



MARINA - BERTHING GUIDE

Varadero / Gaviota marina area

Berthing Guide

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Varadero / Gaviota marina area - Yacht Charter Berthing Guide

Destination: Cuba

Ecosystem: Cuba

Gateway: VRA - 20-40 min from VRA

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CARIBBEAN

Overview

Varadero / Gaviota marina area - Located in Cuba's Varadero peninsula, the Gaviota marina area offers an alternative Caribbean berthing option for yacht charters. The marina accommodates vessels with an indicative maximum LOA of 50 metres and a maximum draft of 4 metres.

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QUAY FACTS

Specifications

INDICATIVE MAX LOA approx. 50 m	INDICATIVE MAX DRAFT approx. 4 m
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	GATEWAY VRA
TRANSFER 20-40 min from VRA	PEAK LEAD TIME 4-12 weeks for peak season slips

PILOTAGE NOTES

Approach

Approach Varadero / Gaviota marina area with local pilotage notes from the captain; high season berths book weeks ahead. Fuel, water and shore power are available - confirm waste and amp rating before arrival.

HOLDS & LEAD TIMES

Berthing

Peak berths typically need 4-12 weeks for peak season slips. We hold anchorage fallbacks before you fly.

TRANSFERS

Door to deck

Typical VRA quay timing: 20-40 min from VRA. Timed to embarkation, not a taxi scramble.

AIRPORT VRA

TYPICAL TRANSFER 20-40 min from VRA

EMBARK UTILITY

Embark at Varadero / Gaviota marina area

Door-to-deck for Cuba: 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: Varadero / Gaviota marina area - 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.
PEAK LEAD TIME	Peak berths typically need 4-12 weeks for peak season slips. We hold anchorage fallbacks before you fly.

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.

VRA

Typical VRA quay: 20-40 min from VRA. Typical transfer: 20-40 min from VRA

[Draft] Indicative seasonal berth ranges are shared on request - confirm with the marina agent before contract. We never publish unverified nightly rates as fact.

SHORE TABLES

Nearby dining

La Guarida

Havana paladar classic.

El Cocinero

Vedado rooftop dinner.

Starbien

Havana contemporary.

Cayo Largo resort dining

Island buffet-to-à-la-carte.

FALLBACKS

Nearby anchorages

Cayo Rosario

Canarreos day-hook.

Cayo Blanco approaches

Varadero day-stop.

Playas del Este roads

Havana east-beach day.

Cayo Largo west beaches

Sand roadstead overnight.

TIMING

Seasonal note

Peak density tracks Cuba high season and local events - 4-12 weeks for peak season slips lead time is typical for larger LOA.

INDICATIVE DRAFT

Berth fees

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BEFORE YOU FLY

Berthing FAQ

How do I embark at Varadero / Gaviota marina area?

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

Can I berth a yacht at Varadero / Gaviota marina area?

Yes when LOA, draft and event weeks allow. 4-12 weeks for peak season slips Blue Ocean Club opens the berth conversation with the yacht shortlist for Cuba.

What does berthing cost at Varadero / Gaviota marina area?

Varadero / Gaviota marina area 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 Cuba week.

Is yacht charter available from Varadero / Gaviota marina area?

Boat charter and crewed yacht charter both use Varadero / Gaviota marina area 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 Varadero / Gaviota marina area?

4-12 weeks for peak season slips

What is the practical embarkation airport for Varadero / Gaviota marina area?

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

Cayo Rosario is a common alternative when the quay is full - captains confirm holding and shelter before committing.

What services should we expect at Varadero / Gaviota marina area?

Varadero / Gaviota marina area typically offers fuel, shore power, water, waste/pump-out, harbour Wi-Fi. Confirm amp rating and pump-out against your LOA before arrival.

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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