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## MARINA OF THE MONTH

Albany Marina, The Bahamas  
Unwind at a sublime marine spa



Albany offers 71 berths and facilities for large yachts - plus plenty of luxury

Set on the south western tip of New Providence island in The Bahamas, Albany is a bumper marina development. The 250 hectare resort community boasts new waterfront residences, a boutique hotel, fine dining, multiple pools – even a waterpark – and best of all, a stunning spa that alone is worth a wander ashore.

Amid the sprawling compound, The Spa at Albany is an oasis of tranquility. Yacht owners can step off their boats and disappear into the seclusion of one of five private spa villas. With soaking tubs and patios to take a meal alfresco or catch the sun post-massage, the villas inspire guests to linger longer than a single treatment.

Try one of the signature offerings on the spa menu; the 60-minute “sleep to dream” treatment, for example, delivers head-to-toe relaxation with hot stones and lavender oil to help you slumber. An “ocean detox” bathing ritual purifies, while the “ultimate bathing ritual” involved taking a dip with Bahamian flowers. And don’t miss the main spa area outfitted by Bradford Products – famous for superyacht spas – with genie-in-the-bottle-inspired steam room and waterfall spa pool.

Yachting can balance all this relaxation with a good dose of activity, of which Albany has plenty. Two top golfers are counted among Albany’s owners – Ernie Els and Tiger Woods – and it has an Els-designed, 18-hole, championship golf course. There is also an equestrian facility, a racquet

centre and water sports toys ready for play on Albany’s swathe of private beach.

New to Albany is its second phase of the Marina Residences, opening January, which range from two- to seven-bedroom townhouses with infinity pools and sweeping views of the ocean. The residences overlook the state-of-the-art 71-slip marina, which welcomes yachts up to 91 metres. Albany has also announced plans to develop its own wellness, medical and financial centres.

Handily located near the international airport in Nassau, it’s a 10-minute trip from tarmac to dock. Albany is also an excellent jumping-off point for exploring The Bahamas with some of the world’s best fishing, diving and island-hopping only miles away.

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