



BAHAMAS MARINE FORECAST

MARINE FORECASTS FOR THE BAHAMAS ISSUED BY THE BAHAMAS DEPARTMENT OF METEOROLOGY AT 6:00 P.M. EDT WEDNESDAY, MAY 13TH, 2026, FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS. THE NEXT SCHEDULED FORECASTS WILL BE ISSUED AT 6:00 A.M. EDT.

WARNINGS: *Rip Currents:* There remains a **moderate** risk of rip currents along Atlantic-exposed waters of the Northern and Southeast Bahamas, with a **slight** risk across Atlantic-exposed waters elsewhere in the island chain. *Beachgoers and swimmers are urged to continue to exercise caution.*

GENERAL SITUATION: A developing area of low pressure along a stalled frontal boundary over central Florida, will maintain an unsettled weather pattern across portions of the Bahamas through Thursday. Additionally, troughing across the Northern Bahamas will support pockets of moisture, supporting scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms across the area waters. **OUTLOOK:** Unsettled boating conditions will persist through Friday as moisture associated with the low-pressure system gradually shifts east of the Bahamas. Marine conditions are expected to improve during the weekend as drier air filters into the region and high pressure rebuilds across the island chain. By Sunday, a mid- to upper-level disturbance east of the Bahamas could increase the potential for showers and thunderstorms over area waters early next week.

NORTHERN BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY: *Small craft caution in effect for Atlantic-exposed waters. Gusty winds, higher seas and reduced visibility can be experienced in the vicinity of showers and thunderstorms.*
WINDS: Southwest to west at 10 to 15 knots, falling light and variable by Thursday evening.
LOCAL SEAS: 2 feet or less nearshore waters, 2 to 4 feet offshore sheltered waters and 3 to 5 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters.
GULF STREAM: Seas 3 to 4 feet, occasionally to 5 feet.
SWELLS: No significant swells.
WEATHER: 40-50% chance of scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms.

NORTHWEST BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY: *Small craft caution in effect for Atlantic-exposed waters. Gusty winds, higher seas and reduced visibility can be experienced in the vicinity of showers and thunderstorms.*
WINDS: Southwest to west at 10 to 15 knots, occasionally falling light and variable at times.
LOCAL SEAS: 2 feet or less nearshore waters, 2 to 4 feet offshore sheltered waters and 3 to 5 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters.
SWELLS: No significant swells.
WEATHER: 40-50% chance of scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms.

CENTRAL BAHAMAS

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

ADVISORY: *Gusty winds, higher seas and reduced visibility can be experienced in the vicinity of showers and thunderstorms.*
WINDS: South to southwest at 10 knots or less tonight, becoming southwest to west at 10 to 15 knots on Thursday, falling light and variable by evening.
LOCAL SEAS: 2 feet or less nearshore waters, and 2 to 4 feet in offshore sheltered and Atlantic-exposed waters.



SWELLS: No significant swells.
WEATHER: 40-50% chance of scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms.

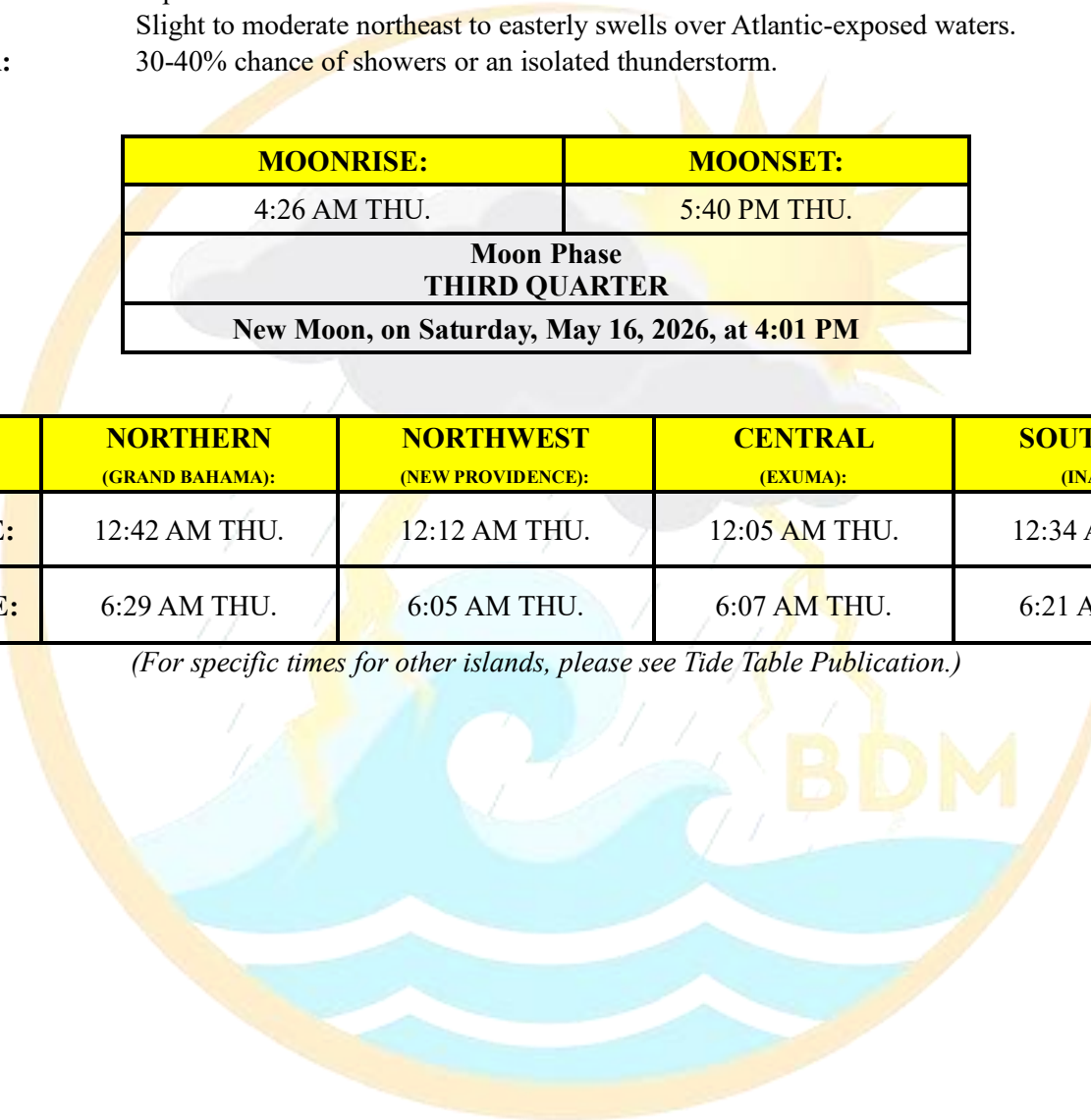
SOUTHEAST BAHAMAS
 (INCLUDING INAGUA, ACKLINS, CROOKED ISLAND, MAYAGUANA, RAGGED ISLAND & ADJACENT WATERS):

