

# Haulout

## Apataki Carenage

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1-2021 Email reply from Alfred Lau at Apataki Carenage: The max length for monohull is 50' or more and multihull is 55' depending the model of the boat. The max draft is 2 m no more. Be sure to book flights WAY in advance as they are often booked out months in advance.

12-2019 An informative blog post by Bellamarina [svbellamarina.com/2019/08/07/cyclone-season-strategies-in-french-polynesia-hauling-out-atapataki-carenage-in-the-tuamotusarchipelago/?fbclid=IwAR017qaTOVt7H0IXFHvECcSMqBL4MKsXs1zPaX8\\_yBsctzjX9hhOaZN0eWQ](http://svbellamarina.com/2019/08/07/cyclone-season-strategies-in-french-polynesia-hauling-out-atapataki-carenage-in-the-tuamotusarchipelago/?fbclid=IwAR017qaTOVt7H0IXFHvECcSMqBL4MKsXs1zPaX8_yBsctzjX9hhOaZN0eWQ)

SV Oceans (added 12-19) We were very disappointed. Our boat was filled with mold. The water line in our port hull showed a foot of water sat in there a long time. I turned off the bilge pumps since it was out of the water.( my guess they opened it up and forgot to close it up. They were to do regular inspections and send me email update. They checked it once. The list of repairs promised, never done. Crazy excuses. Then blamed me for everything. It was the worst marina experience in over 30 years of boating . Their documents state nothing is their fault and you have no recourse no matter what happens. It is a family business. The parents are very nice. The son is the weak link, very weak link. Our boat is in excellent condition. I've never written such a review as this but I hope no one else to have such a experience.

## Maintenance Marquises Service

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Vincent Roche owner & manager Yard has space for about 50 boats. Haulout using a hydraulic trailer. 25tons 18m

1-2021 From Vincent the owner We can take catamarans and trimarans up to 57 feet. We are limited to 11 meters in width. For monohulls, we are limited to 2.5 draft. Boats should not exceed 20 tonnes.

4-2024 from FP Cruiser FB page replies about the yard We HIGHLY recommend the boat yard in Hiva Oa! They are absolutely fantastic people and really do a great job to take care of you and your boat while you are there! Highly recommended. Well run and secure yard. We have had boat there for large-scale work + storage. Vincent runs a fantastic boatyard given the constraints of the remote location. Friendly professional secure when I was there a few years ago. We HIGHLY recommend the boat yard in Hiva Oa! They are absolutely fantastic people and really do a great job to take care of you and your boat while you are there!

12-19 & 11-20 SV Lady Jane Our experience in the yard was excellent , the new toilets and showers were installed when we were there and that made a difference to us as we stayed on the boat for a week before we left and a week when we came back Make sure you plug all your holes to stop cockroaches and put down boric acid on surfaces inside. Plug your holes as soon as you get hauled out. We did find some dead ones in the bilge when we got back after two months but that was all. They did some small patch up of the copper coat for us and anti fouled the waterline. They also serviced our outboards.

## Chantier Naval des Iles S/Vent (CNI)

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CNI has some in the water berths. Haul out is with hydraulic trailer Long term storage is available Reservations for long term storage require a deposit thus this yard usually has space after the Carenage is full

## Thierry (boatyard lunch delivery)

Island: **Raiatea**

Thierry: ☎ +68987220440 Sells daily dishes , home made . Also delivers on the work yard at 10h. You ask him to put you on his sms list. He sends you the menu the day before . Hugh portions. 500 xpf

4-21 Recommended by SV Aquarius

## Raiatea Carenage

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[assistante.direction@raiateacarenage.com](mailto:assistante.direction@raiateacarenage.com) They have a travel lift, travel trailer, and railway platform. They can lift monohulls and multihulls (cats and trimarans) and general facilities. In November 2020 they will receive a new 50-ton travel lift and a new 50-ton trailer. Dominique is the manager and fiberglass expert and is fluent in English. Carenage has 3 ways to haul vessels: Travel lift, Trailer, Platform. They can haul cats as well as monohulls. They also perform most of the haul outs on the charter fleet in Raiatea. Haulout & long term dry storage

