Discover the Magic of Boating in Oman







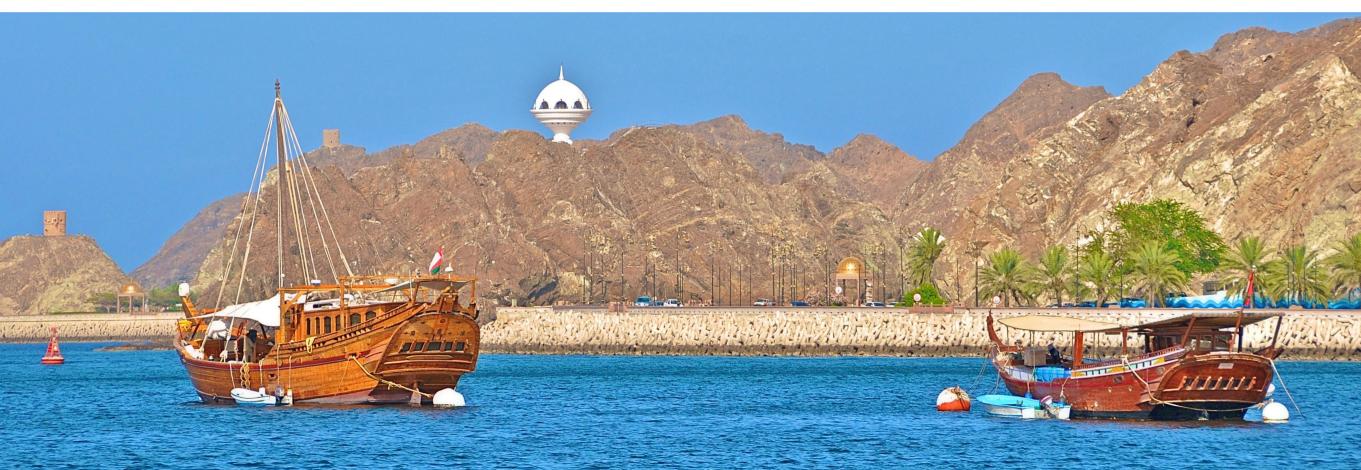
BEAUTY HAS AN ADDRESS

Famed for its culture and hospitality, Oman offers a diversity of experiences for visitors and residents alike. From its maritime heritage to its miles of golden beaches and to the green inland wadis, Oman is truly unique.









ABOUT AL MOUJ MARINA

At the heart of Al Mouj Muscat, Al Mouj Marina is amongst the most exclusive luxury yachting lifestyles in the region.

Set to year-round sunshine and stunning turquoise waters, Oman's flagship sailing destination accomodates yachts from 10 to 40 meters and offers state-of-the-art eco-friendly facilities in an understated opulent ambiance, complimented by Oman's traditional warm hospitality.

The marina is the first in the region to be awarded the coveted International Clean Marina and 5 Gold Anchor accreditation, making its world-class facilities highly sought-after by boaters.

The marina offers 132 berths and facilities including 6 meter wide pontoon walkways, on-water lounge, fuelling and maintenance facilities, emergency response, buggy service and a 24 hour dock master service.







ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS



Boat Cleaning

- Soaps and solvents are toxic to marine life; use sparingly
- Take care when using harmful products near the water
- Regularly scrub your decks with fresh water and a brush to reduce the need to use heavy cleaners
- Try to do large cleaning and maintenance jobs while the boat is out of the water
- Ask our team to dispose of your used zincs and anodes

Hull Maintenance

- Boat paints and other hull coatings contain harmful components including metals, solvents and dyes
- Use a hard (non ablative) anti-fouling paint if you plan on scrubbing the boat bottom while in the water but remember, this is not allowed in the Marina

Considering the environment

- Do not pump out grey and black water (sewage) directly into the marina - pump out stations are available
- Do not pump out contaminated bilge directly into marina
- Keep the disinfectant tank full
- Use biodegradable treatment chemicals
- Have your marine toilet inspected regularly to ensure that it is functioning properly
- Do not dispose of fats, solvents, oils, emulsifiers, disinfectants, paints, poisons, phosphates, nappies, or other similar products in your marine toilet
- Use shore-side showers and laundry facilities whenever they are available
- Check product labels and use low nitrogen and phosphorous detergents for onboard laundry, dish washing and general cleaning
- Use all soaps and cleaners sparingly



