

# The UK's Top 7 Fine-Dining Restaurants For Charter Guests

## Visiting the UK by Superyacht in 2022?

When it comes to fine dining, the UK is spoilt with high-end Michelin-starred restaurants and creative chefs. Today we've teamed up with [MGMT Yachts](#), the UK's leading superyacht agent, to put together our Top 7 of the UK's fine dining restaurants we think your guests would love whether they're looking to dine alone, with family and friends, or with business associates. It's an activity that you need to add to their itinerary. The UK's top 7 fine-dining restaurants listed below offer a selection of Michelin star menus cooked by some of the top chefs around the globe. Your guests can expect the highest quality cuisine in unique settings.



## The UK's Top 7 fine-dining restaurants:

**L'Enclume – Cartmel, Lake District**



- Michelin Stars – \*\*\*
- Chef – Simon Rogan

Set in The Lake District, a must-visit for most UK tourists.

This stunning restaurant is where culinary creativity harnesses the powerful connection between food and nature. The ingredients used in the restaurant come from their Farm and trusted, long-standing suppliers. The chefs at L'Enclume are committed to fresh, local, and seasonal produce that sets their food apart while ensuring a truly traceable dining experience only using exceptional, mostly homegrown ingredients that are harvested in their prime. That is why their tasting menus change as often as the weather in which the ingredients grow.

## **Claude Bosi at Bibendum – London**



▪ Michelin Stars – \*\*

- Chef – Claude Bosi

Located on the 1st floor of Michelin House, beautiful stained glass windows boast a beautiful setting to arguably one of *the* most attractive dining rooms. Claude Bosi's cuisine is reassuringly simple, allowing ingredients to be highlighted by their seasonal qualities. Head chef Francesco runs an immaculately presented kitchen, which provides a fascinating backdrop to the guests' dining experience.

## Restaurant Gordon Ramsay – Chelsea, London



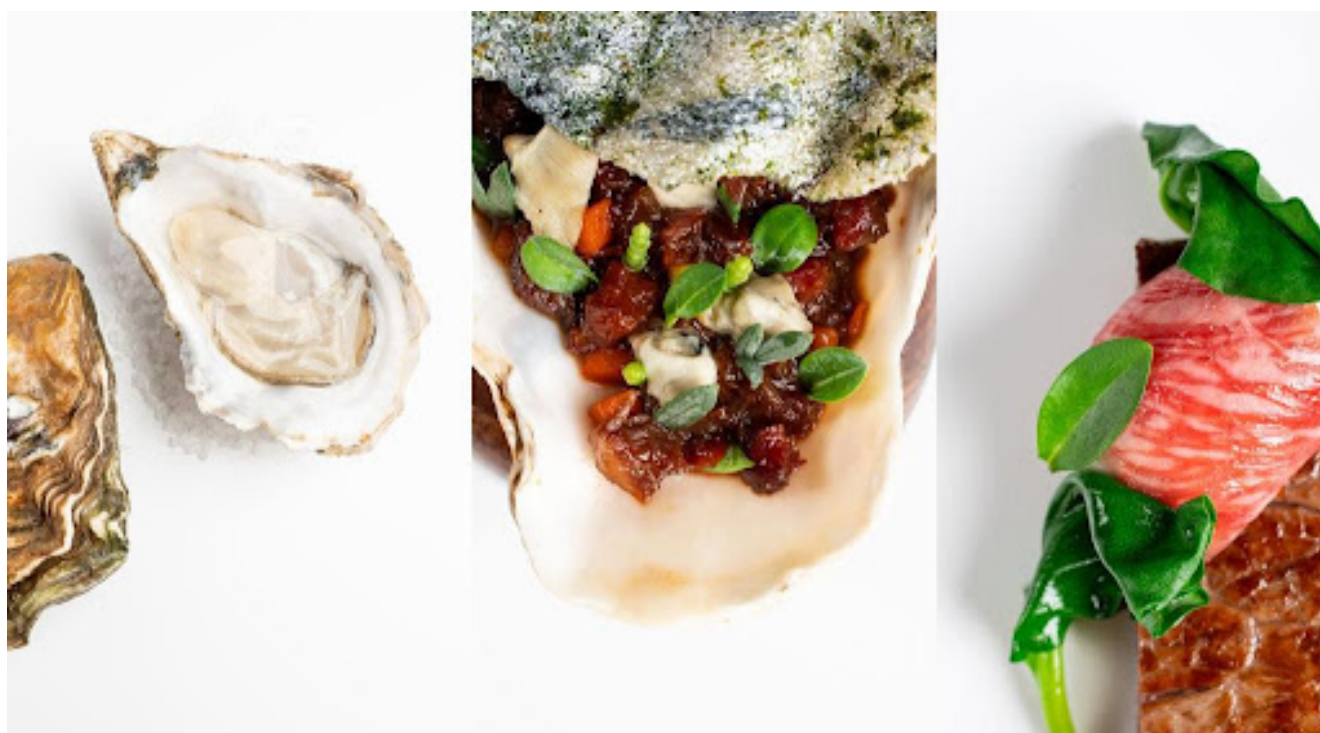
- Michelin Stars – \*\*\*
- Chef – Matt Abe

