

**HOLIDAYS
OF A
LIFETIME**



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Flotilla sailing holidays in the sunny Greek Islands



Sailing through another year in the Mediterranean...

It seems incredible that it's over 40 years since we discovered the Greek Island sailing environment. Things have changed hugely during that time, but the water and the welcome haven't changed. Decades of fun in the sun!

We understand that most of you still enjoy our paper brochure in this day and age of everybody sitting in front of a gogglebox of some description! We feel that our generation still enjoy the paper version although of course our website is becoming an increasingly popular choice.

Our yacht charter division is also a popular option for more experienced sailors, offering bareboat sailing, yacht charter, and skippered charter. The possibility of getting out and about in the fresh air and dining on wonderful Mediterranean food remains.

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 learners and experienced sailors alike. The flotillas have evolved from being all two week holidays to also being available as one week cruises. However, our two weekers remain the most relaxing way to explore new areas of the Greek Islands.

Lifelong friendships often develop from these holidays and many people go on to sail together for years to come!

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' and 'Shore to Sail' programmes allow for this with a range of shorebased accommodation that includes our luxury offering - Villa Meandros.

After a couple of challenging years due to covid, we continue to offer the opportunity to go sailing in the most warm and pleasant environments possible.

When we say "holidays of a lifetime", we mean it!

*Barrie + Heidi Neilson
& the Sailing Holidays Team.*

2 This year's front cover photo is the crew of one of our Beneteau 38.1's enjoying a swim.

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SAILING HOLIDAYS FLOTILLA ROUTE DESCRIPTIONS

INTRODUCTORY FLOTILLA ROUTES

1 WEEK ROUTES: CORFU SHELTERED WATERS, SOUTHERN IONIAN HIGHLIGHTS AND PAXOS

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, or the south Ionian, are a great first step.

They offer 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 and weather forecasting these days is fantastic. You can also combine your time sailing with a week relaxing on shore with one of our 'Villa Flotillas'.

OUR NEXT STEP FLOTILLA ROUTES

2 WEEK ROUTES: FARAWAY ISLANDS, WHOLE IONIAN, SOUTH IONIAN

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 bits in between. This is a one way route and gets booked up quickly!

Our two week South Ionian flotilla explores all the best of this amazing sailing area. You will sail further afield and probably visit bays and harbours which are a little more off the beaten track.

All of these routes are still relaxed and simply have one or two longer days which make for some great sailing!

FLOTILLA ROUTES TO ASPIRE TO

2 WEEK ROUTE: THE COASTAL VILLAGES & SARONIC ISLANDS OF THE ARGOLIC GULF

2 WEEK ROUTE: THE SECLUDED SPORADES ISLAND AREA

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 in 2022.

OUR GREEK ISLAND CRUISING AREAS



"This was my 1st time sailing in Greece. Advice was spot on, from the choice of yacht at booking to the practical advice on arrival. The location was ideal and we could make our own way to the daily destination, stopping whenever we wanted to explore the many islands, coves and beaches, safe in the knowledge that, if there was any problems, the lead boat was always available." Philip



FLOTILLA SAILING HOLIDAYS



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



WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?

To be able to meander around the islands of Greece under sail is a rare pleasure that we are proud to offer. Our holidays concentrate on the enjoyable aspects of sailing in the Greek islands, allowing those with 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 most of the afternoon breeze and sailing to your evening destination. Our flotillas are one of the most enjoyable holidays available to people looking for a sailing holiday in the sun.

HOW MUCH EXPERIENCE IS REQUIRED?

A practical and positive attitude is the key! Every year we take thousands of people to the Greek Islands... many have been with us numerous times, and for others it's an annual event. Several have gone on to buy their own yachts and sail to all four corners of the world!

One of your crew will need to make the effort to gain an ICC (International Certificate of Competence) at some point before the summer. Many UK sailing schools can provide the appropriate assessment in four hours or so!

Some may prefer to do an RYA Day Skipper Course which you can do in the sunny Greek Islands with us over a week or so. This involves more of a learning process for less experienced people.

Each flotilla of ten or twelve yachts is accompanied by a fully crewed lead yacht offering local knowledge, informative briefings, assistance and unobtrusive back-up when required. You will be shown how to work the all the various aspects of the yacht including the anchor, the sails, and how to turn on the all-important engine!

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 an informal and nowadays socially distanced get together.

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.

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

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 advises 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 shorebased team keep things running smoothly. Modern weather forecasting means our flotillas are seldom caught out by Mother Nature. In addition, we have fast ribs which can reach our flotillas wherever they might be.

RELAXED STARTING OUT

If you are feeling daunted by the prospect of sailing in unfamiliar waters on one of our flotillas, our lead crew will soon allay your fears. Before setting out you will be given briefings to introduce you to the boats and get settled in to make the most of your holiday.

YOUR FELLOW SAILORS

One of the best aspects of flotilla sailing is meeting like-minded people along the way. Life long friendships often develop on these holidays.

THE PERFECT PLACE TO LEARN TO HANDLE A YACHT

The Ionian Islands are one of the safest sailing environments in the world and have provided an unbeatable training ground for over forty years. We have made our yachts the easiest in the world to handle and have an unrivalled maintenance programme.



These holidays will take your mind completely off everything at home!



Anchored in the Old Harbour of Othoni Island

WHAT ARE OUR HOLIDAYS ALL ABOUT?



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! An ICC (International Certificate of Competence) is required for independent sailing.

For more experienced sailors this offers the perfect balance between a flotilla and bareboat holiday.



A Beneteau 361 Anchored in the South Ionian for lunch

Two week flotilla sailing holidays

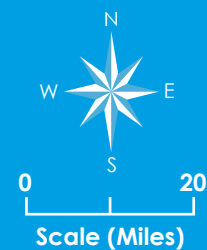
There is something special about sailing in the fresh air away from everyone
South Ionian, Faraway Islands, Whole Ionian, Saronic Islands and Sporades cruises



LAKKA, PAXOS ISLAND



PARGA



SIVOTA, LEFKAS ISLAND



FRIKES, ITHAKA ISLAND



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

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



Fiskardo, Kefalonia Island

This flotilla offers:

✓ A little more sailing

✓ A one way route

✓ Seeing the best of the Ionian

✓ Wildlife spotting

OUR FLAGSHIP TWO WEEK WHOLE IONIAN FLOTILLA

✈ SUNDAY DEPARTURES



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 Gaïos 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 Palairos is a charming village harbour famous for its sunsets.

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 harbours of Frikes on Ithaka 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



TIROS



MONEMVASIA



POROS ISLAND



SWIMMING WITH TURTLES

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

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

Monemvasia



This flotilla offers:

✓ Excellent sailing

✓ Historic sites

✓ Sailing further afield

✓ Local wines!

TWO WEEK FLOTILLA SAILING HOLIDAYS AROUND THE COASTAL VILLAGES & SARONIC ISLANDS OF THE ARGOLIC GULF

✈ SUNDAY DEPARTURES



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 leraka, the home of the amazing castle of ancient Zarax. The quiet fishing village of leraka 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 island of Spetses and the surrounding coast. The flotilla will usually spend a night at anchor 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 long-standing 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!



SKOPELOS TOWN



STENI VALA, ALONISSOS ISLAND



BENETEAU 45 ANCHORED FOR LUNCH



The Greek Islands at their most idyllic with amazing wind to get you around

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



Kyra Panayia bay

Great if you're looking for:

✓ Fascinating sailing area

✓ Nights spent at anchor

✓ Historic sightseeing

✓ A chance to get away from it all

OUR TWO WEEK SPORADES ISLAND FLOTILLA

✈ FRIDAY DEPARTURES



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 flattish 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 brightest stars you will ever witness.

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.

