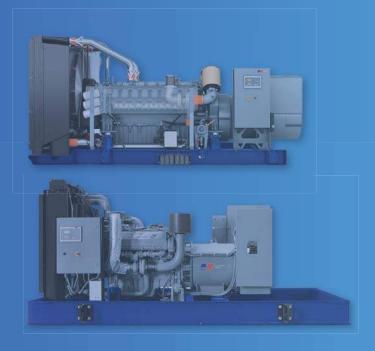


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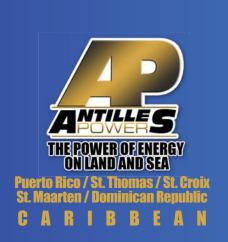




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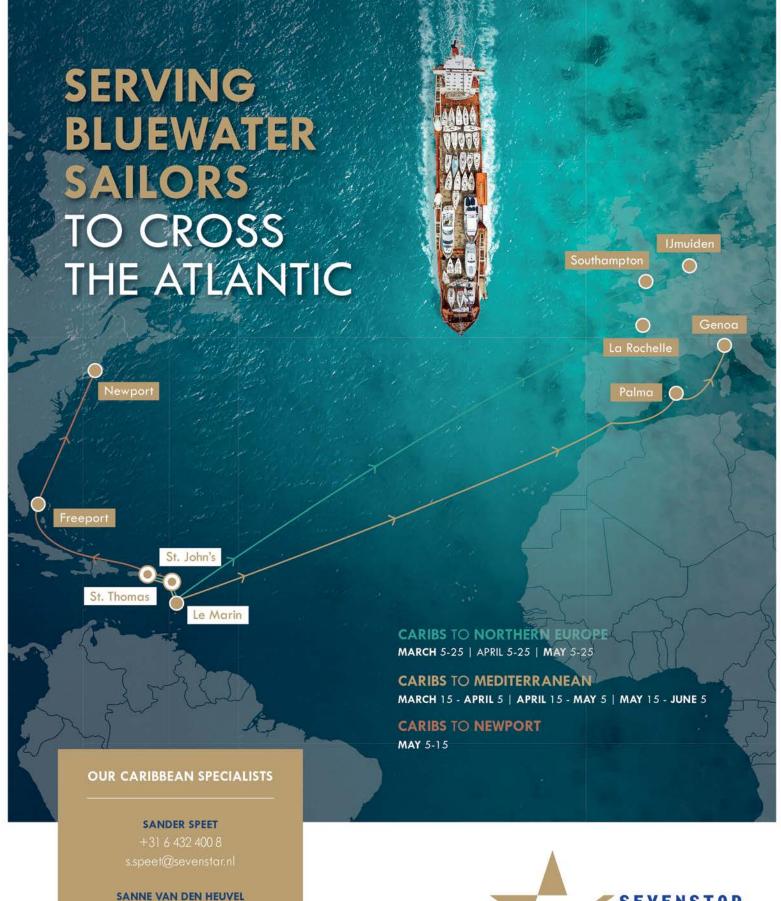
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Caribbean News

ANTIGUA SLIPWAY LTD. ADDS STATE-OF-THE-ART MARINE RAILWAY CRADLE

The haul last March of the Island Escape Ferry set a new benchmark in Antigua & Barbuda's marine capabilities. The lift happened at Antigua Slipway in English Harbor, where the installed and inaugurated cradle parameters measure an impressive 200 tons in weight, 200 feet in length overall, 40-foot beam, and 13-foot draft.

"We decided to reinvest in the marine railway because it is the only one in the region. Further, we want to nurture and service the classic yacht market and the marine railway is the preferred method of haul for any classic," says Roberto Falangola, managing director.

This cradle project was made possible through a collaboration between Jack Gifford Naval Architect Ltd., L & M Shipwright, and Antigua Slipway Ltd.

"We will be getting to 275 tons by March 2025," Falangola adds. www.antiguaslipway.com



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NON-SAILORS, GENERATIONAL TRAVEL TOP DREAM YACHT WORLDWIDE'S FORECAST OF GLOBAL CHARTER TRENDS

Take a sneak peek into the crystal ball of 2024. Dream Yacht Worldwide, a leading sea-based vacation and global yacht charter company headquartered in Annapolis, Maryland, USA, shared some of its forecasted trends in December.

One is that more non-sailors are interested in trying sailing as

a new vacation experience, with 20% of new contacts having never sailed in 2023 versus 15% in 2022. The company believes this is partly due to greater overall awareness of yacht charters as a vacation option. Of the 'new to sailing' contacts that booked a charter, most were between 40 and 50 years old and traveled with a group of friends that altogether spent \$5,400 on average for a week, not including taxes or extra services such as skippers, hostesses, etc. The average sailing vacation duration is a week, this 'new to sailing' demographic typically books in May, June, and July, and their top destinations are the Bahamas, British Virgin Islands, and Mexico in the Caribbean, followed by Italy, Greece, and Croatia in the Mediterranean.

Secondly, the uptick in generational travel seen in the past few years continues to increase, with nearly 12% of surveyed charterers reporting sailing with at least three generations of family members. Destinations preferred for generational travel tend toward those offering calm waters and varied activities for all ages to enjoy together. Dream Yacht Worldwide's top destinations for generational travel have been the British Virgin Islands, the Abacos, and Tahiti.

Looking specifically at the Caribbean, Dan Lockyer, Dream Yacht's chief commercial officer, says "Compared to 2022 we have seen a 42% increase in inquiries for charters in St. Martin which prompted us to plan for an expansion of our fleet in that destination for 2024. We will be moving around 30 new yachts into the French West Indies in the months to come to satisfy our customers' demand and are delighted that there is interest, especially in repeat charter guests, to explore these cruising grounds." www.dreamyachtcharter.com

KORU'S CARIBBEAN CRUISE

There was eye-candy at the dock, in anchorages and plying Caribbean waters from the U.S. and British Virgin Islands to Antiqua & Barbuda and St. Barth's in December. That's when Koru, US billionaire Jeff Bezos's 415-foot 'world's tallest sailing ship' (three masts measure 230-feet-plus) took her maiden voyage to these tropical waters. Built for a little over \$1 million per foot, with a price tag pegged at \$500 million, Koru was handed over to the Amazon executive by Netherlands-based Oceanco in April. After a maiden voyage to Gibraltar and summer in the Med, Koru sailed across the Atlantic arriving in Port Everglades in late November. Its size relegated it parked next to a couple of oil tankers. By the first week in December, Koru had sailed 1,100 nm south to St. Thomas, where it docked next to fellow billionaire David Geffen's 453-foot Lurssen, Rising Sun. It certainly reinforced Yacht Haven Grande's nickname as a Billionaire's Yacht Haven. Sightings continued as Koru cruised and briefly





anchored off St. John, then motored through the BVI's Sir Francis Drake Channel where she was spotted on the docks of the Antiqua Yacht Club Marina in Falmouth Harbor the week before Christmas. Koru's 'tender,' the 246-foot Abeona, complete with helipad, was docked there too. Of course, by New Year's, Koru, with Bezos and his family and friends were anchored off St. Barth's in a sea of other billionaires and multi-millionaires and their by comparison smaller yachts. With Bezos now making his home in the Eastern U.S., a short hop to the Caribbean, we may see him and Koru coming to an island near you this season.

PUERTO RICO'S ENRIQUE 'QUIQUE' FIGUEROA ENTERS SANTURCE SPORT PAVILION OF FAME

He's a sailing legend - in Puerto, in the Caribbean, and the World. On November 19, Enrique 'Quique' Figueroa was inducted into the Santurce Sport Pavilion of Fame, along with thirteen other men and women representing a variety of sports. Figueroa was recognized for his 37-year sailing career, proudly carrying the Puerto Rican flag to competitions far and near around the globe. Of particular note, he is the only Puerto Rican sailor to win five gold medals between 1999 to 2014, collectively in the Central American-Caribbean Games and Pan American Games in the Hobie 16. He also earned bronze medals in the 2007 and 2015 Pan Ams. Even more no-



table, Figueroa competed in five Olympic Games, from 1988 to 2004 in the Tornado and the Mixed Nacra 17 in 2020.

In an interview with Puerto Rico's Spanish-language newspaper, El Vocero, Figuero, age 59, said he wasn't ready to say goodbye to the seas. "We are still active. We are going to do another Central American Games cycle. But it gives me a lot of energy to be able to help the children who are just starting now. I laugh a lot with them. They keep me young. If I can pass on a little of what I know, then even better."

The next CAC Games will be held in 2026, in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.

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OCEAN WORLD MARINA EXPANDS ITS BOATYARD

There's an extra good reason to make a stop on the Dominican Republic's northern coast. Ocean World Marina & Boatyard, located in the Playa Cofresi in Puerto Plata, has expanded its boatyard to a total of over seven acres to safely accommodate 150 vessels. There's also more room now to provide a variety of high-quality services that boaters need to maintain their vessels in perfect condition.