In 1998, at the age of 31, Gordon set up his first wholly-owned restaurant, Restaurant Gordon Ramsay, in Chelsea. Combining an intimate ambience with exquisite French cuisine by 2001, the restaurant had gained three Michelin stars, which the establishment retains today. This intimate restaurant



seats 45 guests. Surrounded by the stylish interiors designed by Fabled Studio, combining contemporary elegance and unparalleled service, Restaurant Gordon Ramsay has the hallmark of true excellence.

## **Core by Clare Smyth – Notting Hill, London**



À la carte menu at Core by Clare Smyth

- Michelin Stars – \*\*\*
- Chef – Clare Smyth

Core is an elegant fine dining restaurant focusing on natural, sustainable food sourced from the UK's most dedicated farmers and food producers. Core boasts a modern space with an emphasis on its classic and imaginative dishes. This is all thanks, Clare Smyth. Who won the world's best female chef award by the World's 50 Best Restaurants. The beautifully crafted dishes haven't gone unnoticed and have received numerous awards, including three stars in the 2021 Michelin Guide, 10/10 in the Good Food Guide, and many more. Visit [here](#), and you will experience the highest quality of food with a pinch of imagination.

# The Kitchin, Edinburgh



- Michelin Stars – \*
- Chef – Tom Kitchin

The Kitchin presents modern British cuisine, influenced by French cooking techniques and an appreciation of the best quality ingredients available from Scotland's fantastic natural larder. The cooking at this restaurant reflects Chef Tom Kitchin's training under some of the world's best chefs, blended with his Scottish heritage.

The Kitchin resides in a converted whisky bonded warehouse in Edinburgh's old dock area of Leith. Designed around the original stone and wood features, the dining room is intimate, cosy, and relaxed. Guests can view Chef and his team through a glass window in the main dining room, allowing them to enjoy the theatre of cooking.

# House of Tides- Newcastle



## Food Gallery at House of Tides

- Michelin Stars – \*
- Chef – Kenny Atkinson

Kenny Atkinson and his wife Abbie run this beautiful, restored townhouse restaurant. Their vision for House of Tides was to create a casual and informal space where guests felt comfortable and relaxed. They achieved this with their informal dining restaurant with two floors; the ground floor has 16th-century flagstones and exposed beams, creating a rustic atmosphere. Then, the first floor has a beautiful view of the River Tyne. The restaurant is Newcastle's only One Star Michelin and Four AA Rosetta awarded restaurant. The main dining area is unpretentious, and the vibrant dishes are served to contrast with the muted coloured interior.



## Mere – Fitzrovia, London



- Michelin Stars – None awarded yet
- Chef – Monica Galetti

Finally, Mere is known for its high-end South Pacific-influenced French cuisine and a strong wine list. The restaurant is elegant and contemporary, offering a relaxed and refined dining experience. The decoration, ambience, food, and service cannot be faulted. Monica Galetti, the professional judgment of MasterChef, and her French-born husband David have created an exquisite restaurant with luxurious food that does not disappoint.

Want to book your visit to one of the UK's top 7 fine-dining restaurants? Contact [info@mgmt yacht.com](mailto:info@mgmt yacht.com) and speak to one of the team.

