Flotilla sailing holidays in the sunny Greek Islands
Sailing through another year in the Mediterranean...

It seems incredible that it’s 40 years since I personally discovered the Greek Island sailing environment. The company had been established 5 years before by an amazing character called Tom Keen. Things have changed hugely since that time, but the water and the welcome haven’t changed. 45 years of fun in the sun!

5 years before by an amazing character called Villa Meandros.

In recent years a few people have felt that their perfect holiday would be a week of sailing and a week ashore. Our Villa Flotilla programme allows for this with a range of shore-based accommodation including our luxury offering - Villa Meandros.

We continue to offer practical people the opportunity to have a go at sailing in the most pleasant environments possible. Our philosophy remains the same...if you feel you can do it, you can!

When we say “holidays of a lifetime”, we mean it!

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Over the years we have simplified our yachts to the point where anybody with an ounce of common sense can enjoy sailing them.

The lack of tides and access to modern weather forecasting means that the ability to get out on the water safely has become much more simple. Our holidays appeal to practical beginners and experienced sailors alike. Our flotillas have evolved from being all two week holidays to being mainly one week cruises. However, our two weeker’s remain a wonderful way to explore new areas. Lifelong friendships often develop from these holidays and some people go on to sail together for years to come!

We still do not charge a security deposit and if something breaks, we simply fix it. We do it, you can!

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The possibility of getting out and about in the fresh

Anyway, for 2020 our traditional brochure remains

version although of course our website and its

contents are becoming increasingly more visited.

We feel that our generation still enjoy the paper

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"This year's front cover photo is one of our new Beneteau 38.1's sailing off Elcicous in the Faroe Islands.

Dorie & Mark Nelson - the sailing holidays team"
In the Ionian Islands there is minimal tide, swell or compass variation to worry about and you are never more than 10 miles from land. This makes it the ideal sailing ground for those new to sailing.

If you are looking to test the waters then our one week flotillas sailing around Corfu and Paxos Island are a great first step. It offers the opportunity to sail in the sheltered waters of the Ionian islands whilst also visiting quaint towns and villages along the way.

Our routes are arranged to be sheltered from the prevailing wind. Sometimes there’s not enough wind, other times a little too much, but there is always a safe harbour close by.

You can combine your time sailing with a week relaxing on shore with one of our ‘Villa Flotillas’. These flotillas tend to appeal to those who have enjoyed one of the easier routes and would now like a little more sailing and a look at some different islands, bays and villages.

The Whole Ionian - our flagship flotilla route - covers slightly more miles than the introductory flotillas with one or two longer days. It visits a selection of our favourite stops in both the North and the South Ionian as well as the best bays in between. This is a one way route and gets booked up quickly!

Our slightly more sailing, Saronic and Sporades, flotillas provide a further step along in flotilla sailing, whilst remaining very much a holiday. If you fancy excellent sailing in slightly more open waters, these routes reach beautiful and uncrowded places.

Our Saronic Islands and Peloponnese Coastal Villages flotilla is a voyage through history with reliable sailing breezes.

Our Sporades flotilla is our most open water flotilla, renowned for excellent winds with flat seas due to the shelter offered by the islands. This route allows you to really get away from it all as you will likely spend a few nights anchored in bays!

We also arrange Independent Yacht Charter (Bareboat Sailing), Skippered Charter and Luxury Charter throughout the Mediterranean – see pages 62 - 67.
NEW TO SAILING?

WHAT’S IT ALL ABOUT?

How much experience do I need to go on a flotilla?

HOW MUCH EXPERIENCE IS REQUIRED?

In practical and positive attitude is the key! Every year we take thousands of people to the Greek islands… many have been with us before (some numerous times) and others choose us for their first sailing experience. For some it’s an annual event. Several have since gone on to buy their own yachts and sail to all four corners of the world!

WHAT HAPPENS ON A FLOTILLA HOLIDAY?

A typical flotilla is made up of 10 - 12 yachts, consisting of between 30 and 50 people of varied experience levels. Each flotilla is accompanied by a fully crewed lead yacht offering local knowledge, informative briefings, assistance and unobtrusive guidance.

Our lead crews are chosen for their sailing and maintenance abilities, along with their gregarious personalities.

The flotilla skipper has the responsibility of guiding you throughout, and will conduct daily briefings covering information about the route, weather and lunchtime anchorages.

Our ‘hostie’ is your link with local people and addresses on nearby facilities. The engineer ensures that jobs are dealt with quickly and the yachts remain in good working order.

Working closely with our lead boat crews, our shore based support team keep things running smoothly. Our ‘can do’ philosophy… If you feel that you can do it - you can! We only offer this in the sailing areas where we feel it appropriate. This is to ensure that you get the most out of the ‘Extra Pair of Hands’ and the most out of your flotilla! It is a holiday after all.

We try to make your first day’s sail as gentle as possible and will usually only cover 10 to 12 miles. Your lead crew will usually be at your destination before the rest of the flotilla, in order to take your lines on the quay when you arrive.

Most evenings you will be moored in a small village or town where there is a relaxed environment on shore. One evening is usually set aside for a beach party with the yachts rafted up close by. Your lead crew may organise food and drinks - the route for the following day will be appropriately short!

Our LEAD CREW TEAM

We provide a flotilla lead crew consisting of a skipper, hostess and engineer, who sail together on a separate yacht. Along with our shore based support team they have excellent knowledge of the area and are all experienced out on the water.

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Our flotillas offer an ‘Extra Pair of Hands’ for the first day or two, or however long you need. The service is just €90 per day plus food (payable locally). This is to ensure that you get the most out of the ‘Extra Pair of Hands’ and the most out of your flotilla! It is a holiday after all.

Most people feel more than capable after just one day of on-board assistance, so retain them for a day or two longer.

You will certainly gain plenty of yacht handling experience. All yachts have chart plotters, meaning navigation isn’t the challenge it used to be!

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On the enjoyable aspects of sailing in the Greek islands, allowing those with little sailing experience, but plenty of common sense, to have a go. Experienced sailors have the opportunity to simply relax, or spend some time introducing family and friends to their passion.

Meander from port to port, stopping for lunch in beautiful bays along the way, before making the decision to anchor to allow time for a swim in the area and are all experienced out on the water.

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ABOUT US

From the moment you speak to one of our team on the telephone or via email you are talking to someone who has either worked on or been on the holidays. They know first-hand what the boats are like, which routes will suit you best and even what the weather might be like!

Sailing Holidays has been running flotillas in the Greek Islands for over 40 years and, as many of you will already know, this area remains unique in the world.

OUR DESTINATION

The feeling of being there is hard to describe in print, as the sounds, smells and ambience of the islands make it a real escape from everyday life. The locals are among the most welcoming people in the world and the food is delicious.

The grilled lamb, locally caught fish, Greek salads and olive oil (not to mention the local wine) will really tickle your taste buds.

EASY TO SAIL YACHTS

All our yachts are set up to be manageable by two people and, if there is no wind, there is always the engine (which fortuitously keeps the beer and wine in the fridge cool!).

They all have easy to operate engines, electric anchor windlasses, roller furling sails, in addition to chart plotters for navigation, making it simple to find your way around. Each yacht is fitted with a VHF radio for contact with the lead crew. Mobile phones are an excellent alternative method of communication, as they also keep conversations private and have infinite range.

The yachts are your accommodation, amusement and transport for the week or fortnight. Your only additional expense is local food and drinks.

The best bit about sailing around on one of our yachts, is that you are able to explore islands off the typical tourist trail. You can visit some of the most remote, secluded and beautiful parts of the Greek Islands.

LAID-BACK INDEPENDENT SAILING

Join one of our traditional one or two week flotillas or sail independently. The choice is yours!

Your lead crew will ascertain whether or not individual crews are competent to go off on their own. For more experienced sailors this offers the perfect balance between a flotilla and bareboat holiday.

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The popular South Ionian sailing area is home to a steep and spectacular landscape providing a mixture of both shelter and lively breezes. This flotilla consists of mostly shortish days of 10 - 12 miles, sailing from island to island allowing plenty of time for exploring bays along the way.

JOIN THE FLOTILLA ON LEFKAS ISLAND
After being shown your boat and meeting your lead crew, you will have the evening to relax and unwind before your first day out on the water.

The following morning you will have a briefing with your crew who will talk you through what you can expect from your fortnight on the water. They will also let you know your first destination.

EXPLORING MEGANISI ISLAND
One highlight is picturesque Spartahori village, perched on the cliffs of Meganisi Island. You may also spend a night moored at Port Atheni, where you can join in with the Greek dancing...

SOUTHERN LEFKAS ISLAND
Vasiliki is a popular overnight stop with great tavernas, shops and a beach where you can simply relax and watch the boats coming and going in the harbour.

ESCAPE TO KASTOS AND KALAMOS ISLANDS
Two of our favourite island villages are Kastos and Kalamos. Tree covered and steep, Kalamos is quite a spectacular island. These traditional islands have idyllic harbours and the views are outstanding.

VISITING ITHAKA ISLAND
Popular Kioni and Frikes, on the east coast of Ithaka Island, are quiet villages in which you can relax. Port Vathi has become a flotilla favourite and Peri Pigadi offers an unbeatable swim stop.

