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# ABACO LODGE

ABACO ISLAND, BAHAMAS





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*On the Marls*

**A**baco Lodge is back and better than ever! It's been three years since Hurricane Dorian devastated the lodge and the surrounding area, but after a long and challenging journey, Abaco has been fully rebuilt and is now open for anglers! The lodge features 7 beautifully designed rooms with en-suite bathrooms, as well as decks and porches with stunning views of the Marls. Our Maverick skiffs are ready to take you on exciting fishing expeditions, and our staff is eager to provide top-notch service and unforgettable experiences.

As the only fly-fishing operation with direct access to the vast Marls of Abaco, one of the most sought-after bonefishing destinations in the world, Abaco Lodge offers unparalleled fishing opportunities. This expansive, unpressured flats system boasts unrivaled numbers of bonefish, making it a haven for anglers seeking a thrilling and challenging fishing experience.



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## WHY CHOOSE ABACO LODGE?

- Headache-free travel to/from the Lodge: Daily direct commercial flights from the US into Marsh Harbor.
- Easy access to the fish: the only lodge located on the famed Marls.
- Short, smooth skiff runs to the flats means more time fishing.
- Unpressured fishery with bones galore!
- Tailing Bonefish, and lots of them!
- Shots at juvenile Tarpon and large Permit.
- The most knowledgeable fly-fishing guides in the Bahamas.
- New Maverick Skiffs: beautiful, quiet, comfortable and fast.
- Island culture and activities make Abaco a great place for the nonangling spouse or children
- Superb fishing gear, from our custom Skiffs to industry-leading fishing equipment, available at no extra cost.
- À delicious la carte menu with exceptional fresh, local dishes.





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## FACILITIES AND SERVICES

The bright, charming lodge welcomes guests with spectacular waterfront views. The lodge consists of 7 double rooms with a capacity of 12 anglers. All of the rooms offer air conditioning and private bathroom. Wireless Internet will keep you connected back home. Phone service is available and there is great cell coverage throughout the island. There is also a large flat screen TV for catching all the games.

The lodge's main bar is stocked with spirits, cold beer, soft drinks, plenty of ice, and mixers for cocktails. We also have an on-site fly shop where you can purchase everything from flies, leaders and tippet, and lodge logo-wear. Fly-tying equipment is also available.





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- Capacity: 12 anglers
- Accommodations: 7 Doubles with 2 queen-size beds. All have air conditioning and private bathrooms.
- Pool Area: Kick back with a drink in your hand to enjoy the view.
- Main Lodge: Dining room, sitting room, bar and fully equipped fly-tying table.
- Telephone and Wifi Available



*Roasted Crawfish.*

- Meals: Beautifully prepared Bahamian specialties concentrating on magnificent fresh seafood.
- Full Daily Maid Service and Laundry Service available.
- Fly Shop: is fully equipped with flies, rods, reels, lines, selected items of flats wear and local crafts.
- Non-Fishing Activities include snorkeling, kayaking, diving and golf.
- Lunches: Picnic lunches and cold drinks are taken to the flats in a YETI cooler.



*Relax by the pool with a cold beer, or gather around the fire pit at sunset to share your day's fishing stories and become a part of the island's lore.*





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## LOCATION

Located approximately 180 miles off the coast of Florida, the Abacos cup the eastern edge of Grand Bahama Island at the northernmost tip of the Bahamas archipelago.

Abaco Lodge is the sole bonefishing resort in the Marls, on the island's western edge. The Marls is enveloped by a recently designated National Park. Inside its perimeters, with an average depth of about four feet and little tidal influence, lives one of the top-rated bonefisheries in the Bahamas.

Your guides at Abaco Lodge know every inch of it. From blue holes that attract juvenile tarpon (and not-so-juvenile barracuda) to productive bonefish flats and hundreds of cays extending from Cross Harbour in the south to stretches well north of the lodge, you'll explore new and unpressured water daily.