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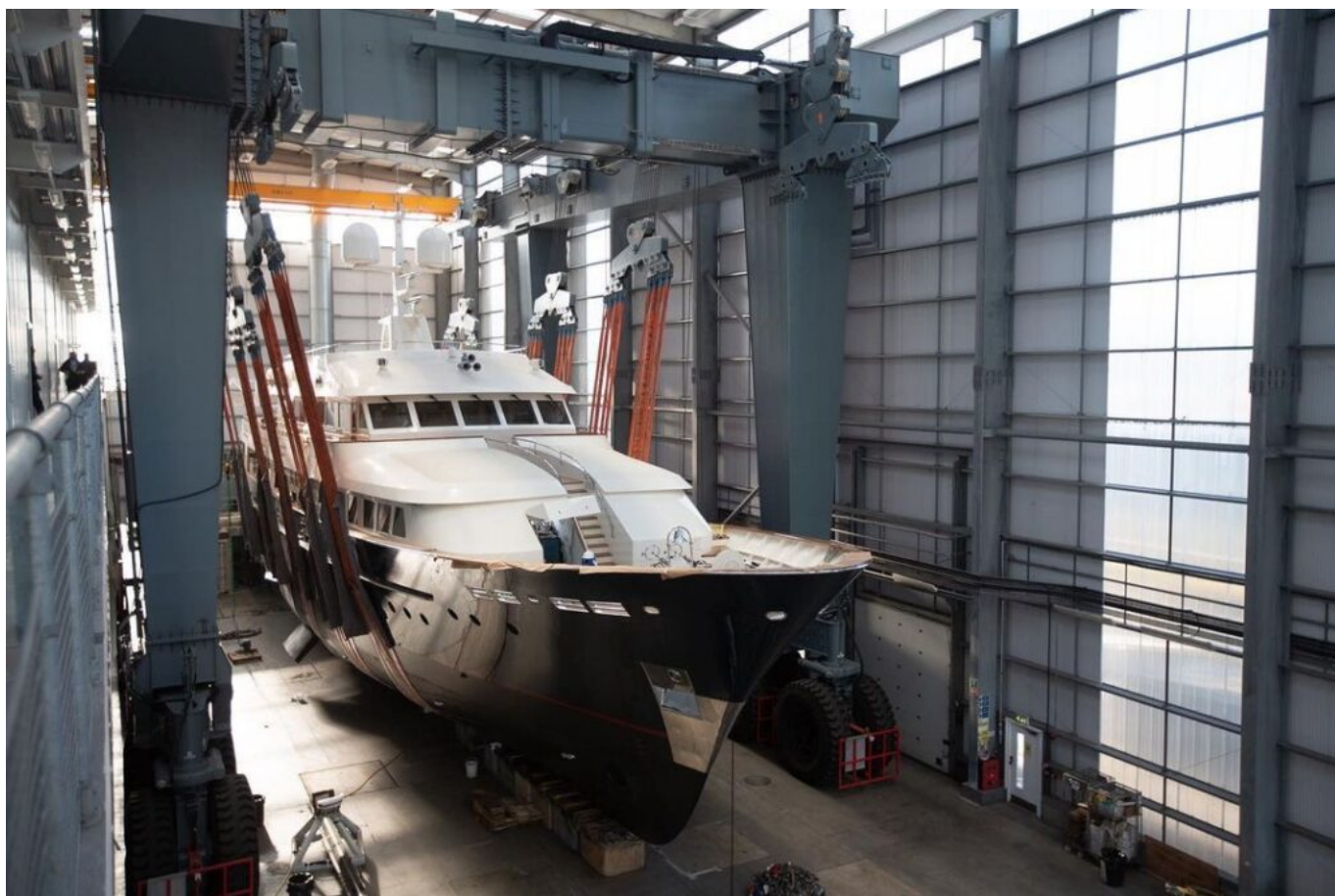
[Click here](#) to find out all of the must-see places to visit in the UK



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# M/Y A2 Successfully Relunched Into The Wet Basin At Pendennis Shipyard

The world recognised shipyard reported on their socials earlier this week that [Pendennis](#) successfully relaunched M/Y A2 back into their wet basin.



