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Vacation Sailing Courses in Antigua!

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



Choose from one of the following 4 course options:

Jan 27 - Feb 3, 2024

Feb 3 - 10, 2024

Feb 10 - 17, 2024

Feb 17 - 24, 2024

Only \$2795 USD*

Sailing Package Includes*:

- 8 days & 7 nights cruising and learning in Antigua
- All text and course materials
- Superior instruction from a Sail Canada certified Advantage Boating instructor
- Sail Canada cruising exam & certification
- Standard double (shared) cabin
- Split provisioning: 6 breakfasts; 6 lunches & 3 dinners on board & water to drink
- Snorkelling equipment
- Fuel for the sailboat & dinghy; Full tank of water at start of course
- The opportunity to obtain IYC (ICC & IBS) certifications



Maximum of 4 students per week

Our courses sell out fast. Don't miss the boat! Email your application to
[**info@advantageboating.com**](mailto:info@advantageboating.com)



Miles away from ordinary and steeped in unmistakable Caribbean charm, Antigua is a top sailing destination. Nestled in the middle of the Leeward Islands, Antigua offers fantastic sailing, friendly locals and a vibrant nightlife with live onshore music to keep you captivated.

Antigua is the best that sailing has to offer: warm, gentle trade winds, safe anchorages, turquoise waters, and deserted white sand beaches.

WHERE ARE WE SAILING?

Between the 365 stunning beaches and 54 miles of exquisite winding coastline, there is no shortage of places to explore: Falmouth Harbour, Jolly Harbour, Great Bird Island, Dickenson Bay, Green Island, and English Harbour are just a few of the beautiful spots to visit.



Set anchor in Deep Bay and snorkel the famous shipwreck 'The Andes', huddled under the blue waters in the middle of the bay.

For a more adventurous sail, Embark on a 30m reach north to tranquil Barbuda where birds far outnumber people. Here you'll find satiny stretches of pink coral sands for relaxing and colourful reefs for snorkelling.

Rest assured your Antigua cruising adventures will leave you with memories to last a lifetime.



Clear Form

2024 Antigua 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: (Home): _____ (Cell): _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Are you travelling with a CND passport? YES NO (Country) _____

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

\$2795 USD (*Detailed terms and conditions on page 7)

PLEASE ENROL ME IN:

Course Choice:

- Basic Cruising
- Mileage Builder (Basic Cruising review)
- Intermediate Cruising
- Mileage Builder (Intermediate Cruising review)
- Advanced Cruising

Week preference (indicate 1st and 2nd choice):

- Week 1: Jan 27 - Feb 3
- Week 2: Feb 3 - Feb 10
- Week 3: Feb 10 - Feb 17
- Week 4: Feb 17 - Feb 24

Any special notes (i.e. are you travelling with a partner or group who wish to stay together?):



I AM TRAVELLING:

- Single (Options include to purchase a whole cabin or be assigned to share a cabin which will include sharing a double bed or a bunk in the salon – We will try our best to accommodate your preference, but it is not guaranteed)
 - I am OK to share a double bed & cabin
 - I am OK to sleep in the salon (with my belongings shared in a cabin)
 - I will pay additional fare to ensure my own cabin

 - Couple (Cabin mate name): _____
 - Boat load (Crew mate names): _____
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PERSONAL INFO (your applications are kept confidential)

1. Do you suffer from motion sickness? YES NO Describe dietary restrictions:
2. Do you have allergies and/or dietary restrictions? YES NO
3. Do you have any mobility issues? YES NO

4. Can you swim? Strong swimmer OK swimmer Weak swimmer I can't swim
5. Are you claustrophobic? YES NO
6. Do you have any medical concerns we should know about? YES NO

7. Do you smoke? YES NO How many packages a day:
8. Are you a light sleeper? YES NO
9. What time do you usually go to bed?

SAILING EXPERIENCE?

1. Have you sailed before? NO YES
 - a. Your role on the boat: Skipper Crew Both
 - b. Number of years (as skipper) _____ (as crew) _____
 - c. Your confidence on the boat as skipper: Strong Medium Weak
 - d. Do you currently own a boat? YES Type: _____ Size: _____
 Years owned _____ Marina/Club: _____
 - e. Have you previously owned a boat? YES Type: _____ Size: _____
 Years owned _____ Marina/Club: _____

2. Do you hold any certifications?
 - a. Basic Cruising Year obtained: _____
 - b. Intermediate Cruising Year obtained: _____
 - c. Advanced Cruising Year obtained: _____
 - d. VHF-ROC(M) + DSC Year obtained: _____
 - e. Coastal Navigation Year obtained: _____
 - f. ICC Year obtained: _____
 - g. Other (please specify)

3. Other sailing experience (racing or cruising)

4. Is there any other information, personal or other, you feel we should know about that might relate to this course?



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There's No Other Lifestyle Like It!

Vacation Courses - Yacht Charter Costs Explained

WHAT IS INCLUDED IN THE COST OF YOUR COURSE:

- Course instruction by a Sail Canada professionally trained and certified instructor
- Course materials
- 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
- Mandatory yacht charter costs listed below
- A budget of up to a maximum of \$200 US per person for meals on board the boat (this includes breakfasts, lunches and dinners on board, non alcoholic beverages and miscellaneous staple items such as cleaning supplies, food condiments and some spices). Receipts must be provided and the amount up to a maximum of \$200 US per person will be reimbursed by Advantage Boating by e-transfer after your course.
- Dockage fees for the first and last night of your course

YACHT INVENTORY:

What is included will vary per yacht but as a guide a charter yacht will include: dinghy, 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, FM radio, CD player, dodger and bimini for shade, berthing fees at home port.