"In addition to the expansion, we added a new crane and more boat stands. We can now handle vessels up to 70' long, 19' beam, and 70 tons of weight," says Roberto Tejada, marine operations manager. "In 2024, we are exploring the option to acquire a lift to haul out catamarans."

Ocean World Marina & Boatyard is a perfect rest stop and fuel stop for those cruising from or to the Turks and Caicos, Bahamas, and Puerto Rico. Discounts are offered to members of the Seven Seas Cruising Association, Ocean Cruising Club, ARC, NARC, Salty Dawgs, and Panama Posse. www.ocean worldmarina.com

PUERTO RICO HOSTS 2024 ISA WORLD SURFING GAMES - FINAL QUALIFIER FOR PARIS 2024 OLYMPIC GAMES

Twelve individual surfers plus top-ranked men's and women's national teams will earn an Olympic slot this month, the culmination of a two-year qualification process. The 2024 ISA World Surfing Games, the final stage of surfing qualification for the Summer 2024 Olympic Games in Paris, will be held in Puerto Rico's northern coast town of Arecibo from February 22 to March 2.

Puerto Rico's iconic coastline is filled with consistent worldclass waves that have played host to many incredible moments in surfing history, from the 1968 and 1988 ISA World Surfing Championships through to the 2022 ISA World SUP & Paddleboard Championship.

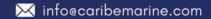
"We are very excited about returning to Puerto Rico," said Fernando Aguerre, International Sailing Association president, in a release from the organization. "The 2024 ISA World Surfing Games will be a thrilling and dramatic conclusion to the qualification process, for what will no doubt be an incredible and spectacular Olympic Games in Tahiti. I can think of no better way to wrap up the Olympic qualifications than in the amazing waves of Puerto Rico." isasurf.org



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New Honor for Carriacou & Petite Martinique's Old-Time Boats

The centuries-old tradition of wooden boat building on two of Grenada's sister islands, Carriacou and Petite Martinique, received a historic inclusion on the UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) list. As an iconic maritime cultural identity, the craft construction skills are passed from generation to generation, community to community by the island's master shipwrights via oral instruction and hands-on learning. According to the Grenada Tourism Authority (GTA) that announced this honor, the process all starts with felling hand-selected trees during specific moon phases, a sacred ritual involving rum and water, and a traditional blessing upon completion. Boat launches bring whole communities together.

"The ICH representative list is about ensuring better protection of important intangible cultural heritages world-wide and creating awareness of their significance. Therefore, the inclusion of boat building on this prestigious list is a testament to its significance not only in Grenada but in the world, in fostering traditions, and preserving invaluable knowledge," said Kisha Gellineau, secretary general, Grenada National Commission for UNESCO, in a release.

In 2020, Martinique's traditional Yole sailboat was added to the ICH.

UNESCO's ICH list was established in 2008 to ensure the protection of these indigenous legacies and raise awareness of their significance. *ich.unesco.org/en/home*





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February 2024 Events

FEBRUARY 1-4 | Caribbean Multihull Challenge (CMC).

It's a regatta that's grown two to three times as fast as other events, and likely because two and three hulls are center stage, everything from racing and cruising cats to pocket rocket Diam 24 trimarans. After the Rally kick-off in 2023, the 'what's new' for 2024 is the introduction of Time Trials for Cruising Multihulls. "This is an answer for skippers who don't want to officially race, but who want a chance to grab a podium spot at the prize giving. With a parade start and no turning marks, the Time Trials will test a skipper's speed through the water from Point A to Point B adjusted for a simplified rating each skipper will receive from CMC officials," says Steve Burzon, volunteer director of marketing. New too, TradeWinds Experience will introduce its new Fontaine Pajot 59' TWe6 Smart Electric Yacht, Aurora, at the CMC. caribbeanmultihullchallenge.com

FEBRUARY 3 | Ladies, Let's Go Fishing in 2024.

The Miami Offshore Fishing event, which departs from the Bayside Marina, kicks off a series of 8 events, spanning from inshore to offshore, freshwater and saltwater, from the Florida Keys to St. Augustine, and from February to November. "With women now accounting for 36 percent of our nation's anglers and 51 percent of the US population, there's room for more. 19.8 million women went fishing in 2022, representing

FEBRUARY 8-10 | The Sailfish Bowl.

Hosted out of Marina Casa de Campo, in the Dominican Republic, the gateway to one of the 'Top Ten' fishing destinations in the world, anglers will set their sights on the catch and release of sailfish, and other billfish, plus the catch and weigh-in of gamefish species like mahi mahi, yellowfin tuna, and wahoo. Prizes will be awarded for the Top Three Best Boats, Top Three Anglers, Best Overall Captain, and Best Overall Sailfish Anglers. The tournament is organized by WT Events Planner Box, directed by Alma Taveras, and benefits the 'Grita Gol Foundation' which aids young soccer players in underprivileged communities. thesailfishbowl.com







an incredible contribution to the fishing industry, considering the others they bring into fishing. We are doing our part to increase these numbers and help women feel welcome to the sport," says Betty Bauman, founder of Ladies, Let's Go Fishing. www.ladieslets gofishing.com

FEBRUARY 9-11 | Jolly Harbour Valentine's Regatta.

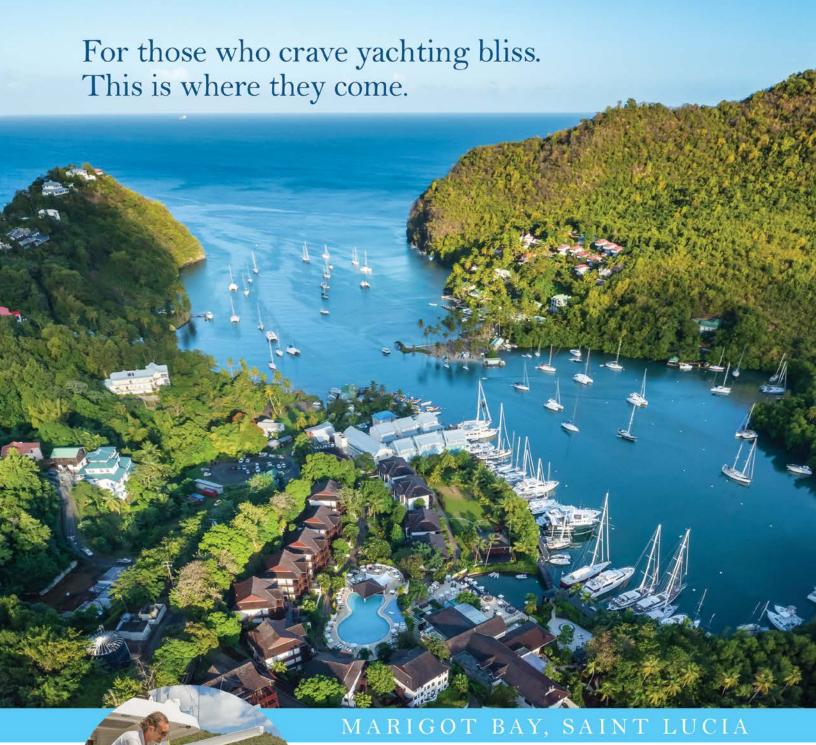
Racing is around Antigua's Five Islands Bay area in this beloved annual event. "Weather permitting there will be 4 races on the 10th and 3 on the 11th. Each day starts with a pursuit race, followed by 1 or 2 races around the cans, with the last race of the day finishing at the outer watermarks of the Jolly Harbour shipping channel." Prizegiving follows the final race. Jolly Harbour Marina and Boatyard have continued their support of the regatta by providing 2 nights of free berthing for the event. "We are hoping this will attract more yachts





FEBRUARY 13-16 | 2nd Nelsons Cup Series.

Back by popular demand, this warm-up race for the RORC Caribbean 600 features two days of inshore racing on the 13th and 14th with a round-the-island race, the Antigua 360 Race, on the 16th. The Series is also open to teams that are not entered for the 600-mile offshore event. A sneak peek at Series entries includes the USA's Wendy Schmidt's Botin 85, Deep Blue; the USA's Peter and David Askew's Botin 52, Wizard; and the UK's James Neville's Carkeek 45 Ino Noir. Social activities ashore add to the fun. caribbean600.rorc.org/notice-of-race-2024-rorc-nelsons-cup-series





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from other Islands or who are traveling up the Island chain. As the Regatta falls a week before the RORC 600, it would offer those competing in that long-distance event a chance to have a shake-down race," says Dave Ross, commodore.

FEBRUARY 14-18 | Discover Boating Miami International Boat Show.