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



BENETEAU 40 ANCHORED FOR LUNCH



IRIS HOTEL, NIDRI



SPARTAHORI, MEGANISI ISLAND



ANCHORED OFF ITHAKA ISLAND



Goat Bay

Are you looking for:

✓ Bay stops

✓ Island hopping

✓ Steady afternoon breezes

OUR TWO WEEK SOUTH IONIAN FLOTILLA (SCHOOL HOLIDAYS)

✈ SUNDAY DEPARTURES



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 Kastor 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 Fries, on the east coast of Ithaka Island, are quaint villages in which you can relax. Port Vathi has become a flotilla favourite and Pere Pigadhi 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, Kastor and Kefalonia

The perfect combination of steady afternoon breezes and relaxing bay stops

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



ANCHORED IN OTHONI HARBOUR



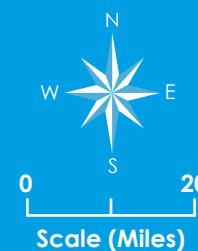
HEADING DOWN THE WEST COAST OF CORFU



ST STEPHANOS



GROUP MEAL IN MONGONISI



18 Set sail to the emerald waters of the Faraway Islands whilst visiting some old favourites on the way!

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



Flotilla rafted in Port Timoni

What you can expect:

✓ Longer sailing days

✓ Dolphin spotting

✓ Sailing off the beaten track

✓ Secluded bays

OUR TWO WEEK FARAWAY ISLANDS AND PAXOS FLOTILLA - SELECTED DATES

✈ SUNDAY DEPARTURES



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 a few selected dates in 2022!

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. An excellent new harbour has been built on Ericousa which is safe from all directions.

Not many yachts venture north of Corfu so this area is quite special. Nights 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. Some flotillas may spend a night at anchor in Port Timoni and a night in spectacular Paleokastritsa. They are sheltered from the prevailing wind and visits to them will depend on the forecast winds.

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).

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.

Paxos never fails to provide wonderful memories, with the beautiful bay of Lakka and the Greek dancing nights of Mongonisi to name just a couple.

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.

Get away from it all - sail to the Faraway Islands of Ericousa, Mathraki and Othoni

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.



IONIAN DELIVERY FLOTILLAS

• 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 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.

• Two Week 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 SARONIC DELIVERY FLOTILLAS

2 WEEK Delivery to the Saronic and Argolic Gulf • Lefkas - Saronic Islands (and vice versa)

The spot to experience is the town of Pilos in the Bay of Navarino in which the Europeans finally defeated the Ottoman Turkish Navy and began the Greek War of Independence in 1827. It was the last major sea battle fought under sail only!

Stops are likely to be in Zakynthos, historic Methoni, Koroni, and Elafonisos before swinging around into the Argolic Gulf. These deliveries will be governed by the weather and may involve a couple of anchorages. If time permits, we might even try for a night on the 'eighth Ionian Island' of Kythera.

It is a unique opportunity to visit some amazing places not normally seen by flotillas. These trips are ideally suited to our more experienced sailors and are sometimes referred to as 'shakedown cruises'.



Two week Saronic Delivery Route for 2022



Anchored off Gidaki Beach on Kefalonia

One week flotilla sailing holidays

Our Southern Ionian Highlights, Paxos, and Corfu Sheltered Waters cruises



GAIOS, PAXOS ISLAND



ANCHORING IN EMERALD BAY



PUNCH PARTY IN PARGA



THE FLOTILLA TEENAGERS IN TWO ROCK BAY



Lakka, Paxos Island

Are you looking for:

✓ Emerald waters

✓ Enjoyable sailing

✓ Beautiful harbours

✓ Secluded anchorages

OUR CLASSIC ONE WEEK PAXOS FLOTILLA

✈ SUNDAY DEPARTURES



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 flotilla for those skipping a boat for the first time.

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 laid back village in a large bay famed for its emerald waters.

GREEK DANCING THE NIGHT AWAY

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 dining and 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 morning spent in Vromi Bay (Emerald Bay) on Antipaxos Island for a lazy lunch and swim before the afternoon breeze arrives. 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

Another possible stop is the fishing village of Petriti on the southern east coast of Corfu Island.

This flotilla normally stops for a night in the picture postcard coastal town of Parga on the mainland. The mooring at Valtos Beach will make you impatient to jump in the water and wandering around Parga town in the evening is a very special experience!

The flotilla will essentially go where the wind blows, so there will be variations of this route to make the sailing as comfortable as possible.

Finally we return to our base where you can spend your final night relaxing and sharing tales of the week's events with your fellow sailors.

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

Enjoy a week exploring the emerald waters of Paxos, Anti-Paxos and the Greek Mainland

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



TIME TO TAKE A DIP!

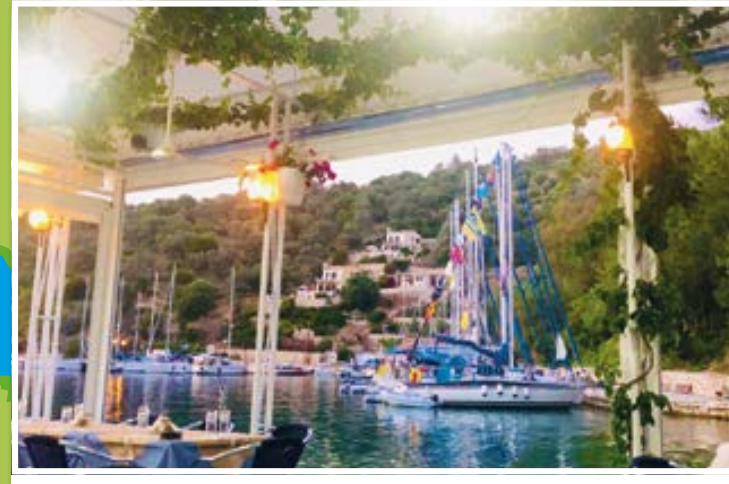


KIONI, ITHAKA ISLAND



Explore the South Ionian under sail

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SPARTAHORI, MEGANISI ISLAND



BENETEAU 361 MAKING THE MOST OF THE WIND



The flotilla moored for a quiet evening away from it all!

This flotilla is ideal for:

✓ Steady afternoon breezes

✓ Lunchtime bay stops

✓ Small quaint harbours

✓ Exploring further afield

OUR ONE WEEK SOUTHERN IONIAN HIGHLIGHTS FLOTILLA

✈ SUNDAY DEPARTURES



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 be 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 lots 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.

The island of Meganisi is comprised of so many inlets and bays that you'll be spoilt for choice.

There are plenty of delightful harbours including Little Vathi, Spartahori and Port Atheni.

You will probably finish your week with a fantastic sail tacking down the Meganisi channel before tying up at our yacht base. Your final night will be spent enjoying a meal in a waterside taverna.

Visit the island of Odysseus and the home of much Greek mythology



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SAYAIDHA SUNSET



SUNSET FROM CORFU YACHT CLUB



BENETEAU 38 SAILING DOWN THE COAST OF CORFU



Corfu Town Citadel

The perfect flotilla for:

✓ An introduction to sailing

✓ Anchoring in bays

✓ Crystal clear waters

✓ Small Greek villages

OUR ONE WEEK CORFU “SHELTERED WATERS” FLOTILLA - RELAXED SAILING IN THE SUN

✈ SUNDAY DEPARTURES



This one week flotilla will give you a real taste of the Greek Islands. The waters in between Corfu and the mainland are usually calm and sheltered (hence the name) as you are in the lee of the islands but still with good wind in the afternoon, and little swell. It is an ideal for regular flotilla sailors looking to introduce family and friends to our kind of sailing.

JOINING THE FLOTILLA

This flotilla is designed for relaxed cruising and helping you get to grips with sailing around the Greek Islands. 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!

