

# BASE GUIDE

DREAM YACHT  CHARTER

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO ENJOY YOUR NEXT DREAM DESTINATION!



THE CARIBBEAN | ST MARTIN

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## BASE ADDRESS

Marina de L'Anse Marcel

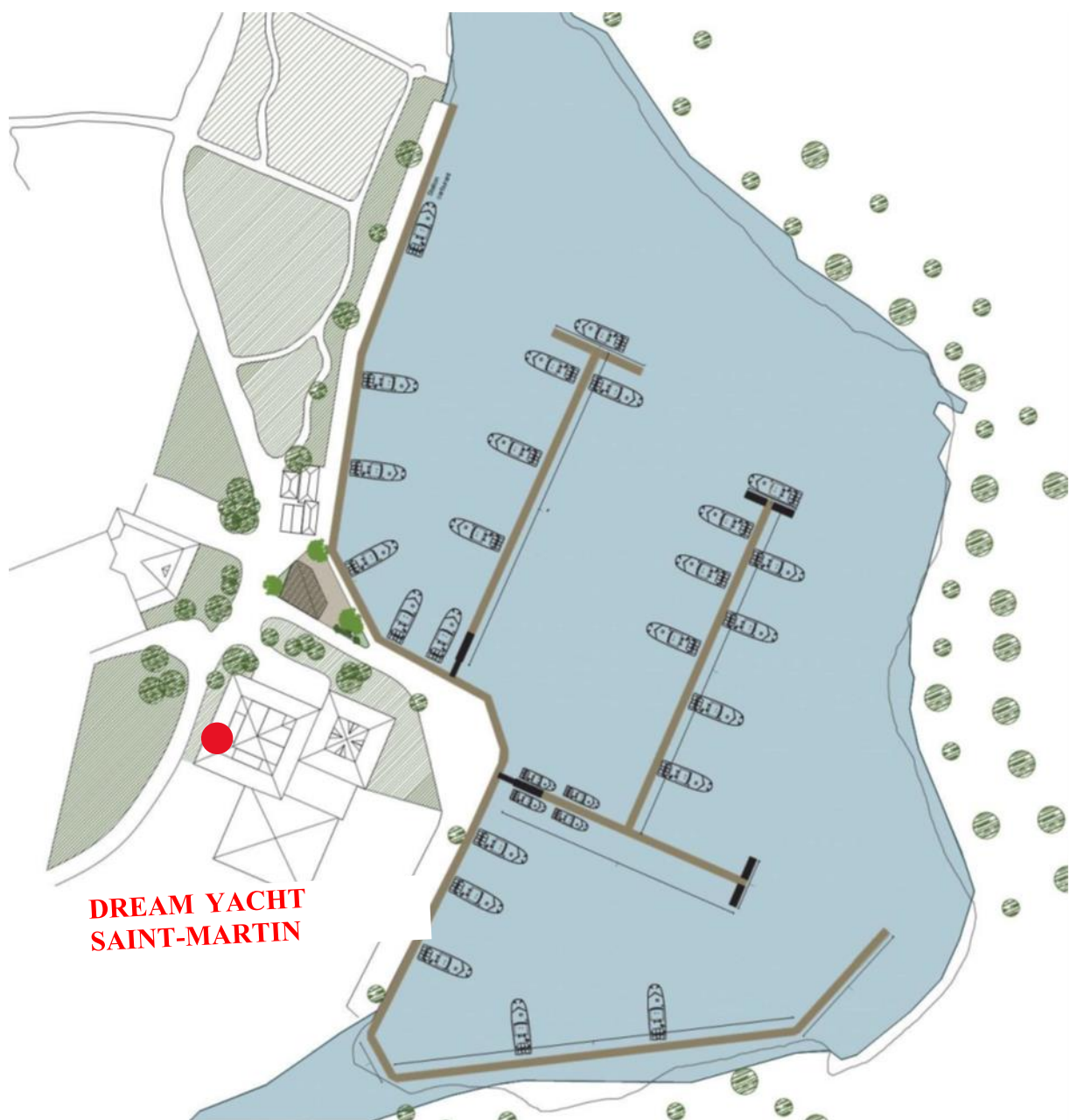
204 Résidence Les Acacias

97150 Saint Martin

**GPS POSITION :** 60.865078, 14.469420

**OPENING HOURS:** 8am – 5pm

## BASE MAP



## BASE CONTACTS

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If you need support while on your charter, contact the base immediately using the contact details in this guide. Please contact your booking agent for all requests prior to your charter.

