

# Base Guide

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO ENJOY YOUR NEXT DREAM DESTINATION





# **BASE ADDRESS**

**Port Louis Marina** 

Kirani James Boulevard

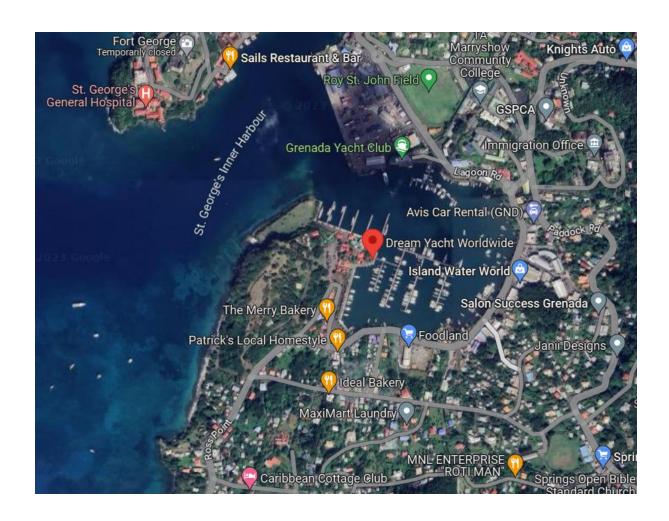
Mail Bag 9-12, Lagoon Road

St. George's, Grenada

GPS POSITION: 12° 03' 23.18" 61° 44' 54.56" W

OPENING HOURS: 8am - 6pm

# **BASE MAP**





# **BASE CONTACTS**

**EMBARKATION TIME** 

Boarding time is 05:00pm and the briefings are held the next morning.

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.

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BASE MANAGER & CUSTOMER SERVICE:		
Base Manager: Gabriel Escande		
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CUSTOMER SERVICE MANAGER:		
Artisha Charles		
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BASE FACILITIES		
⊠ Electricity	□ Luggage storage	
⊠ Water	⊠ Restaurant	
⊠ Toilets	⊠ Bar	
⊠ Showers	Supermarket / Grocery store	
⊠ Laundry	$oxed{oxed}$ ATM	
⊠ Swimming pool	☐ Post Office	
⊠ Wi-Fi (Port Louis Marina)		
BASE INFORMATION		
LICENSE		
Sailing license required: ⊠ No □ Yes		
PAYMENT		
The base can accept: $oxtimes$ Visa $oxtimes$ MasterCard $oxtimes$ Amex $oxtimes$ Cash		



#### **YACHT BRIEFING**

Clients can complete their check-in the next morning after embarkation. A technician or a skipper will explain the boat systems and the areas of navigation during the boat briefing. This process is completed within one hour.

#### **STOP OVERS**

First and last nights are free. Any additional nights will cost USD \$50.

#### **DISEMBARKATION TIME**

Disembarkation is at 9am. We advise clients to return at least one hour earlier to ensure that the checkout process is completed before 9am. This includes debriefing by a technician or skipper. The boat will also be checked by a diver to ensure that the propeller, rudder and hull are undamaged.

#### **BAGGAGE**

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

#### **BASE AND EMERGENCY CONTACTS**

Base emergency telephone number: 1 473 423 1182

Marina emergency telephone number: 1 473 435 7432

Coastguard emergency telephone number: 1 473 44 1931

VHF base channel: 16

VHF marina channel: 16

VHF emergency channel: 16



## **HOW TO GET THERE?**

#### **ACCESS BY PLANE**

Maurice Bishop International Airport (GND): The airport is 9km from the base, which is a 20-minute journey by car/shuttle. There are regular flights from Trinidad, Barbados, Miami and New York with Liat, American Airlines and JetBlue. Please check the schedule on the airport website.

#### TRANSFERS FROM THE AIRPORT TO OUR BASE

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

#### **ACCESS BY ROAD**

The marina is located in the capital, St. George's, a two-minute drive from downtown.

#### **ACCESS BY BUS**

The marina is accessible by the local buses. All bus routes are numbered. Clients will need to select any Number 1 bus.

### PROVISIONING & RECOMMENDATIONS

#### **BASE PROVISIONING SERVICE**

This base provides a provisioning service:  $\square$  Yes  $\square$  No

#### LOCAL SUPERMARKET

**Foodland Supermarket** 

Kirani James Boulevard

Grenada

Day	Time
Monday - Thursday	7:30am – 7pm
Friday - Saturday	7:30am – 8pm
Sunday	Closed

If you need a supermarket on a Sunday, the Real Value IGA Supermarket, Mourne Rouge, is open on Sundays 9am-7pm.