KEFALONIA ISLAND
You will visit all our favourite places, such as Fiskardo, Poros and Ay Euphemia. The afternoon breezes that funnel down the channel between Kefalonia and Ithaka make for an invigorating sail!

RETURNING TO BASE
On your last day you will return to our yacht base, here you can spend the evening reminiscing on your fortnight with your fellow flotilla sailors in a waterside taverna.

Island hop between Lefkas, Meganisi, Ithaka, Kalamos, Kastos and Kefalonia
Visit the islands of Paxos, Antipaxos, Lefkas, Meganisi, Kalamos, Kastos, Ithaka and Kefalonia!

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This one way flotilla spends two weeks meandering through the Ionian Islands from the North Ionian, to the South and vice versa. Each island and harbour has its own unique and colourful character. Most sailing days are only 12-15 miles with one or two longer days when travelling through the Lefkas Canal!

JOINING THE FLOTILLA
On arrival you will be met by your lead crew and shown to your boat. The basics of your yacht will be explained before you retire to a waterside taverna for a cooling drink and a bite to eat.

NORTH IONIAN HIGHLIGHTS
The flotilla will wend its way South via the alluring villages of Lakka and Gaios on Paxos Island. A highlight of the first few days is a swim stop in Emerald Bay on Antipaxos Island. Another popular spot is Mongonisi at the southern tip of Paxos where you can Greek dance the night away...

Historic Parga Town, with its long sandy beach and colourful promenade, is not to be missed. You may also enjoy a glorious sunset in the small town of Mourtos, or a night at anchor in Two Rock Bay. For those in search of culture, historic Vonitsa, in the Gulf of Amvrakia, will be of interest.

THROUGH THE LEFKAS CANAL
Once you have cruised through the Lefkas Canal, a swim stop at Goat Bay is highly recommended! Nearby Patroklos is a charming village harbour famous for its tulips.

SOUTH IONIAN HIGHLIGHTS
Once in the South Ionian you will sail to a mixture of smaller and larger coastal villages. Along with some of the more well known spots like Fiskardo on Kefalonia Island, you may visit the picturesque havens of Frikes on Kefalonia and Sivota on Lefkas. You could stop off on the island of Atoko if you fancy dropping the anchor and having a swim. Or you could moor in one of the smaller bays on the north coast of Meganisi island for some lunch.

TYING UP FOR YOUR FINAL NIGHT WITH THE FLOTILLA
Your flotilla will finish in either our north or south Ionian base (depending where you started!) It is time to enjoy one last meal with the rest of the flotilla in one of the waterside tavernas.

Visit the highlights of the Ionian Islands and enjoy sailing a few more miles
New harbours on Ericousa and Othoni and a revamped harbour in Mathraki prompted a return to the Faraway Islands in 2019. The route was so popular we are returning for 2020!

In reality the “Faraway Islands” really aren’t all that far away. They are named this as they are Greece’s furthest away islands from Athens! (Like Lands End in the UK or Finisterre in Spain.)

YOUR FIRST FEW DAYS EXPLORING THE FARAWAYS
Most of the time you will head north in the first four or five days to the sparsely populated Faraways. Ericousa has a large bay, great for free swinging or anchoring off at night. A new harbour has been built on Ericousa but it remains a well kept secret.

Not many yachts venture north of Corfu so this area is quite special. Night under the incredibly vibrant stars can be almost as light as daytime. Othoni is clad in a thick cover of pine and olive trees with rocky scrub on the hilltops looking out over the sea to Mathraki and other smaller islands. All three of the islands feature beautiful sandy beaches.

Most flotillas will spend a night at anchor in Port Timoni and a night in spectacular Paleokastritsa which is sheltered from the prevailing wind.

The flotilla will then head for Paxos, either using the “inside route” (the east coast of Corfu) or the “outside route” (the west coast of Corfu).

MEANDERING BACK TO THE MAINLAND
On your way back to base you may spend a few nights in Sivota Mourtos, Plataria and Sayaidha. Other possible harbours on your route are the picturesque villages of Kassiopi and St Stephanos located on the north east coast of Corfu. You will then set sail back to Plataria for your final night on board.

IF IT GOES ON THE INSIDE ROUTE THE FLOTILLA MAY CALL INTO HISTORIC CORFU TOWN. THIS GIVES EVERYONE AN OPPORTUNITY TO IMMERSE THEMSELVES IN VENETIAN AND GREEK HISTORY. IT HAS A UNIQUE ATMOSPHERE.

SAFETY
This route is a generalisation and may vary according to wind, weather, or which harbour is appropriate at the time.

Get away from it all - sail to the Faraway Islands of Ericousa, Mathraki and Othoni.
Sail the North Ionian and discover turquoise bays along with a little more wind in the sails!

SAILING FROM HISTORIC CORFU ISLAND
The mixture of historic Venetian towns, coastal villages and idyllic anchorages is quite unique. Sailing in the lee of Corfu Island, means that it is little affected by swell. The flotilla will essentially go where the wind blows.

Kassiopi harbour has not changed much since we began visiting forty years ago. They have however realised that their Venetian castle is a fascination to visitors, so it is possible to wander around within the ruins.

Moving South, the villages of Petreti on Corfu Island, or Plataria and Sivota Mourtos on the mainland are also possible overnight stops.

You will be sailing through the same waters as the Corinthian galleys when they rowed/sailed up to the Battle of Sivota in 433BC.

Then you enter the ‘South of the North’ and the idyllic Island of Paxos with all its attractions. Lakka, Gaios and Mongonisi are all possible stops. An afternoon spent at anchor in Lakka bay on the north east coast of Paxos is a special experience. The flotilla may enjoy a night of Greek dancing in Mongonisi!

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Sail the historic Peloponnese coastline exploring the delights of the Saronic Islands

Our ever popular Saronic flotilla aims to cover a few more miles. It is best to have a couple of flotillas under your belt (or previous sailing experience) before sailing this route.

The flotilla starts and finishes in the coastal town of Astrous. You will most likely sail south first (weather dependent) to give you the best chance of experiencing the stunning Monemvasia.

COAST HOPPING THE PELOPONNESE

The towns of Tiros, Plaka and Kiparissi are all perched on the eastern Peloponnese coast and each has their own unique charm. Dining on the beach in Tiros is an experience hard to beat. Plaka is a small harbour offering a peaceful spot with crystal clear waters and a great beach.

WINE AND DINE IN MONEMVASIA

The flotilla will then usually sail South to visit historic but isolated Ieraka, the home of the amazing castle of ancient Zarax. The quiet fishing village of Ieraka itself is a nice contrast to busier towns and villages up the coast.

Why do we love Monemvasia? Where else can you swim with turtles in the crystal clear waters of the harbour by day... and be wine tasting in the back streets of a Byzantine city by night! Be sure to make the effort to climb to the top of the rock! Enjoy exploring the islands of Spetses, Hydra and the surrounding coast. The flotilla might stop at Dhokos Island to experience the spectacular sunset and sleeping under the stars.

RETURNING TO ASTROUS

The last few days will be spent sailing north along the coastline of the Argolic Gulf towards historic Navplion. A longstanding favourite is Ermioni, where the flotilla will most likely moor on the south quay. The walk around the peninsula to the north quay is a pleasant way to spend your afternoon. You may visit the cultural hub of Navplion, a town rich in Mycenaean mythology and pretty side streets. If you fancy some exercise you can attempt the climb up to the Palamidi fortress set high up on a hill over the town!

Then you will sail back across to Astrous to spend your final evening in a traditional taverna with your fellow flotilla sailors.

Steady winds for keener sailors with beautiful village harbours!
The Greek Islands at their most idyllic with amazing wind to get you around

Visit the spectacular islands of Skiathos, Skopelos, Alonissos and Kyra Panayia

This route is a generalisation and may vary according to prevailing weather or which harbour is appropriate at the time.

We run two very popular flotillas in the Sporades. The timeless recipe of gin clear water and reliable wind has proved irresistible to all who sail here. The area is wonderfully “Greek”.

Keener sailors rejoice

The wind in the Sporades can be a little breezier at times, so this route is aimed at our more experienced flotilla sailors. The slightly stronger winds and the flatish seas offer invigorating sailing.

Orei, Trikeri Channel & the Gulf of Volos

Your introduction to the Sporades Islands will begin in Orei where you will meet your lead crew. Your first night out will often be Kiriaki (where the calamari is to die for). This is a small village with an easy to access wreck for snorkelling. Children love it!

Skiathos Island

The flotilla will sail East to the beautiful anchorage of Koukounaries. You may also spend a night in Skiathos town with its bustling backstreets and picturesque harbour.

Skopelos Island & the Mamma Mia Church

The beaches on the south side of Skopelos have the finest white sand you will find anywhere! Another nice stop is Loutraki where you can visit the traditional hilltop village of Glossa. The spectacular Church of St John (better known as the church featured in the Mamma Mia movie) is great to visit - the view from the top is worth the climb, although health and safety executives may wish to avoid it!

