
A classic St. John anchorage offering national-park scenery, good swimming and a quieter contrast to Charlotte Amalie.

Maho Bay, St. John
Guests come for calm water, turtles and a gentle national-park beach atmosphere that feels far removed from the harbour.

TIMING

Seasonal note

The prime charter season in the US Virgin Islands runs from December to April, when temperatures are warm, humidity is lower and the easterly tradewinds give reliable sailing and comfortable passages. Christmas, New Year, Presidents' week and spring-break periods require the longest berth and restaurant lead times, especially for larger yachts using Yacht Haven Grande as a turnaround base. November can be useful for early-season positioning and industry events, though crews should keep an eye on late tropical weather. The official Atlantic hurricane season runs from June to November, with the highest risk typically from August to October; insurance, storm plans and marina policies must be checked carefully for summer calls. May and early June can be attractive shoulder-season months, with fewer crowds, warm water and good availability, though some restaurants or services may adjust hours. Tradewinds can blow fresh in winter, so build flexibility into St. John, north-shore beach and open-water plans.

INDICATIVE DRAFT

Berth fees

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BEFORE YOU FLY

Berthing FAQ

How do I embark at IGY Yacht Haven Grande?

Confirm quay / pontoon with the captain the morning of embarkation after your STT arrival. We brief the chauffeur on the correct marina gate - not a generic harbour drop.

Can I berth a yacht at IGY Yacht Haven Grande?

Yes when LOA, draft and event weeks allow. For peak season and event weeks, 4-12 weeks is typical for larger LOA; shoulder season is more flexible. Blue Ocean Club opens the berth conversation with the yacht shortlist for St Thomas.

What does berthing cost at IGY Yacht Haven Grande?

IGY Yacht Haven Grande berth fees move with demand. Blue Ocean Club holds an indicative band for your LOA and dates, then locks the written quote before APA is set for the St Thomas week.

Is yacht charter available from IGY Yacht Haven Grande?

Boat charter and crewed yacht charter both use IGY Yacht Haven Grande as a working berth when LOA fits. We match hull class to quay politics and your itinerary.

How far ahead should we book a berth at IGY Yacht Haven Grande?

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What is the practical embarkation airport for IGY Yacht Haven Grande?

Primary gateway STT. We choreograph chauffeur or helicopter into the gangway window.

Can we overnight at anchor instead of taking a quay night?

Honeymoon Beach, Water Island is a common alternative when the quay is full - captains confirm holding and shelter before committing.

What services should we expect at IGY Yacht Haven Grande?

We confirm fuel, shore power, water and waste against your LOA with the marina agent before contract.

Indicative guidance - some berth fee notes are labelled draft. Live rates move with LOA, season and events. Blue Ocean Club confirms in writing before deposit. No invented phone numbers or reviews. Not a substitute for captain pilotage or marina contracts.

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