

## Plymouth Base Guide

### Finding the Marina

Situated in Queens Anne's Battery in the heart of Plymouth, our base is ideally located to make the most of the superb cruising grounds the West Country has to offer. There is extensive cruising around Plymouth Sound, and further west there's plenty to explore in the rivers Fal and Fowey along the rugged Cornish coast. Heading east towards Devon, visit Dartmouth, Torquay and the pretty fishing village of Brixham. The Channel Islands are a popular weekend destination.

The marina address is Plymouth, Devon PL4 0LP

Marina main telephone: 01752 671142



Plymouth is well connected by train, directly to London and via Bristol throughout the UK.

The nearest airport is Exeter.



The marina is easily accessible from the M5, via the A38.

Exit the A38 immediately after crossing the River Plym, and go left onto the A374 towards Kingsbridge. Take the 1<sup>st</sup> exit into Plymouth Road. Keep left on Barbican Approach; turn left into Shapters Road; right into Clovelly Road; slight left onto Teats Hill Road; bear left and QAB is on the right.

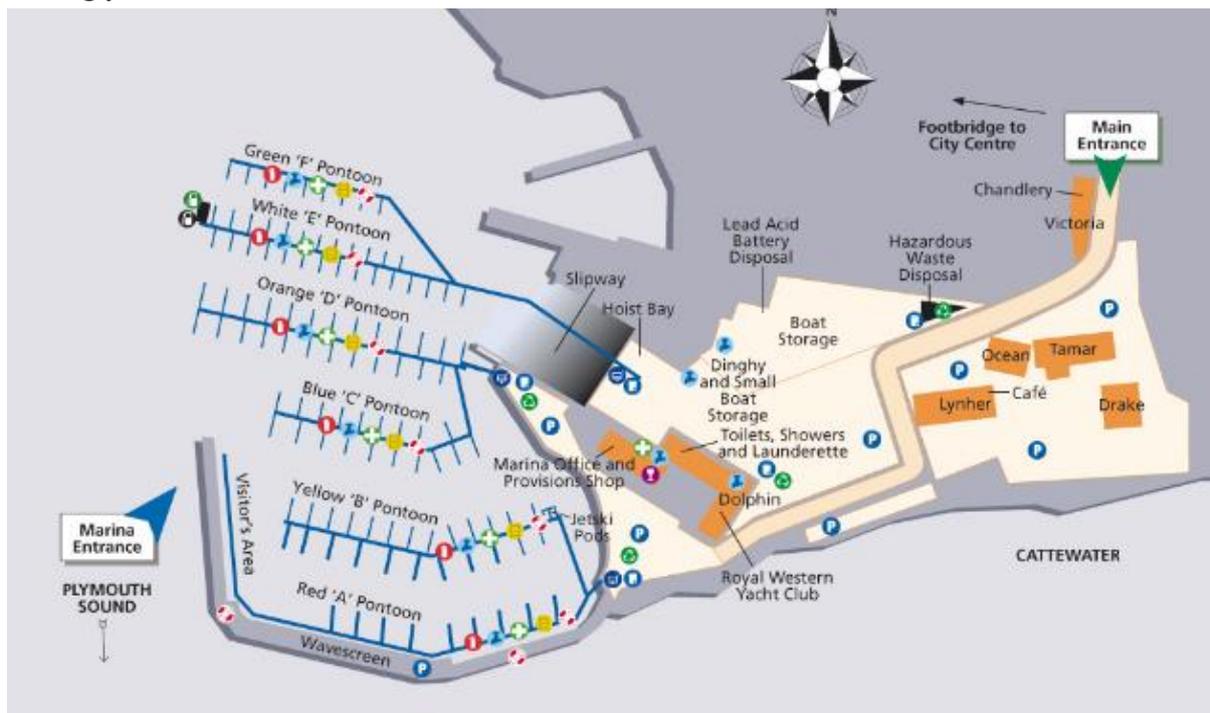
### Car Parking and Obtaining / Returning Boat Keys

After entering at the barrier follow the road round to the marina and park where you can. The marina office is on the first floor above the restaurant / bar. Collect and sign for the keys from the marina office, accessed up the stairs, get the current marina pontoon / shower block code and double check the boat berth number.