The world's largest boat show is only a flight away from the Caribbean. Over 1,000 exhibitors, boats, and experiences, spanning six locations across Miami and Miami Beach, make it a must-go show for anyone in the marine industry. The Show has joined forces with SuperYacht Miami to bring huge luxury yachts to Watson Island for a special VIP showcase. If you're more into water toys, visit the Nautical Ventures AquaZone, a 40,000-gallon freshwater pool in Pride Park where there are watercraft demos and hands-on product testing. www.miami boatshow.com



FEBRUARY 16-18 | Sweethearts of the Caribbean.

Classics, vessel designs 25 years and older, racing multihulls, and wannabee plastic classics are all invited to set sail in the 44th edition of this annual regatta, always hosted near Valentine's Day. Racing starts at 10:30 a.m. daily. Registration at Omar's West End from 5-7 pm on the 16th, and awards



ceremony in the same place starting at 6 pm on the 18th. www.westendyachtclubbvi.com

FEBRUARY 19-23 | RORC Caribbean 600.

Nearly 50 teams are entered for the 15th running of this popular regatta, whose course spans 600 nm around 11 Caribbean islands. This impressive list includes several returning yachts that have taken Line Honors, Overall, IRC, CSA, and MOCRA Class wins. Count among these the MOD70 Argo, Irens 84 Allegra, J/122 El Ocaso, Nielsen 59 Hound, JPK 1180 In Theory, Farr 100 Leopard 3, Multi70 Maserati, Lombard 46 Pata Negra, Pyewacket 70, JPK 1180 Sunrise, PAC52 Warrior Won, and MOD70 Zoulou. Head to Shirley Heights to watch the spectacular start off Port Charlotte. caribbean 600. rorc.org





FEBRUARY 29-MARCH 3 | St. Maarten Heineken Regatta.

From record-setters to Olympians, the 44th edition of this top Caribbean regatta saw over 60 yachts registered in monohull and multihull racing classes by the end of 2023. Bring your own boat or charter, invites Michele Korteweg, regatta director. "Barefoot Yacht Charters in the Grenadines offers bareboat sport boat charters for those interested in racing in the highly competitive local sport boat class. For non-sailors who still want to get in on the action, VIP spectator boat tickets are now available to purchase on-island at the St. Maarten Yacht Club for \$125 pp for Saturday and Sunday race days." www.heinekenregatta.com





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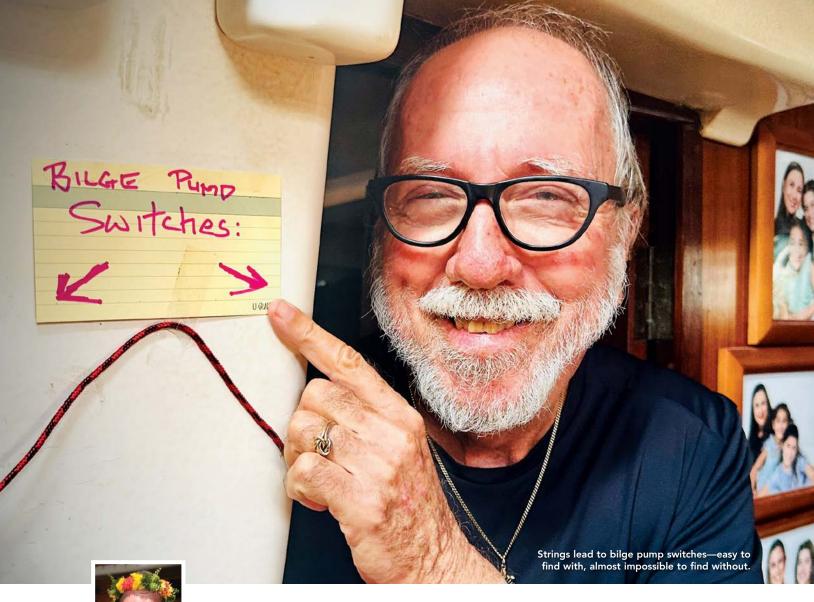
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Leaving Her

CRUISING | BY CAP'N FATTY GOODLANDER

ne thing that scares me—after 64 years of living aboard and numerous circumnavigations—is leaving my boat. Most boat owners leave their boat often-when they return to their shoreside residences, for example. But the thought of leaving my vessel/home unguarded terrifies me—even leaving it for a few days or a few weeks.

Thus, I take precautions. I plan. I scheme. And I book a window seat on the starboard side of the plane on my return flight to Singapore so that, as we land at Changi Airport, I get a nice view of Ganesh, our 43-foot ketch, sitting on her mooring in Serangoon Harbor off the Changi Sailing Club.

Why so paranoid? Because over the last six plus decades,

I've had my vessel broken into, looted, cast adrift, catch fire, drag anchor, struck by lightning, towed away by another vessel, break her mooring pennant, struck by other vessels both large and small, and almost sink to the point of submerging her engine, batteries, and most of her interior.

Whew!

Perhaps my paranoia isn't paranoia but justifiable fear that what's that tee-shirt say, Poop Happens!

Of course, most of my life I've been too poor to travel ashore. My vessels have taken all the money I've ever earned, except for a few pennies my wife and I have used on needless extravagances such as, well, food.

But now I'm happy to report that, thanks to my book sales, we've got enough pennies to occasionally wander ashore. In 2023 we traveled to Malaysia, Thailand, Viet Nam, and a big, big island called America. These four two-week vacas from the longer vaca of our entire watery life lasted a little over two months in total.

Lucky us!

The first thing we do before leaving our beloved vessel is inspect its mooring and mooring pennant.

Our pennant is one-inch Nylon covered with thick vinyl hose and attaches to our vessel in three different places: two separate cleats (w/backing plates) and a massive mooring bit. The pennant runs through a strong bow roller with curved/flared smoother edges and a large diameter hard-rubber roller.

The next thing we do-besides making sure that both our roller furling headsail taglines are secure—is to lash our roller furlers themselves directly to our bow rail so that, even if the taglines break, our headsail won't unroll.

Next, we reduce needless windage and double-lash our mainsail and mizzen covers over our sails.

Since we live aboard, our batteries and electrical system are well-monitored. We physically test our two automatic, independent bilge pumps and our separate bilge alarm (that is connected to an exterior light and alarm in the cockpit).

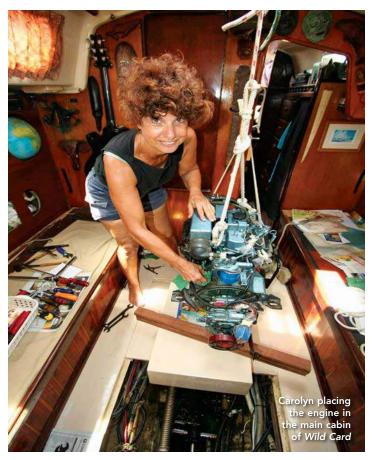
Next, we write a detailed instructional letter concerning how long we'll be gone, how to get in touch with us, and all pertaining safety information concerning our vessel and its gear. We email this letter not only to the Changi Sailing Club, but to friends who will be around the harbor while we're gone. (We have a combination lock on our companionway, with its (disguised) combo hidden in the cockpit.)

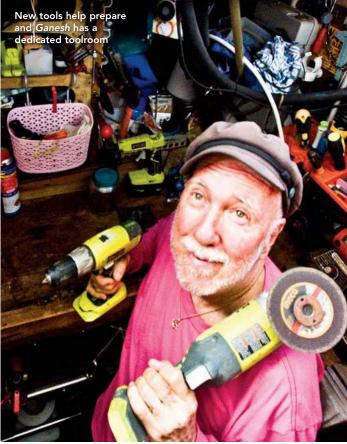
In addition, we hand-deliver a copy of this missive to the boatmen who run the club launch who are going by Ganesh dozens of times a day. (Yes, they know most sailboats sink bow-down initially. And since they know we're gone, they often glance at our boot top at the bow to confirm she's on her lines.)

If, for any reason, one of these splendid fellows (they really are wonderful, concerned guys) should need to go below; as per the instructional letter, a physical string will lead them to the bilge pump switches, electrical gear, access to the bilge, and other items/areas they might need directing to in an emergency or sinking.









On the day of leaving, we awake early, brush our teeth and eat our breakfast. Then we pump our bilge, shut off many-butnot-all seacocks (not our bilge pump valves), and then visually inspect that all heads, sinks, and seacocks aren't leaking.

We leave our dinghy in the davits, removing anything within it that could possibly plug its open drain hole. And, finally, we shut off our propane tank and run the stove burner out of fuel in case we're struck by lightening. (We've been struck a number of times already in Singapore, which is the lightning capital of the intertropical convergence zone.

Our folding bikes ashore have already been oiled, tire pressure topped off, and placed in a dry, secure location.

