



SKIPPER'S NOTICE

CHARTER START

Welcome to Phuket!

Your boarding time is by 5PM. Our customer service will welcome you, start with the paperwork, and give you receive a pre-cruise checklist. The inventory list is aboard your yacht. Both are to be checked and signed before leaving the dock. A technical and a chart briefing will be conducted aboard. Take the necessary time and pay attention to make sure you have all the info you need for a pleasant cruise.

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LANGUAGE & MONEY

The Thai people are very friendly but very few Thais speak a little of English, so don't be surprised by the language barrier.

The Thai and official currency is the baht. The Malaysian one is the ringgit. There are ATM machine at the airport, in town and at the marina Haven.

Most of the big stores and hotels accept credit card payment, not the small restaurants in the islands so make sure to keep some local money with you. You can change money in the several banks in town and at the airport.

NAVIGATION

The fair weather and conditions make sailing our islands not difficult compared to many other sailing spots in the world.

With numerous isolated dangers and not all areas well surveyed, pay attention to the navigation especially where the info on charts and buoyage are poor. The GPS and chart plotters must be considered as a support, the electronic charts are not as accurate as the nautical charts so you should refer to the paper nautical charts and not rely only on the GPS, especially when in shallow waters or when close to dangers.

Nightsailing is prohibited in the Malaysia and Thailand waters. Plan your sailing trip to reach your night anchorage by 4 PM and insure to not sail too late while the visibility is poor.

Buoyage: the channels are marked like in Europe, red on port and green on starboard when entering harbours.

Tides: 1.5 to 2.5 meters between low tide and high tide (twice a day). Be careful with currents in narrow passages between islands.

Cruising guide: the only cruising guide, the Andaman Sea Pilot is provided in the standard inventory of your yacht.

SIMILAN & SURIN ISLANDS

Please note the Thai authorities only allow sailing to the Similan & Surin islands from 01st of November until 30th of April.

Dream Yacht Charter doesn't allow damage waiver in case of sailing to the Similan and/or Surin islands (full security deposit in that case).

Please note that the DYC 4h guarantee assistance is not valid in those islands

REFILLING WATER & FUEL

Water, gasoline and fuel is available at the Phuket Marina Haven Dream Yacht base, at the Royal Langkawi Yacht club Deam Yacht base, in Chalong (South of Phuket island), Phiphi island (warning: make sure to filter the water with a cloth when filling). Buy only mixed 2% gasoline for the outboard engine

PROVISIONING

Self provisioning is not simple and often a waste of time. The only places for a decent provisioning are in Phuket Town. Re-provisioning is only possible at the base by calling us at least one or two days prior your stopover.

CHARTERER'S RESPONSIBILITY

Dream Yacht Charter shall not be held responsible for any loss or damage to persons, property or to the yacht. The charterer is responsible for every damage, loss or theft that may happen during the charter. Any damage to the boat is covered by your deposit.

Choice of anchorage:

Dream Yacht Charter provides you during the briefing with accurate information on anchorages but the choice of the anchorage (location, picking up a mooring buoy) and the checking of its reliability are on the skipper's responsibility.

WEATHER FORECAST

No radio or VHF forecast so call the base for a weather update.

COMMUNICATIONS

The VHF is used down here only by the marina offices or for emergency.

Communications with the shore and the Dream Yacht Charter bases only with cell phones.

RETURNING OR STOPOVER AT DYC PHUKET YACHT HAVEN MARINA

Located in the channel between Phuket and the mainland, our base offers all modern marina facilities, including a swimming pool and a fitness room for relaxing after your cruise.

Call the base bay phone ½ day before coming and the marina office on VHF 68 when entering the channel. The marina staff will assign you a berth and assist you for docking.

Avoid late arrival as the marina office closes at 5:30 PM and docking is not easy especially because of tide currents crossing the docks. In case of unattended late arrival, just anchor outside and dock next morning

CHARTER END

Your charter ends at 11 AM so schedule to dock your boat for the last night before 4PM or stay outside on anchor then come to dock by 8AM. Allow sufficient time in the morning to have your boat shipshape, baggage out, linens bagged in pillow cases, garbage removed, for the 10 AM debriefing and inventory, then the last paperwork and final invoice at the DYC office.

CUSTOMS CLEARANCES

If you are doing a one-way between Phuket & Langkawi, please be aware that there are mandatory custom options to add to your booking. If not already done, please refer to the 'Thailand – Malaysia Custom Formalities & Fees' document (located on the website) with all the information about it (you can email us at info@dreamyachtcharter.com if you don't have the document).

HAVE A GREAT VACATION AND GREAT SAILING!