Garbage

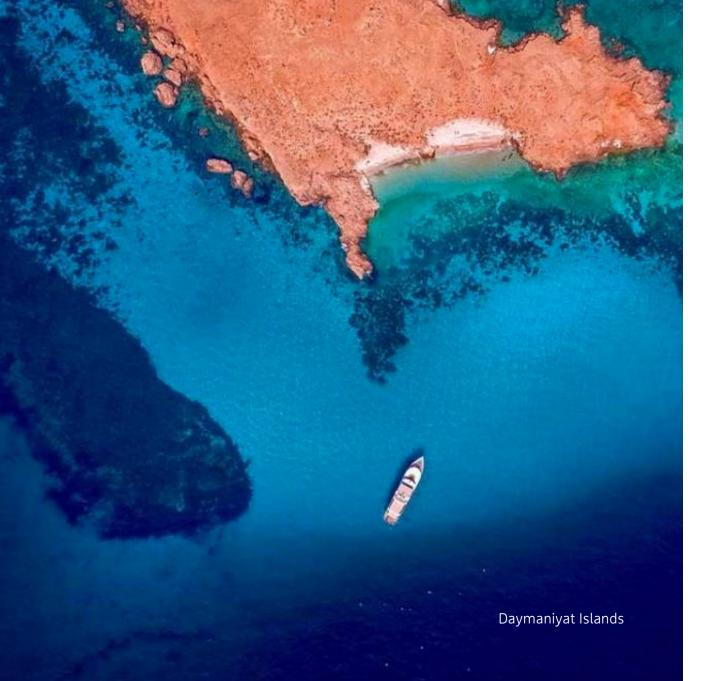
- Put a sturdy trash container on your boat
- Don't toss garbage, including cigarette butts overboard
- Reduce the amount of packaging and plastic you take onboard
- Never discard plastics into the water
- Establish a boat rule that no trash gets thrown overboard-even apple cores and cigarette butts
- Always store your garbage on-board and dispose of it when you return to the Marina (our staff will help you). Store it securely so it does not fly away while boating
- Use the appropriately marked garbage receptacles. If a garbage can is full, ask our staff for help
- Separate recyclable materials, like cans and bottles, from regular garbage
- If you are not sure how to dispose of a certain waste, ask our staff
- Never leave used oil unattended near a bin

- Be a good neighbor and pick up garbage that you come across, either floating in the water or on land. You may call our staff to help
- Leave the water and Marina cleaner than you found it

Fish Waste



- Fish waste should be discarded offshore
- Take particular care to properly dispose of fishing lines. Fishing lines in the water can entangle fish, wildlife, swimmers, and boat propellers
- Keep only those fish that you will eat today
- Practice catch and release techniques to ensure the survival of those fish you toss back
- Use circle hooks
- Wet hands or wear gloves before handling fish



BOATING DESTINATIONS IN OMAN

Oman has a rich maritime history, and recently, cruising, diving and water sports have become major tourist attractions. Oman is a boater's paradise, surrounded by beautiful, azure waters and home to a wealth of cruising, diving and watersports opportunities to explore. Located on the Tropic of Cancer and engulfed by the Sea of Oman, Arabian Gulf and the Arabian Sea, everyone from boating enthusiasts on a short visit, to locals in search of a leisurely and relaxing day trip can enjoy its islands, boating areas and range of water-based activities.

From Al Mouj Marina, boaters can set off into the local waters and discover a series of breath-taking islands and abundance of marine life and coral reefs in some of the region's most prominent boating, fishing and diving destinations.

A quick overview of some of the most famous boating destinations accessible from Al Mouj Marina include:

Daymaniyat Islands

Approximately 15 nautical miles away, lies the uninhabited Daymaniyat Islands, with a variety of sites to impress the most seasoned divers and snorkelers. The Daymaniyat Islands are one of Oman's premier dive spots. The islands have been protected as a nature reserve since 1996 and provide an important nesting site for hawksbill and green turtles, as well as a wide range of migratory birds including the increasingly rare sooty falcon (which can also be found in the Sawadi Islands), one of the few migratory raptors which actually nests and breeds in the region.

The Daymaniyat islands are a string of 9 uninhabited islands. This is Oman's only Marine Nature Reserve and special permits have to be acquired prior to a visit or a camping trip*. The islands are renowned for their extensive coral reefs, inhabited by plenty of colourful reef fish, turtles and rays.

* Al Mouj Marina can facilitate this process for you.

Al Fahal Island

Fahal Island, also known as Shark Island, is located 14 nautical miles offshore from Al Mouj Marina.

What makes this island unique is the fact that it is composed almost entirely of limestone, which was originally part of the sea floor, resulting in an abundance of shells, coral and algae. Deep reefs can be found at 40 meters below the surface. You will see quite a diverse sample of sea life ranging from schools of barracuda to giant eagle rays, and if you're lucky, even sharks lazing on the shallower sandbanks, making this spot famous of diving and fishing.

Bandar Khayran Reserve

This reserve is located 30 nautical miles away from Al Mouj Marina. As a visitor, you'll enjoy seeing the rocky mountains and the white-washed small houses that overlook the majestic sea. Coral reefs permeate the Bandar Al Khayran waters, considered home to many diverse organisms and fish. The place is abundant with divers, especially with the presence of more than 22 diving locations, each with its own charm and beauty. Divers can also see the magnificent wreck at the GPS Position, N 23° 31'054" E 058° 45'472".

Barr Al Hikman

Barr Al Hikman is located in the centre of Oman's east coast in Al Wasta Governorate (the central region), 500 kilometres south of Muscat. This island is considered one of the most important bird migration stations both in Oman and Southeast Asia. In addition to being a sanctuary for birds and fish of all kinds, the existence of coral reefs off its shores make it a favourite destination for divers and snorkelers.

