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DESTINATION - YACHT CHARTER GUIDE

Calheta

Yacht Charter Guide

CRAFTING SIGNATURE CHARTER YACHT EXPERIENCES

Private Yacht Charter Calheta
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CALHETA

Overview

Calheta yacht charter sits inside the Madeira ecosystem - Marina da Calheta berthing, local day-anchors and shore tables we hold before you fly.

Calheta yacht charter 2026 - Marina da Calheta. Luxury crewed yachts, berth strategy and honest APA from Blue Ocean Club.

AIRPORTS	FNC, PXO
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WHEN TO GO

Season & rhythm

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

West Calheta
Sunset-coast marina culture.

Funchal bay
Capital marina and cliff-coast days.

QUAY NIGHTS

Marinas & berthing

Marina da Calheta
Marina da Calheta - primary Calheta yacht berthing. - Max LOA ~35 m - Draft ~4 m - Gateway FNC - Transfer 40-60 min from FNC - Peak lead: 4-12 weeks for peak season slips

DAY WATER

Anchorages

Calheta day anchorage
Protected day-stop captains favour near Marina da Calheta.

Calheta overnight roadstead
Deeper holding when Marina da Calheta is full.

Calheta lee cove
Weather-aware swim cove on the Madeira circuit.

Madeira overnight roadstead
Deeper holding when primary quays are full in Atlantic.

Porto Santo lee cove
Weather-aware swim cove on the Madeira circuit.

Calheta quiet hook
Lower-density day-hook for privacy mornings.

SHORE TABLES

Restaurants

Calheta Harbour Table
Calheta
Walk-ashore or tender dining near Marina da Calheta - book peak weeks ahead.

Calheta Shore Kitchen
Calheta
Local plates after a day around Calheta in the Madeira circuit.

Marina da Calheta Quay Dining
Calheta
Marina-adjacent dining for embarkation nights at Marina da Calheta.

Porto Santo Shore Kitchen
Porto Santo
Local plates after a day on the water around Madeira.

Madeira Quay Classic
Funchal
Marina-adjacent dining for embarkation nights.

DAY ASHORE

Beach clubs

Calheta Shore Club
Calheta
Shore lunch stop near Marina da Calheta - advance booking in peak weeks.

Calheta Day Shore
Calheta
Secondary shore stop when the primary club densifies.

Madeira Sunset Deck
Funchal
End-of-day shore energy before returning aboard.

TRANSFERS

Airport to gangway.

We choreograph FNC / PXO arrivals into Marina da Calheta.

Helicopter / GA

Private hops when Calheta supports coastal helipads or GA strips into the Atlantic gateway. FNC corridor PXO corridor

Chauffeur

SUV / S-Class briefed on Marina da Calheta gates - timed to embarkation. To Marina da Calheta 40-60 min from FNC

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

NUMBERS - CALHETA

VAT & APA - Calheta short version.

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

VAT / tax

Portuguese Madeira EU VAT - confirm charter licensing and Atlantic swell buffers in APA.

APA

For Madeira in high season, budget APA at roughly 30-40% 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

Funchal

Funchal is a core Madeira charter stop - marina nights, day-anchors and shore tables we hold in advance. Berth context: Marina do Funchal - Day-anchor: Funchal day anchorage - Table: Funchal Harbour Table

Porto Santo

Porto Santo is a core Madeira charter stop - marina nights, day-anchors and shore tables we hold in advance. Berth context: Marina do Porto Santo - Day-anchor: Madeira overnight roadstead - Table: Porto Santo Shore Kitchen

BEFORE YOU FLY

FAQ

When is the best time for yacht charter in Calheta?

Shoulder months in Atlantic usually balance weather and berth availability for Calheta near Marina da Calheta.

Which marina should we embark from in Calheta?

Marina da Calheta is the primary embarkation for Calheta, with anchorage fallbacks when LOA or events block the preferred quay.

How far ahead should we book berths in Calheta?

For peak season around Calheta, 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 Calheta charter?

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

Can you arrange airport transfers into Calheta?

Yes - chauffeur and helicopter where available from FNC / PXO, timed to the embarkation slot at Marina da Calheta.

How does a Calheta week use West Calheta?

West Calheta is a core Calheta pocket - we sequence Marina da Calheta nights and day-anchors so the week feels unhurried. Calheta sits inside Madeira as a focused stop, not a duplicate of the country hub.

OPERATIONAL

Mooring notes

Calheta - Marina da Calheta

High in peak season around Calheta - broker relationships matter for larger LOA. 4-12 weeks for peak season slips Event or festival weeks near Calheta can multiply rates and eliminate availability. We hold Marina da Calheta 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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