



DESTINATION - YACHT CHARTER GUIDE

Philipsburg

Yacht Charter Guide

CRAFTING SIGNATURE CHARTER YACHT EXPERIENCES

Philipsburg Private Yacht Charter

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PHILIPSBURG

Overview

Think of Philipsburg as a precision week inside St Martin / Sint Maarten: embark near Port de Plaisance / Dock Maundo area, Simpson Bay, protect swim mornings at Maho Beach approaches, and book Temptation Beach Restaurant early. Blue Ocean Club brokers the berths and APA before contract.

Crewed Philipsburg yacht charter - Simpson Bay Lagoon cruising, marina nights and yacht charter cost clarity. Live fleet with Blue Ocean Club.

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WHEN TO GO

Season & rhythm

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

Simpson Bay Lagoon

Megayacht services inside the Dutch bridge.

Marigot & Anguilla channel

French capital and Anguilla day-hops.

QUAY NIGHTS

Marinas & berthing

Port de Plaisance / Dock Maundo area, Simpson Bay

Dutch-side lagoon megayacht hub inside the bridge. - Max LOA ~100 m - Draft ~5 m - Gateway SXM - Transfer 15-25 min from SXM - Peak lead: 8-16 weeks peak / holidays

DAY WATER

Anchorage

Simpson Bay Lagoon

Inside holding - bridge timing matters.

Maho Beach approaches

Day spectacle - aircraft on short final.

Great Bay Philipsburg

Cruise-ship density - prefer lagoon overnight.

Pinel Island

French-side day-stop with beach clubs.

Tintamarre

Nature islet day-hook.

SHORE TABLES

Restaurants

Temptation Beach Restaurant

Simpson Bay

Beach dining near the megayacht marina.

Karakter

Simpson Bay

Beach club plates on the sand.

The Boathouse

Simpson Bay

Marina energy for embarkation nights.

Lolo's / Grand Case Iolos

French-side grill culture - book against marina nights.

Tropismo / Marina restaurants

Lagoon-side convenience when services nights are held.

DAY ASHORE

Beach clubs

Karakter Beach

Simpson Bay

Primary Dutch-side beach club.

Oriel Beach / Pinel clubs

Pinel

Pinel Island tender day.

TRANSFERS

Airport to gangway.

We choreograph SXM arrivals into Port de Plaisance / Dock Maundo area, Simpson Bay.

Helicopter / GA

Private hops when Philipsburg supports coastal helipads or GA strips into the Caribbean gateway. SXM corridor

Chauffeur

SUV / S-Class briefed on Port de Plaisance / Dock Maundo area, Simpson Bay gates - timed to embarkation. To Port de Plaisance / Dock Maundo area, Simpson Bay 15-25 min from SXM

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

NUMBERS - PHILIPSBURG

VAT & APA - Philipsburg short version.

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

Tax

French St Martin generally follows French VAT; Dutch Sint Maarten does not - confirm with yacht management.

APA

High season often 30-40% once lagoon berths and fuel are honest.

Berths

Indicative marina ranges on request - draft until agent confirms.

WITHIN THIS COAST

Local guides

Philipsburg

Philipsburg is a core St Martin / Sint Maarten charter stop - marina nights, day-anchors and shore tables we hold in advance. Berth context: Marina Fort Louis, Marigot - Day-anchor: Tintamarre - Table: L'Auberge Gourmande

BEFORE YOU FLY

FAQ

When is the best time for yacht charter in Philipsburg?

Shoulder months usually balance weather, water and berth availability for Philipsburg. Peak midsummer adds density and premium quay pricing at Port de Plaisance / Dock Maundo area, Simpson Bay.

Which marina should we embark from in Philipsburg?

Port de Plaisance / Dock Maundo area, Simpson Bay is the primary embarkation for Philipsburg, with anchorage fallbacks when LOA or events block the preferred quay.

How far ahead should we book berths in Philipsburg?

For peak season around Philipsburg, 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 Philipsburg charter?

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

Can you arrange airport transfers into Philipsburg?

Yes - chauffeur and helicopter where available from SXM, timed to the embarkation slot at Port de Plaisance / Dock Maundo area, Simpson Bay.

How does a Philipsburg week use Simpson Bay Lagoon?

Simpson Bay Lagoon is a core Philipsburg pocket - we sequence Port de Plaisance / Dock Maundo area, Simpson Bay nights and day-anchors so the week feels unhurried. Philipsburg sits inside St Martin / Sint Maarten as a focused stop, not a duplicate of the country hub.

OPERATIONAL

Mooring notes

Philipsburg - Port de Plaisance / Dock Maundo area, Simpson Bay

High in peak season around Philipsburg - broker relationships matter for larger LOA. 8-16 weeks peak / holidays Event or festival weeks near Philipsburg can multiply rates and eliminate availability. We hold Port de Plaisance / Dock Maundo area, Simpson Bay 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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