The 42.35m vessel was originally known as 'Masquerade of Sole', but was renamed M/Y A2 after arriving at Pendennis in 2011 and being rebuilt in 2012. All three decks of the

Superyacht were extended to 47m, along with a full-paint job that left the yacht looking modern. In regards to the interior, during the installation, the Pendennis team worked closely with the interior build experts, [Peter Marino Architect \(Remodel\)](#) to help exceed the owners' expectations.

Upon completion of the rebuild, Captain A2 of M/Y A2 praised Pendennises services, saying:

*"TO SAY THE LEAST THIS PROJECT WAS ENORMOUS AND OUR TIMESCALE LIMITED. THE WORK WAS CARRIED OUT IN A THOROUGH AND PROFESSIONAL MANNER. THE RESULTS SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES, WE HAVE A BEAUTIFUL YACHT" – CAPTAIN – A2*

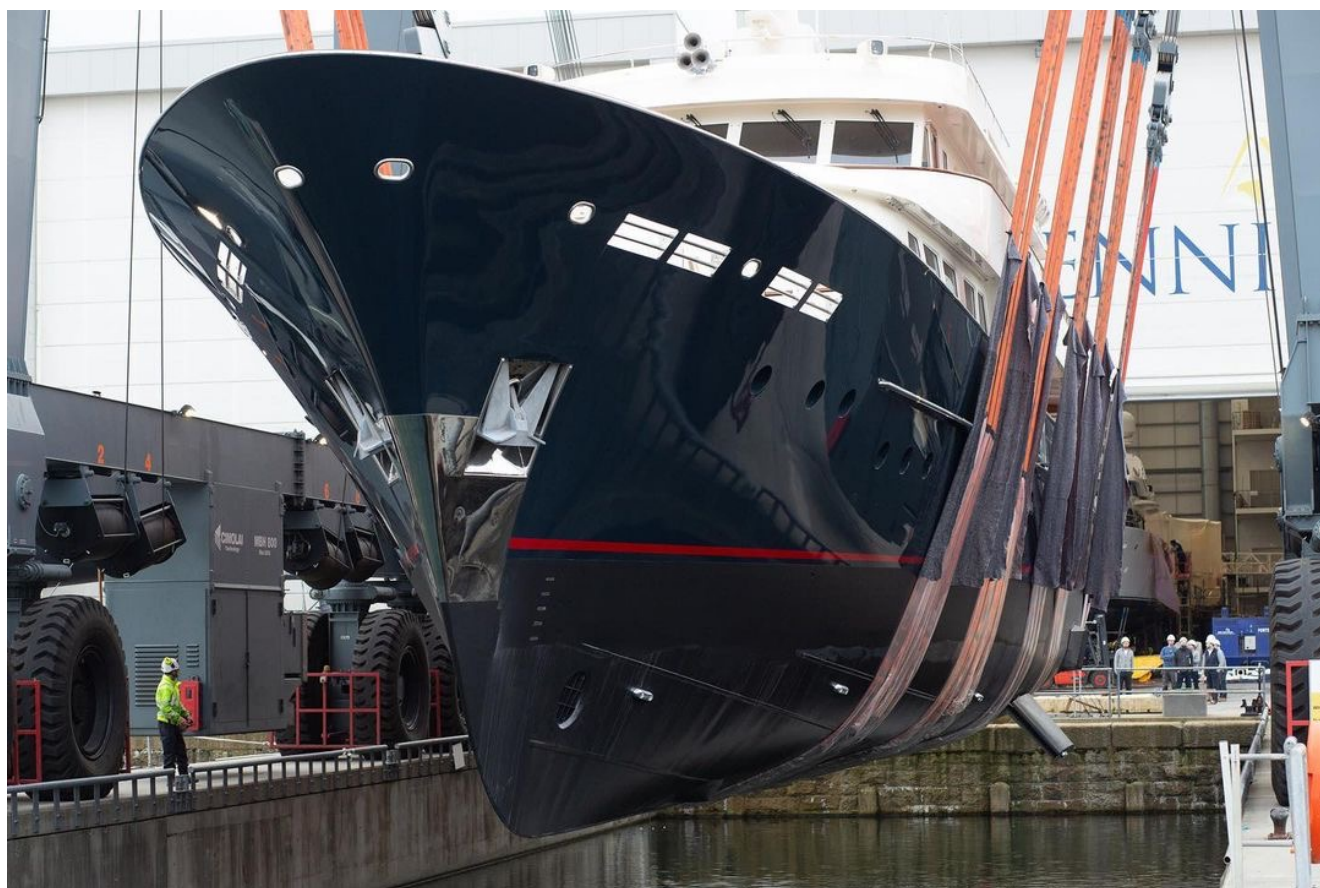


Image by Pendennis

Since then, M/Y A2 has visited the Pendennis Shipyard, in Falmouth three times. A2 has just undergone a four-month programme of works. This included a **ten-year** class survey, a complete **hull repaint**, and a number of **interior/ engineering**

upgrades.

## Current Specifications:

Overall length	47.0m (154'2")
Beam	8.08m (26'6")
Draught max.	2.41m (7'11")
Gross tonnage	458

For more information on Pendennis Re-fit services, [Click here.](#)

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## Where To Visit In The Uk?

Wanting to visit the [centre of the Superyacht universe](#), but struggling to decide on where to visit in the UK? This can be a daunting prospect for many visiting the UK by Superyacht.

### Where do I start?

There are a lot of things to think of when planning a trip to the UK and here are some of the most common worries;

- Cities
- Anchorages
- Berths
- Customs and immigration
- Tides
- [Provisions](#)
- Activities

Most Superyachts visiting the UK use an agent. This is purely because for most Captains it is an unfamiliar destination for a Superyacht. Add to this the fact that the country is so

diverse and a little local knowledge goes a very long way.

[MGMT](#) is the only Superyacht specific agency covering the entire UK. It was set up by brothers [Mark](#) and [Nigel Upton](#) in 2009 and has grown every year since the London Olympics in 2012. They look after most of the Superyachts visiting the UK every year and do everything from berth bookings and provisions to itineraries, fuel, and chauffeurs.

## **Destinations**

In the UK there are some real “must-see” places which are high on the list of all guests. But there are a lot of absolutely stunning places which a lot of people don’t know about.

