



the out islands are  
a boater's dream

# ship shape

## ports of entry

**ABACO:** Government docks at Green Turtle Cay, Marsh Harbour, Sandy Point, Walkers Cay/Grand Cay, Spanish Cay, and the Treasure Cay Marina

**ANDROS:** Government docks at Congo Town, Fresh Creek, San Andros

**BERRY ISLANDS:** Government docks at Great Harbour Cay and Great Harbour Cay Marina; Chub Cay Club Marina

**BIMINI:** Government docks at Brown's Marina, Sea Crest Marina, Bimini Big Game Club, Bimini Blue Water Marina

**ELEUTHERA:** Government docks at Governor's Harbour, North Eleuthera/Harbour Island, Rock Sound, Spanish Wells

**EXUMA:** Government dock at George Town

**INAGUA:** Government dock at Matthew Town

**LONG ISLAND:** Stella Maris Marina

**MAYAGUANA:** Government dock at Abraham's Bay

## 2003 regatta schedule

- Jan 17-19 New Year's Regatta Nassau at Montagu Bay
  - Feb 7 - 8 Annual Farmer's Cay Regatta Exuma
  - Mar 1 - 2 Bacardi Cup Sailing Regatta Nassau at Montagu Bay
  - Apr 18 - 19 Annual Bimini Sailing Regatta
  - Apr 21 - 26 50th Annual Family Island Regatta Exuma
  - May 8 - 11 Mangrove Cay Homecoming & Sailing Regatta Andros
  - Jun 4 - 7 South Andros Homecoming & Sailing Regatta Andros
  - Jun 6 - 9 36th Annual Long Island Sailing Regatta
  - Jun 20 -22 11th Annual Grand Bahama Sailing Regatta
  - Jul 9 -12 The All Andros & Berry Islands Independence Regatta Morgan's Bluff North Andros
  
  - Aug 1 - 4 Cat Island Regatta
  - Aug 1-4 Rolleville Regatta & Homecoming Exuma
  - Sept. 25- 27 All Abaco Sailing Regatta
  - Oct 9 - 13 North Eleuthera Sailing Regatta
- Note: Events above are subject to change/cancellation*

With the Bimini islands just forty miles off the coast of Florida, it's no wonder so many boaters head to The Bahamas. And who can blame them. Miles of coastline and protected waterways make even first time sailors feel like old sea dogs.

Some of the world's best cruising can be found here, with over 100,000 square miles of beauty to explore. Navigation is easy, there are dozens of full-service marinas and secluded anchorages and the locals are happy to share their stories of pirates and lost treasure.

Many of The Bahamas 700 cays can only be reached by boat, so those who take to the seas can discover uninhabited isles with a charm all their own. Drop anchor in one of these coves and spend the day on a quiet beach or snorkeling over a vividly coloured reef.

The Bahamas Ministry of Tourism sponsors a series of escorted boat cruises to The Bahamas annually, for the benefit of newcomers who want a buddy boat for the crossing. The cost is minimal and includes a send-off party and Bahamas Welcome party. These Flings are usually during the months of June through August.

For more information contact Bahamas Sports and Aviation at: (800) 327-7678 or (954) 888-1100 or [www.boating.bahamas.com](http://www.boating.bahamas.com).

**BOATING FLINGS**  
For those who yearn for adventure on the high seas, escorted trips from South Florida across the Gulfstream to The Bahamas are held annually from June to August and depart from South Florida.