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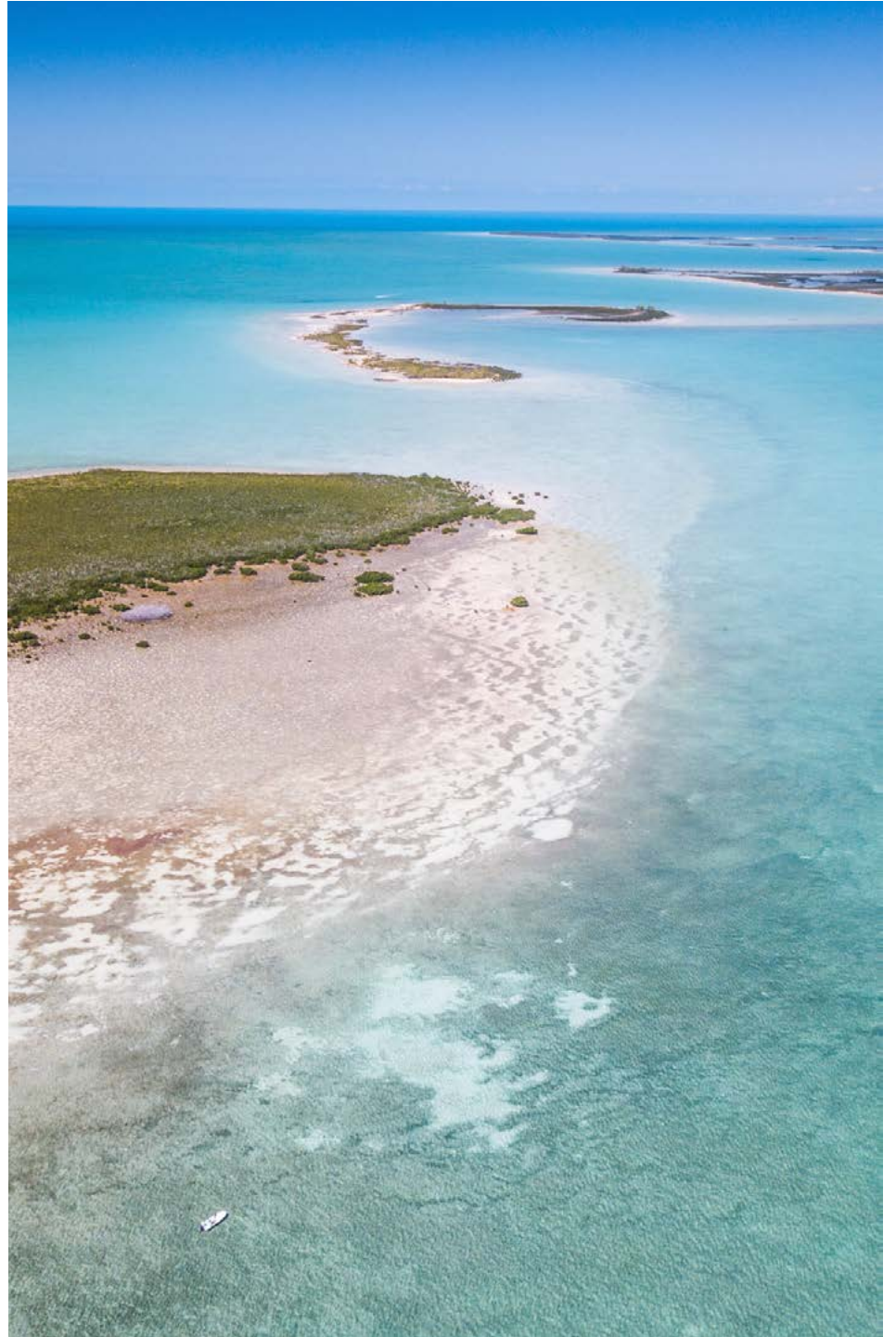
## GETTING THERE

Getting to Great Abaco Island and Marsh Harbour International Airport is simple. There are many direct flights from the U.S. and it is also possible to fly via Nassau. Our Lodge is located on the Marls side of Abaco Island, just a 10-minute drive from the airport.

**TRAVEL FROM THE U.S.** - Numerous direct flights a day to Marsh Harbour. Major carriers that fly directly into Abaco include: Delta, American and Silver Air (a United subsidiary).

**TRAVEL FROM NASSAU** - Bahamas Air, Sky Bahamas and Western Air have multiple flights a day.







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# THE FISHING

Abaco's sheltered Marls region is big. So big that it could swallow 13 Mannhattans within its 300 square mile footprint. Instead of sputtering cabs and people crammed into skyscrapers, however, this wilderness flats area is peppered with unpopulated pine forest islands, mangrove cays, and a prodigious bonefish population.

From Abaco Lodge's central location, we fish the Marls from as far south as Cross Harbour to its northern extremities off the west side of Treasure Cay. A twenty-minute skiff run due west puts anglers within striking range of the Marl's ocean-side edge.

And from all points in between, Marls bonefish average 2 to 4 pounds. Larger fish in the 5 to 8 pound class, although fewer and harder to seduce, are also found in good numbers. Permit and juvenile tarpon shots are frequent enough that you should be prepared with gear for targeting both species, and barracuda, jack crevalle, plus various shark species also call the Marls home. But bonefish generally rule this kingdom thanks to an ideal mix of sheltered habitat and prime forage sources through the seasons.





In addition to wonderful flats, Abaco has incredible blue water fishing. We are happy to coordinate a day, or two, with the best captains available. Target species include: marlin, sailfish, dorado, wahoo, and tuna—depending on the season. Arrangements can be made at the lodge, but the best captains book early and we recommend you do as well. There will be an additional charge for this type of fishing.

Fishing in the Marls is done from our meticulously maintained Maverick flats skiffs. At Abaco we have 5 Maverick HPX 17's with 70 Yamaha 4 strokes, and 1 Maverick HPXV 18's with 115 Yamaha 4 strokes available, all moored next to the lodge, so there's no trailering needed. Wading opportunities also exist. From the lodge dock, runs to the flats vary from 10 to 45 minutes. All skiffs are fishing (and comfort) friendly, with padded seats, backrests, line mats and lean bars on the bow. They're also equipped with first aid kits and an emergency satellite phone.