Musandam

At the north eastern most tip of the Arabian peninsula (and separated from the rest of Oman by a wide swathe of UAE territory) the dramatic Musandam peninsula is perhaps the most scenically spectacular area in the entire Gulf for drivers and snorkelers. Often described as 'The Norway of Arabia', Musandam peninsula boasts a magical combination of mountain and maritime landscapes, making this an ideal spot for bird watching.

Musandam remains one of Oman's great wildernesses, with a largely untouched natural environment ranging from the pristine waters of the coast, where you can see frolicking dolphins, basking sharks and the occasional whale, through to the wild uplands of the jebel, dotted with fossils.



DAYMANIYAT ISLANDS PERMITS

Al Mouj Marina can assist you and your guests to get the relevant permits to visit the Daymaniyat Islands. Different permits are required whether you are visiting, diving or camping and are available for adults and children.

Please note, Al Mouj Marina charges a small service fee in addition to the permit fees. All proceeds from this service fee will be contributed to environmental activities by MEC

During the bird and turtle-nesting season from May to October, visiting the shore and camping is prohibited. However, you are still required to obtain a permit to visit the nature reserve area and for anchoring.

For information on permits, please visit Al Mouj Marina office.

When visiting the Daymaniyat Islands, ensury you follow the Nature Reserve's rules and conservation laws in order to preserve the Marine Park and environment:

- No camping from May to October, due to nesting birds and turtles
- Camping is only allowed on Jebel Al Kabee and Al Jon Islands from November to April
- Do not harm or disturb nesting turtles by touching or approaching them as they move of

the beach; do not touch, collect or move their eggs

- When camping, extinguish lights and fire after
 9pm
- It is prohibited to collect or harm coral or any other marine species
- All waste must be properly disposed, in order to keep the islands clean
 Thank you for helping Oman to preserve the beauty of the Daymaniyat Islands nature reserve.



BOATING TIPS

As a boater, you are well aware of the care your vessel requires. In order to keep your boat safe, reliable, and attractive, you must clean and maintain it. As you do so, minimize the environmental impact by following the recommendations listed here. Caution is necessary because your choice of products and activities can have a serious impact on water quality and aquatic life. As a Clean Marina accredited facility, Al Mouj Marina encourages boat owners to learn about and to use clean boating techniques.



Boat Operation

The way that you operate your boat or personal watercraft can have a direct effect on public safety and the environment. When not operated properly boats can inflict injuries on people, animals and on other property and cause pollution.

- Observe all rules and regulations including 'no wake' zones
- Avoid operating through shallow areas. You risk damage to your boat and sensitive habitats, such as sea grass and coral life
- If not familiar with the waters near the shore, proceed cautiously and refer to the most current local charts
- When your outboard motor needs replacing, consider an efficient 4 stroke. Higher efficiency engines save money on fuel and reduce the level of unused fuel released into the environment



Fuelling

Specific considerations should be given when fuelling your boat. Consider the following tips to make sure your boating activities are safe and protect the environment.

Monitor fuel hose and filler point when fuelling

- Know how much fuel your tanks hold and don't top off
- Always use an oil absorbent color or pad when fuelling to catch drips
- Prevent spills by not over filling/topping off the tank, and listening to filler pipe to anticipate when the tank is full
- To prevent spills from the tank vent of a built-in fuel tank, install a fuel/air separator or an air whistle in your tank line, or use a vent cup to capture overspill
- Avoid overfilling tanks; fuel expands as it warms up in the tank after being moved from cooler storage tanks
- Add a stabilizer to your fuel if you use your boat infrequently. This helps preserve fuel and ensures it burns efficiently
- If you see a leak or spill of any fuel, stop the spill at the source and contact the marina staff immediately
- Never pour oil or oily liquids into the water



Engine Maintenance

- Routine engine servicing requires the handling of toxic substances such as oil and solvents and must be done carefully. It is always best to contact your dealer for maintenance
- Make sure your engines are flushed with fresh water every time you use the boat.
- If you must use solvents, use VOC-free solvents
- Use the orange-pink coloured propylene radiator fluids/coolants, which is non-toxic, rather than the blue-green coloured ethylene glycol, which is toxic to marine life



LEAVING AND ENTERING THE MARINA

Please be aware that the southern entrance to the Marina is a blind spot. If you use the southern entrance of the breakwater, make sure you approach the Marina entrance cautiously with a wide angle. Blind spots arise due to limited visibility when navigating within close proximity to quay walls.

- Always be aware of wind direction, speed and general weather conditions when mooring
- Expect Marina staff to welcome you with mineral water and chilled towels
- If you need assistance with mooring, contact the Marina for assistance - 24h dockmaster phone +968 9639 2323

Mooring

Our dockmaster will assist with the following:

- Mooring
- Shore power connection
- Returning covers if required
- Flush and rinse engines with fresh water
- Off loading and transporting luggage/ supplies/equipment and guests

Transient Vessels

For transient vessels visiting Omani waters there are entry and exit formalities -

- Vessels should appoint a licensed agent for handling:
 - Safety inspection
 - Immigration procedures
 - Customs clearance
 - Sailing permits and approvals
- Please contact the Marina admin team in advance of your trip and we can connect you to a local licensed agent





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