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Vacation Sailing Courses in the *British Virgin Islands!*



- ✓ Basic, Intermediate & Advanced
- ✓ Mileage Builder Courses
- ✓ ICC Certification



Choose from one of the following
4 course options:

- 📅 Jan 30 - Feb 6, 2027
- 📅 Feb 6 - 13, 2027
- 📅 Feb 13 - 20, 2027
- 📅 Feb 20 - 27, 2027

Only
\$2895
USD*

👤 Per student,
shared cabin

👤 Max 4 students
/ week



OUR GOAL: EXCEPTIONAL SAILING INSTRUCTION.

Unforgettable Memories.



Our goal is to develop **confident, competent skippers** while ensuring you enjoy an unforgettable sailing vacation.

Each day combines a structured Sail Canada curriculum with clear learning objectives, hands-on practical instruction, and personalized coaching from our professional **Sail Canada Certified Instructors**.



At the same time, you'll have plenty of opportunities to relax, swim, snorkel, explore ashore, and experience the spectacular beauty, culture, and hospitality of the British Virgin Islands. With Advantage Boating, you don't have to choose between a great vacation and exceptional sailing instruction—you'll enjoy **both**.



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*Note: All prices in US funds unless otherwise indicated, per person based on double occupancy in a cabin on a monohull and subject to boat availability. Flight travel & health/cancellation insurance and land transfer costs are not included. See application for more details.

Your adventure awaits.
We can't wait to welcome
you to the BVIs!

ADVANTAGE BOATING

34^{YEARS}

LIVE  LOVE  SAIL

We have mastered the recipe FOR A SAILING VACATION COURSE.

For 34 years, we've perfected every ingredient—expert instruction, exceptional destinations, small classes, and unforgettable experiences—to create the ultimate sailing vacation.

NO-ONE ELSE IN CANADA

has been offering sailing vacation courses for as long as Advantage Boating.

34
YEARS



OF EXCELLENCE



DEDICATED LEARNING *at your Level*

At Advantage Boating, we believe students learn best when everyone on board is working toward the same Sail Canada certification level.

Unlike some sailing schools that combine Basic and Intermediate, or Intermediate and Advanced students in the same one-week course to maximize boat occupancy, at Advantage Boating, we choose to **teach one certification level at a time** because we believe it provides a significantly better learning experience for our students.

This allows our instructors to focus on the specific skills, knowledge, and confidence required for that level, ensuring every student receives the full learning experience they have paid for.

Mixed-level courses are considered only in exceptional circumstances and when requested by everyone on board.



EARN NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED SAIL CANADA CERTIFICATION

Advantage Boating courses follow the Sail Canada national standards and lead to recognized certification that is respected by yacht clubs, sailing schools, and charter companies around the world.



PROFESSIONAL SAIL CANADA CERTIFIED INSTRUCTORS



When you register with Advantage Boating, you know exactly who will be teaching your course.

Every course is taught by an experienced member of the Advantage Boating team—a **professional Sail Canada Certified Instructor** who has been carefully selected, trained, and mentored to deliver a safe, consistent, and exceptional learning experience.

Our instructors are passionate sailors, experienced educators, and share Advantage Boating's commitment to excellence, safety, and student success. From your very first lesson through your advanced certifications, you can expect the same high standard of instruction and professionalism.

**Because our instructors are part of our team,
we stand behind every course they teach.**



SAIL-VOILE
CANADA

- ✓ Nationally recognized standards
- ✓ Respected worldwide
- ✓ Opens doors to new adventures



SMALL STUDENT-TO-INSTRUCTOR RATIO

We intentionally keep class sizes small so every student receives meaningful time at the helm and individualized coaching.



THE BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS

Sail. Explore. Discover.

The BVIs are one of the world's premier sailing destinations, renowned for their breathtaking scenery, warm trade winds, line-of-sight cruising, and protected waters and incredible sailing conditions make them a favourite among sailors.



**WARM
TRADE WINDS**
Consistent and
comfortable



**PROTECTED
WATERS**
Safe, serene
and sheltered



**LINE-OF-SIGHT
CRUISING**
Easy navigation
and island hopping



**SPECTACULAR
BEAUTY**
Pristine beaches
and vibrant culture



WHERE ARE WE SAILING?

