# BASE GUIDE



**EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW TO ENJOY YOUR NEXT DREAM DESTINATION!** 



















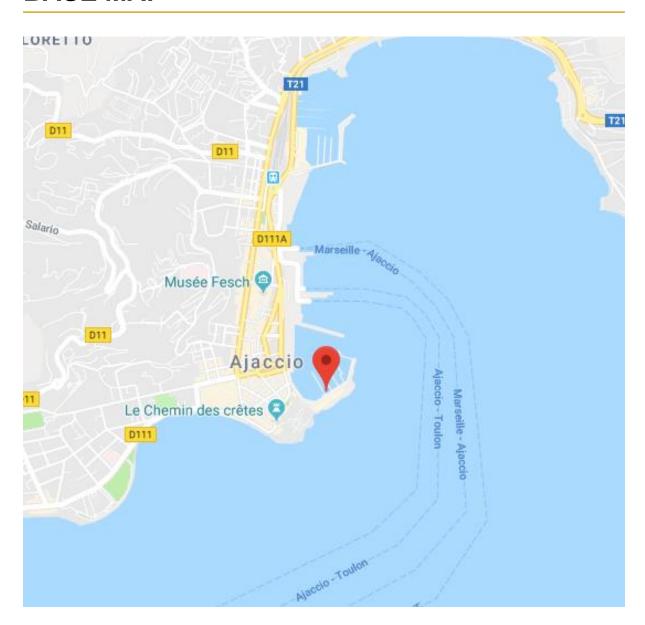


# **BASE ADDRESS**

Port Tino Rossi Quai de la Citadelle Corse Ajaccio 20000

**GPS POSITION:** 41°55'.21N / 08°44'.57E **OPENING HOURS:** 8:30am – 5:30pm

# **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 & DOCK MASTER & CUSTOMER SERVICE:**

Manager Corse (Ajaccio / Propriano): Dominique Cannet

Phone: +33 78 626 4735

Dock Master: Romain Georget

Phone: +33 78 597 6375

Customer Service Manager: Jacopo Passeri

Phone: +33 49 521 8921

# **BASE FACILITIES**

<ul><li>☑ Electricity</li><li>☑ Water</li><li>☑ Toilets</li><li>☑ Showers</li><li>☑ Laundry</li></ul>	<ul> <li>✓ Luggage storage</li> <li>✓ Restaurant</li> <li>✓ Bar</li> <li>✓ Supermarket / Grocery store</li> <li>✓ ATM</li> </ul>
□ Laundry	⊠ ATM
☐ Swimming pool	
⊠ Wi-Fi	

# **BASE INFORMATION**

<b>LICENSE</b> Sailing licence required:	□ Yes	☑ No (good sailing experience required)
<b>PAYMENT</b> The base can accept: ⊠ Vi	sa ⊠ Maste	erCard   Amex   Cash
<b>EMBARKATION TIME</b> Embarkation time is at 5pr	n.	

## **YACHT BRIEFING**

All briefings are conducted on the chartered yacht and will take 40-60 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 DYC charters starting and/or ending in Ajaccio, the first and last night at the marina is free of charge. You need to spend your last night in the marina.

## **DISEMBARKATION TIME**

Disembarkation is at 9am.

To assist in making checkout as smooth as possible, we ask that you arrive back at the base the evening before disembarkation by 5pm latest with a refueled tank.

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: +30 76 021 0020
- Marina emergency telephone number: +30 49 551 2272
- Coastguard emergency telephone number: +30 49 520 1363 (day), +33 49 461 1616 (night)
- VHF base channel: 72
- VHF marina channel: 9
- VHF emergency channel: 16

# **HOW TO GET THERE?**

## **ACCESS BY PLANE**

Aéroport Ajaccio Napoleon Bonaparte (AJA): The airport is 9km from the base, which is a 30-minute journey by car/shuttle. There are regular flights from Paris, London, Nice, Toulouse, Rennes, Montpellier, Marseille, Lille, Caen, Brest and Geneva with a range of airlines. Please check the schedule on the <u>airport website</u>.

# 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 the airport website for info, working hours and contacts. Taxis are regularly available in front of the airport buildings.



## **ACCESS BY BUS**

From Airport Ajaccio, take bus line 8 to the base.

Information subject to change without notice.

# **PROVISIONING & RECOMMENDATIONS**

## **BASE PROVISIONING SERVICE**

This base provides a provisioning service:  $\square$  Yes  $\square$  No

# LOCAL SUPERMARKET

Spar Diamant
1 Cours Grandval
Ajaccio 2000
<a href="https://www.spar-supermarche.com/">https://www.spar-supermarche.com/</a>

Day	Time
Monday -	8:30am – 6pm
Saturday	
Sunday	8:30am – 1pm

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

## **FUEL AND WATER**

Fuel and water are conveniently located at Port Tino Rossi and Port Charles Ornano.