7-2021 SV Capall Mara We have just finished a haulout at Raiatea Carenage. On the whole it went well. The staff and workers were good and helpful. Our Only complaint was that they were constantly called away to other jobs. As the time dragged on this became frustrating. I voiced my frustration in the office. The owner came in and became verbally abusive and quite aggressive. He

slammed the door in my face then threatened to throw us out and blacklist us! The next day he apologized to John. His behavior was extraordinary. I will also add that from the outset Dominic did not like me having an opinion on a matter of dispute. I kept out of his way as much as possible. It is not the way we do things on our boat.

7-2021 SV Tintamarre Raiatea Carenage Services – the best service we have experienced in 5 years cruising We were very lucky to be offered a place at this excellent full service boat yard in November 2020 for cyclone season storage. When we were hauled out they only had a 20 tonne lift but now they have a 50 tonne lift for Monohulls (width 5 metres) and a new self-propelled lift/tractor for hauling Cats (width 7.56 metres). They also have a railway system for short term stays for Cats (70 Tonnes, 11 metres) and motorboats that allows for very wide vessels. On arrival we were concerned about how we would fit in the 20 Tonne lift as we have a high wind vane. We need not have been concerned, the yard staff and Dominique knew exactly what they were doing and took great care to haul us out, taking full responsibility for the extra work required to fit us into the lift. Tintamarre was stored on a full frame, not just individual supports, for the cyclone season. The yard installed the boat covers after we left as we had to leave earlier than expected to ensure we could travel ahead of an impending lockdown in Europe. We had regular reports while we were away, with photographs where appropriate. The boat was in good condition on our return. It is worth noting that the water provided is high quality drinking water and safe to store in water tanks. They support 110v and 220V power. We had agreed a schedule of work with the yard for a planned arrival in March but Covid delayed our return until June. We had excellent support sourcing parts and working with the yard so that anything that could be done would be ready for us on our return. The rest of the work was planned for the few days between our return and when we splashed. They also took delivery of some critical components shipped from Europe ahead of our return. All the work we had done, which included servicing the hydraulic auto-pilot, anti-fouling, full engine service including cooling system, outboard engine repair and service and a short notice request to fibre glass in a bulk head was carried out on time and to a high standard and for a reasonable cost. For the first time ever we splashed on the day we had requested with all work completed. The new 50 tonne lift making the process much easier. After splashing we had a few problems relating to work done in the past. All our requests have been dealt with in a friendly and professional manner. We found Dominique to be very knowledgeable and helpful. Without exception we have found the staff to be friendly and always willing to go the extra mile to support us. A particular shout out to the office staff for sourcing parts for us at short notice and to the engineers for the high quality of work.

9-2020 SV Sugar Shack We had an amazing experience at RC specifically because of Dominique. He was extremely helpful, courteous, professional and beyond fair with us. I handled all of the communications directly with Dominique and was super pleased with his management skills. He worked hard and operated almost all the equipment himself at any given time. Never asking his staff to do anything he wouldn't do himself.

2-2020 s/v Alia Vita We hauled out there in early 2020 and had the audacity to question something. The Boss (Dominique?) became extremely aggressive and dismissive. The biggest issue at that yard is that all the staff are terrified of him. We certainly wouldn't haul there again.

12-2019 SV Leonara We had a reservation for hauling out our boat in December 2019. We arrived 2 weeks earlier in Raiatea and confirmed if everything was okay with the reservation. We didn't want to live too long in the Carenage (they have terrible bathrooms and showers there) so we planned around 4 days between the hauling out and our flights. Surprise surprise... the hauling out day came and they decided to tell us that they don't have the cradles for us. Dominique promised us the cradles will be done before our flights. Until now we had a good relationship with him and we trusted him. We left Raiatea when SY Leonora was out in the belts of the lift. We didn't complain and still good relationship. We came back 3 months later... we had an appointment to splash again. The Carenage had a smaller travel lift than now and we had to take off the forestay. When the boat was splashing in the locker again we had some problems to put the forestay back (and some other small issues). All that took us like one hour. We told them "we won't leave until we are done and we probably need like 30 minutes". Dominique came very aggressive, rude and disrespectful. He said he will cut our lines if we don't leave now. I was scared and terrified with the situation. We almost lost our flights because his delay with the cradles but then we needed one hour and he wanted to cut our lines. Not very fair. He has a toxic behavior with the clients and his employees as well.

