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SCRUB ISLAND RESORT'S MARINA SETS STANDARD FOR SAILORS

BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS – Located in the "sailing capital of the Caribbean," the serene private island haven of Scrub Island Resort is home to one of the newest marinas in the British Virgin Islands (BVI). Named a Boaters' Choice Marina by Marinas.com, Scrub Island Resort offers a 55-slip marina for lease or transient docking, including five accommodating mega yachts up to 160 feet. Newer highlights include a petrol station pumping both diesel and gasoline (opening July 2022) and pedestals that provide access to power and water. Sailing and boating enthusiasts alike can appreciate the region's fair weather, gentle trade winds and easy access to more than 60 additional nearby islands. Virgin Gorda, Jost Van Dyke, St. Thomas, Anegada and Norman Island are among the many island-hopping destinations within a day's sail of Scrub Island's Marina.

Scrub Island's Marina is the departure point for most of the water-oriented activities available at the resort. Yachts and watercraft of all sizes are available for group and private charters, from sightseeing to deep sea fishing. Here, visitors can explore the breathtaking sea life surrounding the island with daily group snorkel tours, dive trips, eco-explorer tours and private dive, snorkel and sightseeing charters. The shallows surrounding Scrub Island, as well as many nearby coves, bays, reefs and inlets, are ideal for snorkelers and divers. Dive BVI is located on-site, offering expert instruction including SSI and PADI certification.

Scrub Island is also the closest destination to the North Drop, known as the "honey spot" for tuna and world-record blue marlin fishing. Guests can book full- or half-day fishing excursions complete with boat, guide and equipment. Speed boat adventures, island hopping and sailing cruises can all also be arranged. In addition, Scrub Island annually hosts the Scrub Island Blue Marlin Invitational in September, a three-day fishing tournament where anglers navigate the North Drop and vie for a substantial cash prize. In March, Scrub Island sponsors an annual sailing invitational in conjunction with the BVI Spring Regatta & Sailing Festival, where boats race from Nanny Cay Marina to Scrub Island.

The marina is open daily with fresh water, electric hook-up, trash service, ice and other full-service offerings in a scenic setting. Within Marina Village, an on-site Boaters Republic boutique with high-end resort wear and accessories, sundries shop with grab & go options, and Scrub Island Outpost, a

full-service provisions store with gourmet foods, fresh produce, meats, seafood, beer, wine, spirits and more are all available to mooring guests.

Guests' slip rental will be assessed a 20 percent fee which allows them to enjoy access to all the amenities of the Marina Village, including three restaurant outlets – the signature Cardamom & Co., casual poolside dining at Donovan's Reef Marina Bar & Grill, and the secluded One Shoe Beach Bar; Scrub Island Outpost provisions store; award-winning Ixora Spa; the world's leading charter company, Dream Yacht Charter; Dive BVI dive shop; America's #1 Sailing School®, Colgate Offshore Sailing School; Boaters Republic boutique; complimentary resort-wide Wi-Fi; use of guest showers, swimming pools, water slide and hot tub; 24-hour fitness facility; water sports equipment; and use of the resort's scheduled ferry service to and from Trellis Bay.

In accordance with guidelines established by the British Virgins Islands government, all overnight guests at Scrub Island must adhere to a set of specific protocols and restrictions, which are outlined on the destination's official travel website (www.bvitraveller.com). As a member of Marriott's prestigious Autograph Collection, the resort also follows the brand's Commitment to Clean program, providing a safe environment for guests and staff.

For more information on the marina at Scrub Island Resort, Spa & Marina or to make a reservation, call toll free U.S. 877-890-7444 or visit <u>scrubisland.com</u>.