



Private yachts are now permitted to enter Karpaz Gate Marina and other TRNC ports in an emergency or for urgent supplies

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## Karpaz Gate Marina Announces Assistance for Private Yachts Cruising Near North Cyprus

Karpaz Gate Marina in North Cyprus has announced that the lifting of some COVID-19 restrictions now allows it to offer some assistance for private yachts cruising in the region, but under strict conditions.

Although the TRNC (Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus) Ministry of Health has extended the ban of arrival of private boats until 1 November 2020, vessels requesting emergency asylum, and fuel, water and food, are now

permitted to enter Karpaz Gate Marina and other TRNC ports. However, all those on-board the boat are not allowed to leave the boat and not allowed to check into the country (as transit) by informing the relevant Port Authorities, Customs, Immigration and Health units.

The partial opening of Karpaz Gate Marina for the arrival of private boats ensures it can once again provide a haven for yachts in transit with urgent requirements. In addition to the premium technical and berthing services, an on-site fuel station is available for both Eurodiesel and Gasoline at significantly lower cost compared to other countries in the region.

Currently, both foreigners and TRNC citizens are permitted to enter the TRNC through Ercan Airport following the end of flight restrictions. Passengers need to abide by the latest requirements for their country, depending on its designation in Category A (safest), B or C (highest risk). The latest quarantine conditions and information about the categories of countries is available from the TRNC Ministry of Health and is constantly reviewed by local authorities according to the latest health ministry and World Health Organisation (WHO) information.

Karpaz Gate Marina's berthing services, restaurant and Beach Club facilities, as well as its extensive technical department and dry dock, are fully operational. The award-winning 5 Gold Anchor marina on the island's Karpaz peninsula has implemented a number of precautionary measures to ensure the safety of all visitors, clients and staff including high standards of disinfection and hygiene, as well as special signage to promote cleanliness and social distancing.

The TRNC has so far seen very few cases of COVID-19, with the government claiming a successful fight against the pandemic due to a phased and vigilant lockdown and timely decisions and measures to stem the spread of the virus.

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## **About Karpaz Gate Marina**

**Our Vision:** Karpaz Gate Marina's vision is to introduce the less travelled areas of the Eastern Mediterranean to the yachting sector, to lead the development of this region to create a widely recognised and attractive yachting tourism destination, and to establish the marina as the leading homeport in the Eastern Mediterranean.

- **Location:** the northern shore of the Karpaz Peninsula in North Cyprus, 20nm west of Cape Andreas and 48nm east of Girne (N35 33.5' E34 13.6')
- Awards: Karpaz Gate Marina was named The Yacht Harbour Association's (TYHA) International Marina of the Year Runner-up in 2018 and 2019, and the 2017 International Marina of the Year Winner; TYHA's rating of 5 Gold Anchors was received in July

- **Berths:** 300 accommodating up to 60m vessels, including 15 berths for superyachts
- **Berth services:** power and fresh water available for every berth; TV connection; high speed Wi-Fi to all areas of the marina
- Security: 24/7 CCTV and security personnel throughout the marina as well as access control and access cards for each marina area
- Boat Yard: 18,000 square metres of dry storage area, with modern and fully-equipped workshops and a 300-ton travel lift accommodating yachts with a beam up to 10m. Services include: yacht painting, carpentry, hull repairs, anti-fouling (including Coppercoat application), polishing and varnishing, teak work, engine and reduction gear servicing, rudder system servicing, navigation equipment servicing, electrical works
- Fuel: Euro diesel and gasoline available
- **Duty Free status:** includes duty-free prices on fuel, technical services and supplies, as well as berthing fees
- Leisure facilities: include Hemingway's Resto-Bar; Beach Club, with 33m Infinity pool, watersports centre, private beach, children's pool and play area, restaurant and bar; Cinema / Art Gallery; Mephisto Diving Centre; fitness centre/gym
- **RYA Training Centre recognition:** Ocean Yachting Karpaz Gate Marina opened in 2020
- Accommodation: an on-site luxury Hotel, Hamam and Spa will open in 2020
- Cruising locations: there are miles of sandy beaches, coves and bays along the north east coast of Northern Cyprus, with

Famagusta (67nm) and Girne (48nm) a short sail away. The nearby southern Turkish coastline includes the harbours of Alanya, Antalya, Marmaris and Bodrum. In just under 300 nautical miles it is possible to reach Rhodes, gateway to the Greek Islands

- On-site activities: include private Gallery Club, music and movie nights, BBQs
- Shore services: on-site mini-market, chandlery, laundry room, international currency ATM
- Marina office services: include online weather updates; concierge and VIP service; airport collection service to/from nearest airports of Larnaca and Ercan
- Freshwater: produced on site
- Pollution controls: waste water collection and treatment plant; solid waste collection stations; bilge water collection service; waste engine oil collection stations; independent desalination plant on site
- Port of Entry: marina office provides full assistance with clearance procedures
- Group membership: ICOMIA Marinas Group (IMG); 'Destinations', a network of exclusive marinas established by ART Marine Marinas
- Contact: Marina Office on VHF Channel 10 'Karpaz Gate Marina'.
   The marina also listens on Channel 16
- 2020 offers\*: include a free haul out, hull wash and anti-fouling application with 21 days hard standing for annual berth holders; VIP care package; 'Freezing Option' to suspend annual contract; Flexible package to berth in water or dry dock; Stay 1 week, pay for 5 days; Fuel costs incentives

  \*Terms and Conditions apply