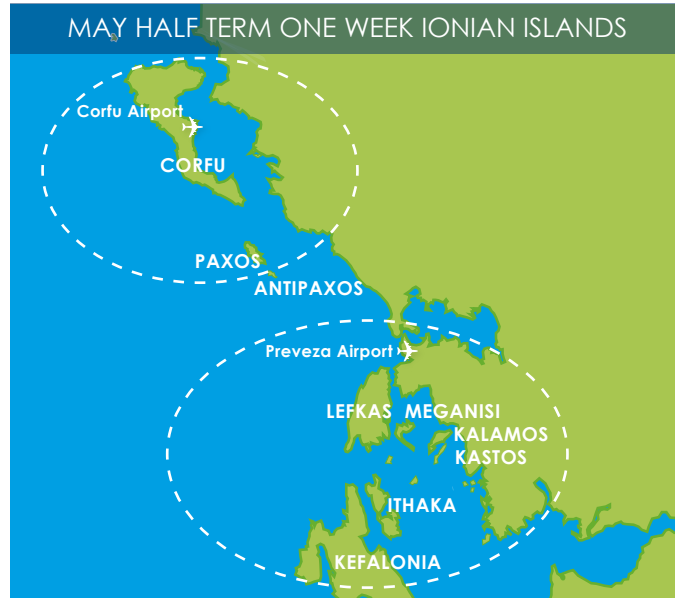
An ideal way to introduce family and friends to sailing in the Greek Islands

Enjoy cruising the waters around Corfu & the surrounding coastal villages

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OUR HALF TERM FAMILY FLOTILLAS

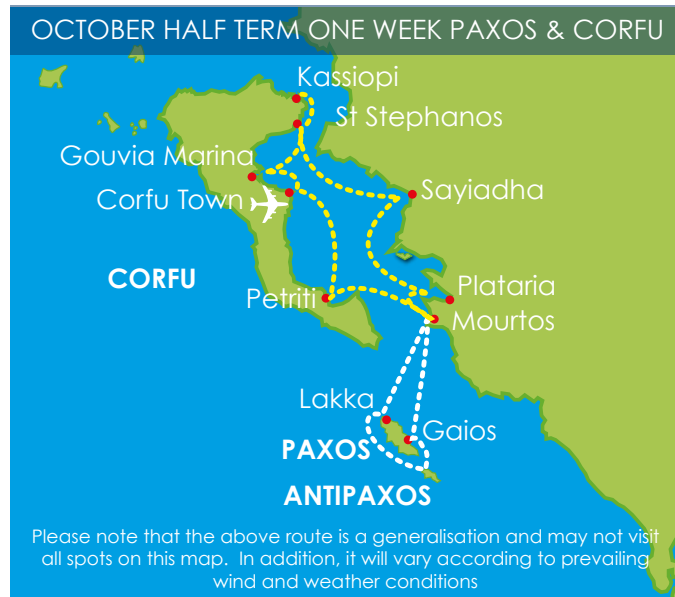
ALL OUR YACHT TYPES ARE AVAILABLE ON THESE FLOTILLAS



ONE WEEK PAXOS, CORFU SHELTERED WATERS, AND SOUTH IONIAN FLOTILLAS

(Please see specific flotilla pages 22-27 for more details on these flotillas)

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



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!



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!

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 Sivota Mourtos.

Over on the mainland, the flotilla may spend a night at anchor in the secluded Two Rock Bay before heading south.

You will now start venturing further off the usual flotilla trail into the Gulf of Amvrakia. This is an inland sea and is the best area for wildlife spotting. The shallow waters create the perfect environment for huge pelicans, dolphins and turtles. Keep your eyes peeled!

The flotilla will travel through the Lefkas Canal into the South Ionian. Here you will island hop between Lefkas, Meganisi, Kefalonia, Ithaka, Kalamos and Kastos. Your lead crew will keep an eye on the local weather forecast and your itinerary will alter accordingly. You will essentially sail where the wind takes you!



Another trip through the Lefkas Canal is in order before a night in the quaint fishing village of Ligia. A rarely visited harbour, Ligia relies on its fishing community to survive meaning that the restaurant in the harbour serves the freshest seafood! The long sandy beach is perfect for a swim.

During your three weeks of meandering around the Ionian you are likely to call into Paxos and Anti-Paxos to visit Mongonisi, Gaios or Lakka.

Making the most of the regular afternoon breezes in the Corfu channel, you will spend your final few days in the harbours of Sayiadha on the mainland, as well as Kassiopi and St Stephanos on the north east coast of Corfu island.

This flotilla is the perfect way to really relax into the flotilla way of life whilst visiting some new towns and villages along the way!



A Beneteau Family 50



Luxury Share-a-Yacht on our Beneteau 50 - yacht details on page 40

SKIPPERED FLOTILLA SAILING HOLIDAYS - ENJOY SAILING WITH YOUR OWN “CAPTAIN”

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

Sail on our 4 ensuite cabin Beneteau family 50



WHY CHOOSE 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 a 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!

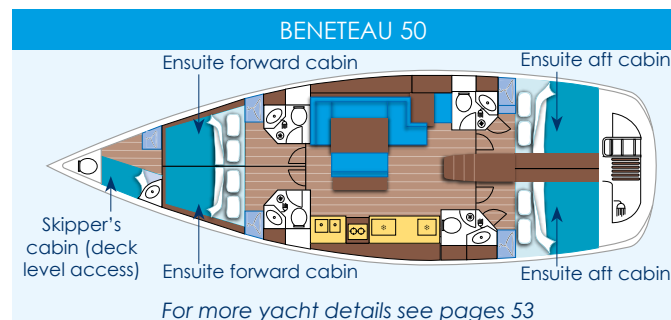
Being on a skippered yacht also suits those who wish to have a more private sailing experience.

Sometimes skippered yachts join a flotilla, and sometimes they head off 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!

The skipper has a separate cabin with facilities in the forward end of each yacht, so can be around as much or as little as you feel comfortable with. He or she will access that cabin from the foredeck so need not disturb you in the main cabin area.

Skippered charter costs the same as a flotilla, plus the price for the skipper (£120 per day) plus you will need to cover his or her food.



For those who prefer the luxury of larger yacht sailing along with the fun of the flotillas

SHARE-A-YACHT AND LUXURY SHARE-A-YACHT

Flotilla or independent sailing holidays for individuals or couples



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!

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



SHORE TO SAIL HOLIDAYS

Iris Hotel, Salvator Hotel & Villa Meandros



A WEEK AFLOAT...



...AND A WEEK ASHORE

‘Villa Flotilla’ and ‘Shore-to-Sail’ Holidays

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



A WEEK OF SAILING WITH A WEEK ASHORE...

Combine a one week flotilla sailing holiday with another week relaxing ashore. These holidays will appeal to those who enjoy sailing but have family or friends who are not quite so enthusiastic - a compromise can be made!

Some people opt for a week of sailing followed by a week of winding down on shore. It is entirely up to you which way round you prefer! These holidays are completely bespoke so you can even do more than one week of sailing or exploring on shore if you have a little more time on your hands.

STYLISH COMFORT FOR YOUR SHORE BASED WEEK

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.

We have a new luxury villa called ‘Villa Meandros’ overlooking Sivota bay on Lefkas Island and can arrange villas throughout the Ionian on request.

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



Combine your sailing with a stay at the Iris Hotel


A week in the Iris Hotel can be enjoyed before or after any of our one or two week flotilla holidays that fly into Preveza airport.



THE IRIS HOTEL, LEFKAS ISLAND

✈ SUNDAY DEPARTURES

A quiet sanctuary with our yachts on the pontoon right in front of the hotel

 The Iris Hotel is our favourite accommodation option in the South Ionian. It is ideally suited for a low cost and laid back 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 twin pool environments at the Iris are hard to beat for a relaxing loll about in the sun.

A BRILLIANT TEAM

Owners Christos and Evanthia (Effy) 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.

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!

Should you rent a car, a drive around the island will give you an opportunity to visit the stunning white sandy beaches on the west coast of the island.



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.

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



The Iris pool with the pontoon in the background



Your hosts - Christos and Effy



One Bedroom Apartment

IRIS ACCOMMODATION FEATURES

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| ✓ Excellent / 5* Trip Advisor Rating | ✓ Sea Views |
| ✓ Swimming Pool | ✓ Mountain Views |
| ✓ WiFi in the bar area | ✓ Garden Areas |
| ✓ Convivial Pool Bar | ✓ Air Conditioning |
| ✓ Cafeteria | ✓ Private Parking |
| | ✓ Television |

A room ashore with a yacht available for day sailing or to simply relax!

