

# BASE GUIDE

DREAM YACHT  CHARTER



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## BASE ADDRESS

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Port Annapolis  
Marina 7080 Bembé  
Beach Road Suite 211  
Annapolis, MD  
21403

**GPS POSITION:** 38 57.8 N - 76 28.7 W

**OFFICE HOURS:** 8:30am – 5pm

## BASE MAP

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## BASE CONTACTS

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### BASE MANAGER & CUSTOMER SERVICE:

Base Manager: Dan Vargas

Phone: +1 727 415 0472

Email: [manager.annapolis@dreamyachtcharter.com](mailto:manager.annapolis@dreamyachtcharter.com)

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## BASE FACILITIES

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Electricity   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Luggage storage  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restaurant       |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Toilets       | <input type="checkbox"/> Bar                         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Showers       | <input type="checkbox"/> Supermarket / Grocery store |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Laundry       | <input type="checkbox"/> ATM                         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Swimming pool | <input type="checkbox"/> Post Office                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wi-Fi         |  |

## BASE INFORMATION

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### LICENSE

Sailing license required:  No  Yes

### PAYMENT

The base can accept:  Visa  MasterCard  Amex  Cash

### EMBARKATION TIME

Boarding time is 8:30am on the first day of the charter. This time varies for a mid-week charter or if a sleep aboard has been selected.

### YACHT BRIEFING

Check in at our office and we'll take care of your final paperwork and security deposit. The chart and technical briefing take approximately 45 minutes. 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

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safety briefing introduces the safety equipment and your yacht's general inventory.

## **STOP OVERS**

The slip at Port Annapolis Marina is free of charge any time during your charter, you will just need to notify us that you intend to use it and for which nights.

## **DISEMBARKATION TIME**

You need to return in time to disembark the boat at 5pm on the last day of the charter. This is different for a mid-week charter or if a sleep aboard has been selected for the last day. 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.

## **BAGGAGE**

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

## **BASE AND EMERGENCY CONTACTS**

- Base emergency telephone number: +1 727 415 0472
- Base Manager + Customer Service monitor VHF channel: 78
- Marina emergency telephone number: +1 410 269 1990
- Coastguard emergency telephone number: +1 410 267 8107
- VHF marina channel: 16
- VHF emergency channel: 16

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## **HOW TO GET THERE?**

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### **ACCESS BY PLANE**

Baltimore Washington International Airport (BWI): The airport is 44km from the base, which is a 40-minute journey by car/shuttle. There are regular flights from most major domestic and some international cities with American Airlines, Southwest, Delta, British Airways, Frontier, Spirit, Jetblue and United. Please check the schedule on the [airport website](#).

### **TRANSFERS FROM THE AIRPORT TO OUR BASE**

If you need an organized transfer from the airport, please contact our base manager. 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.

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## ACCESS BY ROAD

- **Driving south from New Jersey, Pennsylvania:** Follow I-95 South to Baltimore, then I-695 East toward Glen Burnie, then I-97 South toward Annapolis and Route 50 East and follow directions below.
- **Driving east from Washington DC:** Take Route 50 and follow the directions below.
- **Driving Delaware/Maryland Eastern Shore:** Take Route 50/301 West to the Bay Bridge and follow the directions below.

Once on Route 50, take Exit #22 - Route 665/Aris T. Allen Blvd. Stay in the left lane and follow 1.8 miles to the traffic lights at Forest Drive & Chinquapin Round. Stay straight through the intersection and the road becomes Forest Drive (east). Go approximately 3.5 miles and the road becomes Bay Ridge Road, stay straight. Remain in the left lane. Bay Forest Shopping Center (GIANT SUPERMARKET) will be the left.

After the shopping center, turn left at the lights onto Edgewood Road. Follow Edgewood Road for 1.5 miles to Port Annapolis Marina. Turn left into the marina and we are the 2nd building on the right, top floor. Entrance is on the side facing the gray building (pool house) towards the water.

## ACCESS BY SHUTTLE/TAXI

Airport Transportation: [Super Shuttle](#) (800) BLUE-VAN (800-258-3826)

Depending on the number of people in the group, a shared private car service/or airport taxi might be less expensive than the Super Shuttle. An airport taxi can be hailed directly from the airport - it is recommended that you ask the fare cost before getting into the taxi.

Local Taxi: Annapolis Yellow Cab 410-268-1212

Information subject to change without notice.

## PROVISIONING AND RECOMMENDATION

### BASE PROVISIONING SERVICE

This base provides a provisioning service:  No  Yes

### LOCAL SUPERMARKET

Giant  
948 Bay Ridge Road Annapolis, MD 21403

Day	Time
Monday-Friday	8am – 9pm
Saturday-Sunday	8am – 6pm

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

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## FUEL AND WATER

Fuel is available next to our base at Annapolis Landing Marina, as well as at most major marinas on the Chesapeake Bay. Water is readily available at Port Annapolis Marina, as well as most major marinas on the Chesapeake Bay.

