# SLYC BVI Sail

# March 23 – April 1 2025

# 1. Charters

- a. Dream Yacht
  - i. Contact: Jane Devoe, jane.devoe@dreamyachtcharter.com
  - ii. By using Dream Yachts we can take advantage of several discounts.
    - 1. Boat examples with pricing are in this packet.
  - iii. Hodges Creek Marina
    - 1. About a 15-minute taxi ride from Lettsome International Airport (EIS) Beef Island Tortola.
    - 2. About a 15-minute taxi ride to the recommended store for provisioning OneMart Supermarket in Road Town. Please see the enclosed map.
  - iv. Base Guide attached

# 2. Getting there

- a. Fly to Lettsome International Airport (IES) Beef Island Tortola or to Cyril E. King airport (STT) St. Thomas.
  - i. From St. Thomas there is a Ferry to Road Town Tortola.
    - 1. \$60 Adults one way and \$110 Adults round trip. Those 62 and over are \$50 and \$90 respectively.
    - 2. The ferry dock is about a 15-minute taxi ride to the Hodges Creek Marina.

Currently, the flights into St. Thomas seem to be a couple of hundred dollars cheaper, but you also have a ferry cost and a time cost.

# 3. Next Steps

Consider your crew and select your boat.

**NOTES** 



# Base Guide

EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO ENJOY YOUR NEXT DREAM DESTINATION





# **BASE ADDRESS**

Hodge's Creek Marina

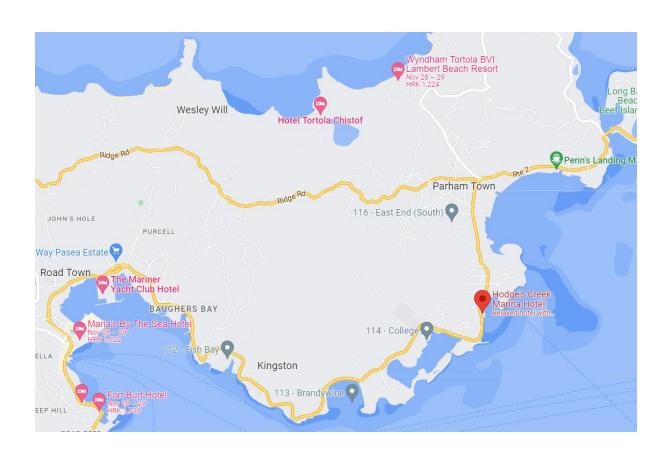
Maya Cove, British Virgin Islands

GPS POSITION: 18°25'28.37"N - 64°34' 7.97"W

OPENING HOURS: 8:00am - 6:00pm.

Late arrivals can find their boat on the notice posted on the office door.

# **BASE MAP**





# **BASE CONTACTS**

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:	Contact Jane Devoe jane.devoe@dreamyachtcharter.com	n
Richard Simpson		
CUSTOMER SERVICE:		
Corrine Hughes & Amanda Arthur		
Phone: +1 284 441 2186 & +1 284 442	2 2251	
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TECHNICAL SERVICE:		
+1 284 442 2526 & +1 284 441 5147		
available from 08.00am – 08.00pm		
BASE FACILITIES		
⊠ Electricity	□ Luggage storage	
⊠ Water	☐ Restaurant	
⊠ Toilets	□ Bar	
⊠ Showers	☐ Supermarket / Grocery store	
□ Laundry	□ATM	
□ Swimming pool	☐ Post Office	
⊠ Wi-Fi		
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PAYMENT		

The base can accept:  $\boxtimes$  Visa  $\boxtimes$  MasterCard  $\square$  Amex  $\square$  Cash



# **EMBARKATION TIME**

Embarkation time is 5:00pm and briefings are held the next morning from 8:30am. If you arrive outside of base opening hours, guest names and boat locations are posted on the office door.

### **YACHT BRIEFING**

The chart and technical briefing take approximately one hour. 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-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**

For all DYW charters starting and/or ending in the BVI's, the first and last night at the marina is free of charge.

# **DISEMBARKATION TIME**

Disembarkation is at 10:00am. 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, depending on size of vessel.

# **BAGGAGE**

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

### **BASE AND EMERGENCY CONTACTS**

Base emergency telephone number: +1 284 441 2186

Coastguard emergency telephone number: +1 284 499 0911

VHF base channel: 74

• VHF emergency channel: 16



# **HOW TO GET THERE?**

### **ACCESS BY PLANE**

Terrance B. Lettsome International Airport (EIS): Fly into Terrance B. Lettsome International Airport (EIS), Beef Island, Tortola. There are international flights via San Juan, St. Martin, Antigua and other local connections with Liat, Winair, InterCaribbean, Seaborne and Cape Air.