The luxury end of our shore based hotel offerings



Combine your sailing with a stay at the Salvator Hotel

A week in the Salvator can be enjoyed before or after any of our one or two week flotilla holidays that fly into Preveza airport.

SALVATOR SPA HOTEL AND VILLAS, PARGA

✈️ SUNDAY DEPARTURES

Enjoy a week on shore in atmospheric and historic Parga Town



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 away (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 sauna and professionals offering massage and beauty treatments. There is a large outdoor and a smaller indoor swimming pool and even a poolside jacuzzi.

ACCOMMODATION OPTIONS

A range of accommodation is available from ensuite 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.



The view from the fortress

Parga town waterfront

VILLAS

Our most popular options at the Salvator are the lovely villas which can accommodate families and groups. All villas have two bedrooms, large living room areas, fully equipped kitchen facilities and wonderful attention to detail. The villas have their own private pools and the 'superior' villas have infinity pools.

EXPLORING THE LOCAL AREA

Hiring a car opens up the possibility of exploring the amazing villages and towns on the mainland surrounding Parga itself.

If you choose not to hire a car, Lichnos and Valtos beaches are both within easy reach. There are also a number of tavernas in historic Parga Town and the nearby villages.



Deluxe Room



Junior Suite



Belle Etage Suite



Ambassador Suite



Standard Villa



Superior Villa

We would recommend spending a day exploring the winding backstreets of Parga. The hotel offers a free shuttle service to and from the centre so you don't have to worry about parking.

The Olive Museum is a pleasant experience. You will learn about the methods of creating the local olive oil and how the process has evolved. A tasting session is recommended!

For those of you who enjoy taking a step back in time, Parga is steeped in history. You can explore the Castle of Parga which sits on the cliffs above Valtos beach and the town.

A 10 minute drive north west will find you at Ali Pasha's castle. The views over the Ionian sea are incredible and plenty of the original fortifications remain in place.

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
- ✓ 24 Hour Reception
- ✓ Lift
- ✓ Laundry Service
- ✓ Doctor on Call
- ✓ Private Parking
- ✓ Television

Wander around historic Parga town and its beaches, or explore further afield



Villa Meandros

VILLA FLOTILLA IN LEFKAS OR JUST THE VILLA

Relax in comfort at Villa Meandros



THE PRIVACY OF YOUR OWN VILLA...

The villa pictured above is one of the few with "bungalow style design", meaning that the master bedroom, the huge open plan living/kitchen/dining area, along with the pool and BBQ, are all on the same level.

With the master bedroom located on the main floor and the two other ensuite bedrooms on the lower floor, this accommodation is ideal for up to six people. It features large ensuite bathrooms, with "vast wet room" style showers and double sinks.

Being surrounded by olive trees and forest means you have complete privacy. There is something special about watching birds swooping about.

They say space is luxury, and this has acres of it...

The fantastic indoor/outdoor barbeque area, and the infinity pool with an amazing view out to the islands of Atoko, Oxia and the Dragoneras make the open air area unique.

The view down the valley and over Sivota Bay is outstanding at any time of day.

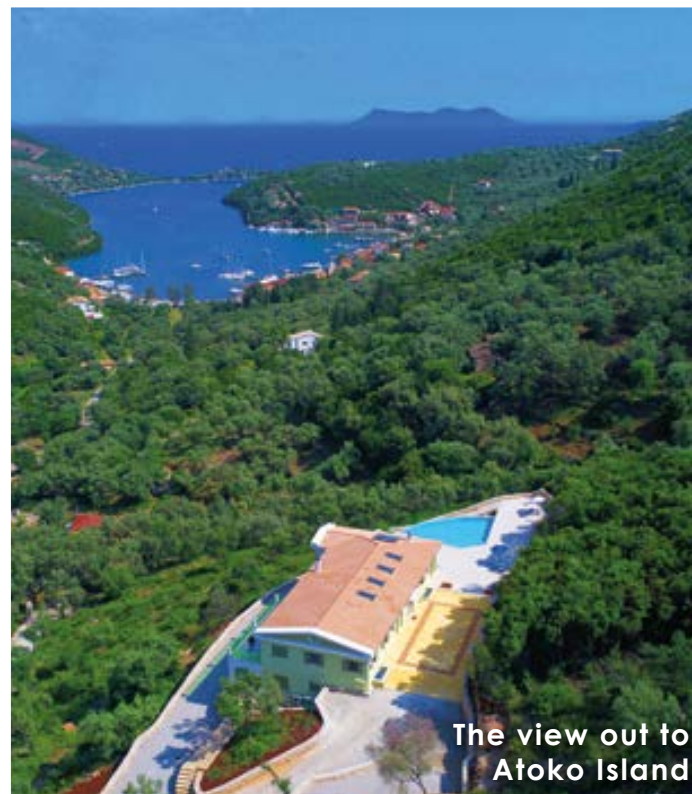
The walk down to Sivota Village is ten minutes. Here you will find lots of tavernas and shops. Making your way back might require a couple of "get your breath back" stops but is good exercise.

Villa "Meandros" is a new villa completed in 2019, fitted out with new and antique furniture. It is only bookable directly with Sailing Holidays and you will not find it on AirBnB!

**EXCLUSIVE
TO SAILING
HOLIDAYS**

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 and shuttered
- 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



The view out to
Atoko Island

LEFKAS ISLAND AND THE SURROUNDING AREA

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.

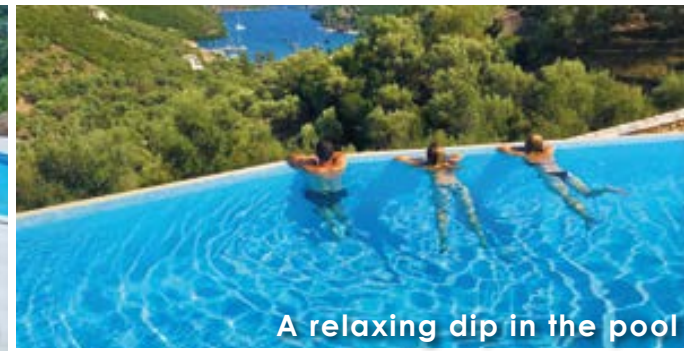
The impressive cliffs on the west coast of the island are a sight to behold. They drop down to beautiful sandy beaches with crystal clear water, perfect for a refreshing dip in the sea!

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.

Can also be enjoyed without any sailing at all!



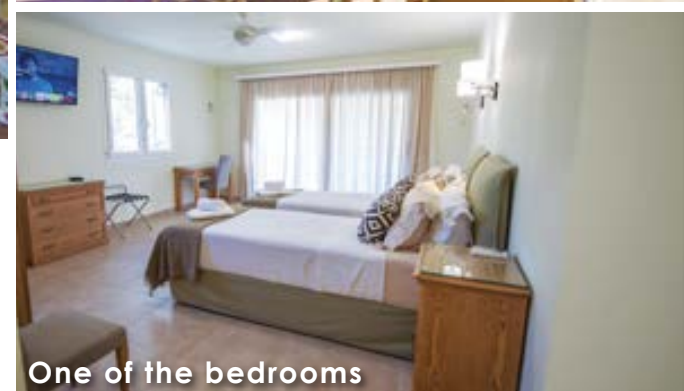
Lunch on the patio



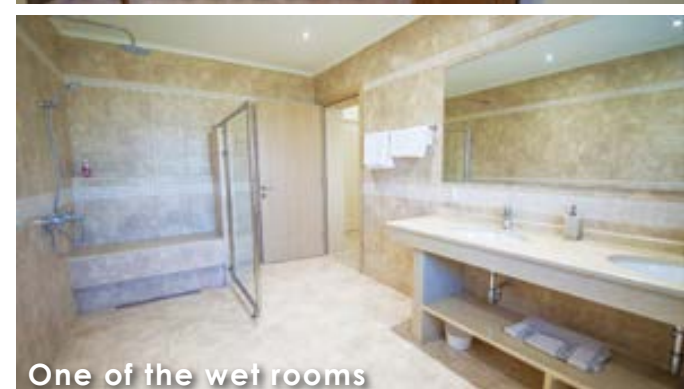
A relaxing dip in the pool



Half the lounge and kitchen area



One of the bedrooms



One of the wet rooms

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.