# **HOTEL SUGGESTIONS:**

- Hotel Fesch
  - 7 Rue Cardinal Fesch, 20000 Ajaccio
- Hotel San Carlu
  - 8 Boulevard Danièle Casanova, 20000 Ajaccio
- Hotel Palazzu
  - 17 Rue Bonaparte, 20000 Ajaccio

## **RESTAURANT SUGGESTIONS:**

- Il Passeggero
- La Terrasse du Port
- Le Rendez Vous



# **AREA GUIDE**

#### LOCAL AREA INTRODUCTION

No other sailing vacation destination in the Mediterranean combines striking volcanic terrain, unbelievable wildlife and an enduring connection to Napoleon Bonaparte, quite like the French island of Corsica.

Sailing Corsica may get you closer to Napoleon's birthplace, now the Maison Bonaparte Museum, but this cultural bounty competes with the wonder of the UNESCO Scandola Nature Reserve.

In this protected reserve, endangered species are thriving. Red coral is recovering from overexploitation and growing in Corsica's protected, shallow waters. You can also see whale and dolphin sanctuaries, or hike in the mountains, as part of your Corsica yacht charter.

To sail Corsica, you will need a sailing license that is recognized by the local port authorities, or you can hire a skipper. Read our guide to sailing qualifications for more information.

#### TOP THINGS TO DO IN AJACCIO:

- Stargaze in the peaceful anchorage off Anse de Cacalu: Settle into the relaxing rhythm of your Corsica yacht charter with a walk on shore followed by a peaceful night stargazing.
- **2. Explore the strange rock formations of Anse de Roccapina:** Locals love this well-protected anchorage for its white sand beach and the famous peaks known as the "Lion de Roccapina".
- **3. Visit the medieval city of Bonifacio:** Explore the southern tip of the island with its citadel that overlooks the Lavezzi islands and its UNESCO listed cliffs. Or sail the Strait of Bonifacio, located at the intersection between Sardinia and Corsica. Its protected environment means this is one of the most beautiful places in the Mediterranean, so make sure you visit whilst you're sailing Corsica.
- **4. Surround yourself with unique natural beauty:** Anchor in tiny Cala di Conca where you'll be able to relax on a remote, uninhabited island and its soft white sand beach.
- **5. See red with the Calanques de Piana:** Corsica has a dramatic rock coastline that shimmers pink to red depending on the sunlight. These dramatic rock formations show off the best of the island and many of the shapes have earned nicknames over time.
- **6. Relax in Calvi on the northwest coast:** The supposed birthplace of explorer Christopher Columbus offers city walls to stroll and a citadel with an amazing view. It also has a jazz festival in the summer if you want to soak up the local culture.



- 7. Head to the Agriate Desert: If white sand beaches are your ideal vacation choice, do not miss the Saleccia, part of the Agriate Desert. With the colour of the water, more like you'd see in the Caribbean, it's one of our favorite things to do in Corsica.
- **8. Sail the Lavezzi Archipelago:** Discover Cavello, Lavezzu and the islets of Piana, Ratina, plus many more, in this group of eight islands that form part of a protected reserve.

CURRENCY: Euro (EUR)

VOLTAGE: 220V

DIALING CODE: +33

#### **INTERNET**

The Wi-Fi in Corsica is good and most cities and towns in Corsica have Wi-Fi hotspots at bars, restaurants and hotels. The marina has Wi-Fi connection.

## **ENVIRONMENT**

- Respect your surroundings and leave on 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**

There are many restrictions in the nature reserves, such as no fishing or diving. Please respect them and visit the official websites.

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# SAILING CONDITIONS

# **SAILING AREA**

Begin your Corsica sailing charter from our bases in the Corsican capital of Ajaccio to explore the region's 200 or so sand and pebble beaches, as well as tour the impressive rocky coastlines with mountainous backdrops.

Corsica is also known as the 'scented island' because of the fragrant maquis flowers that swathe its lands. With over 300 miles of spectacular jagged coastline and a gentle Mediterranean climate, a Corsica yacht charter is the best way to enjoy this unique



island's sunny summer days, evergreen forests and wide variety of protected bird species.

## **WEATHER**

The best time to visit Corsica is in the summer when you can make the most of the warm, dry Mediterranean climate. You can sail from May to September, although the summer months are the most popular.

The temperature in Corsica in summer averages 82°F and the sea temperatures are around 75°F in summer.

# **TEMPERATURE**

Climate in Corsica:

- Summer high: The July high is around 82°F
- Winter low: The January low is 39°F

## WIND SYSTEMS

The sailing conditions for Corsica vary depending on where you are sailing. On Corsica's west coast, the prevailing wind is mainly a westerly sea breeze blowing force 3 to 6. This is deflected SW along the north coast and NW along the south coast.

In the Straits of Bonifacio, westerlies are channeled in and can be stronger than winds outside.

## **LOCAL FORECAST**

You can find Corsica specific weather forecasts from Windy.com