### **London**

The Capital of England and a great place to take a Superyacht. There are plenty of berth options available and having your yacht in the centre of such an iconic city is a must.





Credit- MGMT Instagram

## Portsmouth

A great option as you make your way along the South Coast. Drop into [Gunwharf Quays](#) where you will be properly looked after by their team managed by [Mark Collings](#).



Credit – Gunwharf Quay

## Poole

Further west along the south coast and a popular marina for Superyachts, [Poole Quay Boat Haven](#) is another great option along your route. For larger yachts, the commercial port is a very clean and modern facility with a small tidal range which is always a bonus!



Credit – Visitsoutheastengland

## The South West

There are a lot of stunning options in the South West, and we're confident that once you've taken a look, you'll know where to visit in the UK. Needless to say, Dartmouth is one of the great Superyacht destinations in this area followed by Falmouth and also the Scilly Isles, which is like the UK version of The Bahamas. One of the most beautiful and remote spots in England.





Credit: Peter Cumberlidge

## The West Coast

Less commonly visited by Superyachts as the west coast tends to get missed out on the trip to either Ireland or en route to Scotland. This is not to say there aren't some great places to visit. Superyachts have been to Bristol, Cardiff, and Liverpool on their way to or from Scotland. Each of these locations offers the perfect start-off point for some truly memorable inland excursions. Stonehenge, Bath, and Snowdonia are among these.





Credit – Matin Walley Photography

## Scotland



Credit- Aberdeen Harbour Instagram

Usually either the start or endpoint for most Superyacht UK itineraries. Scotland never fails to disappoint as it offers such diverse options for a Superyacht visit. Scenery ranging from white sand beaches to towering cliffs, deserted Lochs to

remote castles. But, not only the classic reasons to visit Scotland. There are lots of award winning restaurants, beautiful hotels, activities galore and of course Whisky!

## **The UK has it all. Literally!**

Whether you start in London and finish in Scotland or Vice Versa this is a country so diverse many Superyachts are making return visits, even in the winter!

Following on from where to visit in the UK, expect to see more on the kind of support you can expect from the huge amount of companies based in the UK.

