



ADVENTURES OFFSHORE

FACILITATING THE DEVELOPMENT OF LIFE-SKILLS THROUGH ADVENTUROUS ACTIVITY

DISCOVER YOUR SENSE OF ADVENTURE!

2019 SAILING PROGRAMME

RESIDENTIAL SAILING FOR INDIVIDUALS AND GROUPS AGED 10 YEARS UPWARD:

We hope there is something for everyone in our 2019 sailing programme. We have two identical boats based in Ipswich, each with capacity to take a group of 11 people sailing. We take young people aged 10 years upwards as part of a group, on our regular weekend voyages in spring and autumn. Youngsters from the age of 14 can also make an individual booking and sail on our longer summer holiday voyages. We will be entering the Tall Ships Races again in 2019. These amazing voyages are suitable for those of 16 years plus. Whether you want to come with a group or sail as an individual, gain an RYA qualification or just have fun, we have the perfect voyage for you, or your organisation. Read on for details of the 2019 sailing programme for each of our boats.

EARLY BOOKING: Booking early not only helps us, it will make the cost of any flights/public transport to and from the boats much cheaper for you too. As an extra incentive to choose your voyage early, we are holding our 2018 prices for deposits received before December 31st2018. Our 2019 prices will apply to all deposits received from 1st January 2019 onwards.

FINANCING A TRIP WITH US: Please give us a ring to talk about the money. We know that sailing with us is often beyond the pocket of the average family. We have our Wider Horizons Fund to assist individuals who would like to sail but cannot afford to book a voyage. If you are thinking of sailing on The Tall Ships Race voyages there are some organisations that offer significant funding assistance. We can advise you on where to apply for bursaries, but you need to book up as early as possible for the maximum chance of assistance.

NEW IDEAS: We also offer day sails and evening sails in addition to this programme. Our two identical yachts are also in demand for corporate events and management training exercises mid-week. Please get in touch if you have a group who would like to sail during the week and we can discuss suitable dates.

FLEXIBLE DATES: If you want us to create a bespoke voyage for your group – please ring us asap. We can modify the sailing programme to create a special adventure, but changes to the published programme are only possible with early bookings.

NIGHTS AWAY FOR SCOUT GROUPS: Our Sea Staff have 'Nights-Away' permits.

MORE DETAILS ABOUT ADVENTURES OFFSHORE:

- **We are a registered charity, number 1035015.**
- **We have been operating since 1964**
- **We meet or exceed all MCA requirements for Small Commercial Passenger Vessels.**
- **We can supply you with a risk assessment to cover all likely activities on a residential voyage with us.**
- **We are a member of ASTO (Association of Sail Training Organisations)**
- **We are an RYA Recognised Sea School. (Young people can do Start yachting, Competent Crew and Watch Leader awards on our voyages.)**
- **Our week-long voyages qualify for DofE Gold Residential.**
- **Our sea staff have enhanced DBS certificates and Safeguarding training.**

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MORE INFORMATION ABOUT OUR 2019 VOYAGES:

On all our voyages you will be a fully active member of the crew, participating in all activities on board. You will be taking turns hoisting sails, keeping a lookout and steering the boat, plus below decks you will take your turn at helping to prepare a meal for the whole crew, and keeping the boat clean and tidy. If conditions are suitable you may get a chance to go up the mast and to learn to row the dinghy. We try to ensure that everyone gets to experience some night sailing – even on a weekend voyage. We lend you waterproofs, safety gear and a pillow. All of our voyages are good fun, and you will come back with memories that will last you a lifetime! See below for a guide to our 2019 voyages:

Weekend Voyages: These start and finish in Ipswich and are for whole groups of 8-11 people. As soon as you arrive on board on the Friday evening you will find yourself a bunk, and there will be a safety briefing. After that the boat will set off through the Ipswich Lock, and out into the River Orwell. Sometime late in the evening the boat will anchor for the night, somewhere near to Harwich Harbour. On Saturday you will set sail, and either sail out to sea and around an old WWII fort, or down to the Essex Rivers. Saturday night is often spent moored in a marina, where you will be able to enjoy a shower! On Sunday you will sail back to Ipswich.

Half Term Voyages: These are also designed for group bookings. You will start and finish in Ipswich and depending on the number of days on board we can try to plan an itinerary that suits your group. With groups containing young people under the age of 14 years we would plan a UK-based adventure. With older age groups if you have a week onboard and favourable weather you could have a short visit to Belgium or the Netherlands.

Adult Tall Ships Delivery Mile-Builder: This is an extremely competitively priced adult sailing holiday. Starting in Ipswich you will end your voyage in Aarhus in Denmark, from where you will make your own way back. The aim of the voyage is to deliver the boat to the start of the Tall Ships Race. Expect some strenuous sailing, with our intention being to press on towards Denmark as quickly as possible. Once in Denmark any spare days will be spent cruising in the stunning Danish Archipelago. When you arrive you will be part of the spectacle of the Tall Ships Fleet gathered in Aarhus. If you need miles for your logbook and you are 18 years upwards, this is the voyage for you!

Tall Ships Race Voyages: These are only for those aged 15-24 years. You will need to make your own way to and from the boat. We advise on a suitable travel route, and we try to ensure one of our sea staff is on hand to accompany youngsters on our recommended route. Once at the boat you will be part of the most amazing international youth event. There are shore events for each boats' crew and a crew parade and fireworks in each port, followed by participating in a parade of sail amongst sail training vessels from many nations of the world. Then you will either race against, or cruise with the Tall Ships fleet for several days until

you reach the destination port. Here there will be another crew parade, prizegiving and crew party. These voyages are the experience of a lifetime for any young person.

Summer Holiday Voyages: These are all our standard summer voyages for those ages 14 years upwards. This year to help make them ore accessible and affordable we have arranged to start and finish in UK ports.

North East Adventure 1: Sail from Ipswich to Whitby. Visit East Coast ports, such as Great Yarmouth, Lowestoft, or the River Humber along the way.

North East Adventure 2: Join the boat in Whitby, and head across The Wash to visit ports in Norfolk and Suffolk before ending your voyage in Ipswich.

French Explorer: Join the boat in Ipswich and head down channel towards Southampton, possibly visiting ports such as Boulogne, Fecamp and Le Havre before crossing the channel to end your voyage in Southampton.

Channel Isles Adventures 1,2 and 3: Starting in Southampton, you should enjoy a few days of cruising in the Channel Islands before making the channel crossing back to Southampton.

France/Belgium Explorer(s) (Both boats available together for this voyage!) An 8-day adventure with both boats sailing together. Starting in Southampton and finishing in Ipswich we hope to visit some French and Belgian ports, such as Cherbourg, Dieppe, Dunkirk and Ostend before heading back to UK waters.

The route that your boat takes, and the ports that you visit will be decided by the skipper during your week. Whilst we try to stick to the ports mentioned in the voyage programme, for reasons to do with wind strength, sea state and tide, sometimes there will be changes to the plan which are unavoidable. We will still give you a really great adventure!