The primary cruising area in the BVIs spans about 32 miles long and 15 miles wide, centering around the protected Sir Francis Drake Channel.

The entire territory encompasses over 60 islands, cays, and islets, covering a total land area of 59 square miles.

The warm, crystal-clear waters offer exceptional visibility often exceeding 40' making every anchorage perfect for swimming, snorkelling and exploring vibrant coral reefs.



WHAT ELSE CAN WE DO?

The British Virgin Islands offer far more than spectacular sailing.

Explore The Baths on Virgin Gorda, where giant granite boulders create hidden pools, caves, and natural grottoes unlike anywhere else in the Caribbean.

Snorkel the famous caves at The Bight on Norman Island, widely believed to have inspired Robert Louis Stevenson's *Treasure Island*, where tales of pirates and buried treasure have become part of local legend.



The Baths, Virgin Gorda



Beach Bar, Jost Van Dyke



Throughout the islands you'll find relaxed beach bars and waterfront restaurants, many just a short dinghy ride from your anchorage. Whether you're watching the sunset from your anchorage at Anegada, enjoying a lively evening at the legendary Foxy's on Jost Van Dyke, or relaxing after a beautiful sail into North Sound and Leverick Bay, every day brings a new adventure.



THE PERFECT COMBINATION

Our BVI sailing courses offer the perfect combination of exceptional sailing, professional instruction, breathtaking scenery, and the laid-back Caribbean lifestyle—creating memories that will last a lifetime.



**EXCEPTIONAL
SAILING**



**PROFESSIONAL
INSTRUCTION**



**BREATHTAKING
SCENERY**



**LAID-BACK
LIFESTYLE**



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2027 BVI Course Application

PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name: _____

* Please print your first and last name as they appear on your passport. Also list the name you regularly use if different from your passport.

Address: _____

City: _____ Prov: _____ Postal Code: _____

Phone Numbers: (Cell): _____ (Other): _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____

I AM travelling with a CDN passport? YES NO (Country) _____

TRIP COST (Per person, per week, based on double occupancy / cabin).

\$2895 US (*Detailed terms and conditions on pages 7-9)

PLEASE ENROL ME IN (select appropriate boxes):

Course Choice:	Week preference (indicate 1 st and 2 nd choice)
Basic Cruising	Week 1 (Jan 30 - Feb 6, 2027)
Mileage Builder (basic cruising practice)	Week 2 (Feb 6 - 13, 2027)
Intermediate Cruising	Week 3 (Feb 13 - 20, 2027)
Mileage Builder (intermediate cruising practice)	Week 4 (Feb 20 - 27, 2027)
Advanced Cruising	

What are your course goals:

I AM TRAVELLING:

☐ Single (please select options below)

☐ I am willing to be assigned and share a double bed & cabin

☐ I am willing to sleep in the salon (with my belongings shared in a cabin)

☐ I will pay additional fare to ensure my own cabin (cost is \$5790 USD)

☐ Couple (Cabin mate name): _____

☐ With friends (Crew mate names): _____

PERSONAL INFO (your applications are kept confidential)

Do you suffer from motion sickness? Yes No

Do you have allergies and/or dietary restrictions? Yes No

Please describe: _____

Do you have any mobility issues? Yes No

Please describe: _____

Can you Swim? Yes No

Strong Swimmer OK Swimmer Weak Swimmer

Are you claustrophobic? Yes No

Do you have any medical concerns we should know about Yes No

Please describe: _____

Do you smoke? Yes No

I acknowledge there is no smoking allowed on board or in the dinghy: Yes

Are you a light sleeper? Yes No

Do you have any dietary limitations/restrictions: Yes No

Please describe:

SAILING EXPERIENCE

Have you sailed before? Yes No

Your role on the boat: Skipper Crew Both

Number of years (as skipper): _____ (as crew): _____

Your confidence on the boat as skipper: Strong Medium Weak

How much sailing have you done in the last 2 years:

Where have you sailed in the last two years:

Do you currently own a boat? Yes No

How many years?: _____ Type of boat : _____

Marina/Club: _____

Have you previously owned a boat? Yes No

How many years?: _____ Type of boat(s) _____

Marina/Club: _____

Do you hold any certifications (check all which apply)?