For inquiries about [MGMT](#) Itinerary services, [click here](#) or get in contact via [info@mgmt yacht.com](mailto:info@mgmt yacht.com).

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## **Variety at its best**

Variety, as they say is the spice of life! When you own a Superyacht and spend your summer in the Med and winter in the Caribbean maybe a change is just what you need.

## **When you say Variety what do you mean?**

Exactly that. Somewhere different, a change, something new.

The Superyacht industry is **VERY** good at following the leader. So, when someone does something different everyone else realises they need a change....

# What does this change involve?

As much or as little as you like. Here are a few ideas;

- Different locations
- New marinas
- Itineraries that take you somewhere you haven't been
- Events
- Shore based activities
- Secluded locations
- Busy cities with Superyacht access

Or, as many discover. A little bit of everything.

We are being bombarded with information at the moment by a group in the UK intent on making sure we, and therefore you know EXACTLY what the UK offers. And, to be fair it is a pretty good example of variety at its best!

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## MGMT

MGMT as you know if you read our news stories regularly are a prominent contributor to this site. They have taken it upon themselves to do something that a few have tried and failed to do in the past. Simply put, work with Superyacht companies based in the UK to promote the UK to visiting Superyachts. Simple?

They are working with and helping to represent everyone in the UK Superyacht industry. From Marinas, ports, port authorities, agents, provisioners and tour guides to shipyards, management companies, tax specialists and everyone in between.

***“The UK offers an amazing variety of locations,” Says Mark Upton C.O.O of [MGMT Group](#). “Not only that, but the things to do here vary as much as the locations themselves. We have everything from the best cities to the most remote islands***

*all within easy reach of each other. You could be shopping in Mayfair and eating in Michelin star restaurants one day and staying in a medieval castle on a remote headland the next."*

## About to boom!

The UK as a Superyacht destination is about to boom. We talked to a number of companies in the UK to hear their thoughts. ***"2021 at Gunwharf Quays has been an exceptional year for Superyacht business with nearly three times the enquiry levels compared to previous years, and visits well into double figures."*** [Mark Collings](#) from [Gunwharf Quays Marina](#) in Portsmouth tells us. ***"We very much see demand for UK Superyacht berthing growing in 2022 and are planning our future around being in the best position to support demand as it grows"***

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## Service is Key

It is indeed. And the UK has it by the bucket load. Here are some interesting statistics;

- The UK has 2552 Michelin star restaurants
- There are over 1500 Habitable castles in the UK!
- The UK is home to 171 billionaires
- In 2021 over 60 Superyachts visited the UK
- There is over 10,000km of coastline in the UK
- Ascot, Wimbledon, Henley, Goodwood, The British Open. All major UK sporting events.

All this means that Yacht owners and their guests coming to the UK will not only be very busy but also be very well looked after.



## And when it's time to getaway?

Because the UK is small but an interesting shape the coastline covers a huge distance. This means that when cruising in Scotland for example it is rare you will see another yacht. Even if you are only a couple of miles apart. So, when you have visited the cities, restaurants, museums, shops and events you can quite literally get away from it all to one of the most stunning and picturesque coastlines there is. BUT, still be close enough to get back to the city lights in a few hours.

Next time we look at some of the industry heavyweights based in the UK.

For more superyacht news click [here](#).

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## Two People Rescued From Yacht Amid Blackpool Storm

The RNLI have rescued two people after a yacht became trapped in treacherous conditions off the coast of Blackpool.



The lifeboat approaching the yacht. Picture: Lytham St Annes RNLI/Ben McGarry

The 33ft yacht got into trouble at 11:34 am last Friday (October 29), which led to a rescue effort by [Lytham St Annes](#) Lifeboat Station. The station's All-weather Lifeboat, commanded by Coxswain Andrew McHaffie, was deployed to the incident.

The lifeboat arrived just in time, with the RNLI stating that even minutes of delay would have meant a "slim chance of survival" for those involved.



The yacht rescued off the Blackpool coast. Picture: Lytham St Annes RNLI/Ben McGarry

Mr Mchaffie said he knew the team needed to work quickly to save those on board the yacht, as it was rapidly approaching surf on the shore.

