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Vilamoura

Yacht Charter Guide

CRAFTING SIGNATURE CHARTER YACHT EXPERIENCES

Private Yacht Charter Vilamoura
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VILAMOURA

Overview

Vilamoura yacht charter sits inside the Algarve ecosystem - Marina de Vilamoura berthing, local day-anchors and shore tables we hold before you fly.

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

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WHEN TO GO

Season & rhythm

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

Central Algarve
Vilamoura-Albufeira-Portimão - marina density and cliff caves.

Western cliffs
Lagos to Sagres - Atlantic swell awareness.

QUAY NIGHTS

Marinas & berthing

Marina de Vilamoura
Largest Algarve marina - primary crewed embark. - Max LOA ~50 m - Draft ~4.5 m - Gateway FAO - Transfer Door-to-deck per marina guide - Peak lead: 6-14 weeks peak

DAY WATER

Anchorages

Ponta da Piedade caves
Lagos day-hook classic - swell dependent.

Benagil / Carvalho approaches
Cave coast day - tender ops; no overnight assumption.

Ilha Deserta / Culatra
Ria Formosa sand-island day.

SHORE TABLES

Restaurants

Ocean
Alporchinhos
Cliff fine dining transfer from Vilamoura.

Veneza
Paderne / transfer
Cataplana institution inland from the marina belt.

Casinha do Petisco
Lagos
Town petiscos after Marina de Lagos nights.

DAY ASHORE

Beach clubs

Vilamoura beach clubs
Vilamoura
Marina-adjacent sand daybeds.

Meia Praia
Lagos
Long sand beach west Algarve.

TRANSFERS

Airport to gangway.

We choreograph FAO / LIS arrivals into Marina de Vilamoura.

Helicopter / GA
Private hops when Vilamoura supports coastal helipads or GA strips into the Mediterranean gateway. FAO corridor LIS corridor

Chauffeur
SUV / S-Class briefed on Marina de Vilamoura gates - timed to embarkation. To Marina de Vilamoura Door-to-deck per marina guide

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

NUMBERS - VILAMOURA

VAT & APA - Vilamoura short version.

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

VAT / tax

Portuguese EU VAT applies - Vilamoura is the usual commercial embark.

APA

APA 30-40% with Atlantic swell contingency and cave-coast tender ops.

What we send PAs

A line-item estimate before deposit, then a live APA report from the captain.

WITHIN THIS COAST

Local guides

Vilamoura

Vilamoura is a core Algarve charter stop - marina nights, day-anchors and shore tables we hold in advance. Berth context: Marina de Vilamoura - Day-anchor: Benagil / Carvalho approaches - Table: Veneza

BEFORE YOU FLY

FAQ

When is the best time for yacht charter in Vilamoura?

Shoulder months in Mediterranean usually balance weather and berth availability for Vilamoura near Marina de Vilamoura.

Which marina should we embark from in Vilamoura?

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

How far ahead should we book berths in Vilamoura?

For peak season around Vilamoura, 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 Vilamoura charter?

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

Can you arrange airport transfers into Vilamoura?

Yes - chauffeur and helicopter where available from FAO / LIS, timed to the embarkation slot at Marina de Vilamoura.

How does a Vilamoura week use Central Algarve?

Central Algarve is a core Vilamoura pocket - we sequence Marina de Vilamoura nights and day-anchors so the week feels unhurried. Vilamoura sits inside Algarve as a focused stop, not a duplicate of the country hub.

OPERATIONAL

Mooring notes

Vilamoura - Marina de Vilamoura

High in peak season around Vilamoura - broker relationships matter for larger LOA. 6-14 weeks peak Event or festival weeks near Vilamoura can multiply rates and eliminate availability. We hold Marina de Vilamoura 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.

ENQUIRE

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