Basic Cruising Year obtained

Intermediate Cruising Year obtained

Advanced Cruising Year obtained

VHF-ROC(M) Year obtained

Basic Coastal Navigation Year obtained

Intermediate Coastal Nav. Year obtained

ICC Year obtained

Other sailing experience or certifications?

Is there any other information about yourself you feel we should know about that might relate to this course?

Vacation Course Costs Explained

INCLUDED WITH YOUR COURSE:

- 8 days & 7 nights cruising and learning in the British Virgin Islands
- Course instruction by a Sail Canada professionally trained and certified instructor
- All Course materials including text book, logbook, and online resources
- Exams and certification fees
- Yacht charter from 1700 on the first day of your program until 0900 on the last day of your program; 7 days Saturday to Saturday
- Yacht inventory as described below
- Provisioning budget of up to \$150 USD per student (sufficient to cover 6 breakfasts, 6 lunches and 3 dinners on board). See details below.
- Dockage fees for the first and last night of your course
- Price is per person based on shared cabin.



Yacht Inventory:

Yacht inventory included will vary per yacht but as a guide, a charter yacht will include: dinghy with outboard engine, full cruising area charts and cruising guide or pilot book, navigational equipment (binoculars, hand bearing compass and course plotting equipment), initial full tank of water, fuel and cooking gas, VHF radio, autopilot, electric anchor windlass, wind instruments, furling or battened mainsail, furling genoa sail, galley equipment (cooking and eating utensils), standard safety equipment (navigational and first aid), hot water, bed linen & towels, dodger and bimini for shade.



Most charter yachts also include GPS (plotter), cabin fans, cabin reading lights, BBQ, stereo and snorkelling equipment.

Each cabin will be set up for 2 people and include: 2 pillows, bed linens, 2 hand towels and 2 bath towels. Larger swim towels are not included.

Provisioning - Budget for On-Board Meals and Staple Supplies:

Part of your course includes learning how to provision for a week cruising onboard a sailboat. Your course fee includes a provisioning allowance of up to **\$150 USD per student per week**. Your provisioning allowance amount should be used as a guideline when planning and ordering provisions for your 1-week course. It is more than sufficient to cover the cost of food (6 breakfasts, 6 lunches, 3 dinners). This budget is intended to cover food for everyone on board, including the instructor.

Advantage Boating will also supply a selection of basic 'staples' on the boat, such as cleaning supplies, condiments, spices, paper towel, toilet paper, and other essentials. These items will be purchased separately and do not need to be included in your provisioning order. A complete list of these items will be provided in advance.

Damage Waiver and refundable Security Deposit: All charter yachts require both a *Damage Waiver* and a *Security Deposit* to provide insurance coverage during the charter. Advantage Boating pays these costs on behalf of all students, so you are not required to provide a security deposit before the course begins.

The *Damage Waiver* is a non-refundable insurance fee charged by the charter company. It reduces the amount you would be responsible for if the yacht is damaged during the charter and provides peace of mind that your financial responsibility is limited.

The *Security Deposit* is a refundable amount held by the charter company and represents the maximum deductible payable per incident if a damage claim is made. The Security Deposit for your course is USD \$3,000. In the event there is a damage claim made against the boat (by the charter company), the security deposit will not be refunded to Advantage Boating, and the amount owing will be divided equally between everyone, including the skipper, on board and made payable to Advantage Boating by e-transfer to info@advantageboating.com within two weeks of the completion of your course.



Charter company handling fees, starter pack and end of charter cleaning The charter company charges a handling fee, fees for a starter pack and for end of charter cleaning. These fees are included in your course. At the end of your course, extra food and garbage must be removed from the boat and bedding sheets, pillow cases and towels should be left in a pile in the cockpit of the boat.

Fuel Your boat will have a full tank of fuel. Upon arrival back at the base at the end of your course the boat will need to be refilled with fuel (gas and diesel). This cost is covered in the price of your course.