### BASE MANAGER

Sébastien Soubeste

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### CUSTOMER SERVICE

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## BASE FACILITIES

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Electricity | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Luggage storage             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restaurant                  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Toilets     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bar                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Showers                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Supermarket / Grocery store |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laundry     | <input type="checkbox"/> ATM                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Swimming pool          | <input type="checkbox"/> Post Office                            |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wi-Fi       |   |

## BASE INFORMATION

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### LICENSE

Sailing license required:  Yes  No

### PAYMENT

The base can accept:  Visa  Mastercard  Amex  Cash

### EMBARKATION TIME

Embarkation time is 5pm. Technical briefing will be carried out the following morning.

### YACHT BRIEFING

All briefings are conducted on the chartered yacht and will take 40-90 minutes, depending on yacht size and crew experience. The team will give a detailed walk-

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through of your yacht's technical equipment, information about safe and accurate navigation, including the yacht's navigational instruments, as well as mooring, anchorage and itinerary help. The safety briefing introduces the safety equipment and your yacht's general inventory.

## **STOP OVERS**

First and last night stop overs at the marina are free.

## **DISEMBARKATION TIME**

Disembarkation is at 10am.

The team will inspect your yacht's equipment and a general visual check of its interior and exterior. A diver will check its hull, keel, rudder(s) propeller(s) and /or bow thruster. General inspection will take approximately one hour.

## **BAGGAGE**

Please only take soft bags and not suitcases, as they would be too cumbersome onboard.

## **BASE AND EMERGENCY CONTACTS**

- Base emergency telephone number: +590 690 19 96 00
- Marina emergency telephone number: +590 590 27 79 82
- Coastguard emergency telephone number: +596 596 70 92 92
- VHF marina channel: 16 or 11
- VHF emergency channel: 16

## **HOW TO GET THERE?**

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### **ACCESS BY PLANE**

To start your vacation sailing St. Martin, fly into Princess Juliana International Airport (SXM). There are regular flights from various US cities and the taxi transfer to our marina takes 30 minutes.

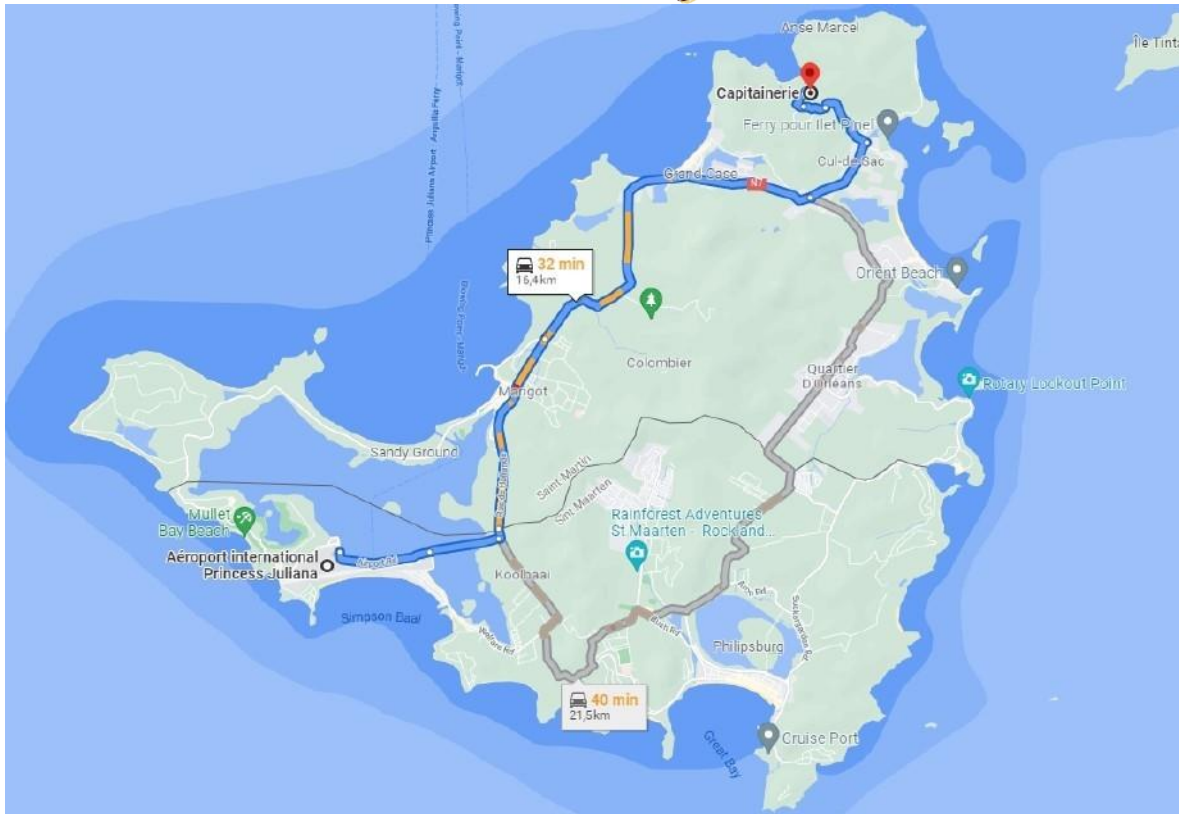
Grand-Case Esperance Airport (SFG) is on the French side of the island and is used mainly for regional flights from nearby Caribbean islands.