Alonissos National Marine Park

Steni Vala on Alonissos island is another very popular small village. The once abandoned old town of Alonissos, high up in the hills above Patitiri, is great for intrepid explorers. Don’t forget to take a walk around the excellent museum in Patitiri.

Peaceful nights at Anchor

The more remote islands have stunningly clear water - Kyra Panayia is one such island with its large bays, perfect for free swinging; an ideal spot for cooking onboard and sleeping under the stars.

Returning to Orei

After two weeks of enjoyable sailing, you will savour the final day sail back to Orei to spend your last night with your fellow sailors.

Great if you’re looking for:

- Fascinating sailing area
- Nights spent at anchor
- Historic sightseeing
- A chance to get away from it all

Skiathos

Beneteau 331, Goat Bay

Kyra Panayia bay

Beneteau 45 Anchored for lunch

Sporades Islands Flotilla

Friday departures

Our two week Sporades Islands flotilla

Friday departures
EARLY AND LATE SUMMER DELIVERY FLOTILLAS

Our yachts are wintered in Gouvia Marina, on Corfu Island, where they receive comprehensive maintenance and cosmetic attention. At the end of April/beginning of May all yachts are sailed to their summer bases in the Ionian or the Saronic and at the end of October they are sailed back to Corfu. These trips are known as ‘delivery’ cruises. It is normally our more practical and experienced flotilla sailors who take part. Any teething issues with the yachts tend to become apparent in these first few weeks as the yachts set sail for the first time in the year. Keener sailors enjoy these flotillas as they cover longer distances, but the weather is not quite settled, so good wind is more common.

Please note: on all Corinth Canal Deliveries you will be required to pay the Corinth Canal fee (£100 - £150 per yacht depending on size)

• Whole Ionian Delivery
• North Ionian Delivery
Explore the Ionian Islands without the crowds on our shorter Ionian delivery flotillas that travel from Corfu down to Lefkas or Kefalonia in April/May and do the return trip in October. This is ideally suited to those wishing to make a gentle first step from the summer flotillas to doing a bit more sailing.

• Whole Ionian Delivery
Take a bit more time and catch some good wind sailing on our Two Week Ionian Island deliveries. Enjoy tranquil harbours and deserted bays sailing from North to South in April/May and South to North in October. Empty quaysides in the Ionian Islands are a rare pleasure.

2 WEEK CORINTH CANAL DELIVERY FLOTILLAS
• Corfu - Saronic Islands (and vice versa)
Starting from Corfu in April/May (vice versa in October) you will sail south through the Ionian Islands and into the Gulf of Patras. You will visit lovely places like Trizonia and Galaxidhi before sailing through the historic Corinth Canal. After possible visits to Aegina or Agistri islands your cruise will conclude in Epidavros.

3 WEEK CORINTH CANAL DELIVERY
For those with a little more time on their hands... After sailing through the Ionian Islands, you will pass underneath the incredible Antirion suspension bridge. The next few days will be spent making your way East via the lovely island of Trizonia. After cruising through the fascinating Corinth Canal, you will end your delivery flotilla at Epidavros. These trips are ideally suited to our more experienced sailors. See page 32 for our Sporades to Corfu Three Week Delivery Flotilla.

One week flotilla sailing holidays

Our Ithaka, Kefalonia, Paxos and Corfu Sheltered Waters cruises

Please note: on all Corinth Canal Deliveries you will be required to pay the Corinth Canal fee (£100 - £150 per yacht depending on size)
This flotilla is designed to encompass the best of this fantastic sailing area. For those who have sailed in the South Ionian before, this flotilla is the perfect way to explore a little further afield whilst still visiting old favourites.

MEETING YOUR FLOTILLA IN SIVOTA VILLAGE
Your starting point will be on Lefkas Island (either Sivota village or our pontoon at the Iris Hotel, Nidri). This flotilla will essentially sail where the wind takes it. With a myriad of harbours, bays and villages to choose from, your week will be spent island hopping around this beautiful sailing area. Your lead crew will plan a route with a mixture of bustling towns, traditional villages and relaxed bays (and hopefully some exciting sailing thrown in as well).

THE SOUTH IONIAN IS YOUR OYSTER
To name just a few of the islands in this area: Kefalonia, Ithaka, Kalamos, Kastos and Meganisi are some of the islands which may feature on your itinerary.

Ithaka is the place to go for small harbours and traditional waterside tavernas. A stop in one of the East coast bays can be idyllic for a swim.

Kefalonia Island is famed for the port of Fiskardo, however there are several other ports and a plethora of bays to drop the hook for a swim. To the East is Atoko Island which is an ideal spot to cool off at anchor while waiting for the afternoon breeze! The bright white cliffs of this deserted island reflect down through the water.

THE EASTERN MOST ISLANDS
Two other favourite stops are the villages of Kastos and Kalamos. Both of these traditional Greek islands have idyllic harbours, where the locals warmly welcome visitors. There are plenty of delightful harbours including Little Vathi, Spartahori and Port Atheni (for some Greek dancing). You will probably finish your week with a fantastic sail tacking in the Meganisi channel before tying up at our yacht base. Your final night will be spent enjoying a meal in a waterside taverna.

The flotilla moored for a quiet evening away from it all! Visit the island of Odysseus and the home of much Greek mythology.
During this week you will join your yacht in Sivota on Lefkas Island and visit the beautiful village harbours of Fiskardo, Ay Euphemia, Sami and Poros on Kefalonia Island, as well as our favourite spots on Ithaka. There is plenty of time for swimming and exploring on this cruise.

JOIN THE FLOTILLA ON LEFKAS ISLAND
Once you have arrived and met your lead crew it is time to sit back, relax and soak up the sun before retiring to one of the quayside tavernas.

EXPLORING THE EAST COAST OF KEFALONIA
Scenic Fiskardo, with its colourful character and eclectic evening promenade, is a highlight of the week. It continues to be a firm flotilla favourite, the ‘people watching’ is always good entertainment!

From here you can walk or take the dinghy to the caves (disused salt mines) in Foki Bay they are quite fascinating and remember to take a torch!

Ay Euphemia is further south on Kefalonia island, it has a bustling waterfront and some lovely tavernas. You can take a trip to the Melissani Caves from here, in Greek mythology it was known as the Cave of the Nymphs. The lake is a pretty spectacular site!

The flotilla will sometimes stop for a night in Sami which was made famous as the setting for the film ‘Captain Corelli’s Mandolin’. Sailing south to Poros means some excellent sailing in the Ithaka channel - making this route ideal for new, as well as confident, flotilla sailors.

Poros has more of a traditional Greek feel than other places you may visit on Kefalonia island. Make sure you visit the cave bar for a sundowner! For keener sailors, there may also be time to visit the smaller islands of Kastos or Kalamos which both offer a real chance to get away from it all.

ITHAKA ISLAND
The flotilla may call in to Ithaka for one or two nights, visiting the villages of Frikes, Kioni or Vathi. All these stops have their own unique charm, Kioni is great for taking a long-line ashore and swimming off the back of your boat.

A favourite lunch stop anchorage is Pere Pigadhi, where the crystal clear water will make you impatient to jump off the boat for a swim!

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Explore picturesque Fiskardo, Ay. Euphemia and Poros on the island of Kefalonia.

OUR ONE WEEK KEFALONIA FLOTILLA
This flotilla offers:

- 4 Visits to top spots on Kefalonia
- 4 Areas with a little more wind
- 4 Bustling waterfronts
- 4 Great anchorages enroute

SUNDAY DEPARTURES
Petriti
Preveza Airport
Two Rock Bay
Parga
Arilas
Mourtos
Plataria
Sayiadha
Lakka
Ligia
PAXOS
ANTIPAXOS
CORFU
Iggy Creek
Mongonisi
Emerald Bay
Gaios
PAXOS is one of those islands of Greece possessing that special ingredient which creates almost automatic relaxation! The regular afternoon breezes make this an ideal first for those making the step from dinghies to yachts.

SETTING SAIL FOR PAXOS ISLAND

Your first day out will usually be a short hop to the waterside town of Sivota Mourtos. The next morning you will set off southwards to Paxos. Paxos is, of course, the highlight of this flotilla cruise with its four beautiful harbours - Lakka, Longos, Gaios and Mongonisi.

Gaios is a traditional Greek town, with tavernas and shops to explore. Lakka is a village in a large bay famed for its emerald waters.

Mongonisi is another fantastic stop on the south east coast of the island of Paxos. You can swim off the back of your boat, siesta in the afternoon and then spend the evening Greek dancing with the rest of the flotilla. The family who own the taverna put on a great show and then afterwards it is your turn!

A highlight of this flotilla is an afternoon spent in Vromi Bay on Antipaxos Island for a lazy lunch and swim.

For the more adventurous sailors among you, a sail down the west coast of Paxos, exploring its spectacular cliffs and caves, is a glorious way to spend a day.