FLEXIBLE HOLIDAYS TO INCLUDE A WEEK OF SAILING OR ASHORE

A combination of time on the water and time on shore for you to enjoy with friends and family



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. Whether you are a group of friends, a family or a couple, there really is something for everyone!

From time spent enjoying the afternoon breezes, to lazy lunches at anchor, then there is always the idyllic 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 either a one, two or even three week holiday.

Take a look at the adjacent page to see the one week options we have on offer. Our Sales Crew can combine these in any way to allow you 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.

All of our own flotilla holidays run as flight inclusive packages. So if you have a week's sailing included in your plans then you don't have to worry about any additional flight costs.

It is best to chat through the options on the telephone (remember those!) so please feel free to give us a call! We sometimes answer emails too...

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

One and Two Week Flotilla Holidays

As mentioned in our "Villa Flotilla" pages (29 - 35), most of our Ionian flotillas can be combined with another week of whatever takes your fancy. All of the options below can be joined onto one of our flotillas.

Our team will be able to advise on the best combination based on the make up of your group and what you are looking for.

On some occasions there may be a coach transfer or taxi to get you from one area to another and we will assist in arranging this and we will always make sure this is as efficient (i.e. economic) as possible.

You can pair your flotilla with any one of the options below either before or after your week on the water. The choice is yours!

'Villa Flotilla' Holidays

Our 'Villa Flotilla' holidays are mostly enjoyed by people after their time on flotilla. However, if you would like to use it as a way to relax and acclimatise pre-sailing then you can of course do this! Villa Meandros (pages 34 - 35) is a luxury villa for the exclusive use of Sailing Holidays customers.

Located above Sivota on Lefkas Island you are ideally placed to join a flotilla. You can also choose from any of our other accommodation options (pages 29 - 35) depending which suits your needs. Or you could choose to do our 'Flexi-Villa and Day Sailing Holidays'...read on to find out more.

Flexi-Villa and Day Sailing Holidays

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 at your beck and call? With our Villa and Day Sailing Holidays, you can have a yacht waiting on the quay close to your villa or apartment so you can jump on board and set sail whenever you wish, if the skipper is qualified for independent sailing. Alternatively, you can hire a skipper.

This is a great way to introduce family and friends to sailing. Cast off in the morning, meander around the "Inland Sea" and return in the evening. Then it's "tiffin time". Perhaps then 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 and/or the Iris Hotel.

RYA Training Courses and Our Sailing School

We have a selection of different training courses available which are tailored to different experience levels. You can add our courses on to a flotilla holiday. Our RYA Courses (pages 36 - 39) are designed for any practical adults, whether they have sailed before or not. Courses are geared to obtaining a "drivers licence for boats", which are more in demand and recognized in a growing number of countries.

The **RYA Competent Crew** course is designed to ensure you can be onboard a yacht as a proficient crew member. No previous experience necessary.

The **RYA Day Skipper** course requires previous sailing experience as you will be performing more advanced sailing tasks. The most important aspect of these courses is the amount of knowledge and experience gained.

This is also an equivalent of the **International Certificate of Competence**, commonly known as the ICC document. This can be done as a separate online and single day practical observation of competence. This certificate is normally issued a week or so after an examiner has notified the issuing body (usually the RYA) of the pupils capability.



GETTING QUALIFIED

Competent Crew & Day Skipper Courses



"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 reefing practice. Great crew, relaxed times in lovely harbour tavernas - what's not to like?"

Edgar

From beginner to qualified skipper, learn to sail and handle a yacht in the sunny Greek Islands

RYA SAILING SCHOOL - LEARN TO SAIL IN THE SUN

✈ SUNDAY DEPARTURES



WHAT'S IT ALL ABOUT?

In conjunction with Corfu Sea School, we offer comprehensive RYA training and qualifications. Whether you've never set foot on a boat before or you already have some experience and dream of skippering your own yacht, we can help you.

OUR APPROACH

If you have no sailing experience or boating experience at all, then the RYA training programme is far in a way the best avenue of learning. Many people with years of experience still enjoy refreshing their qualifications, because things have changed a lot over the years.

Our RYA 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. 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 asked to complete an application form prior to starting your practical course for the school to fulfil RYA requirements.

LEARN WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS

If you and your family or friends wish to book the whole boat and a private instructor, this can easily be arranged. Simply contact the office for details.

THE BENEFITS OF DOING AN RYA COURSE

These courses will give you all the knowledge and practical skills needed to either crew or skipper a yacht (depending which course you choose).

To sail on one of our flotilla holidays, Greek authorities now require skippers to hold a qualification.

This can either be an ICC (International Certificate of Competence) or an RYA Day Skipper (or an equivalent issued by other countries). The ICC is the fastest way for more experienced sailors to get the 'paperwork', this is not an assessment we run in Greece however we have some good recommendations for local providers in the UK.

Our team will talk you through the ins and outs of the courses prior to booking to ensure we book the right option for you.

WHERE WILL WE SAIL?

Our courses sail in the North Ionian Islands from Corfu. Our 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, you will also sail to some of the top spots around Corfu and Paxos.



In conjunction with Corfu Sea School

RYA DAY SKIPPER PRACTICAL - 1 WEEK



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 passage planning, interpreting weather forecasts and mooring. This course covers both tidal and non-tidal waters.

WHY DO YOUR DAY SKIPPER?

The RYA Day Skipper is a valuable qualification and recognised as evidence of competence by insurance and charter companies worldwide.

Prior to arrival in Greece, you will be required to complete our RYA Essential Navigation and Seamanship course online (through the Corfu Sea School website).

This covers topics such as charts, buoyage, navigation, pilotage, 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. Ideally, 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 Competent Crew course is an ideal prerequisite, as is skippering a yacht on one of our flotillas.

VHF SHORT RANGE CERTIFICATE - 8hr theory + 1hr practical

Build your confidence on the VHF radio and gain this handy qualification (essential for chartering a boat in many countries). The VHF Short Range (Radio) Certificate is an 'add on' that can be completed during your training course in Greece (after completing your online theory in advance).

£120 PER PERSON

WHAT IS INCLUDED:

- Online theory course (approx. 4-8 hours)
- 1 hour test with an RYA instructor in Greece (this can be done on board).

£995 PER PERSON

Excluding flights and transfers

WHAT IS INCLUDED:

- 7 days aboard the yacht, with full instruction
- Full online theory tuition (including VHF/ GMDSS and Diesel Engine)
- The Essential Navigation & Seamanship course material
- 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



In conjunction with Corfu Sea School

RYA COMPETENT CREW THEORY & PRACTICAL - 1 WEEK



WHY DO COMPETENT CREW WITH US?

This course aims to take you from novice, to valuable member of the crew, with the help of one of our excellent instructors. It's suitable for beginners or those with limited experience who want to get a solid grounding of the basics.

LEARNING THE ROPES

You'll live on a yacht, spending a week cruising around the sunny Ionian Islands. Along the way you'll learn sail trimming, nautical terms, useful knots, and how to steer a compass course.

IMPORTANT SKILLS

You'll learn important safety skills such as how to operate flares, life jackets, life-rafts, and how to assist the recovery of a man overboard.

BEFORE YOU GO

Included in the package is our online 'Competent Crew' theory course. This takes you through the language of sailing, knot-work and theory.

After completing the theory course you'll arrive on the yacht well prepared for your week of sailing.