Crazy to devote this much detail to what landlubbers do without thinking? I don't think so. Landlubbers are oblivious. I'm an offshore sailor who is hyper aware. That's why I'm still alive after all these miles sailed. I've spent my entire life around water without major injury (and without having gills) precisely because I realize that I live in a foreign environment 24/7.

Vigilance is, indeed, the price of cruising freedom.

One thing we never do just before leaving is any major change—no matter how innocent.

In the mid 1970s, my wife Carolyn and I wanted to go to our family's mega-Thanksgiving feast in Western Massachusetts but a frigid cold front was approaching. So, I hastily winterized (drained the saltwater from) my brand-new diesel on my brand-new, self-constructed boat in Revere's Saugus River. Then we left for three days.

We'd just recently launched the boat and it was so new that it wasn't even ballasted yet.

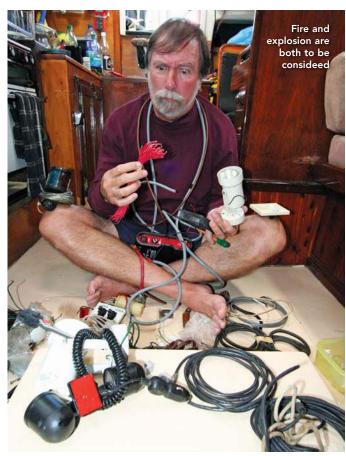
When we returned to the Boston area, Carolyn dropped me off to work at Marine Hardware on Atlantic Ave, then proceeded home to Carlotta.

The moment she saw the boat from North Shore Road, she panicked. She came skidding into Archie's Marina, screaming that her boat was sinking. All the harbor lay-abouts looked out at our vessel and figured Carolyn was delusional because Carlotta sat perfectly on her lines.

Carolyn was correct, of course. Without ballast, Carlotta







should have been floating nine inches higher on her linesnot right on them. Our diesel was completely underwater, along with our personal effects and dozens of expensive bits and pieces we hadn't even installed yet.

What had happened? On this boat, we'd put a newfangled water-injected cutlass bearing. When I'd shut off the seacock and winterized the diesel, I'd forgotten about this tiny little saltwater hole inside my propeller tube. And it almost sank us in only 72 hours.

This stupid mistake cost us about one year of our combined incomes, plus extended the boatbuilding project by another three or four months.

All because I was a stupid punk kid who didn't pay attention to details! (To this day, my grievous error rankles.)

Life offers choices. Each choice has a consequence. Usually these consequences aren't too serious—occasionally, they are very serious.

In my hands-on world, this is known as the onset of maturity. Yes, poop happens. I didn't think the French ferry captain would run over my anchor rode because to do so would endanger both his ferry and its passengers. Little did I know about French ferry captains!

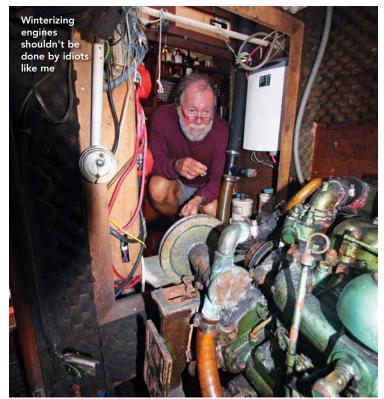
I didn't think I'd ever be hit by two vessels at one time while at anchor in fog-but, of course, I was. (One was towing the other and throttled back as he scraped over my anchor rode—knowing his towed vessel wouldn't make it... Then the current swept them both down at me... at the same time... one striking my boat on the starboard side while I, naked and half-asleep, attempted to fend him off... as the other vessel struck the portside in the fog... and I thought to myself, WTF? ...why me, Lord?

Have you ever visited a seaside resort town where the local hooligans wait for an out-going tide while getting drunkthen go to the marinas and until every vessel on both sides of the river?

Alas, I have.

Yes, poop happens.

Or a vessel comes into your anchorage and attempts to an-







chor while dragging around the harbor with little scope. Then they decide that anchoring is impossible and steams back out to sea with the anchor hanging awash from the bowsprit—and your vessel's anchor fouled within the mess in such a manner that the oblivious skipper tows you out to sea thinking he is being followed too closely by your vessel.

I have, in the early 1980s, in St. Augustine, Florida.

Oh, poop most certainly happens!

I remember that powerboat in Antigua that came alongside Don Street's engineless *Iolaire* sailing into the harbor. Confused, Don eased his jib and refused the offer of a tow—not knowing that one of the stinkpotters had 'grabbed a line' which was the jib's tagline and hooked it around a cleat. Then, when the stinkpotter roared away, Don's headsail rolled up and tang-tang-tangled as the tagline snapped.

And Poor Don, who'd been perfectly fine before the potential towboat had arrived, drifted on to a sandbar.

Yeah, poop happens.

One day in Chicago, I got a call that someone had stolen my classic double-ender *Corina*. I couldn't believe it. I left work, sped to its empty slip, and stared at the hole in the water

dumbly—realizing how stupid I was because this was the only place on the planet I knew my boat wasn't!

While not being a Sherlock Holmes, I knew enough to drive down-current a couple of miles and then swim out to what was left of her on a sandbar. (She'd been looted by a mean gang of thieves who preferred to take their time while drifting. Why "mean?" Because, when they couldn't easily remove my instrument panel, they smashed each of its gauges with a hammer.)

Grrrrrr!

Anyway, dear ALL AT SEA reader—you get the point.

Poop happens, especially in thin water.

On a more positive note, most of the offshore miles during our four circs have been relatively stress-free—it's land and its inhabitants that are the major vexation of a modern sea gypsy, not Mother Ocean.

Editor's note: Fatty and Carolyn just spent two weeks meditating on Koh Samui, Thailand—meditating mostly on the extremely poor marital choice Carolyn made as a young girl.



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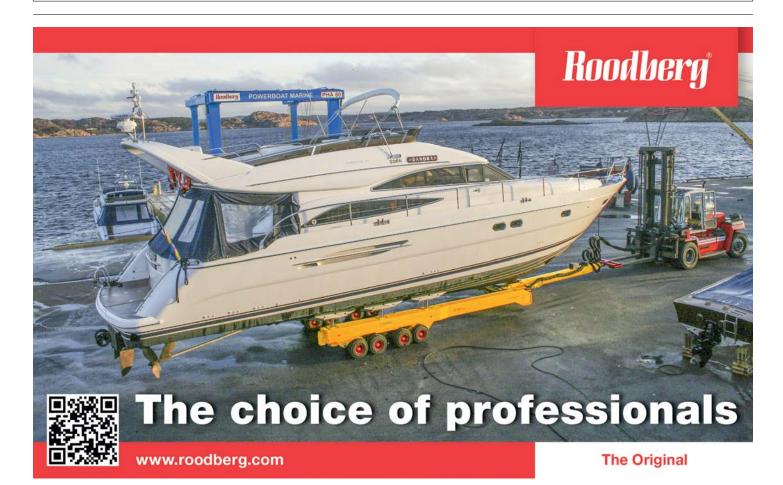


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Discovering Trinidad: Top 10 Must-See Attractions for Cruisers

BY CAPT. SHANE McCLELLAN

any people hear steel drums and calypso music and instantly think of the Caribbean, when in fact they should be thinking of one Caribbean island in particular, Trinidad. Geographically, Trinidad is part of South America, since it is only 8 miles from the continent and they only separated 10,000 years ago. But culturally speaking, Trinidad is most definitely Caribbean!!!!

One thing I found surprising is that the island that is by far the largest in the Eastern Caribbean also has the fewest places to take a vessel. In reality there are only a handful of anchorages to visit and most people sail here to escape hurricanes and have work done to their boats.

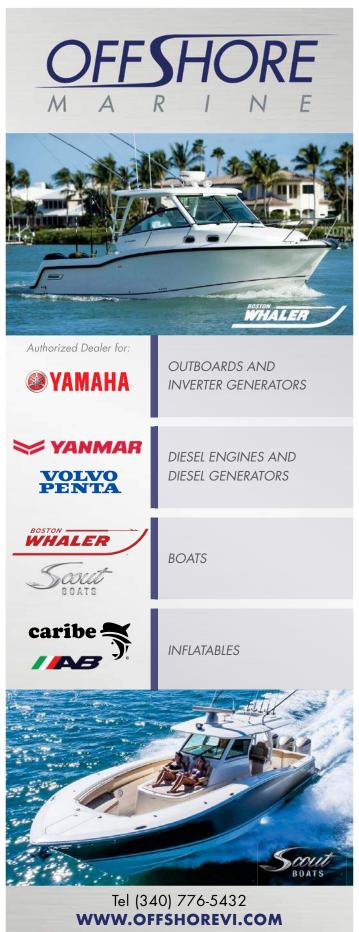
Does that mean there is nothing to see? Absolutely not and below are my top ten sites in Trinidad.