### **TRANSFERS FROM THE AIRPORT TO OUR BASE**

If you need an organized transfer from the airport, please contact our base manager. Major car rental companies operate from the airport, please refer to the airport website for info, working hours and contacts. Taxis are regularly available in front of the airport buildings.

### **ACCESS BY ROAD**

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## PROVISIONING & RECOMMENDATIONS

### BASE PROVISIONING SERVICE

This base provides a provisioning service:  Yes  No

- [Direct delivery of provisions on board](#)

### LOCAL SUPERMARKET

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Hope Estate – French Side

Day	Time
Monday - Saturday	8am – 8pm
Sunday	8am – 12am

Opening hours may differ during public holidays and are subject to change without notice.

### FUEL AND WATER

Fuel and water are conveniently available 8am to 5pm

### HOTEL SUGGESTIONS:

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- [HOTEL LA PLANTATION](#) – Orient Bay
- [SOLE LUNA](#) – Orient Bay
- [LE TEMPS DES CERISES](#) – Grand Case
- [HOTEL HEVEA](#) – Grand Case

## RESTAURANT SUGGESTIONS:

- [ANSE MARCEL BEACH](#) – Anse Marcel
- [LE PIMENT](#) – Orient Bay
- [BLUE MARTINI](#) – Grand Case

## AREA GUIDE

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### LOCAL AREA INTRODUCTION

St. Martin is second only to the British Virgin Islands as our most popular sailing area in the Caribbean. Sailing St. Martin allows you to explore some of the beautiful islands in the eastern Caribbean, including mainland St. Martin, Anguilla and St. Barts. Divers and snorkelers can enjoy some of the most spectacular unspoiled reefs in the world.

St. Martin is located about 150 miles north of Guadeloupe and is part of the Leeward Islands in the Caribbean Sea. It is the smallest landmass in the world shared by two independent countries, in this case, France and the Netherlands.

Because of the country's French and Dutch sides, you'll enjoy an interesting dual culture on your St. Martin sailing charter. It's a destination where sophistication is blended with a relaxed, easy-going style. This ethos is woven into the fabric of daily life on the island.

Caribbean and European food, culture and cuisine come together on St. Martin like no other place in the island chain. The island gives you a taste of the delightful charms of this region with world-class restaurants, casual beach bars, legendary and (sometimes infamous) beaches, live music and fascinating colonial history.

St. Martin sailing charters need to include a visit to the nearby island of Anguilla, where uncrowded beaches are dotted with quaint beach bars and cafes. Road Bay is the main port of Anguilla, and it's a charming village set on a stunning beach.

Sailing to the island of St. Barts is a St. Martin yacht charter favorite. Shopping and dining are at their best in the lovely European-influenced port town of Gustavia. The beaches are equally appealing, including the little known Shell Beach and the scenic Saline Beach.

Our base is located at Marina de L'Anse Marcel, St. Martin.

## TOP THINGS TO DO IN ST. BARTS:

### 1. Encounter The Perfect Beach

Just a short walk from Gustavia is the charming Shell Beach, a hidden cliff-lined shore that's popular with locals and in-the-know visitors alike. Enjoy a sunset cocktail at the adjacent Shellona restaurant, along with a bit of sunbathing and shell collecting.

Gouverneur Beach is a must-see while you visit St. Barts. Pick up a picnic lunch of French baguettes, cheese and wine, and enjoy this secluded beach that's graced with a dramatic rugged landscape and electric cyan-blue water.