You can also expect your charter yacht to include GPS (plotter), cabin fans, cabin reading lights, BBQ, outboard engine, snorkelling flippers and cockpit cushions.

MANDATORY YACHT CHARTER COSTS INCLUDED IN YOUR COURSE:

1. Refundable security deposit or damage waiver

All yachts require a security deposit (paid by Advantage Boating) and a damage waiver payment (paid by Advantage Boating) to insure your yacht while on charter. A refundable security deposit is authorized by credit card or left in cash upon arrival at the base. This amount represents the maximum deductible and any damage to the yacht will be deducted up to the total amount authorised. A damage waiver is a non-refundable charge based on a daily amount. It is charged even if no damages occur to the yacht, however it offers peace of mind that even if the yacht incurs significant damage, you will only incur the cost up to the maximum of the security deposit. In the event there is a damage claim made against the boat (by the charter company), the security deposit will not be refunded. In this case the \$1000 USD damage deductible will initially be paid by Advantage Boating to the charter company, but will then be equally divided between the students on board and paid to Advantage Boating within 2 weeks of the completion of the course.

2. End cleaning, starter pack and handling fees

These are one-time mandatory fees. The mandatory starter pack includes some basic supplies to get you started on your charter. These fees are included in your course pricing.

3. 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. This cost is covered in your course pricing.

4. 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.

5. Tourist tax or cruising tax

This is a tax per person normally added in Croatia and Caribbean destinations. It is normally paid upon arrival at the base or in some instances paid in advance. These fees are covered in your course pricing.

EXTRA COSTS NOT INCLUDED IN THE COST OF YOUR COURSE:

Meals Ashore & Boat Kitty

Meals ashore, alcohol and costs of provisions above the budget are not included. In general, most marinas offer mini markets or larger supermarkets nearby. In some cases it is possible to pre-order some or all of your provisions. We will provide full provisioning details at the pre-departure meeting for your course.

Boat Kitty starts with each person on board contributing ~\$60 US dollars which covers items such as ice, garbage removal from boat, freshwater tank refills, mooring and/or docking fees, 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.

Mooring and anchoring fees

In the Caribbean, mooring is generally by mooring ball, anchor or at a marina facility. Mooring ball & docking fees, with the exception of the first and last night, will be divided evenly between each student on board or paid from the kitty.

Other items not included in the cost of your course:

- Provisioning costs above your split provisioning budget of \$200 USD per student
- Flights and transfers
- Any land excursions, hotels, transport or car hire
- Trip cancellation and medical insurance

PRICING & INVOICING:

Our course prices are shown in US dollars. Pricing is subject to change without prior notice. 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 and reviews your application. Payment (deposit and balance) can be made by cash (US or CAD equivalent), US or CAD bank draft, 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.

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ANTIGUA COURSE BOOKING & PAYMENT TERMS:

- Booking must include this completed 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 US\$ funds (unless otherwise specified) per week, based on double occupancy.
- Balance payment is due **Dec 15, 2023**.
- 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 split provisioning on-board, course instruction by a Sail Canada professionally trained and certified instructor, course materials, and certification fees.
- Customer confirms they are a Canadian citizen traveling 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 and travel advisories.
- 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 reserves the right to substitute suitable comparable yachts as necessary for exigencies beyond its 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 \$200 US per person for meals on board the boat. This includes breakfasts, lunches and dinners on board, non alcoholic beverages and miscellaneous staple items such as cleaning supplies and food condiments. Receipts must be provided and the amount up to a maximum of \$200 US per person will be reimbursed by Advantage Boating by e-transfer after your course. 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 to a 'Boat Kitty' ~\$60 USD which covers items such as ice, fresh water tank refills, mooring or docking fees 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, 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, FM radio, CD player, 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 and meals ashore are not included.
- Trip cancellation and medical insurance are not included.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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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 “2024 Antigua 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 “2024 Antigua 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 “2024 Antigua Course” programs.
- I understand that Advantage Boating Inc., its agents, skippers and any other persons officially related to the “2024 Antigua 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 “2024 Antigua 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. “2024 Antigua 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: _____

Antigua VACATION COURSE REFUND & CANCELLATION POLICY:

- *Antigua Vacation courses are non-refundable.*
- *Advantage Boating is not responsible for any additional expenses or losses that the Customer may incur as a result of the canceled 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: (\$2795 USD)

(cost in USD per person based on double occupancy in a cabin)

Total trip cost (for applicant): _____

I am also paying for (Name): _____

Total cost amount (to be charged (combined): _____

Method of payment: Cash CDN Cash USD US Bank Draft VISA M/C

Name as it appears on your credit card: _____

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

Signature: _____ Date: _____

OFFICE USE ONLY:

Deposit: Cash CDN Cash USD US Bank Draft VISA M/C

USD (50% minimum): _____

Exchange rate (on day of transaction): _____ Amount paid in CDN Funds: \$ _____

Date deposit payment charged / received: _____

Balance owed (USD) (Due July 1, 2023): \$ _____

Balance: Cash CDN Cash USD US Bank Draft VISA M/C

USD (50% minimum): _____

Exchange rate (on day of transaction): _____ Amount paid in CDN Funds: \$ _____

Date deposit payment charged / received: _____

Balance owed (USD) (Due Dec 15, 2023): \$ _____

Deposit Receipt issued

Balance Receipt Issued

Paid in Full