ADVISORY: *Small craft caution in effect for Atlantic-exposed waters.*
WINDS: South to southwest at 10 knots or less, falling light and variable Thursday evening.
LOCAL SEAS: 2 feet or less nearshore waters, 2 to 4 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 4 to 6 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters.
SWELLS: Slight to moderate northeast to easterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters.
WEATHER: 30-40% chance of showers or an isolated thunderstorm.

| MOONRISE: | MOONSET: |
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| 4:26 AM THU. | 5:40 PM THU. |
| Moon Phase | |
| THIRD QUARTER | |
| New Moon, on Saturday, May 16, 2026, at 4:01 PM | |

| ISLAND TIDES: | NORTHERN (GRAND BAHAMA): | NORTHWEST (NEW PROVIDENCE): | CENTRAL (EXUMA): | SOUTHEAST (INAGUA): |
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| LOW TIDE: | 12:42 AM THU. | 12:12 AM THU. | 12:05 AM THU. | 12:34 AM THU. |
| HIGH TIDE: | 6:29 AM THU. | 6:05 AM THU. | 6:07 AM THU. | 6:21 AM THU. |

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



**EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 15TH, 2026:**

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| ADVISORY: | Southeast Bahamas: <i>Small craft caution in effect for Atlantic-exposed waters.</i> Northern, Northwest & Central Bahamas: <i>None.</i> |
| WINDS: | Northern, Northwest & Central Bahamas: Variable at 10 knots or less during the day, falling light and variable at times at night. Southeast Bahamas: East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots, occasionally falling light and variable at times. Northern, Northwest & Central Bahamas: 2 feet or less nearshore waters, and 2 to 4 feet in offshore sheltered and Atlantic-exposed waters. |
| SEAS: | Southeast Bahamas: 2 feet or less nearshore waters, 2 to 4 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 3 to 5 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters. Gulf Stream: Seas 2 to 3 feet. |
| SWELLS: | All Areas: Slight easterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters. |
| WEATHER: | All Areas: 30-40% chance of scattered showers and thunderstorms. |

EXTENDED FORECAST FOR THE BAHAMAS FOR SATURDAY, MAY 16TH, 2026:

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| ADVISORY: | Northern, Northwest & Southeast Bahamas: <i>Small craft caution in effect for Atlantic-exposed waters.</i> Central Bahamas: <i>None.</i> |
| WINDS: | Northern & Northwest Bahamas: East to southeast at 10 to 15 knots with higher gusts across the Northern Bahamas. Central Bahamas: Easterly at 10 to 15 knots. Southeast Bahamas: Easterly at 10 to 15 knots, increasing to 15 to 20 knots by nightfall. Northern & Northwest Bahamas: 2 feet or less nearshore waters, 2 to 4 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 3 to 5 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters. Central Bahamas: 2 feet or less nearshore waters, and 2 to 4 feet in offshore sheltered and Atlantic-exposed waters. |
| SEAS: | Southeast Bahamas: 2 feet or less nearshore waters, 2 to 4 feet offshore sheltered waters, and 3 to 5 feet, building to 4 to 6 feet in Atlantic-exposed waters Saturday night. Gulf Stream: Seas around 2 feet. |
| SWELLS: | Northern, Northwest & Central Bahamas: Slight east to southeasterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters. Southeast Bahamas: Slight to moderate easterly swells over Atlantic-exposed waters. |
| WEATHER: | Northern & Northwest Bahamas: 10-30% chance of showers and isolated thunderstorms. Central & Southeast Bahamas: 20-30% chance of showers and isolated thunderstorms. |

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