EXPLORING THE HISTORIC STREETS OF PARGA

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Enjoy island hopping between the bays of Paxos, Antipaxos and historic Parga

Lakka, Paxos Island
Are you looking for:

Enjoyable sailing
Beautiful harbours
Secluded anchorages
Emerald waters

OUR ONE WEEK PAXOS FLOTILLA

Sunday departures
Enjoy testing the waters around Corfu & the surrounding coastal villages

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**NEW FOR 2020**

**OUR ONE WEEK CORFU “SHELTERED WATERS” FLOTILLA - ONE FOR FIRST TIME SAILORS**

This one week flotilla will give you a real taste of the Greek Islands. The waters in between Corfu and the mainland are very calm and sheltered (hence the name) as you are in the lee of the islands.

The sailing in the afternoon is brilliant because there is less swell than outside the islands. It is ideal for beginners or for more experienced sailors looking to introduce family and friends to sailing.

**JOINING THE FLOTILLA**

This flotilla is designed for relaxed cruising and helping you get to grips with sailing. A likely first day sail could take you to the village of St Stephanos on the north east coast of Corfu.

**HOPPING DOWN THE GREEK MAINLAND**

After exploring north Corfu you may sail over to the Greek mainland fishing village of Sayaidha. This is a tiny harbour and it is the closest settlement to the Albanian border. Alekos taverna is famous for its prawns. Peeling them, whilst enjoying a cold beer with the fantastic sunset over Corfu, provides the recipe for a perfect evening.

The flotilla could then stop in one of the other towns on the Greek mainland. There is a choice of Plataria or Sivota Mourtos. Both have atmospheric waterfront promenades and, just like Sayaidha, the sunsets are breathtaking. You might even have an evening rafted off the sandy beach of Iggy Creek.

**OTHER HIGHLIGHTS OF CORFU ISLAND**

The village of Petriti is home to a fleet of fishing boats which bring in delights from the surrounding sea. Unsurprisingly, the tavernas here serve excellent fresh fish!

In the middle of the east coast of Corfu Island is the capital, Corfu Town. We may moor in the Yacht Club which (rather impressively) sits beneath the old citadel and a music college. The town is a warren of narrow Venetian cobbled streets which are well worth a wander around.

As always on a sailing holiday the route may vary depending on the weather forecast but this area is among the most sheltered anywhere!

An ideal way to introduce family and friends to sailing in the Greek Islands
Three week Sporades to Corfu delivery flotilla

This year we have two new and exciting three week flotillas! Our yachts, which are based in the Sporades, will be wintered in Corfu. This offers the unique opportunity to sail them back from Evia Island!

**EXPLORE THE GULFS OF EVIA, THE SARONIC AND CORINTH.**

If you are trying to gain experience and build miles out on the water, the Sporades Delivery Trip will do just that. Port to port this flotilla will sail roughly 450 miles and your flotilla skipper can sign these miles off for you in your log book.

**SPORADES DELIVERY TRIP**

This route will involve some longer sailing days and most likely experience a range of weather conditions. It is most definitely best suited for those with a book.

**Three week Sporades to Corfu delivery flotilla**

If you have three weeks to spare in May next year, why not hop on this flotilla and sail more of the Ionian Islands than ever before!

**EXPLORE THE GULFS OF EVIA, THE SARONIC AND CORINTH.**

You can then prepare yourselves for the journey through the impressive High Bridge which you can travel under.

**Three week highlights of the Ionian Islands flotilla**

**SET SAIL FOR THREE WEEKS OF CRUISING**

This route has been designed to venture to some of the less well known village harbours of the Ionian Islands. Many of you may have already sailed our flagship Whole Ionian flotilla before, imagine the freedom of an extra week on top of this already amazing fortnight!

Your cruise will cast off from Corfu Island, from here you will sail south visiting historic Corfu town and the bustling waterfront town of Shoto Mourtos.

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This involves crossing the Gulf of Evia between Evia island and the mainland. There are several bridges along this stretch, one is the Chalkis Old Bridge which raises, the second is the Chalkis High Bridge which you can travel under.

In the Gulf of Corinth there are several harbours, Galaxidi, Tzouma and Mesologi are all possible stops which few flotillas have the pleasure of visiting.

Passing under the Ron Bridge (which connects the Greek mainland with the Peloponnesian peninsula), means you are entering the Gulf of Patras.

The flotilla will then be in more familiar waters. Cruising through the Ionian, the islands of Phakia, Meganisi, Lefkas and Paxos may be on the cards.

Meandering through these sheltered waters is a great way to finish up this three week trip before arriving on Corfu.

**Three weeks of relaxation!**

**17th May - 7th June 2020**

**SETTING SAIL IN OCTOBER 2020**
ONE WEEK 'END OF SEASON' PAXOS & CORFU FLOTILLA

As all the yachts from the flotillas assemble in the Corfu area in time for the school half term holiday at the end of the summer season, we run special one week half term flotillas. The flotillas are divided into family groups, according to children’s ages. Couples and other adults are concentrated on separate flotillas. Teachers rejoice!

You will visit some of our favourite spots in the area known for its crystal clear water. The North Ionian regatta also takes place during this week and is great fun for all the family. At the end of summer the sea is nice and warm, so children tend to spend more time in it than on it!

ONE WEEK PAXOS, CORFU SHELTERED WATERS, ITHAKA AND KEFALONIA FLOTILLAS

(Please see specific flotilla pages 22-31 for more details on these flotillas)

The above one week flotillas are available during the May half term break.

A WEEK OF SAILING WITH A WEEK ASHORE

Stylish Comfort for your Shore Based Week

We are thrilled to be able to offer some of the most delightful accommodation options in the Ionian! Choose from studios or apartments, beside the sea, at the Iris Hotel near Nidri. Based in the South Ionian, this option is ideally suited for a shore based week before or after a selection of our Ionian flotilla sailing holidays. At our second option, the Salvator Spa Hotel & Villas in Parga, you can really pamper yourself in one of the rooms, suites or two-bedroom villas. You will definitely win over the non sailors among you by spending a week here!

Things to do

If you are looking to get back out on the water you can rent motor boats, take a dive course, try windsurfing or stand up paddle boarding. Hiring a car is popular and provides the opportunity to explore all around Lefkas Island and the Greek mainland. If it is relaxation you are after, you will be pleased to know that both of our accommodation options have a swimming pool.

For sailors whose partners have different priorities or who enjoy two holidays in one!

A week of sailing followed by a week of relaxation, by the pool or exploring ashore!

...And a week ashore

We have a brand new luxury villa above Sivota on Lefkas Island and can arrange villas throughout the Ionian on request.

'Villa Flotilla' and 'Shore-to-Sail' Holidays

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The Iris Hotel is our favourite accommodation option in the South Ionian. It is ideally suited for a low cost shore based week before or after any of our Ionian Island flotilla sailing holidays.

Several people have asked us if they could sleep ashore and do day sailing, so now that opportunity exists. In terms of cost it is the same as the one week flotilla plus the cost of the room. This is possible as long as one person has an ICC (International Certificate of Competence) or RYA Day Skipper (or higher) qualification.

WHY CHOOSE THE IRIS?
It is the perfect base for a week ashore on Lefkas Island! The family run Iris Hotel offers a lovely spot right beside the yachts, with the pontoon only a few metres from the hotel pool. The studios and apartments are well fitted out and very comfortable.

It is located in a district called Steno on Lefkas Island, which is a 15 minute walk from the vibrant town of Nidri. The pool environment at the Iris is hard to beat for a relaxing loll about in the sun.

A BRILLIANT TEAM
Owners Christos and Evanthia are always on hand to help and cater for whatever you need. The pool bar offers drinks and excellent snack food throughout the day and well into the evening. They also run poolside barbecues several times a week.

LOCATION
The beauty of this quiet but central location is the accessibility of a range of things to do in your shore-based week. You can rent a car, a small motor boat or a sail boat locally, embark on a dive course or take a day trip on a ferry to neighbouring islands. The “stars and spuds” night is a particular favourite.

EATING OUT
There are many excellent tavernas in and around Nidri. One of our favourites is Elena’s on the other side of Vliho Bay, as the food and sunsets are spectacular. This is a boat or taxi ride away but well worth the effort!

If you hire a car for your week on shore, the Iris Hotel also has its own private car park.

THE ROOMS
There are two types of accommodation at the Iris Hotel. The spacious studios include self catering facilities (kettle, fridge, sink, electric hob), modern bathrooms and are the most popular choice for couples.

If you are a couple looking for a little more space or a family, which needs an extra bed or two, the one bedroom apartments are a perfect option. They feature a large double bed as well as two single beds in the living room. In addition to this, they have a dining area and the self catering facilities are excellent.

Combine your sailing with a stay at the Iris Hotel
We have no doubt at all that our flotilla sailing gang will score a few points with the non sailors of the family by bringing them here. The combination of one of our yachts and a room in the Salvator is about as good as it gets! This is a luxurious option that won’t break the bank.

For more than 20 years, our flotillas have been enjoying the wonderful food from the Castello Restaurant in Parga. The Salvator boutique hotel and villas are owned and run by the same family – Spiros and his sons.

WHY CHOOSE THE SALVATOR?

Olive tree clad hills lead down to historic and picturesque Parga town, only 20 minutes walk (or 5 minutes in the free shuttle bus). The service and atmosphere are quite exceptional.