Chaguaramas Military Museum – The main anchorage and the location of all the boat yards is in Chaguaramas. A 30 minute walk towards Port of Spain you will come upon a great little military museum that was the passion of Lt. Cmdr. Gaylord Kelshall (ret). While the displays are a little cheesy, the information is top notch and follows military advancements from the dawn of time until today in Trinidad. Sadly Mr Kelshall passed away several years ago and the museum has suffered in his absence.



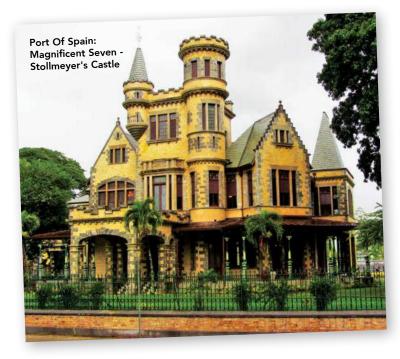
Gaspar Grande Island - One of the islands forming the Chaguaramas anchorage is now a quiet community of very nice homes, but the main reason to join a tour to visit this island is the underground lake. This large cavern has several holes in the ceiling to let in natural light as you swim around in crystal clear Caribbean water...but underground! Also of note is the World War 2 ear gun emplacements to protect what was once the 2nd largest US Naval base.







Tracking Station hike - North of the anchorage, into the hills there is a wonderful hike taking you to an abandoned Cold War era early warning missile tracking station complete with barracks, offices, and a huge dish. It now has an apocalyptic feel to it. I recommend going in the early morning so you have a chance of seeing a troupe of local howler monkeys. Also, one of the first things you will see on the hike is the Bamboo Cathedral, which is a naturally formed arched passage through the bamboo forest.



Port Of Spain - The capital and heart of Trinidad might not look like a great place to visit, but there is plenty to keep you occupied for a day or two. The Magnificent Seven Houses are beautiful colonial buildings and the botanical garden is one of the oldest in the Caribbean. There is all the national museum, the zoo, Queen's Park Savannah, and the view from Fort George on the hill overlooking the city and bay is not to be missed.

Swamp tours – I know swamp tours do not sound exciting, but if you love birds and nature then it is a must see. Caroni Bird Sanctuary is on the west coast and just south of Port of Spain and the best time to visit is in the later afternoon when the scarlet ibis return home from Venezuela. You will also see flamingos, herons, kingfishers, and 150 other species plus boas, caimans, raccoons, and more. Nariva Swamp is another tour to take and it is on the east coast, less visited, and much shallower, meaning smaller boats. Here I saw





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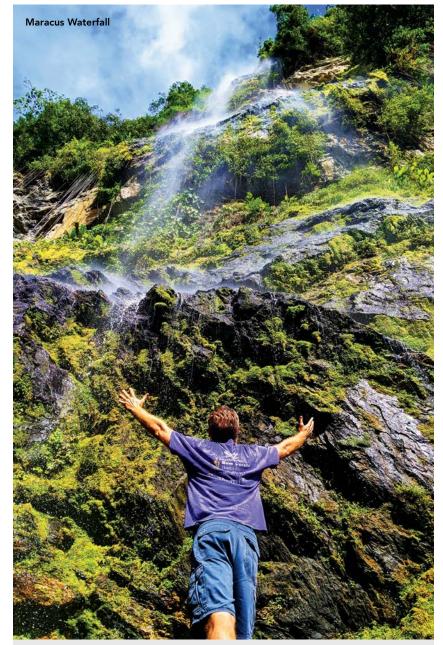
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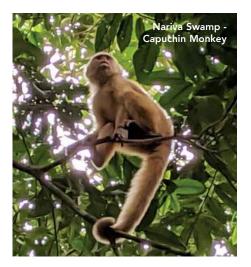
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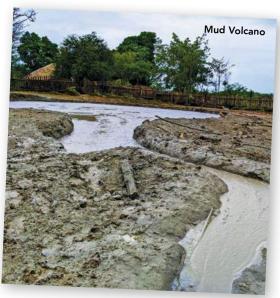


North ridge mountains - The northern part of Trinidad is a mountain range that continues from Venezuela and is full of adventure. A few of my favorites are Mount St. Benedict Abbey, which is a Catholic monastery established in 1912. If you visit on Sunday afternoon you might be able to join for a tea ceremony. Nearby is Maracas Waterfall, which is just one of many, many waterfalls in the area. What makes this one special is that it is the only one that continues to flow all year, including the dry season. My favorite spot in the North Range is the Asa Wright Nature Center. Here in the cool mountain air you can have lunch on the veranda and watch hummingbirds or you can take one of their guided tours into the jungle. They even have rooms to rent to extend your time in this magical place.

snakes, crabs, and monkeys. Also, just outside Nariva Swamp are watermelon farms, so you can gorge at roadside stands.



Geothermic features - Pitch Lake is the largest natural deposit of asphalt in the world and walking across it is quite an experience. You can find spots that are hard as rocks, other spots feel like you are walking on the moon, and others are so gooey you will never get it off. Pitch Lake is located in the southwest part of the island and nearby you can find a dozen or so mud volcanoes, which is another cool experience. These tend to be large holes in the ground that are filled with mud. They are not hot, but they do bubble and swimming in them is something you will talk about for years.



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Carnival – My second trip to Trinidad was planned specifically to partake in the Carnival season. While there are tons of private parties you can try to attend, my favorite activities included a historic carnival at the university, the crowning of the queen and king costume competition, walking the streets during the J'Ouvert celebration, and of course the day long parade. Carnival in Trinidad is second on to the one in Rio in size and I had an amazing time.

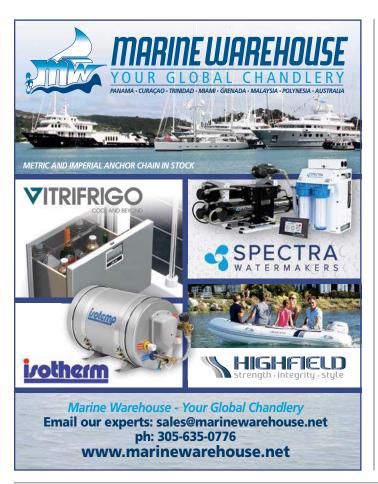
Chacachacare Island - While I did say there were not many anchorages to visit with your boat, Chacachacare Island is the best place to take your boat. This island is an abandoned leper colony and many of the houses and buildings are still there. The highlights are the Doctor's House, the Nunnery and the hospital. Plus the hike to the lighthouse is worth the view. This island is only about five miles from Chaguaramas, but it is secluded and I found the colony to be fascinating and spooky at the same time.

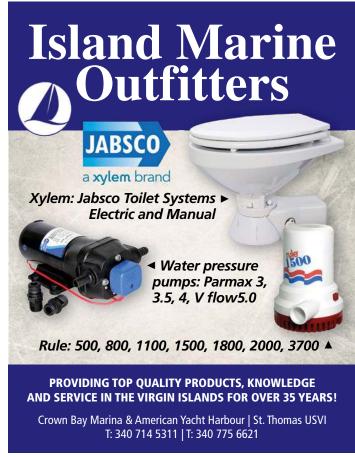




Taste of Trini Tour - The number one thing I did in Trinidad, and in fact the best tour I have ever taken period, was Jesse James' Taste of Trini Tour. Jesse James is the go to contact for anything a cruiser needs on Trinidad and he can be found in Power Boats shipyard. He has put together an 8-10 hour tour showing off the unique combination of West African, Indian, European, and Arab foods found on Trinidad and the history of why they are all found on the island. The only bad part of this tour is how much my stomach hurt after stuffing SO much food into it! Another double please.

Captain Shane is in the Virgin Islands running charters while making first mate Lily excited to visit Trinidad & Tobago and other parts of the Eastern Caribbean.









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Costa Rica Yachting: 7-Day Charter Itinerary from Marina Papagayo

BY CAROL M. BAREUTHER, RD

urfers and sports fishermen have long known Costa Rica as a hotspot. The Central American country boasts some 40 mapped surf beaches and played host to the ISA World Surfing Games twice, one in 2009 at Playa Hermosa and again in 2016 at Playa Jaco. Ditto, over 100 world record catches of billfish and gamefish have been caught off this coast, and since 2013, Quepos has hosted the

Olympic-style Offshore World Championships. Now, the 600-plus Pacific coastal shoreline of this Champions of the Earth award recipient in 2019, the highest environmental honor given by the United Nations, is attracting superyacht visitors. Ecotourism offers an enormous appeal. In 2022, Burgess Yachts named Costa Rica as best for Wildlife in its 'Trending Destinations – Cruising Grounds for 2022 & Beyond, report.



Sea turtles, pods of humpback whales, and rainforest-swinging sloths are among the land and sea creatures to see. Fraser Yachts and Northrop & Johnson as well as Bluewater, Edmiston, and Denison, to name a few, all offer superyachts for crewed charter off Costa Rica.