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



#### **FUEL AND WATER**

Fuel and water is provided at the marina. Clients can refuel and replenish water in Carriacou and the following Grenadine islands: Bequia, Mustique, Canouan and Union

#### **HOTEL SUGGESTIONS:**

- Coyaba Beach Resort
  - Grand Anse Beach, Grand Anse, Grenada
- Siesta Hotel
  - Morne Rouge Street, Grand Anse, Grenada
- Spice Island Beach Resort
  - Grand Anse Beach, Grand Anse, Grenada
- Radisson Grenada Beach Resort
  - Grand Anse Beach, Grand Anse, Grenada

#### **RESTAURANT SUGGESTIONS:**

- Armadillo Restaurant
- Lazy Turtle
- Sails Restaurant & Bar

## **AREA GUIDE**

#### LOCAL AREA INTRODUCTION

The nation of Grenada is a chain of several islands including Grenada, Carriacou and Petite Martinique. It's also the gateway to the unspoiled cruising grounds of the Grenadines, which promises some of the best sailing anywhere in the Caribbean.

With a unique combination of French and English culture, exotic flowers and rare fruits, a rich history of storytelling and well-seasoned foods, it's no wonder Grenada is known as the "Island of Spice". The country gets its nickname because it is a leading producer of cinnamon, cloves, ginger, mace, allspice and nutmeg.



Beautiful beaches make up the coastline, including the 1.9 mile-long Grand Anse Beach in St. George Paris, which frequently appears in top 10 lists of the world's greatest beaches. The marine life is spectacular here and you'll spot turtles, rays, dolphins and a spectrum of tropical fish during your Grenada yacht charter.

#### **TOP THINGS TO DO IN GRENADA:**

- Dive or snorkel at the underwater sculpture park: Located in the shallow waters off Molinere Point, the Sculpture Park is one of Grenada's most popular snorkeling sites. The intriguing collection of figures was created by British sculptor Jason de Caires Taylor and serves as an artificial reef.
- Dougaldston spice estate: Learn about Grenada's rich history with a tour of this estate that still processes cinnamon, nutmeg, cloves and more. See how cocoa is manufactured, how spices are processed, and pick up some fresh spices to take home with you.
- 3. Explore St. George's: One of our favorite things to do in Grenada is strolling through this harbor town, known as one of the most impressive cities in the Caribbean. The rainbow-colored buildings with red-tiled roofs house a number of unique shops, as well as outstanding restaurants.
- 4. Royal Mount Carmel Waterfalls: Consisting of two falls that plunge more than 70 feet to the pools below, some say these are the best falls on the island. Consider hiring a guide to ensure you find them.
- 5. Grand Anse Beach: The peaceful surroundings and soft white sand are quintessential Caribbean. Stop by for some lounge time during your Grenada yacht charter, so you can visit the locals and enjoy a refreshing cocktail.

CURRENCY: Eastern Caribbean Dollar (XCD)

**VOLTAGE: 220V** 

DIALING CODE: +1473

#### **CUSTOMS CLEARANCE**

If you sail Grenada it is mandatory to complete customs and immigration clearances. This can be done in Port Louis Marina from 8am to 4pm, Monday to Friday and 9am to 2pm on weekends and public holidays. The days and hours of operation are identical in Grenada's sister island of Carriacou, where clearance can be completed in Tyrell Bay and Hillsborough.

Furthermore, due to regulations enforced by BVI authorities, only DYC boats located in the BVI can charter there. Clients not following this rule and entering the BVI on a DYC boats chartered



in another Caribbean base like USVI, St Martin, Antigua, etc... will be in breach of contract terms & conditions, & responsible to pay any fine resulting of it.

#### INTERNET

We do not offer cell phone rentals or provide internet service in Grenada. Digicel is the best option for phone and internet service.

You can sign into multiple hot spots all over the island as well.

#### 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**

The regulations in Grenada include no night sailing unless authorized by the base. Fishing or anchoring in marine protected areas is strictly prohibited. Spearfishing is also prohibited for non-residents. Make sure you read up on restrictions before your Grenada yacht charter.

Information subject to change without notice.

# **SAILING CONDITIONS**

#### SAILING AREA

From our Grenada marina you can sail the Grenadines and Union, Mayreau, Tobago Cays, Mustique, Port Elizabeth, Bequia, St. Vincent and St. Lucia.

It's easy to get involved in local culture with festivals and carnivals ashore or on the water with sailing weeks and regattas. Whether it's relaxing on a deserted beach, swimming the corals, hiking rainforests or exploring centuries-old forts, Grenada radiates Caribbean soul with a Calypso beat.

#### **WEATHER**

The climate of Grenada is tropical climate, hot and humid all year round, with a relatively cool and dry season from January to mid-April, and a hot, humid and rainy season from June to



December. The driest months are typically January to May. From June to December the rain usually falls in brief, heavy showers.

The sailing conditions for Grenada yacht charters provide excellent opportunities for sailors that enjoy more lively sailing, with average winds nearly always from the northeast at 15 to 25 knots. For those that enjoy more relaxed sailing, the summer months of July through October tend to offer calmer winds and seas.

#### **TEMPERATURE**

#### Climate in Grenada:

• Summer High: The June high is around 81 degrees

Winter Low: The December low is 77 degrees

#### **WIND SYSTEMS**

Trade winds that cool the island between December and January can sometimes bring higher winds of 25-30 knots for days at a time, known as the "Christmas winds".

#### LOCAL FORECAST

You can find Grenada weather forecasts on the **Grenada Broadcasting Network** website or **Windguru**. The local radio station **Power 95.1** also offers on-air weather reports.