RELAX IN THE SALVATOR SPA

We are not spa experts (being sailors) but we think the facilities here are absolutely brilliant. There are exercise machines for those of that inclination, a steam room, a source and professionals offering massages and beauty treatments. There is a large outdoor and a smaller indoor swimming pool and even a possible jacuzzi.

ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

A range of accommodation is available from en-suite rooms and suites for individuals and couples, to larger apartments, suites and villas for groups of friends and families.

All rooms have easy access to the main hotel area as well as the restaurant and bar which serves fresh, locally sourced food all day long.

SALVATOR ACCOMMODATION FEATURES

- Excellent Trip Advisor Rating
- 4 Star
- Swimming Pool
- Spa
- Jacuzzi
- WiFi
- Complimentary Shuttle-bus to Parga
- Complimentary Breakfast
- Restaurant
- Cocktail Bar, Lobby Bar, Pool Bar
- Sea Views
- Mountain Views
- Garden Areas
- Air Conditioning
- Safety Deposit Box
- Mini Bar
- Library
- Lift
- Laundry Service
- Dolby on Call
- Private Parking
- Television

Combine your sailing with a stay at the Salvator Hotel

Wander around historic Parga town and its beaches, or explore further afield.
Lefkas Island is a great place to spend a week or two, there is plenty to see and do with a diverse range of activities to suit all the family. The impressive cliffs on the west coast of the island are a sight to behold. They drop down to beautiful sandy beaches with crystal clear water, perfect for a refreshing dip in the sea!

Lefkas is most well known for water sports. On the northern most beaches you will find world famous kite surfing beaches and in the south top class windsurfing spots. Just driving around this lush island, you will stumble across hidden gems in unlikely places.

BOOKING YOUR PERFECT “VILLA FLOTILLA”

You can combine your time on shore with most of our one and two week flotillas, which can be booked either before or after your stay in Villa Meandros. We will look after the logistics of getting you to the right places. If you wish, we can arrange everything, from flights, transfers, and car hire. If you have RYA Day Skipper or ICC you can have a yacht for day sailing based in Sivota. Our local knowledge means that we’ll be able to guide you in the right direction and find the perfect “Villa Flotilla” for you and your group.

Relax in comfort at Villa Meandros

VILLA MEANDROS - SIVOTA, LEFKAS ISLAND

• Main floor comprises - open plan lounge, kitchen and dining area, guest toilet, utility room with washing machine and master bedroom with ensuite and bath, pool and outside toilet, outdoor covered BBQ area.
• Lower floor - two double or twin bedrooms with ensuite, both with own balcony space.
• Ceiling Fans and Air Conditioning
• Mosquito nets on all sliding doors and windows.
• All windows double glazed
• Pool - 1.6 metres at its deepest. (13 metres wide, 8 metres on the sides and 3 metres at the steps)
• Fully equipped kitchen including:
  - Dishwasher
  - American style fridge/freezer
  - Microwave, electric hob, oven
  - Modern plumbing
• Outdoor grill/BBQ area
• Car hire recommended in order to explore Lefkas Island
• Sleeps up to six people

Lefkas Island and the Surrounding Area

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Can also be enjoyed without any sailing at all!
“Above everything, it was fun! Well organised, excellent online pre-sailing theory course, great boat with slab reef mainsail, excellent instruction and hugely practical experience – blessed with good winds so lots of real practice. Great crew, relaxed times in lovely harbour tavernas – what’s not to like?”

As time goes by, the requirement for some kind of boat driving licence becomes more and more important!

RYA SAILING SCHOOL - LEARN TO SAIL IN THE SUN

The Department of Employment has expressed concern that the number of people applying for the RYA Day Skipper qualification is not keeping up with demand. It is hoped that this initiative will help to address this issue.

**WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?**
From beginner to qualified skipper, learn to sail and handle a yacht in the sunny Greek Islands. In conjunction with Corfu Sea School.

**SUNDAY DEPARTURES**

**OUR APPROACH**
Our instructors are excellent and highly regarded for their professional approach. Our online training system allows you to complete the theory work in the comfort of your own home, so there’s no need for a lengthy class based course. Each course has its own tailor-made package, so you will arrive in Greece fully prepared for your practical sessions.

**THE DETAILS**
Unlike our flotilla holidays, you are buying berths on our training yacht and should be aware that you will be sharing the yacht with other students.

**THE BENEFITS OF DOING AN RYA COURSE**

**LEARN TO SAIL IN THE SUNSHINE**
This is an intermediate level course that aims to build on your core skills by developing your navigation, decision making and leadership ability. You will skipper a yacht on a number of short passages, under the guidance of your instructor. You will take charge of everything from passing planning, interpreting weather forecasts and routing.

**WHERE WILL WE SAIL?**
Our RYA Courses sail in the North Ionian islands from Corfu. Our RYA Instructors have worked within a flotilla environment for many years, meaning they are able to tailor the course to Mediterranean sailing conditions. You will visit some of the most beautiful harbours and villages in the area. They know the area better than most people we know, so not only will you be learning from the best, they also know the area better than most people we know.

**WHY DO YOUR DAY SKIPPER?**
The RYA Day Skipper is a valuable qualification held in conjunction with Corfu Sea School. To complete our RYA Essential Navigation and Seamanship course to Mediterranean sailing conditions. You will visit some of the most beautiful harbours and villages in the area. They know the area better than most people we know, so, not only will you be learning from the best, they also know the area better than most people we know. However, you won’t be obliged to share a berth with someone you don’t know. The maximum ratio of participants to instructors, on each yacht, will be 4:1.

**YOU WILL...**
- Be able to take charge of your own yacht before or you already have some experience of sailing in non-tidal waters.
- Be confident navigating, decision making and leadership ability. You will skipper a yacht on a number of short passages, under the guidance of your instructor.
- Be able to complete your RYA Essential Navigation and Seamanship course online (through the Corfu Sea School website). This covers topics such as charts, buoyage, navigation, piloting, rules of the road and passage planning. The pack includes practice charts and a plotter to get you started.

**PRE COURSE REQUIREMENTS**
From our experience, booking and running the Day Skipper course, it is assumed that you are already proficient in the topics covered in the Competent Crew course syllabus. You should already understand the basics of navigation, sailing, rope work, seamanship and have experienced at least 100 miles on a cruising yacht as active crew. The minimum RYA recommended pre-course experience is 5 days, 100 miles and 4 night hours. The RYA Day Skipper course syllabus is an ideal prerequisite, as you should understand the basics of navigation, sailing, rope work, seamanship and have experienced at least 100 miles on a cruising yacht as active crew.

**THE RYA SAIL CRUISE SYLLABUS**
Our RYA Day Skipper course is an ideal prerequisite, as you should understand the basics of navigation, sailing, rope work, seamanship and have experienced at least 100 miles on a cruising yacht as active crew. The minimum RYA recommended pre-course experience is 5 days, 100 miles and 4 night hours. The Competent Crew course is an ideal prerequisite, as you should understand the basics of navigation, sailing, rope work, seamanship and have experienced at least 100 miles on a cruising yacht as active crew. The minimum age requirement for this course and the RYA Short Range Certificate is 16 years.

**WHAT IS INCLUDED:**
- 7 days aboard the yacht, with full instruction
- Full online theory tuition (including VHF/ GMDSS and Diesel Engine)
- The RYA Sail Cruising Syllabus and Logbook
- All online theory course material
- All fuel, water and marine fees
- Towels and bed linen
- Waterproof jackets
- Sunshine and swim stops
- The RYA Sail Cruising Syllabus is Logbook
- All on-board breakfasts and lunches
- On-board evening meals
- VHF SHORT RANGE CERTIFICATE - 8hr theory + 1hr practical
- Excluding flights and transfers
- £120 PER PERSON
- £945 PER PERSON
GET QUALIFIED!
This ‘fast-track’ package brings together the Competent Crew and Day Skipper courses, into a convenient two-week sailing course. Prior to arriving in Greece participants complete both of the online courses.

OUT IN THE SUNNY GREEK ISLANDS
You will spend the first six days on the school yacht in Greece completing the Competent Crew syllabus. After a two-day break to relax and revise a little, you will spend another six days training for the Day Skipper element of the course. This is an excellent course for beginners looking to quickly get qualified to Day Skipper level. The minimum age requirement for this course is 16 years.

RYA COMPETENT CREW + RYA DAY SKIPPER COMBINED - 2 WEEKS
RYA TRAINING AND FLOTILLA COMBINED - 2 OR 3 WEEKS
A WEEK LEARNING & A WEEK RELAXING!
Many people choose to continue on from their training course with a week or two on flotilla. We have plenty of options if you’re looking to combine our brilliant training with a great holiday.

INTRODUCE FAMILY AND FRIENDS
We can easily arrange for family and friends to fly out and join you for your second week on a selection of our Ionian Island flotilla holidays.

FLOTILLA HOLIDAY PRICE + RYA TRAINING PRICE
All flight and transfer costs are included in our flotilla holidays, so combining an RYA training course with a flotilla holiday saves you the additional flight cost.