There are several ports of embarkation in western Costa Rica, but one of the best due to its convenience in getting there as well as the surrounding cruising grounds, is Marina Papagayo. Tucked into the north of Culebra Bay on the Papagayo Peninsula, this 180-slip marina is 640 nm northwest of the Panama Canal. Much closer is Liberia Airport, a 35-minute drive from Marina Papagayo, with non-stop flights to several major U.S. and Canadian airports such as Miami, Dallas, and Los Angeles, plus Toronto and Montreal. On-site provisioning, fuel bunkering, and dockside concierge services are here for crews, as well as a selection of shore-side accommodations, shops, and restaurants for charter guests.

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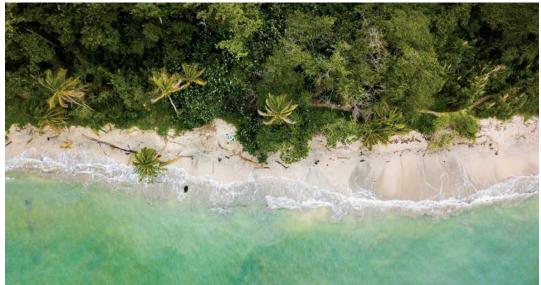
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Sea Masters is a yacht agency at Playa del Coco on the Gulf of Papagayo that works with over 400 yachts annually. Felipe Chacon, a dive guide, activities and logistics coordinator helps yachts plan and personalize itineraries. "We have 6 months of the dry sunny season (December-May) and during the rainy season, you can still enjoy activities planned before the rain starts, usually around 2 p.m. If you are more adventurous and want to explore the land, we have a wealth of National Parks and protected areas. Some are adjacent to the anchorages and others are within 1.5 hours from the anchorages."

Chacon recommends this 7-day, 300 nm charter itinerary:

DAY 1 AND 2: Marina Papagayo to Playa Huevo and Bat Islands. Cast off from the marina for a cruise north along the coast and the Papagayo Peninsula. Playa Huevo is a beautiful anchorage to spend both the day and night. By day, take advantage of the contents of the yacht's toy box. "Enjoy watersports like stand-up paddleboarding (SUP) and sea kayaking. Or, at high tide, take a jet ski tour into the Mangrove Palmares, narrow channels of water lined by huge roots and nearly 100-foot-tall trees," suggests Chacon. The soft sand beach at Playa Huevo is great to explore ashore, especially its caves and sea cliff views. You may see a raccoon-relative, a coati, on the ground or in the trees. After dinner, cruise north to the Bat Islands.

DAY 3: Bat Islands (Islas Murciélagos). Wake up to sunrise



at this super scenic anchorage. This collection of volcanic islands is protected and part of the Santa Rosa National Park. "Snorkeling, kayaking, and SUPing are allowed inside the marine protected area. There's a possibility of humpback whale sightings here too. There are scuba diving sites for beginners and advanced divers, where you may see bull sharks, manta rays, and huge schools of fish," says Chacon.

DAY 4: Isla Tortuga. Cruise south along the Nicoya Peninsula. Take a short break to hop on the yacht's tender and get a closer look at the coastline. There are several stunning beaches, behind which mountains rise into dense tropical rainforests. Additionally, there are some of the oldest rock formations in Central America here too, dating back 60 million years. Anchor at Isla Tortuga. "Tender across to the mainland for a tour of the Curu Wildlife Refuge. It's an easy hike with a naturalist guide and takes you through the forest with abundant wildlife, birds, and monkeys," suggests Chacon. Go to sleep for a 96 nm overnight cruise north to Conchal.

DAYS 5 & 6: Bahia Conchal. "Head to Playa Conchal or up to Playa Zapotal for sunrise. Depending on the wind and swell direction, one of these two wonderful beaches and bays will have peaceful conditions and plenty of activities close by," Chacon says. Go for the yacht's water toys here. Jet skis, SUPs, and kayaking are all ideal things to do. On land, there are horseback, zipline, and hiking to waterfall tours. Fork into a last dinner on-board or go ashore to dine out at one of the many beachside restaurants.

DAY 7: Marina Papagayo. Cruise 12 nm back to Marina Papagayo. There are many things to do after you disembark on the Papagayo Peninsula as well, Chacon adds. "E-Bikes, UTV tours, and guided nature tours." 0

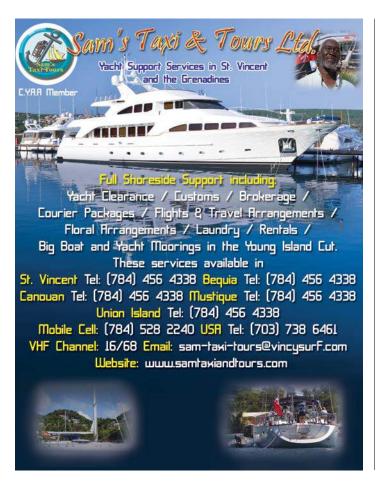


Protecting Parrotfish: A Key to Coral Reef Survival in the Caribbean

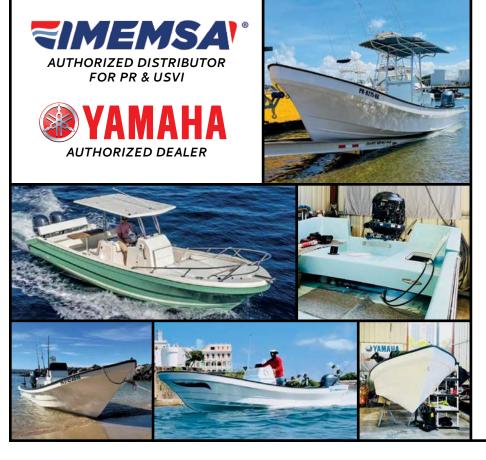
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e used to jump into the water to go snorkeling with happy anticipation, nowadays it's a mixture of fear of the damages we might find and hope that we'll see at least some healthy coral and meet a few fishy friends. Coral reefs are dying all around the planet at an alarming rate because of climate warming, rising

acidity of the oceans, run-off from cities, industries and agriculture and sedimentation due to deforestation and erosion. Another factor is overfishing: coral that was bleached and weakened by those factors can only recover if there are enough herbivore fish living on that reef to prevent algae from overgrowing damaged areas. Parrot fish are the clean-









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ers of the reef, but they are also considered a delicacy and have been fished close to extinction on many islands.

The important role these pretty, colorful fishes play has been known for a long time and efforts have been made to protect them, but most of them were unfortunately only half-hearted and others got abandoned due to resistance from fishermen. A 2014 report from the Global Coral Reef Monitoring Network already noted coral reefs in the Caribbean had been reduced by more than fifty per cent since the 1970s. One would think that such drastic news would lead to drastic changes in countries that rely on fish for their nutrition, but also on tourism to support their economy. Unfortunately attempts to protect the biodiversity of the reefs and to prevent overfishing meet outraged resistance from those that depend mostly on healthy reefs: fishermen. In Belize, a voluntary ban on the fishing of parrotfish became national law in 2009, but it has been only partly effective because of its voluntary nature... The Dominican Republic tried to go a step further and instituted a two-year ban on catching parrotfish in 2017, but violence erupted when state authorities confiscated five hundred pounds of illegally caught parrotfish and the ban was eventually lifted again—no government wants to lose the support of the important fishing lobby. Last year, Jamaican authorities also came close to protecting parrotfish permanently, before toning the regulations down to a seasonal ban.

Colombia is at least protecting parrot fish in one of its marine reserves in the central Caribbean. The country's navy is enforcing the new rules and seizing illegal parrotfish catches within the Seaflower reserve. The example of Bonaire shows that strict and actually controlled bans on fishing work wonders on the health of reefs: a study that was conducted from 2002 to 2017 showed that even though the initially abundant coral cover (45%) had declined after a hurricane and bleaching event in 2010 by 22 % and macro algae was on the brink of taking over the reefs returned to their original



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healthy state after fish traps were phased out and fishing for parrotfish was banned.

So why are parrot fish so crucial for the health of coral? Parrot fish spend their days feeding on algae and therefore they ensure that corals are not smothered by seaweed, and that open spaces are left for new coral larvae to settle. People used to think that they were damaging the reef by biting off chunks of live coral, but actually their constant nibbling stimulates reefs to grow at a faster pace. Many countries have regulations about the minimum size of fish species that are legal to catch, but that may even be counterproductive as a recent study shows: in an experiment differently sized openings allowed fish of three different sizes entry to enclosed coral patches. In those enclosures where neither large nor medium sized parrotfish had access, the algae grew ten

times faster! The larger fish, that are mostly targeted by fisheries, are the ones that keep the algae at bay.

