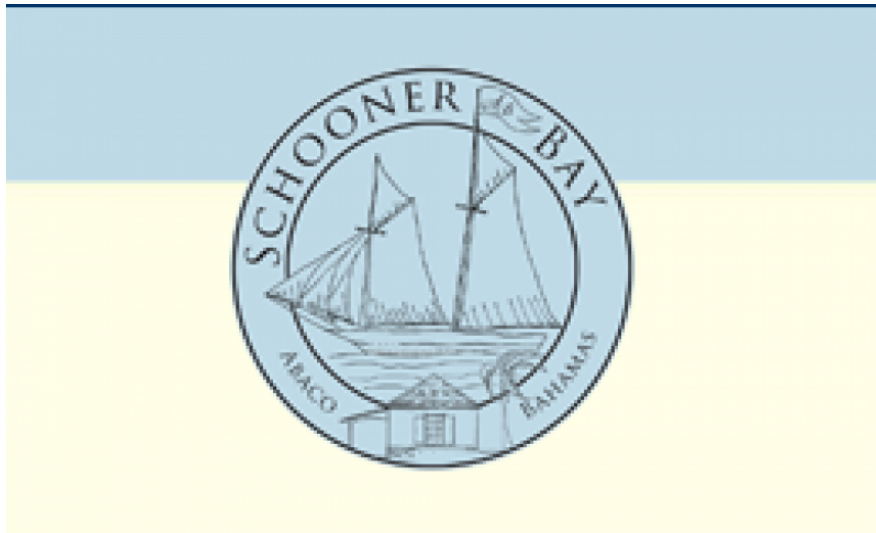


Schooner Bay Village

Traditional Bahamian harbour village built on sustainable principles, harbour life, farming & fishing, community



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Timeless Schooner Bay - with a reverence for the past and a vision for the future. On Great Abaco Island in the Bahamas, a new community is stirring. Imagine a place surrounded by oceans, the wild Atlantic and the placid Bahama Banks. A place of farmers and merchants and parents and professionals. Imagine tidy island houses on narrow streets, sweeping beaches, rugged dunes, a tropical forest. Imagine a place where rainwater feeds the wells. A place without traffic or distraction. Imagine a town centre facing a bay, where sailing boats rock idly on their moorings. Imagine the lively bustle of early evening; parrots call from the forest and neighbors mingle in the village. School-children return home to unlocked doors; shop-keepers and office-workers amble into the streets, farmers return from the fields, and fisherman from the sea. Imagine simplicity and sustainability, tradition and innovation. All that is essential, and nothing that is not. This is the re-birth of community. This is the story of Schooner Bay. Protecting the region's biodiversity and promoting its cultural diversity will be paramount at Schooner Bay. Schooner welcomes all those dedicated to the principles of sustainability, simplicity, community and family. We view ourselves as stewards of those principles, and the community as their embodiment. The Schooner Bay community plan is designed according to the most enduring settlement pattern of the Bahamas, namely the harbour community in a seafaring nation.