£1790 PER PERSON
Excluding flights and transfers
WHAT IS INCLUDED:
• 14 days aboard the yacht, with full instruction
• Online Competent Crew & Essential Navigation & Seamanship theory
• The RYA Competent Crew course book
• The RYA Sail Cruising Syllabus and Logbook
• All on-board breakfasts and lunches
• 4 on-board evening meals
• All fuel, water and marina fees
• Towels and bed linen
• Waterproof jackets
• Sunshine and swim stops

£945 PER PERSON
Excluding flights and transfers
WHAT IS INCLUDED:
• 7 days aboard the yacht, with full instruction
• 4 hours Competent Crew theory
• The RYA Competent Crew course book
• The RYA Sail Cruising Syllabus and Logbook
• All on-board breakfasts and lunches
• 2 on-board evening meals
• All fuel, water and marina fees
• Towels and bed linen
• Waterproof jackets
• Sunshine and swim stops
Many people enjoy going on our flotillas by themselves or as couples. Some have their first sailing experience on ‘Share-a-Yacht’ and come again, year after year.

The luxury skippered version of our traditional ‘Share-a-Yacht’ programme allows you to book your own en-suite cabin. For this option, an onboard skipper is provided (this is why it costs a bit more).

**HOW MUCH EXPERIENCE DO I NEED?**

Sailors with a range of experience levels take part. If you have never sailed but would like to, then you can share a boat to learn the ropes and perhaps sail one by yourselves the next time. This is an opportunity to make new friends whilst sailing in the sun. We assemble crews based on people’s age and sailing experience and mix the sexes as best we can.

We find it’s better that people meet at the beginning of the holiday and not before, as everybody is in the holiday mood by then.

**THE RULES**

There is no smoking allowed anywhere on our Share-a-Yacht boats, inside or outside. Our lead crews reserve the right to “cast any disruptive individuals adrift” if they feel that the safety or happiness of the yacht or flotilla is being affected.

All 36ft Beneteaus have three double cabins plus a berth in the saloon, so they are comfortable. Having a maximum of four people per yacht works best as it allows a separate sleeping area for everyone aboard, assuming the crew consists of four individuals. This keeps things relaxed and comfortable for everybody. These are predominantly on one week holidays.

The Beneteau 50 offers four en-suite cabins, perfect for either a couple or an individual sailor. These yachts are very spacious and sail like a dream. Having a skipper onboard (in a separate cabin at the bow) gives all participants a great opportunity to learn about sailing in a relaxed environment.

The majority of Share-a-Yacht holidays have been really successful and many people stay friends for years. Some enjoy the company of their new shipmates so much they book a whole yacht to themselves the following year. We have even had a few Share-a-Yacht weddings over the years! No promises, but you have to try very hard to not have a lot of fun in the Greek Islands!

**Skippered Charter?**

This is ideal for those who wish to sail under the watchful eye of one of our easy-going skippers. Our Beneteau 50 can sleep up to 9 people plus a skipper who has their own separate cabin, making this yacht perfect for larger groups or families who want to sail together.

You can take part in the sailing and boat handling as much or as little as you want and without the worry of personal decision making! These yachts sail quite fast meaning they can cover a larger area in a week or fortnight. For yachts of this size finding a harbour to tie up in is not crucial so anchoring for the night is one of the perks of sailing this yacht.

Skippered yachts can simply go ‘off piste’ to anchorages for a night under the stars, or visit smaller bays or harbours that might be a bit tight for a whole flotilla. You have total freedom! Being on a skippered yacht also suits those who wish to have a more private sailing experience.

Sometimes skippered yachts join a flotilla, and sometimes they sail independently, the choice is yours. Your skipper will sit down with you at the start of your holiday to discuss what you want to get out of your time on the water. Our skipper’s unrivalled knowledge of the area means that you are able to get to places that are quieter and more isolated. You will be able to explore some hidden gems that other sailors in the area probably don’t know exist!

Share-a-Yacht is a perfect way for individuals to sail with others for a week.

**Learning the ropes in comfort or simply sit back and relax!**

**For those who prefer the luxury of larger yacht sailing along with the fun of the flotillas**
We know that many of you have enjoyed our ‘Shore-to-Sail’ holidays over the years and more recently our ‘Villa Flotilla’ offerings. This option, as the name suggests, offers complete flexibility, even if you wish to do your own thing for a week.

FLEXI-SAILING - THE PERFECT COMBINATION
We have plenty of one week holiday components that merge easily to create exactly the holiday you fancy. You can follow a one week flotilla holiday with all sorts of different options.

One of the greatest things about a flotilla sailing holiday is that it generally suits everyone in a party. You can combine these in any way to allow you the freedom and flexibility on your holiday. We know how precious time away can be so we want to make sure it is as special as possible.

We will organise flights, transfers and will send you all the information you need to ensure your holiday runs smoothly.

These days some people like to organise their own flights and transfers so that they can grab a few extra days, for example taking in the sights of Athens or just lying on a beach.

From time spent enjoying the afternoon breezes, to lazy lunches at anchor, then there is always the styling evenings enjoying local food (and wine).

We want to take this to the next level by offering you a fully flexible sailing holiday experience. We will design a bespoke, tailor-made package for you and your fellow sailors. This allows everyone's needs to be catered for in a week. If you don't want to commit to sailing on one of our flotilla yachts for a full week or two, why not just have one of your own and call it 'Villa Flotilla'.

As mentioned in our “Villa Flotilla” pages (35 - 41), most of our Ionian flotillas can be combined with another week of whatever takes your fancy. All of our one week options we have on offer. Our Sales Crew will design a bespoke, tailor-made package for you and your fellow sailors.

Flexi-Villa and Day Sailing Holidays
This is a great way to introduce family and friends to sailing. Cast off in the morning, meander around the “Inland Sea”, return in the evening. Then it’s “tiffin time”, perhaps take a relaxing swim in the pool before wandering into the village for an evening meal and a nightcap. This is paired with Villa Meandros (pages 40 - 41) depending which suits your needs.

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As many weeks as you like doing different things, the choice is yours!

As a combination of time on the water and time on shore for you to enjoy with friends and family.
Our Yachts

Sizes to suit all groups and budgets

Beneteau 311s - our smallest offering

The Beneteau 311s
These, the smallest of our flotilla yachts, are the ideal choice for couples or young families who are trying sailing for the first time, or making the step from dinghies to yachts. They are popular because of their easy handling and manoeuvrability. They are also a cost-effective way to go sailing in the Greek Islands. These yachts feature in-mast mainsail and headsail furling making them remarkably easy to sail. They are a favourite for both beginners and well seasoned sailors.

Generally, outside the school holidays, the 311’s (and the 323’s) are almost entirely couples sailing on their own. This is a popular option because you can have the privacy of your own space on board with the added benefit of socialising with others in the evenings, if you so choose.

Beneteau 311 - our smallest offering

**Fittings and Equipment**
- Sleeps 4, ideal for 2-4
- 2 cabins plus saloon
- Saloon (3b/3d) is a wider berth
- Wheel steering
- Furling mainsail
- Furling genoa
- Electric anchor windlass
- 18HP Volvo engine
- Inflatable dinghy
- Hot & cold pressurised water
- Inside shower
- Batting platform with shower
- Electric fans in cabins
- Electric fridge
- GPS

**Beneteau 311 Yacht Layout**

**PERFECT FOR COUPLES!**

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Length overall: 9.8m
Beam: 3.23m
Draft: 1.45m

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- Batting platform with shower
- Electric fans in cabins
- Electric fridge
- Gravity toilet holding tank
- Cockpit table (fold away)
- Fold down table
- Flexible passerelle
- Bimini sunshade
- Step-through pulpit
- iPod connection for music
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**FITTINGS AND EQUIPMENT**

- Sleeps 6, ideal for 2-4
- 2 cabins plus saloon
- Saloon infill for a wider berth
- Wheel steering
- Furling mainsail
- Furling genoa
- Electric anchor windlass
- 21HP Yanmar engine
- Inflatable dinghy
- Hot & cold pressurised water
- Spacious inside shower
- Bathing platform with shower
- Electric fans in cabins
- Extra portholes for ventilation
- Electric fridge
- Gravity toilet holding tank
- Cockpit table
- Fitted passerelle
- Bimini sunshade
- Step-through pulpit
- iPod connection for music
- GPS

**BENETEAU 323 YACHT LAYOUT**

Launched: 2008
Length overall: 10m
Beam: 3.6m
Draft: 1.45m
Headroom: 1.95m
Waterline length: 9.75m
Draft: 1.45m

The Beneteau 323s have proved a great hit since we introduced them in 2008. They are perfect for couples and are available on most of our routes. The Beneteau 323s have a stylish interior and provide comfort for those wanting to enjoy the luxury of a modern yacht. Designed for couples and young families, they are easy to handle. With a spacious stern cabin and a large heads they are the perfect yacht for couples wanting to enjoy more space. The most popular feature is the bathroom and shower area which is twice the size of those on similar sized yachts. The aft cabin features ventilation as well as a fan, so it stays cool even on a hot day.