So what can we as cruisers do to help protect parrot fish? It makes sense not to contribute to the problem of overfishing by going hunting with spearguns. Even if you don't target parrot fish yourself, the next local fishermen might take a parrotfish if cruisers have taken snappers and groupers out for dinner already. We don't buy reef fish from locals as it encourages them to go out fishing to supply cruiser's anchorages. We make sure to ask at restaurants what fish species actually go into their burgers and other dishes. If you'd like to take a step further and actively help protecting parrotfish you can visit our blog and download info material. We take brochures and presentations along when we go to villages and schools. Often islanders are concerned about their dwindling resourc-

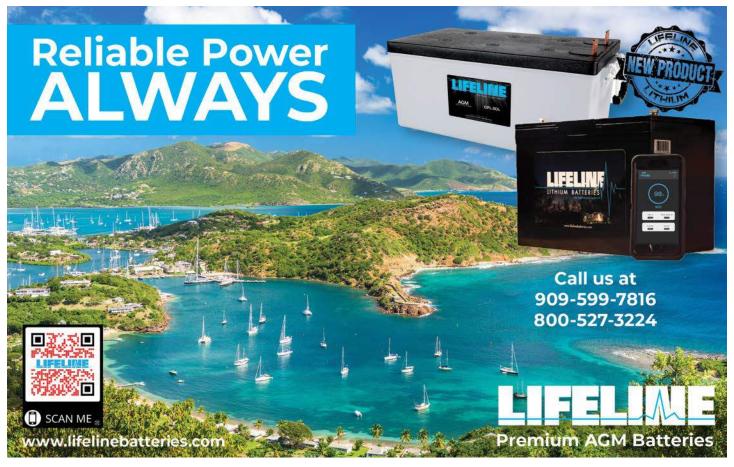


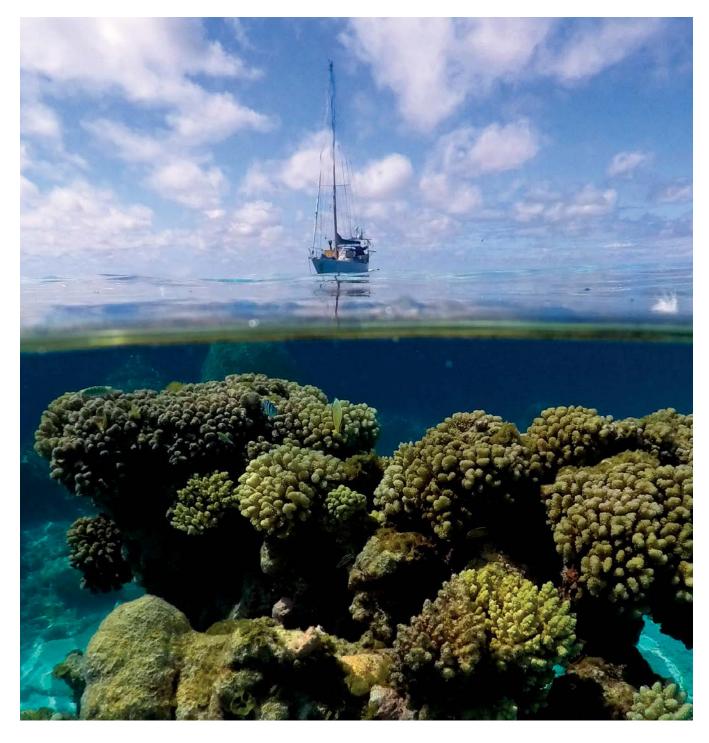




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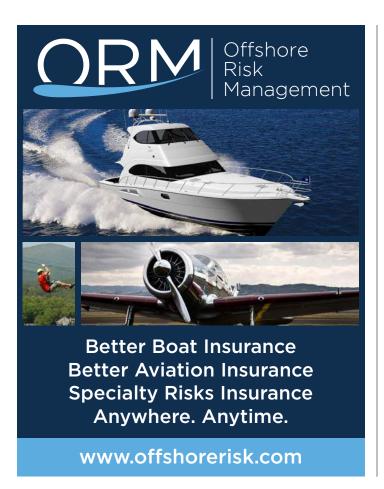


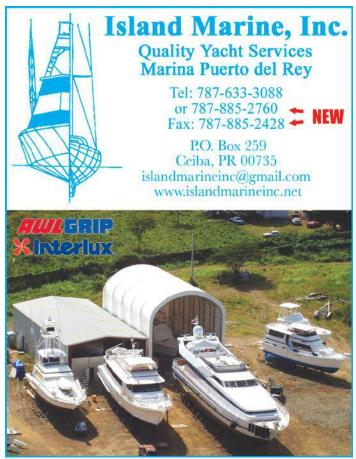
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Antigua's Concours de Chef Shines

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Samsara's Chef Sinead Finnigan

n the heart of the bustling Charter Yacht Show, the prestigious Concours de Chef and Tablescaping contests unfolded. The standards reached unprecedented heights, creating an atmosphere of culinary excellence that resonated throughout the yachting show. The theme for the competitions focused on global inspirations with an emphasis on sustainable products.

Every dish presented underwent rigorous scrutiny, not just

for taste and presentation but for the innovative techniques and creativity employed by the participating chefs. The panel of six judges, headed by Chef/Coordinator, Elizabeth Lee, composed of industry luminaries with discerning palates.

As the yachts cruise through international waters, the competition's theme reflects a commitment to culinary diversity. From caviar-infused creations to molecular gastronomy marvels,

Sansara | MENIII



FRENCH:

Tartare of wild roe deer with golden beets, fresh horseradish & snail roe pain d'épice crisp with confit garlic foie gras & périgold truffle

Served with Dom Péringnon, 2010



JAPANESE:

49 degree poached halibut with a mousseline of orkney scallop imperial beluga caviar, carrot & star anise pur white miso sauce, wakame seawood oil

Cocktail: Honey & Yuzu Saketini

ANTIGUAN:

Fresh mango, hibiscus & lime, gluten-free coconut & almond genoise, banana leaf & chamomile flower sorbet, aged English Harbour rum caramel (pictured at left)

Cocktail: English Harbour Jungle

every plate is a work of art designed to tantalize the taste buds of the judges, who also assessed the tablescaping designs.

The winners were crowned, between heavy rains and a crescendo of applause. The Concours de Chef again, solidified its reputation as a benchmark for culinary excellence in the yachting world.



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Asahi MENU

POISSON CRU:

Queen Snapper, Antiguan Citrus, Fresh Coconut, Scotch Bonnet, Avocado, Fried Onion Crisp, Petrossian Caviar (pictured at right)



LIONFISH:

Lemongrass & Lionfish Broth, Running Spinach, Mint Basil, Yam, Ducana



PASSIONFRUIT CHEESECAKE:

Passionfruit sorbet. Asahi Tuile



And the winners are:

BEST IN SHOW

M/Y Samsara - Chef Sinead Finnigan

YACHTS 160FT AND OVER

S/V Asahi - Chef Nathan Clements M/Y Teleost - Chef Josh Bingham M/Y Triump - Chef Steve Love

YACHTS 126 FT - 159 FT

N/Y Pavilion - Chef Nicolas Ott M/Y Milestones - Terry Gatewood M/Y Crossed Sabre - Chef Fernando Jeffrey

YACHTS 125 FT AND UNDER

S/Y Sylene - Chef Cloe Caillaud M/Y Top Shelf - Chef Edin Mujanovic S/Y Semper Fidelis - Chef Dulce Godoy

TABLESCAPING WINNER

M/Y Project X - Paula Bosman

Parillion MENU



APPETISER:

Cabbage Ribs and leaves, Cuisses de Grenouilles and Black Caviar

ENTRÉE:

Braised Fennel Stamps, Parillion caught Wahoo, Saffron Aioli Emulsions (pictured at right)



DESSERT:

Cold Pineapple Souflé





Sylene MENU

STARTER

Tuna tataki, cucumber, pome grenade and red onion pickles, burnt avocado cream and sesame tuile (pictured above)



MAIN COURSE:

Spinach raviole stuffed with arugula pesto and eggplant, coconut parmigiano emulsion, fried capers



DESSERT:

Iced lime cheese cake, vodka gel and topped with beluga caviar





GREEN TURTLE CAY, ABACO, THE BAHAMAS.