## HOTEL SUGGESTIONS:

- [Gibson's Lodgings of Annapolis](#)  
110 Prince George St, Annapolis, MD 2140
- [Historic Inns of Annapolis](#)  
58 State Circle, Annapolis, MD 21401
- [Annapolis Inn](#)  
144 Prince George Street, Annapolis, MD 21401
- [The Annapolis Waterfront Hotel \(right on the water\)](#)  
80 Compromise Street, Annapolis, MD 21401
- [Hilton Garden Inn Annapolis](#)  
174 West Street, Annapolis, MD 21401

## RESTAURANT SUGGESTIONS:

- [Sam's on the Waterfront](#)
- [Vin 909 \(farm-to-table, wood-fire pizzas, beer and wine\)](#)
- [Davis' Pub \(local hangout, inexpensive, good fun\)](#)

## AREA GUIDE

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### LOCAL AREA INTRODUCTION

Only a handful of waterways in the world can match the Chesapeake Bay for sheer sailing pleasure, and our base in Annapolis is right in the heart of this boater's paradise.

At about 200 miles long, the Chesapeake Bay is the largest estuary in the United States with thousands of miles of shoreline to explore. It offers sailors protected waters, great anchorages, gorgeous natural scenery, and scenic towns and villages steeped in history.

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The Chesapeake Bay takes its name from the Powhatan word “Chesepioc” and translates as “Great Shellfish Bay”. The French founded Annapolis as a settlement called Port Royal in 1605 and Captain John Smith became the first European to explore and thoroughly map the Chesapeake Bay in 1609. He wrote in his journal that “heaven and earth have never agreed better to frame a place for man’s habitation” - something you’ll get to experience on our Annapolis yacht charters.

With so many delightful creeks, coves, rivers, towns and villages to visit, Annapolis makes for a dream sailing vacation.

## TOP THINGS TO DO IN ANNAPOLIS:

1. **Explore historic Annapolis:** Downtown Annapolis is a lively area to walk around with a wide selection of interesting shops and restaurants. There are also tours of historic Annapolis and you can explore the nearby Naval Academy.
2. **Sail to Baltimore:** The harbor has an endless array of activities to enjoy, all within walking distance. You may even choose to spend more than one night in the harbor to allow plenty of time to take in the sights during your charter. Enjoy a stop at the Rusty Scupper Restaurant with its delicious seafood for dinner.
3. **Visit Rock Hall:** This quaint fishing town is a top cruising destination. It offers a bevy of marinas, shops, restaurants and has a burgeoning artist colony, making it one of the top things to do in Annapolis. Overlooking Rock Hall Harbor and the Chesapeake Bay, Waterman’s Crab House is well known for its award-winning steamed crabs, among other delights.
4. **See the beauty of St. Leonard Creek:** Considered one of the most beautiful areas on the Patuxent River. This five-mile-long creek is on the river’s north shore and features a mix of marshes, rolling hills and wooded bluffs. At the mouth of Johns Creek is Vera’s White Sands Beach Club. Decorated with South Sea treasures culled from international voyages, Vera’s is a wonderful marina that welcomes all cruisers.
5. **Discover the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum:** While at the popular yachting center of St. Michael’s, pay a visit to the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum. The museum houses the largest collection of Chesapeake Bay artifacts, visual arts and indigenous watercraft.

**CURRENCY:** United States Dollar (USD)

**VOLTAGE:** 110 V

**DIALING CODE:** +1 410

## CUSTOMS CLEARANCE

Visitors to the United States will need a passport valid for the duration of your stay.

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Talk to us to make sure you have the correct documents before you travel for your Annapolis sailing vacation.

## **INTERNET**

Wi-Fi is available at Port Annapolis Marina on the docks and in the DYC office. The boats are not equipped with Wi-Fi. Internet access can also be found at various restaurants, cafes and marinas throughout the cruising ground, which you can use while sailing the Chesapeake.

## **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 permitted. A fishing or crabbing license is required.

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# **SAILING CONDITIONS**

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## **SAILING AREA**

Before embarking on your Chesapeake yacht charter, seeing the sights of Annapolis is a must. Stroll down to “Ego Alley” at Annapolis Harbor and then grab a sandwich at Chick & Ruth’s Delly on Main Street. Visit the Maryland State House, the oldest state capitol in continuous legislative use and topped by the largest wooden dome in the nation.

While sailing Maryland, a northward itinerary can include the bustling, historic Baltimore Harbor and contrast with the quiet anchorages of Mill Creek or Whitehall Bay. If you sail to the south, you can visit the historic landmark towns of Oxford or Cambridge. Of course, the best option may be a longer charter that allows you to see the best of both cruising areas!

There are many excellent itinerary suggestions for legs between four and six hours, which will allow you to hit the best spots on Chesapeake Bay!

Mooring balls are rare. Chesapeake Bay anchorages will usually require anchoring or getting a slip at a marina, depending on your wishes.

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## **WEATHER**

The best time to visit Annapolis is between May and June or between September and October. The weather is beautiful and there tends to be a steady breeze. July and August are popular with warmer temperatures, up to mid-90°F, and busier marinas. Water temperatures reach the upper 60°F to about 80°F by the middle of the summer.

## **TEMPERATURE**

Climate in Annapolis:

Summer High: The July high is around 89°F

Summer Low: The July low is 29°F

## **WIND SYSTEMS**

Winds are typically from the south or west during the sailing season, with an average speed of 5-10 knots.

## **LOCAL FORECAST**

You can find Annapolis weather forecasts from the [WindFinder](#) website.