**FITTINGS AND EQUIPMENT**

- Sleeps 6, ideal for 2-4
- 3 cabins plus saloon
- Saloon infill for wider berth
- Wheel steering
- Furling mainsail
- Electric anchor windlass
- 28HP Volvo engine
- Hot & cold pressurised water
- Inside shower
- Bathing platform with shower
- Electric fans in cabins
- Extra portholes for ventilation
- Electric fridge
- Gravity toilet holding tank
- Cockpit table
- Railed passerelle
- Bimini sunshade
- Step-through pulpit
- iPod connection for music
- GPS

**BENETEAU 331/343 YACHT LAYOUT**

Launched: 2002/03
Length overall: 10.35m
Beam: 3.42m
Draft: 1.60m
Headroom: 1.92m
Waterline length: 9.30m

Our Beneteau 331s (and 343s) feature wheel steering and a good sized swimming platform area - perfect for those lazy lunches at anchor. These models are our smallest three cabin yachts making them perfect for families or two couples. They are well designed roomy yachts which sail well. Outside the school holidays, they are an extremely popular option for couples looking for a little more room and a more salubrious option. Both yachts feature in-mast furling which means the boat can be easily handled by two people from the cockpit.

**BENETEAU 3331 YACHT LAYOUT**

Similar layout and specs on Beneteau 343s (2008)

**BENETEAU 343 YACHT LAYOUT**

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Beneteau 35 - our newest mid-range yachts

These 3 cabin yachts are ideal for families or couples wanting a little more space and a luxurious layout. They also sail like a dream. The new ultra modern design and the large windows give it a bright and airy feel. The spacious cockpit area and fold down swimming platform are brilliant for lazy lunches at anchor and hosting drinks on board. The twin wheels optimize your view of the sails and the twin rudders are great for sailing performance.

The Beneteau 35s use the same modern design concept as our Beneteau 38s, but are slightly smaller and therefore more cost effective for couples and young families alike! They also feature our easy to use furling sail systems.

### Fittings and Equipment

- Sleeps 8, ideal for 4-6
- 3 cabins plus saloon
- Saloon infill for a wider berth
- Wheel steering
- Furling mainsail
- Furling genoa
- Electric anchor windlass
- 29HP Yanmar engine
- Inflatable dinghy
- Hot & cold pressurised water
- Inside shower
- Electric fans in cabins
- Electric fridge (front opening)
- Gravity toilet holding tank
- Cockpit table
- Bimini sunshade
- Step-through pulpit
- iPod connection for music
- GPS

### Beneteau 35 Yacht Layout

- Launched: 2016/2017/2018
- Length overall: 10.45m
- Beam: 3.72m
- Draft: 1.85m
- Waterline length: 9.97m
- Headroom: 1.91m


Beneteau 361 - our specially designed flotilla yachts

We believe these 3 cabin yachts are the ideal family cruising yacht - perfect for 4-6 people. They have been modified with more hatches meaning increased ventilation throughout, a larger bed in the forepeak and mainsail furling (with the exception of the Dufour 36 and Bavaria 38).

The swimming platform area is spacious and is brilliant for lazy lunches at anchor. One of the best features of the 361 is the large bathroom area designed with a separate curtained off shower.

### Fittings and Equipment

- Sleeps 8, ideal for 4-6
- 3 cabins plus saloon
- Saloon infill for a wider berth
- Wheel steering
- Furling mainsail
- Furling genoa
- Electric anchor windlass
- 29HP Yanmar engine
- Inflatable dinghy

### Beneteau 361 Yacht Layout

- Launched: 2001/02/03
- Length overall: 11.1m
- Beam: 3.8m
- Draft: 1.72m
- Waterline length: 9.48m
- Headroom: 2m

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**NOTE:**

The Dufour 36s and Bavaria 38 have conventional slab-reefing mainsail with lazyjacks and run on our RYA training courses.


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**FITTINGS AND EQUIPMENT**


**NEW Beneteau 38.1 – our very latest offering**

Launched: 2019
Length overall: 11.50m
Beam: 3.99m
Headroom: 1.96m
Waterline length: 10.72m
Draft: 2.05m

**For those that have sailed on our Beneteau 38’s, you will know what a joy they are to holiday on! This model features a slightly different layout and more importantly, two heads! On the previous model this is a separate shower room.**

You can expect all the other luxuries on board including the front opening fridge, drop-down swim platform, interiors and spacious forward cabin.

We launched four of these yachts in 2019 and they are spread across our one and two week flotillas in the Ionian Islands.

They are already hugely popular so make sure you get in early if you want to book one!

**The best forepeak of any yacht in this size range**

**BENETEAU 38 YACHT LAYOUT**

Launched: 2014/2015/2016/2017
Length overall: 11.50m
Beam: 3.99m
Headroom: 1.96m
Waterline length: 10.72m
Draft: 2.05m

**Beneteau 38 - these take us into a new era**

The pine coloured interior and expansive design gives them an ultra modern and spacious feel. The layout is perfect for families with older children and groups of friends who like a little bit of extra room.

The large windows surrounding the hatches allow an incredible amount of light into the boat. All three cabins are spacious. There is a large double bed in the forward cabin (which is rectangular, rather than triangular). The two aft cabins are also larger than usual.

Our favourite feature is the huge cockpit area (with twin wheels) and the fold down swimming platform – perfect for swim stops!

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Sleeps 8, ideal for 4-6
3 cabins plus saloon
Saloon area converts to double berth if required
Wheel steering (can be swivelled out of the way)
Furling genoa
Furling mainsail
Electric anchor windlass
55HP Volvo or 52HP Yanmar engine
Inflatable dinghy
Inside washrooms (2)
Hot pressurised water
Bathing platform with shower
Electric fans in cabins
Electric fridge
Gravity toilet holding tanks
Cockpit table
Fitted passerelle
Bimini sunshade
Step-through pulpit
iPod connection for music

Length overall: 11.98m
Beam: 3.98m
Headroom: 2.1m
Waterline length: 11m
Draft: 1.9m

BENETEAU 393 YACHT LAYOUT (3 CABINS / 2 HEADS)

Our Beneteau 393s feature the 3 cabin, 2 bathroom combination that is popular with families and friends alike. The Beneteau 393 has wheel steering and the wheel conveniently pivots sideways for easy access to the cockpit and bathing platform area. They are perfect for “grown up” families or two couples wanting ensuite comforts. The saloon table also goes down to make another double berth if required. However many people you are, the 393 is a real pleasure to be aboard and sails beautifully.

These “two heads” yachts, are very popular so, if you have specific dates in mind for your holiday, it may be a good idea to book early as we only have three of these boats.

FITTINGS AND EQUIPMENT

Sleeps 6, ideal for 4-6
3 cabins plus saloon
Saloon area converts to double berth if required
Twin wheel steering
Inmast furling mainsail
Furling genoa
Electric anchor windlass
40HP Yanmar engine
Inflatable dinghy
Inside washrooms (2)
Hot pressurised water

Launched: 2011
Length overall: 12.2m
Beam: 3.98m
Headrooms: 2.1m
Waterline length: 11.15m
Draft: 1.8m

BENETEAU 40 YACHT LAYOUT (3 CABINS / 2 HEADS)

Our Beneteau 40s are sleek and spacious with three double cabins and two toilets. The Beneteau Oceans range of yachts has certainly hit the spot over the years and these 40s are no exception!
They feature twin wheel steering, a huge central saloon and everything else you would expect! This layout is popular with two couples or friends who like a bit more space and privacy.

These yachts are also ideal for families, with teenage or grown up children - the starboard side of the saloon can be adapted into a comfortable double berth if required.
They are spacious yachts, sail beautifully and feature all the modern ease of handling elements. Perfect for those looking for one of our larger flotilla yachts.

Beneteau 393 - a perfect mid-range family yacht
Beneteau 40 - also a perfect mid-range family yacht
**FITTINGS AND EQUIPMENT**

- Sleeps 8, ideal for 6
- 3 ensuite cabins plus saloon
- Saloon area converts to double berth if required
- Twin wheel steering
- Furling mainsail
- Furling genoa
- Electric anchor windlass
- 54HP Yanmar engine
- Inflatable dinghy with outboard engine included
- Hot pressurised water
- Fold down bathing platform with shower
- Electric fans in cabins
- Electric fridge (front opening)
- Cockpit electric fridge
- Gravity toilet holding tanks
- Cockpit table
- Huge open cockpit
- Electric fans in cabins
- Auto Pilot
- Chart plotter
- Generator

**BENETEAU 45 YACHT LAYOUT**

Launched: 2015/2016/2017/2018

Length overall: 13.9m

Beam: 4.5m

Headroom: 2m

Waterline length: 13.5m

Draft: 2.16m

**FITTINGS AND EQUIPMENT**

- Sleeps 10, ideal for 8
- 4 cabins with ensuite, plus a skipper’s cabin
- Twin wheel steering
- Imray furling mainsail
- Furling genoa
- Electric anchor windlass
- 74HP Yanmar engine
- Inflatable dinghy
- Hot pressurised water
- Inside washrooms (5)
- Bathing platform with shower
- Electric fans in cabins
- Two electric fridges
- Gas cooker with oven
- Mixed bilge (front opening)
- Cockpit table
- Gravity toilet holding tanks
- Cockpit table
- Electric anchor windlass
- Electric fans in cabins
- Bow thruster
- iPod connection for music
- Generator