2017 SV Rumpus Our boat has been at Raiatea carenage since 2017 and we have hauled out and splashed several times. We intended to sail west and then home to NZ in 2020, but... now it's on the hard and we are stuck in NZ (Covid19- no passenger ). We have found Dominique and his team to be courteous, reliable, friendly and generally excellent. We have done our own antifouling work and they are helpful. Both my husband and I deal with the management. I find it easier to speak French with them than English and they are tolerant of my bêtises (silly mistakes). Dominique can be flirty but that's easy to cope with; a few well-chosen words. There are many times they have gone above and beyond to help us

## Tahiti Nautic Center - Taravoa

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SV Larka 2017 Have just completed 12 day haul out for bottom paint etc. Can highly recommend Yvan and his team ☎ [+68987748560](tel:+68987748560) Very careful with haulout on hydraulic propped trailer (no boat hoist) Also excellent engineer - Patrick Heintre ☎ [+68987300625](tel:+68987300625)

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# Technimarine

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Address is the end of Fare Ute but to haul out you must approach from the pass east of Papeete due to the low bridge between Fare Ute and Muto Uta. ☐ [exploitation@technimarine.pf](mailto:exploitation@technimarine.pf)

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Manager speaks english. Use VHF channel 09 when approaching lifts For places to stay off the boat close to the yard see Hostels / Hotels Have two travel lifts one is 75 metric tonnes, the other 300 metric tonnes. The smaller may not be appropriate for the width of some cats. You can do any amount of the work yourself you wish. It is very convenient to all marine suppliers available in FP. Electric and water are metered. But a few years ago they started charging a daily surcharge for vendors that are not supplied by the yard. They have welders including TIG and MIG welding. They can spray in the yard (depending of wind conditions) including polyurethane. Staff are friendly and the facilities looked good for toilet and shower blocks.

6-2023 SV Kiapa Nui We just finished an 11 day stay at Technimarine, our 7th time there, and can happily report that under the new ownership and current management, the yard is orders of magnitude better than it was been in the past. Unlike before, the yard's focus is now clearly on cruising yachts. They reorganized the parking layout to allow more space, and the preferred upwind locations, for "our" boats and to keep ample separation from any fishing boats they may also be servicing. The two operation managers are Teama (logistics) and Matahi (yard operations). Both speak excellent English, are professional, responsive, and experienced. The yard director is Sebastien. He speaks fair English, is extremely experienced, and now personally drives the travel lifts to ensure the best possible operation. All managers repeatedly came aboard to inspect the quality of work. At one point Sebastien directed a small army of workers to redo a project we were not 100% satisfied with. There was no additional cost to us. Despite it being late on a Friday afternoon, the workers kept at it literally as we were being launched, and for a few hours after while we were moored in the ways, to make sure we left the yard satisfied and on schedule. We had the yard remove our old bottom paint, do some glass work, and to some cosmetic painting, amongst other projects. They were careful while sanding the bottom, following our specs and instructions, and at one point had 5 workers on our boat. The workers were friendly, focused, productive, and were careful to always leave the area clean when they finished. The glasswork and cosmetic painting was world class. I say that as someone with prior work experience on super yachts. Victor is especially skilled and meticulous at this kind of work. If he is on your project you

may pay for a few more hours than if someone else were doing the work, but he's worth it. Some of the work was done on quote and some on hours/materials. They reviewed the bill with us in the middle of our stay and of course at the end. The bill was detailed, organized, in English, and while expensive, we found the rates fair for the quality of work. One negative are the facilities for those of us that live aboard while working. The bathrooms are frankly horrible. Not dirty in a "gross" way, but dirty in a boat-yard dirt way, full of roaches, and the toilet seat was broken. Sometimes there was no toilet paper nor soap. The showers are cold water only. If these are primary concerns of yours you will not like the yard, or at least not like staying there, but we were there to work so as long as the toilets flushed and the showers had water we were ok. In summary, the yard finished the work on time and within budget. The quality was excellent, the staff friendly, and they clearly value us as customers. Based on some past experiences, we originally had plans to go to a different yard, but after a frank discussion with Teama, we hesitantly chose Technimarine. Now we're glad we did. I strongly recommend Technimarine.