Elevated 14' off the ground to take advantage of the views over the Sea of Abaco and breezes, this podstyle home with elevated decking features 4 BR/4 BA in a beautiful setting. Key features of this residence are luxury furnishings, beautiful granite slab surfaces, LED lighting, high-efficiency air-conditioning, roll-down window shutters, a 30,000-gallon water cistern, and a new CAT backup generator. The space under the home is ideal for storing water toys. Price: US \$1,600,000

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ST. CROIX, USVI. See through the lush rainforest to the sea beyond on this big, beautiful building lot on the island's soughtafter northwest section. Nearly 3 acres in size, with no further subdivision. The lot fronts Mt. Washington Road, across from a Great House property and wildlife sanctuary, with an existing long dirt drive accessing the top of the property. Price: US \$152,000 JULIET SAN MARTIN, RE/MAX St. Croix | julie@teamsanmartin.com | www.teamsanmartin.com Office: (340) 773-1048 | Cell: (340) 690-9040



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Puerto Rico	Puerto Del Rey Marina	18° 17.3 N	65° 38 W	787-860- 1000	15′	150′	33	no limit	120/208V single & 3 phase; 30, 50,100 & 200 amps; 60 Hz	8am- 5pm	155 4	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
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St. Lucia	Rodney Bay Marina an IGY destination	14°04 '32. 72" N	60°56 '55. 63" W	758-458- 7200	11′	75′	28'	no limit	120V- 480V, 30/50/ 100/125/200 amps at 60 Hz, 240V- 440V, 32/63/125 & 200 amps at 50Hz	8am- 5pm	75 4	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
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Trinidad	Peake Yacht Services Boatyard	10.4'N	61.38' W	868-634- 4420/3/7	14′	130′	30.5′	no limit	110/220	8-4 Mon-Sat	150	•	•	•	•	•		•
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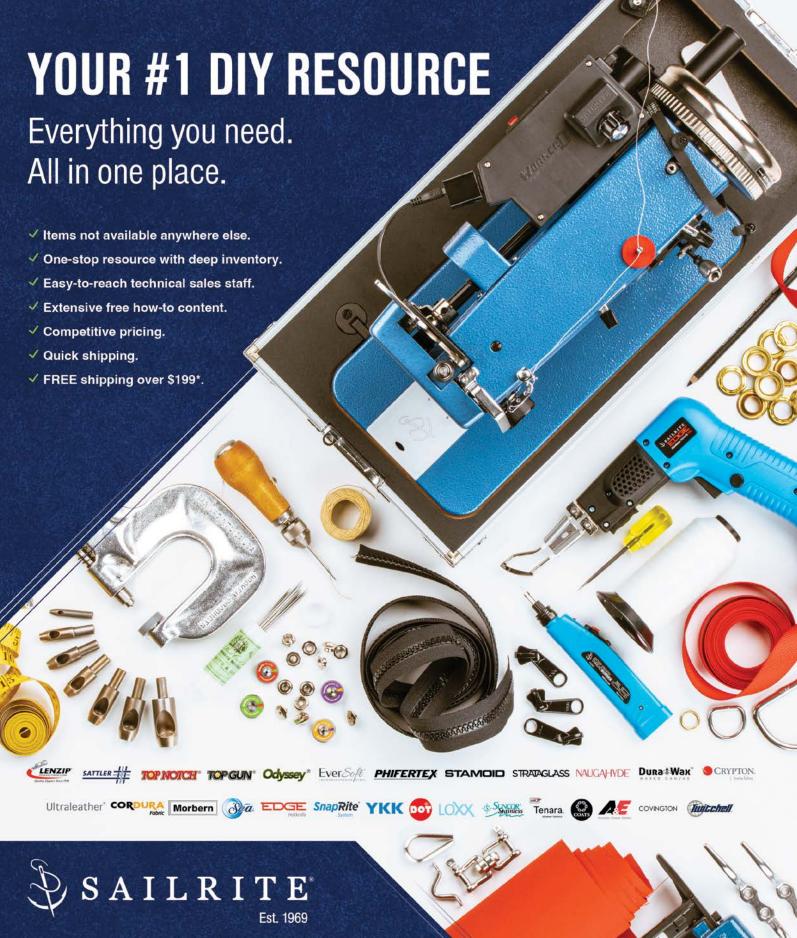
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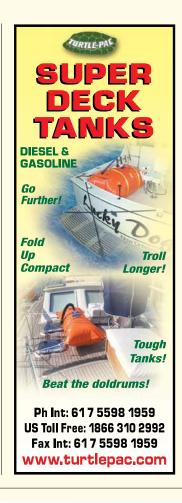






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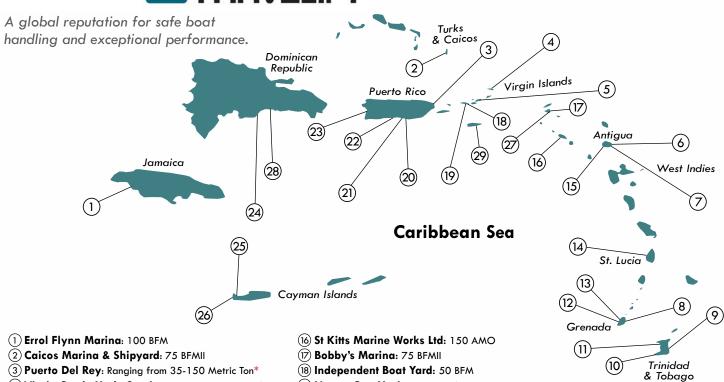
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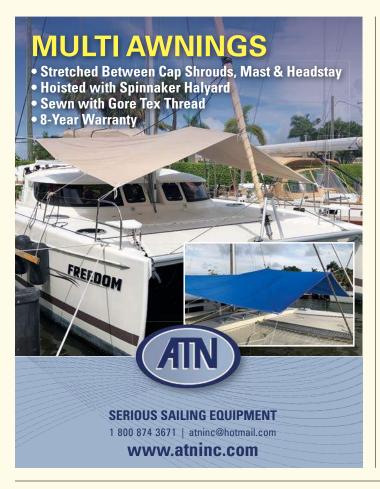


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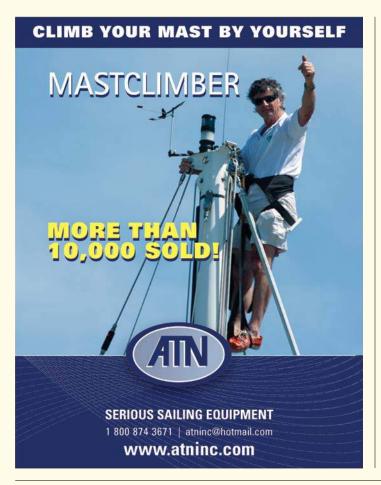
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The history of the Old-Fashioned is quite colorful. The word "cock-tail" first appeared in a newspaper in 1806, and a reader wrote to the editor, wanting to know the word's meaning. The editor replied the following week, saying the "cock-tail" is "...a stimulating liquor, composed of spirits of any kind, sugar, water and bitters." Barrooms across the country began creating their version of cocktails, the most popular being the Whiskey Cocktail. Soon, bartenders began embellishing the drink, which led some customers to rebel, asking for the "Old-Fashioned Whiskey Cocktail" instead.

In 1895, George Kappeler published random bartending recipes, including the Old-Fashioned Whisky Cocktail. The recipe read:

"Dissolve a small lump of sugar with a little water in a whiskeyglass; add two dashes Angostura bitters, a small piece of ice, a piece of lemon-peel, one jigger whiskey. Mix with small barspoon and serve, leaving spoon in glass."

The Old-Fashioned continued to evolve, adding crushed fruit to the cocktail during prohibition to mask the taste of lousy whisky, and today, bars across the country now make "Craft Cocktail" Old-Fashioned, each with its own twist. But one ingredient remains consistent: Whiskey or Bourbon. Well, until now.

One evening, just before Christmas break, our friends joined us for an Old-Fashioned "Craft Cocktail" style using different rums. The recipe used was:

Pour 3 ounces of rum, 1 tsp of simple syrup, and 3 dashes of Orange Bitters in a cocktail glass. Stir. Add ice and a cherry.



BRUGAL 1888

This cocktail is very rum-forward, with caramel notes on the nose and palate and pops of oak and orange blossom on the back of the palate. The orange bitters provide a drier finish and leaves us wanting more.

BACARDI GRAN RESERVA DIEZ 10

Hands down, this smells like a rum cocktail. The fruit and toasted marshmallow we found drinking it neat, provides a good mouth feel, coating every crevice of the palate. The finish, however, turns metallic and brash.

APPLETON ESTATE RARE BLEND 12-YEAR-OLD

The characteristics of this cocktail align more with a bourbon Old-Fashioned. Although fruit is on the nose, the charred oak barrels take over on the palate, descending to a warm finish.

MOUNT GAY XO

This complex rum holds up nicely in the cocktail. The simple syrup and orange bitters enhance the underripe fruit notes on the nose and palate while allowing cloves to engulf the finish. The cocktail was a pleasant experience from start to finish.

OVERALL

While we differed on our favorites, we agreed that some, but not all, rums can be a viable option in a Craft Old-Fashioned for those who find whiskey or bourbon too peaty or harsh. Try it with different rums, then drop us a line to tell us what you think. editor@ allatsea.net

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