**BENETEAU OCEANIS FAMILY 50 - FOUR EN-SUITE CABIN YACHT LAYOUT**

Launched: 2011/2013

Length overall: 15m

Beam: 4.49m

Headroom: 2.08m

Waterline length: 14.75m

Draft: 2.1m

**FITTINGS AND EQUIPMENT**

- Sleeps 10, ideal for 8
- 4 cabins with ensuite, plus a skipper’s cabin
- Twin wheel steering
- Furling electric
- Furling genoa
- Electric anchor windlass
- 74HP Yanmar engine
- Inflatable dinghy
- Hot pressurised water
- Inside washrooms (5)
- Bathing platform with shower
- Electric fans in cabins
- Two electric fridges
- Gas cooker with oven
- Gravity toilet holding tanks
- Cockpit table
- Mixed bilge (front opening)
- Cockpit table
- Gravity toilet holding tanks
- Cockpit table
- Electric anchor windlass
- Electric fans in cabins
- Bow thruster
- iPod connection for music
- Generator

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- Twin wheel steering
- Furling electric
- Furling genoa
- Electric anchor windlass
- 74HP Yanmar engine
- Inflatable dinghy
- Hot pressurised water
- Inside washrooms (5)
- Bathing platform with shower
- Electric fans in cabins
- Two electric fridges
- Gas cooker with oven
- Gravity toilet holding tanks
- Cockpit table
- Mixed bilge (front opening)
- Cockpit table
- Gravity toilet holding tanks
- Cockpit table
- Electric anchor windlass
- Electric fans in cabins
- Bow thruster
- iPod connection for music
- Generator

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Launched: 2011/2013

Length overall: 15m

Beam: 4.49m

Headroom: 2.08m

Waterline length: 14.75m

Draft: 2.1m

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- 4 cabins with ensuite, plus a skipper’s cabin
- Twin wheel steering
- Furling electric
- Furling genoa
- Electric anchor windlass
- 74HP Yanmar engine
- Inflatable dinghy
- Hot pressurised water
- Inside washrooms (5)
- Bathing platform with shower
- Electric fans in cabins
- Two electric fridges
- Gas cooker with oven
- Gravity toilet holding tanks
- Cockpit table
- Mixed bilge (front opening)
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- Cockpit table
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- Electric fans in cabins
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- iPod connection for music
- Generator

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Our two Beneteau Oceanis 50’s ‘Kassandra’ and ‘Kalista’ are perfect for four couples or larger families with four double ensuite cabins, an extra large saloon, and separate skipper’s cabin.

These yachts are built for both comfort and speed. They have an auto-pilot, bow thruster, inmast furling mainsail and roller furling headsail - all to continue our efforts to make sailing easier.

All toilets are fitted with gravity holding tanks.

They are available for independent charter in the Ionian Islands (minimum qualifications are Day Skipper practical or ICC).

If you don’t have any qualifications, but are keen to get some bigger boat experience, skippered charter with one of our qualified skippers on board is an ideal option.

On board the Oceanis 45, comfort reigns supreme! The modern design perfectly meets the needs of any crew through a number of clever details.

The chart table doubles as a large room table creating a large living space. The folding bathing platform makes access to the sea for swimming very easy.

The three ensuite cabin layout provides unrivalled luxury for larger families, and groups of friends alike. The interior volume is enormous.

These stunning yachts will be sailing in the Sporades, Saronic and Ionian - the perfect yacht for any cruising ground.
**Independent Yacht Charter**

For those who know how to do it and have their RYA or ICC sailing qualifications

**Skippered Yacht Charter**

For those who don’t have qualifications but would like to experience sailing in the sun without worrying about navigation and boat handling.

**Luxury Yacht Charter**

Larger luxury yachts with crew for those who wish to sit back and be looked after in style!

Once you have experienced all our flotilla routes or larger yachts within our own fleet and you have become qualified, you may wish to branch out to new areas on other peoples yachts...

Our team have been busy assembling a range of yachts from selected suppliers around the Mediterranean. For those of you who would like to charter independently, there’s bareboat sailing. If you don’t have the relevant qualifications you might like a skippered charter.

If a pampered lifestyle is more to your liking, we also arrange crewed charter on luxury yachts that are familiar to us.

To keep things simple we can also arrange yachts plus flights and transfers if required, in all areas of Greece, Croatia, Turkey, Italy and Spain.

Independent yacht charter (also known as bareboat sailing) is where you hire a yacht and sail it yourself. This is a way for qualified sailors to really get away from it all. It is also a great way to explore a new coastline. Being independent leaves you free to venture to “off piste” beaches and coves that are simply idyllic.

One key difference from the flotillas is that the yachts are supplied from selected yacht owners throughout Europe. Sailing Holidays Ltd acts as an agent for yacht companies in various Mediterranean countries and assures that the yachts and providers used are of a high standard.

We are able to arrange competitively priced flights and transfers, in this age of more expensive flights. Within the five countries and between the 30 bases, we have 14 different sailing areas available, each with their own unique characteristics for a memorable sailing adventure. Our office team know these areas well, so don’t hesitate to ask!

Meandering independently from harbour to harbour or island to island under sail with your own personal itinerary.

The advent of GPS navigation on mobile phones has made independent sailing easier and a more common activity in recent years.

**QUALIFICATIONS**

To charter a yacht independently you need a minimum qualification of an RYA Day Skipper Practical Certificate or an ICC (International Certificate of Competence). For Croatia you also need a VHF radio licence. (See our courses on pages 42-45).

**BOOK WITH 100% FINANCIAL PROTECTION**

All payments for flight inclusive holidays with us, are covered by our Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) ATOL Financial Protection scheme. Financial protection for yacht only bookings is facilitated through our ABTA, ABTOT (no. 5218).
IT'S EASIER THAN YOU THINK...

Not a sailor? No qualifications? Then this may be the one for you! Skippered Yacht Charter is a great way to learn the ropes without the responsibility. Your skipper will encourage you to take an active part in the holiday or you can just relax and take in the scenery!

Booking a skipper allows for non-sailors or sailors who want an experienced pair of hands on board to charter a larger yacht and go off the beaten track. This is ideal for those who do not have formal sailing qualifications, or those who simply wish to gain more experience out on the water, and learn from someone who does it all the time.

Skippers will also advise you on ports to visit, where to eat, and places to swim. It’s very easy...we provide a sailing yacht with a skipper who effectively ‘drives’ the boat for you, wherever you’d like to sail. You, your friends and family can get involved as much or as little as you like. It’s a great activity holiday for all the family if you decide to ‘get away from the world’.

WHO ARE THE SKIPPERS?

We have a team of professional, experienced and qualified skippers, one of whom will sail your yacht with you. We try to select a skipper who will suit your individual requirements.

HOW MUCH DOES A SKIPPER COST?

When choosing the skippered option please note that you are responsible for his/her food, this does not mean taking them out for steak every night, unless you want to of course. This essentially means treating your skipper as one of the crew.

A skipper costs €1,050 per week (depending on the location) plus food. The skipper will also require their own cabin, so please bear this in mind when organising your sailing party or group.

Skippered charter provides an excellent first step to sailing a yacht. The majority of sailors who join us return year after year thereafter. This opens up the possibility of sailing all over the Mediterranean.

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A FLOATING LUXURY CHALET

This is fully crewed ultra comfort...a week or two on board a luxury yacht or catamaran combines the freedom of a sailing holiday with the comfort and service of a luxury villa holiday. You will enjoy ensuite cabins and plenty of space on these larger yachts. At fresco dining in the spacious cockpit areas is a unique experience.

Cabins are cleaned each day and linen and towels are changed twice a week. Not sold...did we mention the king-sized beds and air-conditioning? Even the toilets are electric! Your skipper and hostess cater for your every need. From a delicious breakfast, to a comprehensive wine list, you couldn’t be better looked after!

When it comes to dinner you can either eat on board or try out the local restaurants - in our view it would be a shame not to step off and explore the local eateries but, with comfort like this, we would forgive you for enjoying a night on board!

SAILING INTO THE SUNSET!

The beauty of having a skipper and hostess means that you can be as hands on as you like. Your crew will just be on hand as required. If the wind gods aren’t behaving, these yachts have large engines to get you to your next destination!

All yachts are self contained with large generators to keep things powered up even if you don’t spend much time in harbour.

Imagine a private villa where you wake up in a different beautiful location every morning. Many people like the idea of a very special week or fortnight on a very special boat, wandering around very special Mediterranean islands.

You can also have a week on a luxury yacht followed by a week in a luxury villa (see pages 40-41 for the Greek villa option). This is top of the range sailing before super yachties and a memorable way to spend your holiday time if it is simple luxuries that you would like.

This is a special option for those who seek absolute privacy on their holiday.
We have been organising sailing holidays for over forty years. Yacht charters are covered by our ATOL and ABTOT financial protection.

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Health Warning!
These holidays are addictive and may seriously improve your health!