Water Water tanks on your yacht will be full upon arrival but you will have the opportunity to fill your tanks along the way should you require more. Any costs incurred during your course to refill the water tanks will be divided evenly between each student on board. You can return the yacht with empty tanks.

Cruising tax This is a tax per person normally added in Caribbean destinations. It is normally paid upon arrival at the base or in some instances paid in advance. This cost is covered in the price of your course.



NOT INCLUDED:

Food Provisioning above budget provided, meals ashore & boat kitty

Meals ashore, alcohol and costs of provisions above the \$150 USD/person/week budget and staple provisions are not included.

A Boat Kitty starts with each student on board contributing \$100 US dollars to cover incidental boat costs such as purchasing ice, garbage removal from the boat, freshwater tank refills if required, mooring or docking fees, onshore taxi fees during the week and additional groceries if required. If the boat kitty runs low then each student will be asked to add more money. At the end of the trip any money left over in the boat kitty will be divided equally and returned to each student on board.

Mooring and anchoring fees

In the Caribbean, mooring is generally by mooring ball, anchor or at a marina facility. Mooring ball & docking fees will be divided evenly between each student from the boat kitty.

Other items not included in the cost of your course:

- Provisioning costs above your split provisioning budget
- Flights and transfers
- Any land excursions, hotels, transport, car hire or taxis
- Trip cancellation and medical insurance
- Unblocking a blocked head onboard the charter boat - Minimum USD \$150 per blockage.



TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

PRICING & INVOICING:

Our course prices are shown in US dollars. Pricing is subject to change without prior notice but is fixed once your enrolment form is signed and your booking has been confirmed by Advantage Boating. A booking is not confirmed until a 50% deposit payment is received along with the filled out Advantage Boating vacation course application and Advantage Boating acknowledges, reviews and confirms your application. Payment (deposit and balance) can be made by cash (USD or CAD equivalent), Visa (CAD equivalent) or Mastercard (CAD equivalent). At time of payment, the most current exchange rate will be used if payment is made in CAD funds or with a Credit Card.

BVI COURSE BOOKING & PAYMENT TERMS:

- Booking must include this completed & signed form along with your deposit payment.
- A deposit of 50% is due at the time of booking to secure your spot.
- All prices are in USD funds (unless otherwise specified) per person, per week, based on double occupancy in a cabin.
- Balance payment is due October 15, 2026.
- Prices include yacht charter from 5:00 PM on the first day of your program until 9:00 AM on the last day of your program, yacht insurance, fuel, a budget for provisioning on-board, course instruction by a Sail Canada professionally trained and certified instructor, course materials, and certification fees.
- Customer confirms they understand details above: **Vacation Courses - Yacht Charter Costs Explained (Initial)**
- Customer confirms they are a Canadian citizen travelling on a Canadian Passport valid for 6 months beyond the date of travel.
- Participants are required to adhere to all travel protocols for the Countries visited.
- Advantage Boating recommends all participants purchase travel cancellation and medical insurance to protect themselves from unforeseen events. It is the customer's responsibility to purchase sufficient travel cancellation insurance for their trip to protect them from cancellation and/or changes that result but are not limited to, flight cancellation, trip interruption, lost luggage, sickness, accidents, deaths, emergencies, travel advisories and other unforeseen cancellations. .
- Living standards and practices at the destination and conditions there, with respect to the provisions of utilities, services and accommodations, may differ from those found in Canada.
- Advantage Boating may substitute a similar yacht if unexpected circumstances arise beyond our control.
- When a Government issues a Travel Advisory, Advantage Boating will update the customer where possible. The final responsibility however lies with the Customer to be up to date with current Government Travel Advisories.
- Your course includes a budget of up to a maximum of \$150 USD per person, per week for meals on board the boat as described above (Provisioning Budget for On-Board Meals and Staple Supplies)
- Meals ashore, alcohol and costs of provisions above the budget are not included.
- Dockage fees at the charter base for the first and last night of your course are included.
- Each student is expected to contribute \$100 USD to a 'Boat Kitty' which covers items such as ice, fresh water tank refills, mooring or docking fees, taxi transfers, and additional groceries. If the boat kitty runs low then each person is asked to add more money. At the end of the trip any money left over in the boat kitty is divided equally among each student on board.
- What is included will vary per yacht but as a guide a charter yacht will include: dinghy with motor, full cruising area charts and cruising guide or pilot book, navigational equipment (binoculars, hand bearing compass and course plotting equipment), initial full tank of water, fuel and cooking gas, VHF radio, electric anchor windlass, wind instruments, furling or battened mainsail, furling genoa sail, galley equipment (cooking and eating utensils), standard safety equipment (navigational and first aid), hot water, bed linen, stereo, dodger and bimini for shade, berthing fees at home port on the first and last evening of your course.
- Flights and transfers, any land excursions, hotels, transport, car hire, taxis and meals ashore are not included.
- Trip cancellation and medical insurance are not included.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

