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## Marinas

### French Polynesia meeting marina needs of Superyachts

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**The first superyacht facility to be built in French Polynesia in 1994 is Marina Taina, and after expansion developments in 2004, is the main Pacific Hub today. Located five miles west of Papeete harbour and close to Faa'a International Airport, the marina is ideally located for superyacht visitors to the area.**



Etienne Boutin of Asia Pacific Superyachts says, *“Marina Taina more than meets aesthetic expectations in offering a safe, quiet and pollution-free environment in a beautiful lagoon. The marina is close to Papeete city amenities and within walking distance of excellent dining and the Carrefour Shopping Mall, home to the largest supermarket in Tahiti.”*

Two cement docks at the marina are reserved for luxury yachts and capable of handling up to 27 units at the same time (stern-to mooring with anchor and lines on bottom moorings - depth 3 to 15 metres). Services include electricity (220 V/ 380 V - Three phases - 60 Hz. - 60 to 250 Amps), fresh water, marine gas station with fuel delivery on board by pipe, two restaurants, two dive clubs and various repair shops.

Marina Taina can accommodate approximately 550 boats in total, and is recognised for receiving the respected eco-label 'Blue Flag' in 2012, created by the French Office of the Foundation for Environmental Education in Europe in 1985.

Papeete Port is the second choice for most yachts arriving in French Polynesia, and the only suitable dock in Tahiti for yachts over 65 meters. The port is a convenient stop for shopping and repairing as well as enjoying Papeete activities after long sea passages.

In addition, another marina is currently under construction in the Papeete downtown and due for completion at the end of April this year. It will mostly cater for yachts in the 30' to 75' rang, with 3 berths for 35 metre yachts