Turkey The Carían Coast



Entering Turkey (as it was from 2006-2010

We used the Heikel pilot but found lots of nice anchorages and marinas and added other info than the pilot tells you. The info is collected in 2006, 2007 and 2008 while we were travelling with Zeezwaluw in Turkey. Enter Turkey in one of the ports of entry, we used *Marmaris*, *Fethiye*, *Güllük*, *Datça* and *Ayvalik* and fly the yellow flag. In a harbour/marina and even at anchor, you have to go through the whole procedure of entering. (The marina staff or other sailors can tell you where to go) Take your original ships papers and passports with you.

- 1. Buy a Transit Log at the Chamber of Shipping;
- 2. Health office:
- 3. Customs
- 4. Port police, 90 day visa;
- 5. Harbourmaster for the final stamp, sometimes you have to pay a fee.

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Akyarlar anchorage, 36°57'89N 27°17'18E

The small bay lies at the north coast just W of the entrance to the bay in which Bodrum lies. The bay is very small, so drop your anchor just outside the swimming area in 5-10m of water, holding (if you find a sand patch) is perfect and safe with good protection against the Meltemi. Restaurants and hotels are ashore (the concrete coast!)

Palamut anchorage, 36°40'04N 27°30'18E

We dropped anchor (for one night) just outside the SW corner of the small marina in 5-10m water. Holding was good. The anchorage lies between the coast and a small island good protection against the wind and no swell entered. Later on we were told the marina might be small but it's deep enough and there are a few spaces for ships over 10m.



Olhanja anchorage, 36°45'23N 28°07'80E

The anchorage is 1Nm past the Marti marina and in front of 3 restaurant jetty's and outside the sandbar. Depth is 5-6m holding, mud is excellent! Internet is available through the unlocked Wi-Fi signal from Marti marina and one of the restaurants. In town are a few small supermarkets and one (an expensive one) in Marti marina.

Datça anchorage, 36°43'61N 27°41'39E

We anchored in the North Bay near the beach in 4-6m in a sand bottom. This anchorage has very good shelter against the meltemi and is near town. The harbour quay and the anchorage in the harbour were fully packed so we had to go to the north, but in the end we were very happy because in the old harbour are many restaurants and discos playing laud music until late at night! Datça is the most convenient "port of entry" we encountered so far, in 20 minutes everything is done! The transit log and the visa stamp can be bought at the agency at the harbour, port police and customs are in the first part of the street on the right-hand side coming from the marina and the harbourmaster is opposite the agency, no health office in Datça! Datça has many nice shops, internet cafes, free Wi-Fi zones near the harbour, a large fresh veggies and fruit market on Saturday's (in a street near the main street). BIM-supermarket is at the beginning of the main street, left side.

Bay of Bozuk Bükü, 36°33'99N 28°0'99E

This large bay lays 2Nm ENE of Karaburun. Just inside the entrance to port underneath the citadel is a jetty which belongs to the Ali Baba restaurant ashore. Mooring bow or stern to the jetty and use the mooring lines. Depth is sufficient and a staff is there to help you. No mooring fees but you have to eat at the restaurant, food is not too good. The water is crystal clear. The walk up the hill to the citadel is a nice one and the view from the top is extremely beautiful. There are a few other restaurants further into the bay, also with a jetty and mooring lines, some have also mooring buoys. The last restaurant at the very end of the bay has nice food and the people are very friendly and welcoming! At the very end of the bay at port side, we anchored (36°34'44N 28°00'66E) in 10-12m, holding in sand/mud is excellent!

