



### BAHAMAS MARINE FORECAST

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

#### WARNINGS:

A **Near Gale Warning (28-33 knots)** remains in effect for the **Northern, Northwest & Central Bahamas**, and is now in effect for the **Southeast Bahamas**. Winds with occasional gusts to near-gale force are likely across these areas. **Boaters, particularly small craft operators, should seek safe harbour and remain in port.**

**Rip Currents and Rough Surf:** A **high risk** of dangerous, life-threatening rip currents and rough surf persists along all Atlantic-exposed beaches and passages of the island chain. **Beachgoers and swimmers are strongly advised to remain out of the water.**

A strong surface ridge north of the area continues to maintain a tight pressure gradient, resulting in fresh to locally strong winds and rough to very rough seas, driven by large northeast swells across all area waters.

#### GENERAL SITUATION:

**OUTLOOK:** High pressure ridging will maintain fresh to strong easterly breezes and hazardous boating and beaching conditions particularly along Atlantic-exposed waters and open passages through early next week. Meanwhile, residual moisture combined with low-level troughing will support periods of enhanced shower activity across the southern islands over the next few days, while generally drier and more stable conditions prevail across the remainder of the country.

#### NORTHERN BAHAMAS

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

- ADVISORY:** A **Near Gale Warning (28-33 knots)** is in effect. **Boaters, especially small craft, are urged to remain in port.**
- WINDS:** Northeasterly at 15 to 25 knots, increasing to 20 to 25 knots with gusts to near gale force likely.
- LOCAL SEAS:** 2 to 4 feet nearshore waters, 4 to 6 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 7 to 10 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters.
- GULF STREAM:** Seas 5 to 7 feet, occasionally to 9 feet.
- SWELLS:** Moderate to large northeast to easterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters.
- WEATHER:** 10% chance of showers.

#### NORTHWEST BAHAMAS

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

- ADVISORY:** A **Near Gale Warning (28-33 knots)** is in effect. **Boaters, especially small craft, are urged to remain in port.**
- WINDS:** Northeasterly at 20 to 25 knots with gusts to near gale force likely.
- LOCAL SEAS:** 2 to 4 feet nearshore waters, 4 to 6 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 7 to 10 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters.
- SWELLS:** Moderate to large northeast to easterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters.
- WEATHER:** 10% chance of showers.

#### CENTRAL BAHAMAS

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



BAHMET 23/7B

**ADVISORY:** A *Near Gale Warning (28-33 knots)* is in effect. *Boaters, especially small craft, are urged to remain in port.*

**WINDS:** Northeasterly at 15 to 25 knots with gusts to near gale force likely, increasing to 20 to 25 knots by late evening.

**LOCAL SEAS:** 2 to 4 feet nearshore waters, 4 to 6 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 7 to 10 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters.

**SWELLS:** Moderate to large northeasterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters.

**WEATHER:** 10-20% chance of showers.

### SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS

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

**ADVISORY:** A *Near Gale Warning (28-33 knots)* is in effect. *Boaters, especially small craft, are urged to remain in port.*

**WINDS:** Northeasterly at 15 to 25 knots with gusts to near gale force likely, increasing to 20 to 25 knots by late evening.

**LOCAL SEAS:** 2 to 4 feet nearshore waters, 4 to 6 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 7 to 10 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters.

**SWELLS:** Moderate to large northeasterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters.

**WEATHER:** 20-30% chance of showers or an isolated thunderstorm.

MOONSET:	MOONRISE:
2:56 PM	4:15 AM MON.
Moon Phase <b>THIRD QUARTER</b>	
New Moon, on Friday, April 17, 2026, at 7:51 AM	

ISLAND TIDES:	NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):	NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):	CENTRAL (EXUMA):	SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):
HIGH TIDE:	5:07 PM	4:43 PM	4:45 PM	4:59 PM
LOW TIDE:	11:22 PM	10:52 PM	10:45 PM	11:14 PM

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

**EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR MONDAY, APRIL 13TH, 2026:**

<b>ADVISORY:</b>	A <b>Near Gale Warning (28 to 33 knots)</b> is in effect for the entire island chain. <i>Mariners, especially small craft operators across all area waters, are urged to remain in port.</i>
<b>WINDS:</b>	<b>All Areas:</b> Northeast to east at 20 to 25 knots with gusts to near gale force likely. <b>All Areas:</b> 2 to 4 feet nearshore waters, 4 to 6 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 7 to 10 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters.
<b>SEAS:</b>	<b>Gulf Stream:</b> Seas 4 to 6 feet, occasionally to 8 feet.
<b>SWELLS:</b>	<b>All Areas:</b> Moderate to large northeast to easterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters. <b>Northern, Northwest &amp; Central Bahamas:</b> 10-20% chance of showers.
<b>WEATHER:</b>	<b>Southeast Bahamas:</b> 20-30% chance of showers.

**EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR TUESDAY, APRIL 14TH, 2026:**

<b>ADVISORY:</b>	A <b>Near Gale Warning (28 to 33 knots)</b> is in effect for the <b>Central and Southeast Bahamas</b> . A <b>small craft advisory</b> remains in effect for Atlantic-exposed waters and passages, while a <b>small craft caution</b> continues for sheltered waters across the <b>Northern and Northwest Bahamas</b> . <i>Mariners, especially small craft operators across the Central and Southeast Bahamas are urged to remain in port, while operators in the Northern and Northwest Bahamas are advised not to venture far from port.</i>
<b>WINDS:</b>	<b>Northern &amp; Northwest Bahamas:</b> Northeast to east at 15 to 20 knots with higher gusts. <b>Central &amp; Southeast Bahamas:</b> Northeast to east at 20 to 25 knots with gusts to near gale force. <b>All Areas:</b> 2 to 4 feet nearshore waters, 4 to 6 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 7 to 11 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters.
<b>SEAS:</b>	<b>Gulf Stream:</b> Seas 3 to 5 feet, occasionally to 6 feet.
<b>SWELLS:</b>	<b>All Areas:</b> Moderate to large northeast to easterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters.
<b>WEATHER:</b>	<b>All Areas:</b> 10-20% chance of showers.

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