

Quote of the Month....

"The cure for anything is saltwater – sweat, tears, or the sea"- Isak Dinesen

Asia Superyacht Rendezvous Reigns!



The Rendezvous kicks off December 16th in Phuket, Thailand with a stunning array of sail & motor Superyachts. Soon sun, sailing and socializing will reign as sponsors Feadship and Boat International Media join the Rendezvous in welcoming owners, captains, crew and invited guests from around the globe to the host venue, Kata Rocks in Phuket's spectacular Kata Bay. It will be full steam ahead from the opening 'Boat Hop' with cocktails, where guests can get to know the different boats on an individual basis.

And what a line-up it is...ten jaw-dropping Superyachts will be anchored in Kata Bay including motor yachts M/Y Maid Marian 2, M/Y Moonsand, M/Y Maverick and the 50m M/Y Sapphire. These stunning motor yachts are really a sight to behold; beautiful engineering mixed with elegant interiors make these vast yachts truly exquisite. Six breathtaking sailing yachts join them: the magnificent S/Y Argo and the beautiful S/Y Capricorn will join for the first time, as well as the dazzling S/Y Intrigue along with the stunning S/Y Schooner Sunshine - and the hosts are honoured to have the luxurious S/Y Yankeke Too, as well as the very powerful S/Y Shamoun, returning to the prestigious event.

Activities over the 3 days include two days of friendly but competitive sailing races, 'Feadship Challenge' model boat-building & cocktail party, pirate treasure hunt and ending gala dinner. All participating yachts have also been offered a week's free berthing at Yas Marina in Abu Dhabi. Just another one of the many reasons many stunning Superyachts continually choose to participate at the Asia Superyacht Rendezvous

Swan 86 S/Y Aspiration Superyacht available for charter in Phuket



Charter S/Y Aspiration explore Andaman Sea's white sandy beaches

SuperyachtNews.com 18 Oct. 2013...By Ellie Brade (excerpted) --The Australian government has awarded Superyacht Australia a grant from their Asian Century Business Engagement Grant plan. Asia has long been a key focus for Australia, holding as it does a huge potential client base and growing numbers of UHNWIs. Knowing this, the Australian government has firm strategies in place to ensure that all industry sectors - marine included - are well placed to benefit from the current and expected growth in this region. The four-year grant program has been established by the government to assist member-based business organisations in harnessing commercial opportunities in Asia for small to medium sized Australian businesses.

The grant will be put to good use on several initiatives including an upcoming exploratory mission to Asia, to research the opportunities for joint ventures, the sharing of facilities and to promote what Australia has to offer. A select team will visit four regions in Asia where they believe there is significant opportunity, with key markets of focus being Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia and Singapore



APS team leaders of agent network in Asia

Asia Pacific Region Marinas & Anchorages (monthly feature)

Amazing Marinas - New Zealand



Photo courtesy Silo Superyacht Marina in New Zealand

"Excellent marinas for Superyacht berthing in New Zealand come hand in hand with a wealth of information of itineraries and stunning anchorages", states the personable director, Jeanette Tobin, of Asia Pacific Superyachts New Zealand. Jeanette is happy to share information of specific places where Superyachts go and the berths she puts their boats onto in Auckland when visiting New Zealand.

Reporting on NZ marina status, Tobin states: "Two marinas for Superyachts, Viaduct Harbour Marina and Silo Superyacht Marina, are located in downtown Auckland and have full power and water." She explains vessels can clear customs and biosecurity in/out from both marinas and there's easy access to all local contractors, chandleries, supermarkets and Auckland's leading bars and restaurants. Viaduct Harbour Marina in downtown Auckland was built for the 2000 Americas Cup and provides: 1 x 60m side-to-berth; 4 x 50m berths; 4 x 40m berths; 8 x 30m berths; and full power & water facilities + Wi-Fi". 500m west of the Viaduct Marina in the newly developed Beaumont Quarter is the Silo Superyacht Marina, a new facility built to cope with growing demand from larger vessels and an area with new bars and restaurants.

Viaduct and Silo Marinas are near Auckland's central business district where visitors can enjoy the entertainment which includes outdoor movie theatres, wine and food festivals, seafood festivals, music concerts plus much more... offering crew a real taste of New Zealand. With the development on the southern end of the marina and a new extension about to be added to the existing docks on the northern end, two new 65m (213ft) berths will be created and Silo Marina will move from 535 linear metres to 874 linear metres of available space, doubling capacity and creating 10 berths in total to make boat movements easier. Jeanette notes a third option nearby is the Nelson Marina: "Port Nelson at the top of the South Island has a Superyacht berth for larger vessels. The Port has a 40m pontoon for visiting Superyachts and is in excellent, safe facilities, offering the attractions of the Nelson region. The marina's central location is in a sheltered

The Superyacht Explorer Book

"The first of its kind, The Superyacht Explorer Book is finished and in the process of being published", reports Jeanette Tobin and Elle Brade. The high quality 'coffee table' style book is filled with stunning photographs of the people, food, culture, sea and adventure attractions of the Pacific and Asia regions awaiting visiting Superyachts. For information email jeanette@asia-pacific-superyachts.com

Stand up for Elephants

"Some of the Crew a la Mode team recently attended the London DSWT march for elephants and on hearing the shocking statistics that 1 Elephant is killed every 15 minutes and at this current rate of poaching African Elephants could face extinction in the wild by 2025 we decided we would stand up for our trunked friends by removing all chairs in our studio for the day.

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