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## DAILY ITINERARY

The typical trip does not fish on arrival or departure, but if time allows and guides are available, half-day trips can be arranged prior to getting here.

Typically you'll be shuttled from the airport to the lodge where you can check into your room, prepare gear, and spend an afternoon relaxing on the lodge grounds. Here is a sample schedule of the daily program:

- 7:00 am Breakfast
- 8:00 am Depart dock
- 4:00 pm Return to lodge
- 4:00 pm Onwards Cocktail hour
- 5:30 pm Appetizers
- 6:30 pm Dinner





*As the day comes to a close, guests gather to savor the beauty of Abaco's sunsets. With the palm trees swaying in the gentle breeze and the warm colors of the sky reflecting on the tranquil waters, it's a moment of pure bliss.*





## RATES 2023-24

	Oct - Dec 2023	Jan - July 1st, 2024
<b>7 Nights / 6 Days Fishing</b>	\$ 7,550 + Govt. TAX	\$ 7,950 + Govt. TAX
<b>6 Nights / 5 Days Fishing</b>	\$ 6,950 + Govt. TAX	\$ 7,350 + Govt. TAX
<b>5 Nights / 4 Days Fishing</b>	\$ 6,450 + Govt. TAX	\$ 6,750 + Govt. TAX
<b>4 Nights / 3 Days Fishing</b>	\$ 5,350 + Govt. TAX	\$ 5,650 + Govt. TAX
<b>3 Nights / 2 Days Fishing</b>	\$ 4,050 + Govt. TAX	\$ 4,275 + Govt. TAX

\* Rates are in USD per person, based on shared occupancy and boat. **Government tax is 10%.**

### ■ INCLUDED

Lodging; All meals and beverages (Open Bar); Fishing License; Transportation between Abaco Lodge and Marsh Harbour Airport; Guided Fishing; Loaner fishing Equipment (rods, reels and lines).

### ■ NOT INCLUDED

Airfares; Transfer from Treasure Cay to the Lodge; Government Taxes; Gratuities for staff; Flies; Laundry service; Any items of a strictly personal nature; personal and baggage insurance; Cost of itinerary modifications requested by the passenger.

- **SINGLE ROOM AND BOAT:** 75% surcharge.
- **NON ANGLERS:** \$650 a night + government taxes.
- **FULL DAY FISHING (ON ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE):** \$950 per boat (1 or 2 anglers) + government taxes.
- **HALF DAY FISHING (ON ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE):** \$ 800 p/boat + government taxes.

### PAYMENT TERMS

Reservations are confirmed with a 50% deposit. All deposits & payments are 100% non-refundable under any circumstances. Final payment is due 120 days prior to departure. At this point, participants are responsible for total land costs and no refunds will be made for unused land transportation, accommodations, or meals.





## INTERESTED IN VARIETY?

Nervous Waters Fly Fishing, David Denies Bird Hunting, and Red Stag Patagonia are all proud members of **The Kautapen Group** - a single team of dedicated professionals focused on maintaining the highest standard of service and elevating your sporting experiences.



If fly fishing is your passion—consider the **Nervous Waters** family of lodges. Nervous Waters is the leader in international Fly Fishing destinations, with nine special lodges spread out across **Argentina, Chile, and the Bahamas**. We offer a plethora of coveted gamefish including bones and tarpon, sea-run and resident brown trout, rainbow trout, and golden dorado, pacu, and pira pita.



**David Denies Bird Hunting** comprises 12 world class bird hunting lodges across **Argentina & Uruguay**. From dove shooting in the hills surrounding Córdoba, to the wetlands of Buenos Aires province, to the rolling pastures of Uruguay, we bring you to the ultimate wingshooting paradise, with an impeccable style and attention to detail, and dependability outfitting that is simply not found elsewhere.



**Red Stag Patagonia**, outfits some of the best Red Stag hunts in both **Argentina and Chile** as well as best free-range Black Buck and Axis Deer hunting in South America. Our four operations are located in Chile, Northern Patagonia, Mendoza and Buenos Aires. All of Red Stag's hunts are fair chase, open country hunts in magnificent terrain, and their success rate speaks for itself.

# SEASONS BY SPECIES

## ARGENTINA, CHILE & URUGUAY

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
SEA-RUN BROWN TROUT	• •	• •	• •									•
DORADO	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •
PACÚ	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •				•	• •	•	•
PIRÁ PITÁ	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •				•	• •	•	•
BROWN TROUT	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •						• •	• •
RAINBOW TROUT	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •						• •	• •

DOVES	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •
PERDÍZ					• •	• •	• •	• •	•			
DUCKS					• •	• •	• •					
PIGEON				•	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	•		

WILD BLACK BUCK					• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	•
AXIS DEER					• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	•
RED STAG			• •	• •	• •	•						
FALLOW DEER			• •	• •	• •	•						
WILD BOAR					• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	•

## BAHAMAS

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
BONEFISH	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	• •	•			• •	• •	• •



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