### 2. Graze Your Way Through Gustavia

Foodies will be spoiled for choice in Gustavia, where restaurants, cafes and markets line the cobblestone streets. Mornings should start with fresh coffee and bread at one of the many boulangeries. For a ready-made picnic on the beach, stop at Maya's To Go, a local neighborhood favorite with its mouthwatering takeaway sandwiches, salads and desserts.

Excellent St. Barts restaurants are too many to list, but one much-loved local favorite is Bonito, offering French and South American cuisine with stunning views of the harbor. And no trip to St. Barts is complete without indulging in a burger at Le Select Bar, rumored to be the inspiration for Jimmy Buffet's hit song Cheeseburger in Paradise.

### 3. Crash the Party Scene

For the hardcore party scene, head to Nikki Beach. This beach club is world-renowned for the boisterous Sunday crowd and lively theme parties. For a more refined party experience, don't miss Le Ti St. Barth, where a luxurious dinner can unwind into shots, DJs and all-night dancing.

### 4. Find Chic Shopping:

Duty-free shopping is one of the best things to do in St. Barts, but be prepared for the designer price tags. High-end designer shops line the main harbor, including the likes of Hermès, Cartier and Louis Vuitton. There are 200-plus boutiques in Gustavia, where eager shoppers browse for beachwear, accessories, jewelry, and the latest designer clothing. Watch for the "pharmacie" shops to pick up amazing French skin and sun care products.

### 5. Seek Out an Island Adventure

Adventurous water lovers flock to Grand Cul-de-Sac Beach where the steady winds and wide-open waters attract windsurfers and kite boarders. The long stretch of beach also harbors a shallow protected reef that's ideal for snorkeling.

Another favorite adventure when you visit St. Barts is the snorkeling and hiking at Colombier Beach. There are no roads to access this secluded beach, so plan to make the 30-minute hike or visit by boat. Either way, it's well worth the trip, for breathtaking views and spectacular snorkeling opportunities.

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**CURRENCY:**

The currency in St. Martin is the **Euro** (EUR), but US Dollars (USD) are also accepted on both sides of the island.

**VOLTAGE:**                **220 V & 110 V** (depending on which part of the island you are visiting)

**DIALING CODE:**        **+590**

**INTERNET**

There is internet access in many bars and restaurants throughout the cruising ground, which you can use during your St. Martin sailing charters. Cell phones can work depending on zones but don't forget the roaming fees!

**ENVIRONMENT**

- Respect your surroundings and leave only footprints in the sand
- Only use the engine or genset when needed (fill up your tanks for the water maker at the docks when you can)
- Recycle your garbage in the correct containers at the marina
- Respect regulations around marine reserves and private islands where disembarking is not permitted

**REGULATIONS**

- Night sailing is not permitted. Fishing with a line or a rod is permitted except in marine parks.
- Spear fishing and the removal of any items from the sea while scuba diving is generally prohibited, and this is very strictly enforced in Anguilla, St. Barts and Saba in particular. Spear guns are prohibited on the Dutch side of St Maarten. On the French side spear fishing is allowed outside of the Marine Parks, but always without scuba diving gear.

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## SAILING CONDITIONS

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**SAILING AREA**

Depart from the Marina de L'Anse Marcel and cruise along the coast with stops at Road Harbour, Prickly Pear, Grand Case, Tintamarre and Pinel Island.

Enjoy the view at the luxurious villas, elegant hotels and the world class restaurants and take a walk through a charming village of Gustavia.

Set sail to St Barth, the island of billionaires, and anchor at Anse Colombier. Swim and enjoy water sports. then sail to the island's capital, Gustavia.



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## **WEATHER**

The best time to visit St. Martin is during the dry season, between January and June. The region's climate is inter-tropical with air and sea temperatures around 82°F year-round. There is only a slight variation between the dry season (January till June) and the wet season (June till December). There is no real rainy season like on the neighboring islands, you just might experience light rains during the day.

The average temperature in Martinique is low to mid-80°Fs all year with relatively high humidity.

## **TEMPERATURE**

Climate in St Martin:

- Summer high: The August high is around 88°F
- Winter low: The December low is 70°F

## **WIND SYSTEMS**

The sailing conditions for St. Martin are excellent and the trade winds, "Kings of the Caribbean", generally blow from December till March and from June till August. The hurricane season is from July through November.

## **LOCAL FORECAST**

You can find local weather forecasts on [Wind Guru](#) ahead of your vacation sailing in St Martin.