No previous sailing experience is required to undertake the competent crew qualification. There is no minimum age requirement, however, the RYA recommend a minimum age of 12 years.

Children under 12 looking to undertake the Competent Crew course need to be strong enough to use the yachts equipment effectively.

£995 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

Our 'can do' philosophy... If you feel that you can do it - you can!



RYA COMPETENT CREW + RYA DAY SKIPPER COMBINED - 2 WEEKS



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.

£1890 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 & Essential Navigation & Seamanship course material
- 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



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.



Our Yachts

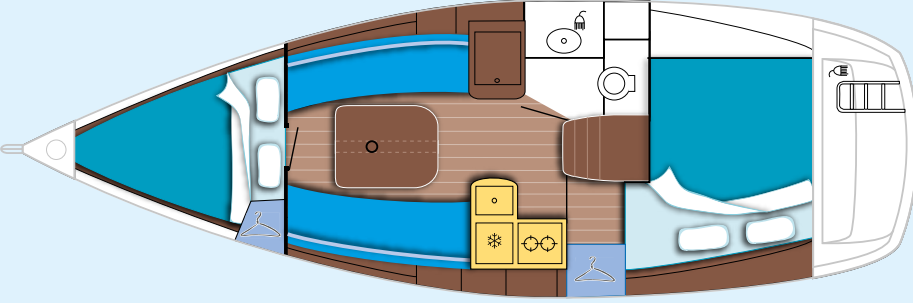
Sizes to suit all groups and budgets

Beneteau 311 - our smallest offering

Our
yachts

Beneteau 323 - the biggest heads of any small yacht

FITTINGS AND EQUIPMENT	
Sleeps 6, ideal for 2-4	Bathing platform with shower
2 cabins plus saloon	Electric fans in cabins
Saloon infill for a wider berth	Electric fridge
Wheel Steering	Gravity toilet holding tank
Furling mainsail	Cockpit table (fold away)
Furling genoa	Fitted passerelle
Electric anchor windlass	Bimini sunshade
18HP Volvo engine	Step-through pulpit
Inflatable dinghy	iPod connection for music
Hot & cold pressurised water	GPS
Inside shower	

BENETEAU 311 YACHT LAYOUT			
<i>PERFECT FOR COUPLES!</i>			
			
Launched	2004	Length overall	9.85m
Headroom	1.90m	Waterline length	8.80m
Beam	3.23m	Draft	1.45m



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.



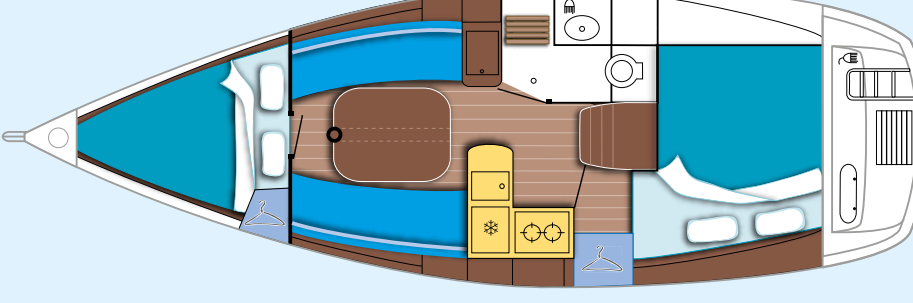
FITTINGS AND EQUIPMENT	
Sleeps 6, ideal for 2-4	Bathing platform with shower
2 cabins plus saloon	Electric fans in cabins
Saloon infill for a wider berth	Extra portholes for ventilation
Wheel steering	Electric fridge
Furling mainsail	Gravity toilet holding tank
Furling genoa	Cockpit table
Electric anchor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

These easy to sail yachts are perfect for couples

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 through ventilation as well as a fan, so is cool even on a hot day.

BENETEAU 323 YACHT LAYOUT			
<i>DESIGNED FOR COUPLES</i>			
			
Launched	2008	Length overall	10m
Headroom	1.95m	Waterline length	9.75
Beam	3.26	Draft	1.45m



Beneteau 331 and 343 - brilliant for young families

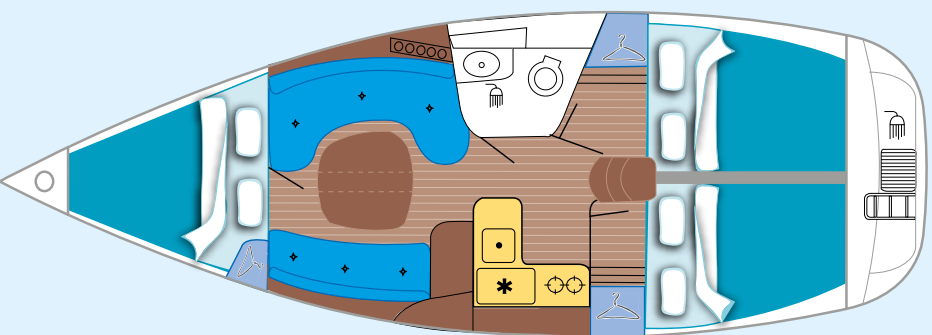
Our yachts

Beneteau 35 - our newest mid-range yachts

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

BENETEAU 331 YACHT LAYOUT


Similar layout and specs on **Beneteau 343s** (2008)



Launched 2002/03
Headroom 1.92m

Length overall 10.35m
Waterline length 9.30m

Beam 3.42m
Draft 1.60m



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 flotilla yachts 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 331



Beneteau 343

FITTINGS AND EQUIPMENT	
Sleeps 8, ideal for 4-6	Electric fans in cabins
3 cabins plus saloon	Electric fridge (front opening)
Saloon infill for a wider berth	Gravity toilet holding tank
Twin wheel steering	Cockpit table
Furling mainsail	Fitted passerelle
Furling genoa	Bimini sunshade
Electric anchor windlass	Step-through pulpit
29HP Yanmar engine	iPod connection for music
Inflatable dinghy	Auto Pilot
Hot & cold pressurised water	Chart plotter
Inside shower	
Fold down bathing platform with shower	

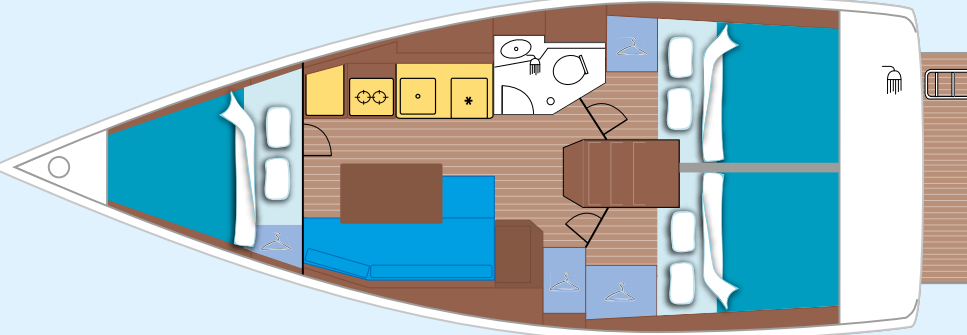
These 3 cabin yachts are ideal for families or couples wanting a little more space and a luxurious layout. They also sail like a dream.

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.