You can park up to two cars free. Additional cars are free for the first 2 hours and then half price @ £4.00/day. The office will need to know your number plate and you may need to leave your car keys in the key safe in the office in case they have to move cars to allow emergency vehicle access.

The office is open and manned 24 hours a day. The keys must be returned to the office when your booking has ended, and remember to get them to validate your parking ticket for exit before you leave.

### Finding your Boat



Pure Escape (Dufour 375) is berthed on pontoon Blue C South 15. Access is via the northern gates.

Trolleys are available by the pontoon gates.

### Pure Latitude Office

There is not a Pure Latitude office at the marina. Please contact 02380 001234 for any assistance – it routes to a duty member of staff when office is unmanned.

### **MDL Club Outlook**

MDL cards allow overnight berths and short stays free at other MDL marinas. The card is kept at the chart table next to the Seastart card.

### **Wifi**

Wifi service is available. Choose the signal named MDL wifi spark

User name starts qab005321b

Password so314nn

### **Showers, Toilets and Laundry**

There is an excellent shower block with plenty of toilets and shower cubicles situated at ground level in the courtyard area. It is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Access is with the security code obtained from the marina office and it changes regularly. Hairdryers are provided.

Laundry facilities are also available.

### **Refuse and Recycling**

Refuse and recycling bins are available adjacent to the pontoon entrances. Please use these for disposal of domestic refuse and do not leave it on the pontoons.

### **Provisioning**

There is a provisions shop selling essential items.

There are a couple of small general stores just outside the marina.

The nearest large supermarket is in the Armada Centre, which is a short drive or taxi ride away.

### **Onsite Food and Drink**

There is Chandlers bar and restaurant, serving a range of food.

Sound Bites Café is located round the back of the main buildings.

### **Local Food and Drink**

There are a wide variety of pubs and restaurants located in Plymouth.

### **Cash Point**

There are no cash points in the local vicinity.

### **Chandlery**

There is a Force 4 chandlery onsite, open Monday to Saturday 9am – 5.30pm and 10am – 4pm on Sundays.

### **Fuel Pontoon**

The fuel berth is at the end of White E pontoon. The fuel (petrol and diesel) is available 7 days a week, but it's not constantly manned. You can phone the office or call up on the VHF Channel 80. Winter opening hours are 8.30am until 5.30pm. This is extended to 8.00am until 5.30pm in the summer. Last fill is half an hour before closing time.

### **VHF Radio Channels**

Queen Anne's Battery Marina uses channel 80.

The port is under the control of the Queens Harbourmaster, and they are on VHF channel 16 and 40, call sign "Longroom port control".

It is wise to monitor VHF channel 14 while underway to keep aware of forthcoming commercial shipping movements.

### **Designated Sail Area**

Charts are provided for local area in the form of an Imray leisure Pack for the West Country extending from the River Dart to the Isles of Scilly and Padstow. Please provide your own charts for areas outside this, and advise Pure Latitude of your passage plan in advance.

### **Mooring and Navigation Guidance**

In the marina, there is no tide to worry about but, as ever, wind needs to be considered. If you need any assistance, please call the marina office.

Warships have right of way and should not be approached within 200 m when underway, and when crossing astern of them you must leave a gap of 800 m. They are normally accompanied by launches or RIBs of the MOD police who will quickly be on to you if you get in the way. Regarding the moored warships, you're not allowed to pass within 50 m of them, or within 100 m of berthed submarines.

In actual practice there is plenty of water in most areas for small craft to keep well out of the way of big ship movements, by staying out of the deeper buoyed channels altogether.