



YACHT HAVEN GRANDE
ST. THOMAS, USVI



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USVI TRAVEL ADVISORY FOR ARRIVING YACHTS:

1. See pages 2 & 3 for formal [USVI arrivals protocols](#). These apply to all air & sea arrivals from outside the US Virgin Islands (USVI) – including the United States, Puerto Rico, BVI, and internationally.
2. Effective January 3rd 2022, all arriving yachts must complete the USVI Travel Portal at <https://usvitraportal.com/> for all aboard the vessel **within 72 hours prior to your arrival**.
3. **UPDATE**: Effective December 6th 2021, international direct **AIR** arrivals to the USVI require test results within the previous one (1) day, as per [CDC requirements](#).
4. Test results are required prior to arrival, which you should upload to the [USVI Travel Portal](#). Test types accepted:
 - a. A **negative** Covid-19 **molecular** (rt-PCR / viral / nucleic acid amplification) test from a nasal or throat or saliva swab taken, with the result valid within the previous **72 hours**, OR
 - b. A **negative** Covid-19 **antigen** (rapid) test from a nasal or throat swab taken, with the result valid within the previous **72 hours**.
 - c. Home or self-administered tests are **not** acceptable for entry to the US Virgin Islands.
5. Effective January 3rd 2022, for those fully vaccinated locally in the US Virgin Islands, you will now need to provide suitable test results similar to those who were vaccinated elsewhere.
6. The authorities will advise if your application is acceptable following upload to the [USVI Travel Portal](#).
7. **Voyage time greater than three days**: you can still be accepted to arrive by sea into the USVI, however, you will likely need to test upon arrival. Please notify the YHG marina office of this scenario well in advance of arrival, to assist with Travel Portal aspects and arranging testing upon arrival with our partner clinic.
8. If you do **not** possess any valid test results, you will be required to self-quarantine aboard vessel for 10 days upon arrival. To reduce the 10-day quarantine requirement, you can book a Covid test through our marina office with our partner clinic. Contact the marina office at least 3-4 days in advance to book an appointment. See page three for FAQs relating to organizing testing with us.

YACHT HAVEN GRANDE ARRIVAL REQUIREMENTS:

9. Arriving vessels must fly their yellow 'Q' flags, until they have satisfied the '[free-pratique](#)' requirements as per USVI regulations and international maritime law.
10. Lowering the 'Q' yellow flag, will be official confirmation to the marina that your vessel has met its obligations under USVI and International Maritime Law, and the vessel is free from disease.

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U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS (USVI)

TRAVEL ADVISORY

General guidance for COVID-19 passenger screening for Domestic/International Arrivals



The USVI Travel Screening Portal is located at
www.usviupdate.com/travelportal

The Travel Screening Portal should only be completed within three days of travel.

Effective January 3, 2022

Please carefully read the following advisory. If you have any further questions, email info@usviupdate.com.

- ★ All domestic travelers 5 years of age or older and all international travelers 2 years of age or older who enter the U.S. Virgin Islands by air or sea are required to use the USVI Travel Screening Portal and get cleared to travel to the USVI.
- ★ Without travel clearance from the portal, passengers may not be able to board an aircraft or vessel to the Territory. Digital or printed documents are acceptable.
- ★ Travelers are required to present their travel clearance (email with green QR code) from the USVI Travel Screening Portal and acceptable documentation of their COVID-19 test status (and vaccine status, if required) to local officials upon arrival in the Territory.
- ★ Travelers should follow the testing and travel guidance in one of the categories noted in Information for Leisure Travelers. <https://bit.ly/31tsPdN>
 - ★ Individuals arriving from the mainland United States or a U.S. Territory (domestic travel)
 - ★ Individuals who have been fully vaccinated against COVID-19 in the USVI and are traveling from the U.S. mainland or another U.S. Territory
 - ★ Unvaccinated individuals whose travel itinerary originates in the U.S. Virgin Islands and are traveling back from the U.S. mainland or another U.S. Territory
 - ★ Individuals traveling from international destinations, including the British Virgin Islands
- ★ USVI Travel Screening Portal
 - ★ Submissions to the Travel Screening Portal are processed seven days a week, 365 days per year. Every effort is made to expedite review and processing for individuals with impending travel.
 - ★ You may track your submission by using this link: <https://usvitavelportal.com/tracking-application>.
 - ★ You may also email travelportal@usvitavelportal.com with any questions or concerns; kindly include the Tracking ID code you received upon successfully completing your submission.
 - ★ If you are within 24 hours of your planned travel and have not yet received a response, please check your Junk, Spam or Promotions folders and contact us so that we can be of assistance.
- ★ The laboratory that performs the COVID-19 test must be certified under the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendment (CLIA). You can check a lab's certification status here: <https://www.cdc.gov/clia/LabSearch.html>.
- ★ Travelers originating outside of the United States should use COVID-19 testing facilities that are formally approved in their departure country. Many countries comply with ISO15189 or ISO/IEC17025 standards. Notwithstanding, the USVI reserves the right to reject any test result and/or require a traveler to re-test upon arrival in the Territory.

✳️ Failure to comply with the airline requirements may subject the traveler to criminal penalties under 42 USC 271 and 42 CFR 71.2, in conjunction with 18 USC 3559 and 3571. Willfully giving false or misleading information to the government may result in criminal penalties under 18 USC 1001.

✳️ Submission of a fake, forged, falsified or otherwise altered test result is subject to prosecution and fine under Executive Order(s) of the Office of the Governor, USVI Department of Health regulations and/or pursuant to criminal code 14 V.I.C. § 843 and 795 of Title 14 entitled “False and Fraudulent statements upon the Government”. Penalties may include fines of \$500-\$1,000 and/or imprisonment of two to five years.