BENETEAU 35 YACHT LAYOUT



Launched 2016/2017/2018
Headroom 1.91m

Length overall 10.45m
Waterline length 9.97m

Beam 3.72m
Draft 1.85m



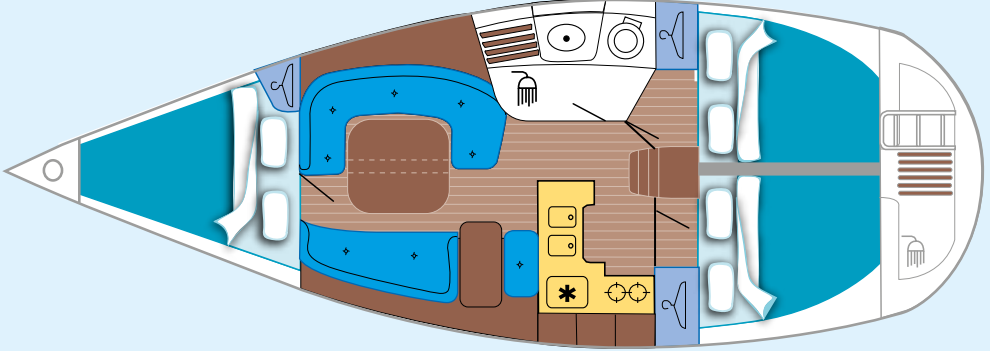


Beneteau 361 - our specially designed flotilla yachts

Our yachts

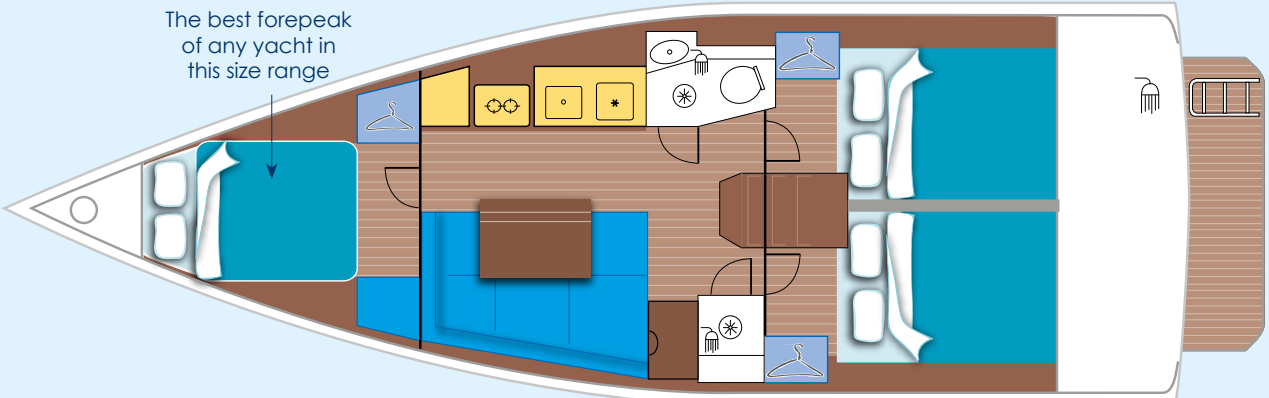
Beneteau 38 - these take us into a new era

FITTINGS AND EQUIPMENT	
Sleeps 8, ideal for 4-6	Bathing platform with shower
3 cabins plus saloon	Electric fans in cabins
Saloon inflill for a wider berth	Electric fridge
Wheel steering	Gravity toilet holding tank
Furling mainsail	Cockpit table
Furling genoa	Fitted passerelle
Electric anchor windlass	Bimini sunshade
29HP Yanmar engine	Step-through pulpit
Inflatable dinghy	iPod connection for music
Hot & cold pressurised water	GPS
Spacious inside shower	
NOTE: The Dufour 36s and Bavaria 38 have conventional slab-reefing mainsail with lazyjacks and run on our RYA training courses.	

BENETEAU 361 YACHT LAYOUT	
Similar layout and specs on: Dufour 36s (1999/2000) and Bavaria 38 (2004)	
	
Launched 2001/02/03	Length overall 11.1m
Headroom 2m	Waterline length 9.48m
	Beam 3.8m
	Draft 1.72m



FITTINGS AND EQUIPMENT	
Sleeps 8, ideal for 4-6	Fold down bathing platform with shower
3 cabins plus saloon	Electric fans in cabins
Saloon area converts to double berth if required	Electric fridge (front opening)
Twin wheel steering	Gravity toilet holding tank
Furling mainsail	Cockpit table
Furling genoa	Huge open cockpit
Electric anchor windlass	Fitted passerelle
29HP Yanmar engine	Bimini sunshade
Inflatable dinghy	Step-through pulpit
Hot pressurised water	iPod connection for music
Inside washroom (with shower) in addition to a separate shower room	Auto Pilot
	Chart plotter

BENETEAU 38 YACHT LAYOUT	
The best forepeak of any yacht in this size range	
	
Launched: 2014/2015/2016/2017	Beam: 3.99m
Length overall: 11.50m	Headroom: 1.96m
	Waterline length: 10.72m
	Draft: 2.05m

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).

Sailors will enjoy our 'comfort sailing' additions, like our fitted easy to use passerelles and our modified deep anchor chain lockers.

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.



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!

Another great feature is the separate shower, which means the heads can still be used when other crew members take a shower.



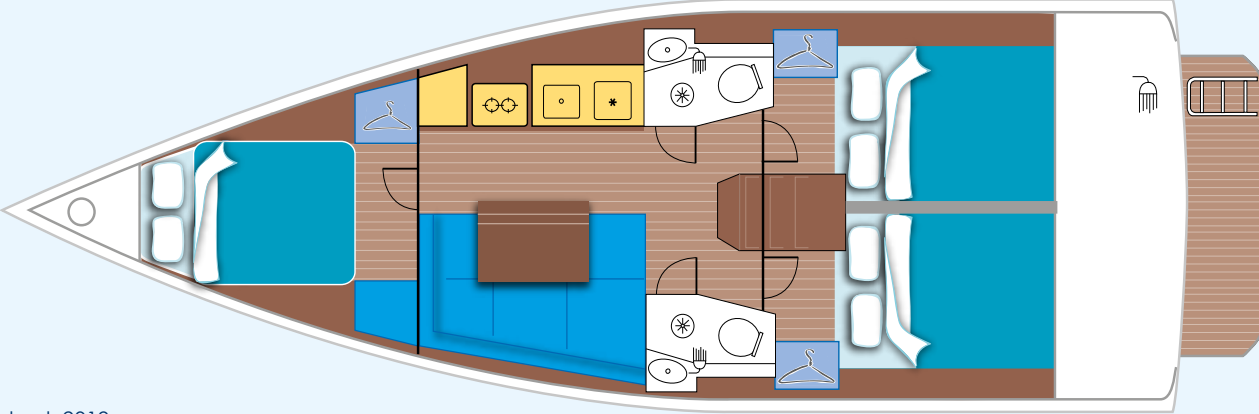
NEW Beneteau 38.1 - our very latest offering

Our yachts

Beneteau 393 - Royal Yachting Assn. training vessels

FITTINGS AND EQUIPMENT	
Sleeps 8, ideal for 4-6	Fold down bathing platform with shower
3 cabins plus saloon	Electric fans in cabins
Saloon area converts to double berth if required	Electric fridge (front opening)
Twin wheel steering	Gravity toilet holding tank
Furling mainsail	Cockpit table
Furling genoa	Huge open cockpit
Electric anchor windlass	Fitted passerelle
29HP Yanmar engine	Bimini sunshade
Inflatable dinghy	Step-through pulpit
Hot pressurised water	iPod connection for music
Inside washrooms (2) plus stern shower for after swimming rinse down	Auto Pilot
	Chart plotter

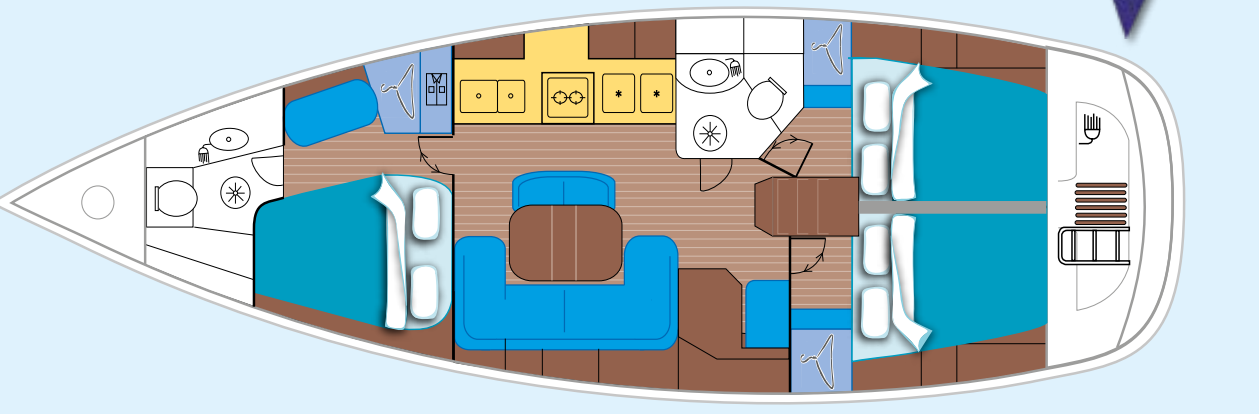
BENETEAU 38.1 YACHT LAYOUT



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

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

BENETEAU 393 YACHT LAYOUT (3 CABINS / 2 HEADS)



Launched: 2005/2006 Length overall: 11.98m Beam: 3.98m Headroom: 2.1m Waterline length: 11m Draft: 1.9m

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, light interiors and spacious forepeak 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!