8-22 They carry PropSpeed coating for propellers.

8-2022 SV Jamala We've just had many layers of antifoul sanded off, the water line raised, red and white stripe repainted. Prop speed added. Excellent, professional work and service provided at Technimarine in Tahiti.

1-2021 SV Barracuda of Islay We lifted out at Technimarine in January 2021 to do some technical work and antifoul the boat. Florent is the point contact for yachts wanting to lift out. He speaks excellent english. They provided clear written instructions for lifting out. On our lift day we arrived early and were immediately lifted out by an extremely professional team. The boat blocked off exactly as we needed it and within an hour of arriving we were at work. We were provided with an english speaking point of contact called Teama for anything we needed. We did our own antifouling but we did need help with repairing a hydraulic ram. Teama found the necessary part and had another manufactured at Polyindustries and then arranged the welding and testing. They kept to the planned schedule and had us back in the water on time. They wanted to ensure our experience was good and found solutions to help us. This is a highly professional boat yard and we have no reservations recommending them.

10-2020 Numerous reports in the FP FB group with warnings for Catamarans hauling out that needed to repair damaged keel or bottom. This has to do with how the Cats are blocked

Comment #1 FYI they had an incident with an FP or Lagoon (I forgot which) in May/June 2019 while we were there. They needed to repair the forward corner of a keel so they only blocked the aft 2/3. That resulted in the aft edge of the keel being forced up through the hull causing significant damage. I assume that's partly why they want the plans now but regardless hopefully this info helps prevent a similar problem for you if you're facing a similar repair... and they dinged that boat's bow with the travel lift while moving another yacht.

Comment #2 I was hauled at the same time as well. Good size crack and what was worse, the owner had to leave the country right away after it happened

Comment #3 They cracked the hull of the cat next to us in April.... similar situation

#4 Yard is requiring a document from Lagoon in how to block a Lagoon that needs to repair damaged keel area.

5-2019 SV Nehenehe We worked with Teama at Technimarine. We had our waterline raised, light sanding with new bottom paint, and struts painted with LP paint. This is a difficult review to write because everyone at Technimarine worked hard to complete the work nearly on time; including a full day over the weekend which is highly unusual to have done by this yard. While I truly liked Teama as a person VERY much.... He proved to be completely inept at his job as project manager, (he is new to his job). I would strongly recommend that you work with someone else. The long story is the following.... Teama did not track well with any of the project details, he either forgot things or got things mixed up. He said that supplies were ordered but they had not, he said the exact same bottom paint had been found and seemed to say that it had arrived on site, it had not. When I stopped by a week before the start of work... he said he had still forgotten to order the supplies! He then scrambled to try and find bottom paint, eventually found some, when it arrived it was not a paint we could use. Then just before work started....he still had forgotten the epoxy primer.... This process went on, and on.... They failed to haul the boat on time, they delayed three times, one of which was with 30 minutes notice and we were already underway in the pass when Teama called to cancel. When we finally arrived for the haul out we had to motor up and drift back down the river for three hours while we waited. After we discovered the incorrect bottom paint..... It was forced on me to make four trips and ten hours' time trying to personally return the bottom paint to their supplier. There are a lot more aspects to our difficulties at Technimarine than I wish to bore you with. In short it seemed that everyone else there was competent at their jobs and worked overtime to make up for Teama's numerous mistakes. All the other employees were efficient and made the effort to make us satisfied. While they easily could have been much better; I must rate this business a 5 out of 10

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