Our two Gambas are now resident at Mar De Cristal puerto deportivo.

The can be accessed via Junction 13 from the RM12/MU 312.

Follow the road straight into the town and then turn right at the second roundabout. There is a one-way system so follow to the end turning left and then left again past the Spar shop. Straight across the next roundabout and you will pop out at the end of the beach with the marina to your right.

We do not have parking access to the marina.

Walk in through the marina gates and you will find our boats on your right as you approach the rear of the buildings.



The Gambas are parked on what the operator refers to as the "Garden."

You should note that there is curb that we need to move our boats across.

- Please do not run the front trolley wheel into the curb or drop it off the curb: lift it both ways.

The Access to the ramp is to the left in the picture. If you take the boat to the right and around the Garden, the mast will hit the tree canopy.

The main boat park has a chain to control access. The marineros will move this for you. They wear clothing with "Telhidra" branding.



The route to the ramp through the dry boat storage area is straighforward. You may have to wait for other movements to be completed.

The fresh water for washing down is at the top of the ramp.





It is advised to use the right hand side of the ramp as this works best for the front wheel and also allows use of the floating pontoon.

You may see boats tied up on the wall to left hand side while waiting to be lifted out.

The ramp has a constant gradient and the water gets deep quickly. Do not get behind the boat, work from the front in the water or to the side on the floating pontoon.





When the stern of the boat overhangs the pontoon by about 50 cm, the boat is floating and the trolley can be withdrawn.

The same indicator should be used when recovering the boat. The person pushing the trolley just needs to help the trolley frame to float under the keel step, before pushing it fully back under the boat. The ramp is not wide enought to turn the boat for departure. If you do need to do this, use the outboard edge of the pontoon and control the boat with the main sheet and berthing line.

- when turning the boat remember the rudder is sticking out.

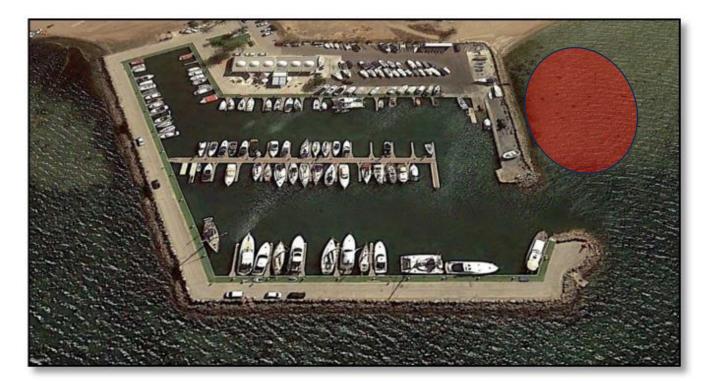




The marina entry can be busy. During our recovery period we had to slot in with two motor launches and four jet skis. While we have priority, it is extremely diffult to ensure safety in such a tight space if you only have limited options.

Having reviewed the situation and tried some vairations, it is recommended to paddle the boat in and out of the marina. There is a boat manouvring area immediately outside the marina where the mainsail can be hoisted or lowered safely. In summer this is a channel marked by yellow buoys.

If you use the jib only, remember to keep enough forward speed for the rudder to retain authority as you pass the marina walls.



You will note that the forward wheel on the trolley has been repositoned to accomodate the different slope of the ramp.

To make raising the mainsail on the water a more slick process, it is recommended that the sail is secured with only two lanyards that can be released with a single pull.

Also re-roll the sail so that the halyard can be attached.

We did try to re-roll the sail such that the head could be inserted in the mast sail guide, however, this was not really compatible with the postioning of the battens.

Note that the paddles are out and immediately available.

The mast float is omitted for clarity.