Our Beneteau 393's feature the 3 cabin, 2 bathroom combination offering bountiful space for our maximum 4:1 student to instructor ratio.

The instructor always sleeps in one of the cabins leaving 2 spare doubles plus the large convertible double bed in saloon. Perfect for mixed groups up to 4, families, and private course for 2.

It may be a good idea to book any course you might require early, as we only have three of these yachts.



Beneteau 40 - also a perfect mid-range family yacht

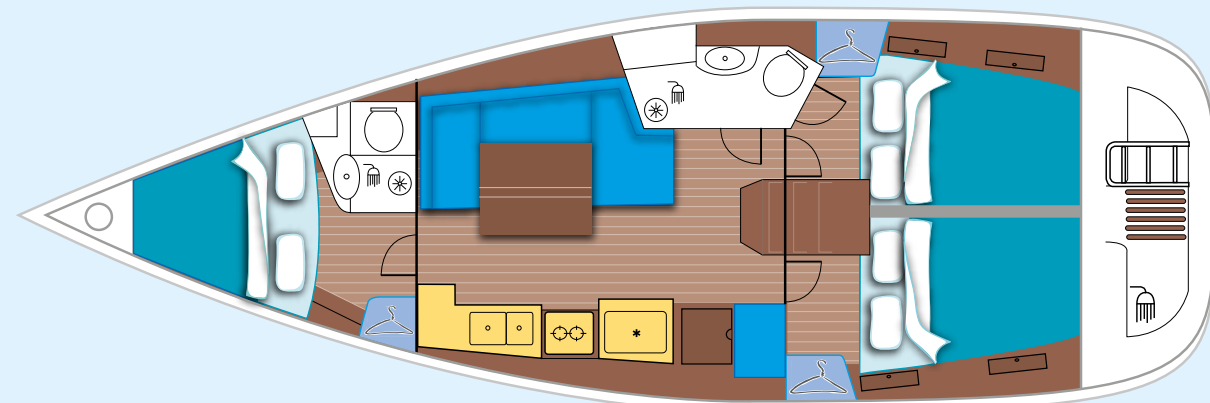
Our yachts

Beneteau 45 - our spacious new era touch of luxury

FITTINGS AND EQUIPMENT

Sleeps 8, ideal for 4-6	Bathing platform with shower
3 cabins plus saloon	Electric fans in cabins
Saloon area converts to double berth if required	Electric fridge
Twin wheel steering	Gravity toilet holding tanks
Inmast furling mainsail	Cockpit table
Furling genoa	Fitted passerelle
Electric anchor windlass	Bimini sunshade
40HP Yanmar engine	Step-through pulpit
Inflatable dinghy	iPod connection for music
Inside washrooms (2)	Auto pilot
Hot pressurised water	Chart plotter

BENETEAU 40 YACHT LAYOUT (3 CABINS / 2 HEADS)



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

Our Beneteau 40s are sleek and spacious with three double cabins and two toilets.

The Beneteau Oceanis 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.

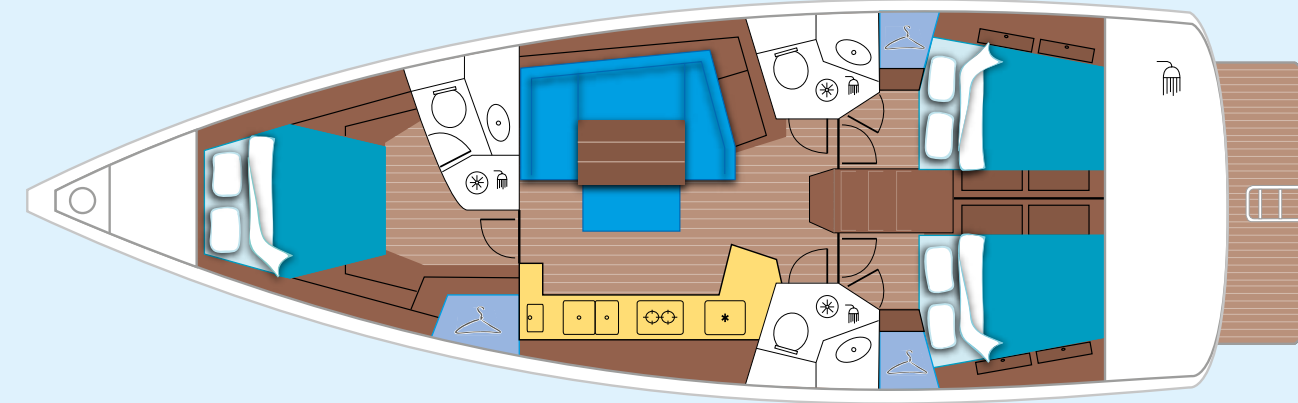
They are spacious yachts, sail beautifully and feature all the modern ease of handling elements. Perfect for those looking for one of our larger flotilla yachts.



FITTINGS AND EQUIPMENT

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

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 living 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.



Beneteau Oceanis Family 50 - four en-suite cabin yacht

Our
yachts

FITTINGS AND EQUIPMENT	
Sleeps 10, ideal for 8	Two electric fridges
4 cabins with ensuite, plus a skipper's cabin	Gas cooker with oven
Twin wheel steering	Gravity toilet holding tanks
Inmast furling mainsail	Cockpit table
Furling genoa	Saloon area converts to double berth if required
Electric anchor windlass	Fitted passerelle
74HP Yanmar engine	Bimini sunshade
Inflatable dinghy with outboard engine included	Step-through pulpit
Hot pressurised water	Bow thruster
Inside washrooms (5)	iPod connection for music
Bathing platform with shower	Chart plotter
Electric fans in cabins	Generator

FOUR ENSUITE CABIN BENETEAU OCEANIS 50 YACHT LAYOUT (plus skippers cabin if required)

All ensuite cabins!

Launched: 2011/2013 Length overall: 15m Beam: 4.49m Headroom: 2.08m Waterline length: 14.75m Draft: 2.1m

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.



Independent Sailing

Bareboat, Skipper Charter & Luxury Charter



Relaunching
2022!

Independent, Skippered and Luxury Sailing Holidays throughout the Mediterranean

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.

Independent Sailing (Bareboat sailing)

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!



Ionian Islands, Greece



INDEPENDENT YACHT CHARTER (BAREBOAT SAILING)

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).

SKIPPER AND LUXURY YACHT CHARTER AVAILABLE, ENQUIRE NOW FOR MORE INFORMATION.



SKIPPERED YACHT CHARTER - Let somebody else take the responsibility

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 is a great activity holiday for all the family if your desire is 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.

LUXURY YACHT CHARTER - mono-hulls, multi-hulls & motor yachts

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. Al 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 could 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 superyachts 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.

Luxury sailing yachts, spacious catamarans and cruising motor yachts



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