The airport is 6km from the marina.

Please check the schedule on the airport website.

### TRANSFERS FROM THE AIRPORT TO OUR BASE

Please contact our customer service team to arrange a taxi transfer or you can pick up a taxi in front of the airport.

# **ACCESS BY FERRY FROM THE USVI**

You can book one of the many ferries from the US Virgin Islands to Road Town, Tortola. We recommend you book a taxi to take you from Road Town to Hodge's Creek Marina, it's a 15 minute drive. If you need help with your taxi transfer, please contact our customer service. Taxis are also available in front of the ferry dock.

More info on the link.

Information subject to change without notice.

# PROVISIONING & RECOMMENDATIONS

# **BASE PROVISIONING SERVICE**

This base provides a provisioning service: 

☐ Yes ☐ No

We strongly suggest that you order your provisioning in advance with a delivery on board before your arrival through the provided link below:

https://onemartsupermarket.com/provisioning/



### **LOCAL SUPERMARKET**

OneMart Supermarket
Road Town

Day	Time
Monday -Sunday	7am – 10pm

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

# **HOTEL SUGGESTIONS:**

- Wyndham Tortola Bvi Lambert Beach Resort
  - East End, VG1110 Tortola
- Maria's by the Sea (Tortola)
  - Road Harbour, Road Town
- Fort Burt Hotel (Tortola)
  - Waterfront Dr | P.O.Box 3380, Road Town

# **RESTAURANT SUGGESTIONS:**

- The Red Rock Restaurant (Tortola)
- Pusser's (Tortola)

# **AREA GUIDE**

# **LOCAL AREA INTRODUCTION**

The British Virgin Islands is made up of more than 60 stunning islands and islets at the northern end of the Lesser Antilles in the Caribbean. With beautiful islands, a lively party atmosphere and genuine Caribbean welcome from locals, these islands are popular for good reason.

When it comes to things to do in the British Virgin Islands, there's just so much to see, snorkel, dive and swim. The geological wonder known as The Baths is a spectacular sight, with towering granite boulders strewn across the beach to form a labyrinth paths leading to hidden pools and grottos. This is an idyllic backdrop for your vacation photographs.



# TOP THINGS TO DO IN THE BVIs:

- 1. Explore the Baths National Park: If you're a strong swimmer, visit this natural wonder by boat and swim to shore to explore the maze of natural rock formations on Virgin Gorda during your BVI sailing vacation. Enjoy a meal at the Top of the Baths restaurant.
- 2. Taste the lobster on Anegada: Sail to the low-lying coral island of Anegada to see flamingos, salt ponds and white sandy beaches. Try the native lobster and rum smoothies at the Reef Hotel, or conch at Big Bamboo, Loblolly Bay.
- 3. Dive at Rhone Marine Park: One of our top things to do in the BVIs is to explore the Caves on Norman Island before sailing to Rhone Marine Park to snorkel over the steamer wreck, RMS Rhone that sank in 1867. This is also a renowned diving spot and one of the most popular in the BVIs.
- 4. Fireball Full Moon Party at Trellis Bay: If you're lucky enough to be vacationing during a full moon, don't miss this lively yet family-friendly beach party, complete with music, food, drinks and flaming fireball sculptures.
- 5. Embrace Jost Van Dyke's beach bars: Carry on to Jost Van Dyke while you're sailing the British Virgin Islands, moor at White Bay and swim up to the beach to try one of the famous Painkiller cocktails from the Soggy Dollar Bar. At Great Harbour, Foxy's and Corsairs beach bar and restaurant have a lively atmosphere.

**CURRENCY:** US Dollar (USD)

**VOLTAGE:** 110V

**DIALING CODE:** +1 284

# **CUSTOMS CLEARANCE**

When you leave or return to the British Virgin Islands by private or charter boat, customs and immigration, clearance at your entry port is mandatory. There are customs offices for clearing in and out at Road Town and West End on Tortola, Spanish Town, Virgin Gorda, and Jost Van Dyke.

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

Some of our fleet have a router on board and you will be able to connect to the Wi-Fi hotspot - you can pay per day or per week. There is internet access in some cafes and Wi-Fi hotspots, but you may need to pay.

# **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 allowed. Yachts should be safely moored by 5.30pm. A cruising permit and National Marine Park permit are mandatory and you will need to pay for them at our base. Mooring buoys from the National Park are for daily use only.

A fishing permit is required to fish in the BVI visit the government website for details.