✳️ Quarantine

- ✳️ Travelers who are required to self-quarantine for any reason are responsible for all quarantine costs, as advised by the USVI Department of Health and the Office of the Governor. This includes costs associated with the COVID-19 test, transportation, accommodations, food and beverage, and medical care.
- ✳️ Per the Department of Health, every person ordered to self-quarantine shall proceed directly from the airport or seaport to their home, vessel, or booked accommodations provider. The self-quarantine period shall last for 10 days from the time of entry into the Territory, or until the traveler is able to receive the required health authority clearance while in the Territory.

✳️ Facial Masks

- ✳️ All arriving passengers MUST wear a mask or facial covering that fits snugly and completely covers the mouth and nose upon disembarkation. This requirement is enforced by a fine. Children under two, persons unable to remove a mask without assistance and persons with a disability who cannot wear a mask, or cannot safely wear a mask, because of the disability as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) and further defined by <https://www.cdc.gov/quarantine/masks/mask-travel-guidance.html>, are exempt. Individuals with chronic respiratory conditions should seek advice from their primary care physician for alternative types of masks and avoid crowds. All travelers must also comply with social distance requirements.
- ✳️ Despite the May 16, 2021, CDC guidelines that relax mask-wearing for certain fully vaccinated individuals, the Government of the U.S. Virgin Islands has not changed or removed local masking requirements. All individuals, whether fully vaccinated or not, are required to comply with local rules. Individuals and business establishments found in violation of the mandatory masking guidelines will be subject to administrative fines and penalties.

✳️ Upon arrival into any U.S. Virgin Islands port, all travelers are subject to the Territory’s screening procedures, outlined below. By reading this Travel Advisory, all travelers by embarkation on an arriving aircraft or vessel grant their consent to these procedures.

✳️ Upon aircraft or vessel arrival, a representative will advise passengers about the current screening procedures. Upon exiting the aircraft or vessel, all passengers will be escorted to the Virgin Islands Port Authority temperature check-point.

✳️ Travelers may be subject to COVID-19 health screening protocols, enhanced screening, including temperature and thermal scans, and COVID-19 testing (or retesting) upon arrival, per the Department of Health.

✳️ Travelers departing from the U.S. Virgin Islands are advised to check with their intended destination to determine what, if any, COVID-19 travel or testing requirements are in place. A list of facilities in the Territory that offer COVID-19 testing can be found here: <http://bit.ly/usvitesting>.

Visitors and residents who have travel or tourism-related inquiries are asked to email info@usviupdate.com or call the Department of Tourism at 340-774-8784 (St. Thomas-St. John District), 340-772-0357 (St. Croix) or toll-free 1-800-372-USVI (8784).

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ) FOR TESTING AT YHG MARINA

Season 2022 Pricing			
At YH or RH clinics, 4pm Weekdays only		On yacht alongside at YHG	
Antigen	Rt-PCR	Antigen	Rt-PCR
150	200	200	250
Surcharges apply as follows:			
At anchor testing (during work week office hours).		\$350 per yacht surcharge	
Out of hours testing		\$350 per yacht surcharge	
Surcharge for combination of weekend /afterhours PLUS at anchor testing.		\$500 per yacht surcharge	

Q. I'm ready to book an appointment. How do I do this with you?

A. **First**, please send your vessel name, date of appointment (weekdays are best), and your crew list of those who require testing to YHG_MarinaStaff@IGYMarinas.com. Specify what type of test you require.

A. **Second**, please complete the clinic registration webform for each member of crew [here](#).

Q. Can the marina arrange Covid-19 testing on our behalf?

A. Yes. Simply give us 3-4 days' notice of your ideal test date, to YHG_MarinaStaff@IGYMarinas.com to book an appointment with our partner YHGFP clinic. *Next day bookings are not possible, so please plan ahead.*

Q. What days of the week is testing available?

A. Monday – Friday work hours. Weekends are possible by advance arrangement – **surcharges apply**.

Q. What types of tests can be booked with your partner clinic, and what are their costs?

A. Two types of tests are available: **1)** Abbott BinaxNOW Antigen test; **2)** rt-PCR test.

Q. What is the typical result turnaround time?

A. Please plan for a test result turnaround of the next business day; however, depending on the clinic's business levels, you may well receive results the same day for both types of tests.

Q. I need a test result to present to a third country's officials. What type of test should I take?

A. Please double check what type of test your destination will accept: if in doubt, specify rt-PCR.

Q. I just need a test that gives us peace of mind that my crew and/or guests are free from illness. Which test should we take?

A. Abbott BinaxNOW Antigen test.

Q. I need my results as quickly as possible - which type of test should I take?

A. Abbott BinaxNOW Antigen test.

Q. Does YHG offer onboard testing, where the nurse comes to our vessel to conduct the tests?

A. Yes, however, this concierge service has a surcharge, and is generally limited to yachts that have three or more crew aboard who require testing. Where one or two crew, they will be required to walk to the Yacht Haven Grande clinic located next to Moe's Fresh Market (two minutes' walk from the marina office).

Q. I have rotational crew flying in to join the vessel but want them tested with clear results before they board ship. Possible?

A. Yes. We can arrange an appointment to walk into the YHGFP clinic. Once the result comes back clear, they can leave their onshore accommodation and report to the vessel.

Q. What time can I expect testing to occur?

A. Walks-in to the YHGFP clinic are generally conducted at 430pm. On-board testing usually starts around 8am, but YHG will advise your appointment time when finalizing your booking.