



BAHAMAS MARINE FORECAST

MARINE FORECASTS FOR THE BAHAMAS ISSUED BY THE BAHAMAS DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY AT 6:00 A.M. EST, Monday, January 26, 2026, FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECASTS WILL BE ISSUED AT 12:00 P.M. EST.

WARNINGS:	<i>A Near Gale Warning (28 – 33 knots) will come into effect for the Northern, Northwest and Central Bahamas Monday 6pm through 5 pm on Wednesday. Occasional gusts to gale force are possible across the mentioned areas. Boaters, especially small craft, are urged to return to and remain in port until further notice.</i> <i>For additional public information, please view our Public Forecast on our website, met.gov.bs.</i>
GENERAL SITUATION:	A high pressure ridge is drifting northeastward across the Bahamas a head of a cold front that is schedule to enter the Northern Bahamas by early evening. Widely scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms are ahead and along the front while fresh to strong winds and rough seas are expected behind. Across the remainder of the country a few quick passing showers are expected. <i>Outlook:</i> Moderate to strong winds with gusts to near gale force beginning in the Northern islands by night and spreading into the Northwest and Central islands Tuesday and Wednesday. This system will generate another round of cooler temperatures through midweek before stalling just north of the Southeast Bahamas. A reinforcing front will quickly follow by early Thursday morning, eventually merging with the previous front and will exit the country that evening. This will allow temperatures to dip towards more comfortable values across all areas by the end of the work week.

NORTHERN BAHAMAS (INCLUDING GRAND BAHAMA, ABACO, BIMINI & ADJACENT WATERS):	
ADVISORY:	Small craft operators should remain in port.
WINDS:	Southwest to west at 10 to 15 knots ahead of the front becoming northwest to north at 15 to 25 knots after the front passes.
LOCAL SEAS:	2 to 4 feet near shore and sheltered areas, 4 to 6 feet over open waters and 6 to 9 feet occasionally 12 feet along all Atlantic exposures including The Little Bahama Bank and the Gulf Stream.
GULF STREAM:	Wind: southwest at 15 knots increasing 20 to 25 knots tonight. Sea: 4 to 6 feet increasing 6 to 9 feet up to 11 feet tonight.
SWELLS:	Moderate north and northeasterly swells
WEATHER:	30 to 50% chance of widely scattered showers or isolated thunderstorms.

NORTHWEST BAHAMAS (INCLUDING NEW PROVIDENCE, ANDROS, THE BERRY ISLANDS, ELEUTHERA & ADJACENT WATERS):	
ADVISORY:	Small craft operators should make every effort to return to the port by noon.
WINDS:	Southwest to west at 10 to 15 knots ahead of the front becoming northwest to north at 15 to 25 knots after the front passes.
LOCAL SEAS:	2 to 4 feet near shore and sheltered areas, 4 to 6 feet over open waters and 6 to 9 feet occasionally 12 feet along all Atlantic exposures including The Great Bahama Bank and The Northeast Providence Channel.
SWELLS:	Moderate north and northeasterly swells
WEATHER:	10% chance of showers increasing 20 to 40% by late afternoon



CENTRAL BAHAMAS (INCLUDING EXUMA, CAT ISLAND, LONG ISLAND, SAN SALVADOR, RUM CAY & ADJACENT WATERS):	
ADVISORY:	Small craft advisory is in effect for Atlantic exposures and small craft caution is in effect for open waters
WINDS:	Southeast at 10 to 15 knots falling light and variable at times.
LOCAL SEAS:	2 feet or less nearshore waters, 2 to 4 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 5 to 7 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters
SWELLS:	Slight to moderate northeasterly and easterly swells
WEATHER:	10 to 20% chance of isolated showers

SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS (INCLUDING INAGUA, ACKLINS, CROOKED ISLAND, MAYAGUANA, RAGGED ISLAND & ADJACENT WATERS):	
ADVISORY:	Small craft advisory is in effect for all waters.
WINDS:	Easterly at 10 to 15 knots
LOCAL SEAS:	2 feet or less nearshore waters, 2 to 4 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 5 to 7 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters.
SWELLS:	Slight to moderate northeasterly and easterly swells
WEATHER:	10 to 20% chance of isolated showers

MOONRISE:	MOONSET:
11:44 A.M.	1:39 AM TUE.

ISLAND TIDES:	NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA):	NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE):	CENTRAL (EXUMA):	SOUTHEAST (INAGUA):
LOW TIDE:	7:55 A.M.	7:25 A.M.	8:14 A.M.	7:47 A.M.
HIGH TIDE:	1:35 P.M.	1:11 P.M.	2:06 P.M.	1:27 P.M.

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

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR TUESDAY 27 TH , JANUARY 2026.	
ADVISORY:	A Near Gale (28-33 knots) Warning remains in effect for the Northern, Northwest and Central Bahamas. Small craft operators should remain in port.
WINDS:	Northern, Northwest and Central Bahamas: Variable at 10 knots or less ahead of the front, shifting north to northeast at 15 to 25 knots with occasional gusts to near gale. Southeast Bahamas: Variable at 10 knots or less, becoming north to northeast at 10 to 15 knots by nightfall.
SEAS:	Northern, Northwest & Central Bahamas: 2 to 4 feet nearshore waters, 4 to 6 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 6 to 9 feet occasionally 12 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters. Southeast Bahamas: 2 feet or less nearshore sheltered waters, 2 to 4 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 5 to 7 feet occasionally 10 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters. Gulf Stream: Seas 8 to 11 feet, occasionally to 14 feet, subsiding to 6 to 9 feet, occasionally to 11 feet in the afternoon; seas subsiding to 5 to 7 feet, occasionally to 9 feet after midnight Tuesday.
SWELLS:	All Areas: Moderate to large north and northeasterly swells.
WEATHER:	Northern, Northwest and Central Bahamas: 20 – 40% chance of showers in the vicinity of the front Southeast Bahamas: 10 – 20% chance of showers.



EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR WEDNESDAY 28 TH , JANUARY 2026.	
ADVISORY:	A Near Gale (28-33 knots) Warning remains in effect for the Central Bahamas until 5pm Wednesday. Small craft, in the Central and Southeast Bahamas are urged remain in port. Small craft advisory is in effect for Atlantic-exposed waters of the Northern and Northwest Bahamas.
WINDS:	Northern and Northwest Bahamas: Northeast to east at 15 knots with occasionally higher gusts, decreasing 10 to 15 knots by nightfall. Central Bahamas: Northeast to east at 15 to 25 knots, decreasing 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts by nightfall. Southeast Bahamas: Northeast to east at 10 to 15 knots, falling light and variable at times at night.
SEAS:	Northern & Northwest Bahamas: 2 to 4 feet nearshore waters, 4 to 6 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 6 to 8 feet occasionally 11 feet subsiding to 5 to 7 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters Wednesday night. Central & Southeast Bahamas: 2 to 4 feet nearshore waters, 4 to 6 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 6 to 8 feet occasionally 10 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters. Gulf Stream: Seas 4 to 6 feet, occasionally to 8 feet.
SWELLS:	Northern & Northwest Bahamas: Moderate north to northeasterly swells over the Gulf Stream and Atlantic-exposed waters. Central & Southeast Bahamas: Moderate north to northeasterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters.
WEATHER:	Central Bahamas: 20 – 30% chance of showers. Northern, Northwest and Southeast Bahamas: 10 – 20% chance of showers.

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