



BAHAMAS MARINE FORECAST

MARINE FORECASTS FOR THE BAHAMAS ISSUED BY THE BAHAMAS DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY AT 12:00 P.M. EST THURSDAY, 12TH MARCH, 2026, FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECASTS WILL BE ISSUED AT 6:00 P.M. EST.

WARNINGS: A *moderate risk* of rip currents remains in effect for all east and southeast facing beaches across the Central & Southeast Bahamas.
A *slight risk* of rip currents exists for other beaches throughout the remainder of the island chain.

GENERAL SITUATION: Weak surface ridging continues to dominate the weather across the archipelago, keeping conditions mostly stable. As the ridge shifts out of the area, a weak frontal boundary is expected to approach the Northern Bahamas and increase shower activity over the area. The boundary is expected to stall before entering the island chain and dissipate by the weekend. Winds are expected to gradually increase by Sunday, generating rough sea and surf conditions.

NORTHERN BAHAMAS

(INCLUDING GRAND BAHAMA, ABACO, BIMINI & ADJACENT WATERS):

ADVISORY: There is a *small craft caution* in effect for Atlantic waters.
WINDS: South to southwest at 10 to 15 knots.
LOCAL SEAS: 3 feet or less in nearshore and open waters, 3 to 5 feet in Atlantic waters.
GULF STREAM: 2 to 4 feet.
SWELLS: Light easterly swells in Atlantic waters.
WEATHER: Slight chance of an isolated shower today, increasing to chance of scattered showers tonight.

NORTHWEST BAHAMAS

(INCLUDING NEW PROVIDENCE, ANDROS, THE BERRY ISLANDS, ELEUTHERA & ADJACENT WATERS):

ADVISORY: There is a *small craft caution* in effect for Atlantic waters.
WINDS: Southeast to south at 10 knots or less.
LOCAL SEAS: 3 feet or less in nearshore and open waters, 3 to 5 feet in Atlantic waters.
SWELLS: Light easterly swells in Atlantic waters.
WEATHER: Slight chance of an isolated shower.

CENTRAL BAHAMAS

(INCLUDING EXUMA, CAT ISLAND, LONG ISLAND, SAN SALVADOR, RUM CAY & ADJACENT WATERS):

ADVISORY: There is a *small craft caution* in effect for Atlantic waters.
WINDS: East to southeast at 10 knots or less.
LOCAL SEAS: 3 feet or less in nearshore and open waters, 3 to 5 feet in Atlantic waters.
SWELLS: Light easterly swells in Atlantic waters.
WEATHER: Slight chance of an isolated shower.

SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS

(INCLUDING INAGUA, ACKLINS, CROOKED ISLAND, MAYAGUANA, RAGGED ISLAND & ADJACENT WATERS):

ADVISORY: There is a *small craft caution* in effect for Atlantic waters.
WINDS: Easterly at 10 to 15 knots.
LOCAL SEAS: 3 feet or less in nearshore waters, 2 to 4 feet in open waters, 4 to 6 feet in Atlantic waters.
SWELLS: Light to moderate easterly swells in Atlantic waters.
WEATHER: Slight chance of an isolated shower.



MOONSET:	MOONRISE:
1:19PM	3:43AM FRI
MOON PHASE LAST QUARTER	
NEW MOON – 18 TH MARCH 2026	

ISLAND TIDES:	NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):	NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):	CENTRAL (EXUMA):	SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):
HIGH TIDE:	3:46 PM	3:22 PM	3:24 PM	3:38 PM
LOW TIDE:	9:59 PM	9:29 PM	9:22 PM	9:51 PM

(For specific times for other islands, please see Tide Table Publication.)

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR FRIDAY, 13TH MARCH, 2026:

ADVISORY: There is a *small craft caution* in effect for Atlantic waters of the Northern Bahamas.
Northern Bahamas: Southwest to west at 10 knots or less.
Northwest and Central Bahamas: Southeast to south at 10 knots or less, falling light and variable at times.
WINDS: **Southeast Bahamas:** East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots.

SEAS: **Northern Bahamas:** 3 feet or less in nearshore and open waters, 4 to 6 feet in Atlantic waters.
Elsewhere: 3 feet or less in nearshore and open waters, 3 to 5 feet in Atlantic waters.

PRECIPITATION: **Northern Bahamas:** Chance of scattered showers with a possible isolated thunderstorm.
Elsewhere: Slight chance of isolated showers.

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR SATURDAY, 14TH MARCH, 2026:

ADVISORY: There is a *small craft caution* in effect for all Atlantic waters.
Northern Bahamas: Light and variable.
WINDS: **Northwest and Central Bahamas:** East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots.
Southeast Bahamas: Easterly at 15 to 20 knots

SEAS: **Southeast Bahamas:** 3 feet or less in nearshore waters, 2 to 4 feet in open waters, 4 to 6 feet in Atlantic waters.
Elsewhere: 3 feet or less in nearshore and open waters, 4 to 6 feet in Atlantic waters.

PRECIPITATION: **Northern and Northwest Bahamas:** Chance of scattered showers with a possible isolated thunderstorm.
Central and Southeast Bahamas: Chance of isolated showers.

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