BOOKING OF ALL CLAIMS, RELEASE FROM LIABILITY & ASSUMPTION OF RISK:

- I understand and accept that the sailing holiday organized by Advantage Boating Inc. and my participation in one or more of the scheduled "2027 BVI Course" programs, involves risks and I voluntarily undertake these risks. I am solely responsible for my actions both on board the sailing vessel and ashore. By this statement of waiver, I release Advantage Boating Inc., its agents, skippers and any other persons officially related to one or more of the scheduled "2027 BVI Course" programs organized by Advantage Boating Inc. from all responsibility for any personal injuries, property damages or losses incurred by my participation during one or more of the scheduled courses of the "2027 BVI Course" programs.
- I understand that Advantage Boating Inc., its agents, skippers and any other persons officially related to the "2027 BVI Course" programs organized by Advantage Boating Inc. are not responsible for mechanical breakdowns, group dynamics problems and physical and emotional ailments and stresses due to, including but not limited to, seasickness, heat, sun rashes, strokes and/or lack of sleep.
- I understand that Advantage Boating Inc., its agents, skippers and any other persons officially related to the "2027 BVI Course" programs organized by Advantage Boating Inc. are not responsible for any medical treatment on-board or otherwise.
- Advantage Boating Inc. will make every effort to maintain the complete itinerary but bad weather, heavy winds and unforeseen mechanical issues may alter the itinerary and yacht skippers and/or Advantage Boating Inc. "2027 BVI Course" instructors will make departure decisions based on these factors. Courses may sail in 6 Beaufort wind and sea conditions but any higher wind warnings may alter the itinerary. For safety reasons, I understand that the instructor's word is the law aboard ship and for the duration of the course.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

BVI VACATION COURSE REFUND & CANCELLATION POLICY:

- BVI Vacation courses are non-refundable. We encourage you to take out sufficient and appropriate insurance to protect your trip and any losses should this trip be cancelled.
- Advantage Boating is not responsible for any additional expenses or losses that the Customer may incur as a result of the cancelled booking such as but not limited to, flights, hotel fees, non-refundable transportation costs, travel documentation, loss of salary, time or enjoyment and all other expenses pertaining to the Customer's trip.
- No refunds are issued for any government travel disruptions including, but not limited to, border closures, travel restrictions and regulations preventing Advantage Boating from operating the Vacation Course at the departure destination. In the instance of any government travel disruptions, the Vacation Course Program will be deferred to a similar Vacation Course Program within 12 months of your originally scheduled course program.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

SAILOR PAYMENT INFORMATION

Payment Information: (\$2895 USD):

(Cost per person, per week based on double occupancy in a cabin)

Total trip cost (for applicant):

I am also paying for (Name): _____

Total cost to be charged (combined):

Method of payment: Cash-CAD Cash-USD VISA MC

Name as it appears on your credit card: _____

Credit Card #: _____ Expiry Date: _____ CVV: _____

Signature: _____ Today's Date: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY:

Deposit: Cash-CAD Cash-USD VISA MC

Deposit USD (50% minimum): _____

X-change rate (on day of transaction): _____ Amount paid in CAD: _____

Date deposit charged / received: _____

Balance Owed (USD) (Due Oct 15, 2026): _____

Balance: Cash-CAD Cash-USD VISA MC

Balance USD: _____

X-change rate (on day of transaction): _____ Amount paid in CAD: _____

Date balance charged / received: _____

Balance Owed (USD) (Due Oct 15, 2026): _____