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# SAILING CONDITIONS

### SAILING AREA

The sailing conditions for the British Virgin Islands are excellent for novice sailors, with gentle and near constant winds most of the year, calm seas at 3 to 4 feet and line of sight navigation.

### **WEATHER**

The best time to visit the British Virgin Islands is between December and May when trade winds are the most steady and temperatures are comfortable, although the BVI has pleasant weather for most of the year.

Temperatures in the BVIs are around 77°F to 82°F all year round. August is the hottest and sunniest month and sea temperatures are warmest in September, ideal for BVI charters. The low season is summer time, when it is less crowded. The hurricane season is between June and October, which is also the wettest month.



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# **TEMPERATURE**

Climate in the BVIs:

- Summer high: The August high is around 82°F
- Winter low: The December low is 77°F

# **WIND SYSTEMS**

British Virgin Islands wind systems include the trade winds season between November and June and the famous Christmas winds in December/January, which can keep you going for several days.

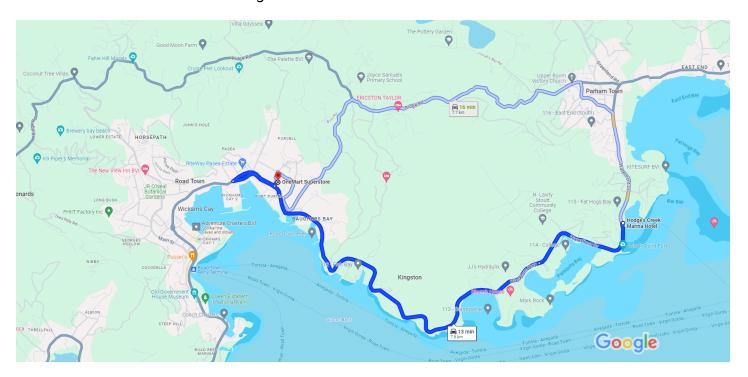
Winds are mainly from east or northeast, depending on the time of year, and the sailing area is less crowded when the winds are lighter. Groundswells can occur between December and March after particularly strong winds, so be careful.

# **LOCAL FORECAST**

You can find BVI weather forecasts on the Windguru website ahead of your sailing vacation.



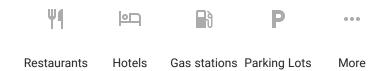
Hodge's Creek Marina Hotel, CCFJ+JC9, Hodge's Creek, Drive 7.8 km, 13 min Tortola, British Virgin Islands, Waterfront Dr, Parham Town, British Virgin Islands to OneMart Superstore, C9HR+9MJ, 151 Main St, Road Town VG1110, British Virgin Islands



Map data ©2024 1000 ft

via Blackburn Hwy Fastest route, the usual traffic	<b>13 min</b> 7.8 km
via Ridge Rd	<b>16 min</b> 7.7 km

# **Explore nearby OneMart Superstore**



# Fountaine Pajot Isla 40 - 4 cab.



SuperPremier | 40 ft | 10 Persons | 4 cabins | 4 bath | 4 head(s)



# **Starting**

BVI, Hodge's Creek Marina / 23 Mar 2025 From 17h00 / 5.00pm

# Returning

BVI, Hodge's Creek Marina / 01 Apr 2025 10h00 / 10.00am

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Details	
Gross Price	USD 14065,07
Early booking	-5,00 %
More boats	-5,00 %
Repeated client	-5,00 %
Total incl. discounts / surcharge	USD 12059,04
Extras	
Essentials pack	USD 891,00
Handling fees	USD 38,50
Total extras	USD 929,50
<b>Booking Total</b>	USD 12988,54
To be paid at base	
BVI Cruising Tax	USD 360,36
Search & Sea rescue	USD 50,05
National parks permit	USD 110,00
Total	USD 520,41
Boat damage deposit	USD 0,00

**Book now** 

# **Bali Catspace OW**





Premier | 40 ft | 9 Persons | 3 cabins | 3 bath | 3 head(s)



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Details	
Gross Price	USD 11165,79
More boats	-5,00 %
Repeated client	-5,00 %
Early booking	-5,00 %
Total incl. discounts / surcharge	USD 9573,26
Extras	
Essentials pack	USD 891,00
Handling fees	USD 38,50
Total extras	USD 929,50
<b>Booking Total</b>	USD 10502,76
To be paid at base	
Search & Sea rescue	USD 45,05
National parks permit	USD 110,00
BVI Cruising Tax	1100 224 22
DVI Cituising Tax	USD 324,32
Total	USD 479,37

**Book now**