Through Mr McHaffie's expert navigation, the boat was able to get close enough for fellow crew member Andy Hall to board the yacht. He was then able to connect the two vessels with a tow-line. The yacht was then towed to the marina at the Wyre Estuary in a rescue that took five hours.

One of the people aboard the yacht sustained minor injuries, however, the pair were otherwise unscathed.

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# Is 2021 the year to visit the UK?

UK Superyacht visits have become more and more popular since the 2012 Olympics. That summer in particular saw more Superyachts in the UK than ever before. BUT, since then they just keep coming back!

## Why?

Well, you and I know that the popular destinations for Superyachts have always been the Med and Caribbean. But, as more and more yachts crowd anchorages, berths become more valuable than gold and anonymity goes out of the window, what next? Superyacht owners, guests, Captains and crew are looking for new places to get excited about. Nobody wants to be 1 of 100 yachts in an anchorage and it's always nice for people to make a bit of a fuss when you arrive and are "the only show in town".



M/Y Vanish in Central London

## So where do you go?

A few years back, Croatia and Montenegro became the place to



take your Superyacht but, just like a few years earlier when yachts cruised the Greek isles they became popular, then busy, then too busy. So everyone moved on to the next big destination.

As we all know, the world has been a strange place the last year and lots of yachts did nothing at all in 2020. Owners, charter brokers and managers are looking for opportunities and destinations that Superyachts can visit.

## **Why the UK?**

The UK is a very different destination for Superyachts and somewhere most people don't consider because it's not hot and sunny is it? It may not be the South of France but definitely isn't the frozen North! Tastes have changed the last few years and people want to add some variety to their summer cruise. So, how about this?

### **London:**

Yes we are biased but London is one of the greatest cities on earth. And you can bring a yacht all the way into the centre of the city. Want to make a statement? It is very rare that another yacht will arrive and block your view! In fact, berths in London are well spaced out so, even if another yacht did turn up, the chances are you won't see them. Great sight seeing, restaurants and shops. What more could you ask for?

### **The South Coast:**

Portsmouth, Dartmouth, Salcombe, Falmouth. Fowey and others offer not only stunning coastal scenery but some activity, culture and history unique to each area.



Mayan Queen in Dartmouth

## **Islands and Highlands:**

Let's not forget Scotland! Over the last few years more than 60% of UK Superyacht visits either started or finished in Scotland. Now this is an opportunity for guests and charterers to really get back to nature. Scotland offers some of the most dramatic scenery on earth. It is not only stunning but supported by good infrastructure. And you are never far from a decent airport.



A busy day! Greenock

## **Do the locals know how to look after Superyachts?**

Funnily enough, yes they do. We talked to one of the most popular Superyacht Agents in the UK, [MGMT](#) who are not only owned and run by ex Superyacht Crew but also cover the entire country. [MGMT](#) started out in 2011 and were responsible for attracting and looking after most of the Superyachts that came to the 2012 Olympics. Ever since then they have seen the number of UK Superyacht visits increase year on year with particular interest in London and the Western Isles of Scotland. MGMT is extremely experienced when it comes to all the usual agency services but are also keen to point out that there is so much more on offer. "Itineraries, special events, private tours are what we do most of in addition to the usual services. But it's the special touches we like to add to a Superyacht visit to ensure the guests have a memorable experience. After all the UK is not like most other Superyacht



destinations. It offers something for everyone, we have even had really warm summers the last few years” Says Craig Latimer of [MGMT](#).

## **What about BREXIT?**

Funnily enough Brexit has had a hugely positive effect on the Superyacht industry when it comes to visiting yachts. Now the **UK is no longer part of Europe** there are lots of potential benefits for Superyachts.

**Refit for example:** Yachts leaving refit in Northern Europe have traditionally made a trip north to Norway in order to clear out of Europe before re-entering. This can now be done in the UK as yachts head south rather than make an unnecessary trip north. They can also buy fuel much cheaper, stock up on provisions and tie in a guest trip in London at the same time.

This is a huge benefit and potentially massive cost saving for many Superyachts. It's also one more reason for Superyachts to add the UK to their summer itineraries. And, you are unlikely to be anchored within sight of another Superyacht. Just like the good old days!