



## CHARTER: FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### WHAT IS INCLUDED WITH MY ISLAND CRUISING CHARTER - AT NO CHARGE?

- Wet weather gear, adult sized PFD's, 4 safety harnesses per yacht.
- Sleeping bags, pillows and towels (bath and hand).
- Starter pack: aluminum foil, large and small garbage bags, scouring pad, spray cleaner, dish soap, 2 rolls of toilet paper, paper towel, liquid handsoap, J-Cloths, salt & pepper shakers, sugar, sponge, space deodorizer and rubber gloves.

### WHAT WEATHER CAN I EXPECT?

- June to September: Warm or hot with thermally generated winds. September tends to be slightly cooler.
- October: Often similar to September or April-May.
- November to April: Chilly with occasional strong winds.
- April to May: Changeable weather, warming, with moderate to strong winds.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
<b>Average High:</b>	43/6	47/8	50/10	55/13	61/16	66/19	71/22	71/22	66/19	57/14	48/9	44/7
<b>Average Low:</b>	32/0	34/1	35/2	38/3	43/6	48/9	51/11	51/11	47/8	41/5	36/2	33/1

Temperatures shown in degrees F / degrees C

### WHAT SHOULD I PACK?

#### • CLOTHING

*Please pack your belongings in a duffel type bag.*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Shirts: long and short sleeved | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 pairs pants                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Shorts: June - Sept       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Swim suit: June – Sept         | <input type="checkbox"/> Sweaters: one light, one heavy         | <input type="checkbox"/> Jacket: wind resistant    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hat: for sun & rain            | <input type="checkbox"/> Gloves: to protect when handling lines | <input type="checkbox"/> Long underwear: Oct - May |

#### • FOOTWEAR

- Deck Shoes: soles need to be light in colour and non-marking
- Seaboots: a good idea if you have them, if not bring an extra pair of shoes

#### • OTHER

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sun Screen  | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunglasses & retainer | <input type="checkbox"/> Earplugs             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CD's  | <input type="checkbox"/> Camera                | <input type="checkbox"/> Film                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Personals: Toiletries and whatever else you might need. |  | <input type="checkbox"/> Manuals and Log Book |

### I'M DRIVING OR BEING DROPPED OFF, HOW DO I GET THERE?

If you are **driving** from:

**Swartz Bay:** Follow HWY 17 to the second set of lights and turn left onto Beacon Avenue. Turn right off Beacon Avenue onto Fourth Street. Our offices are on the right hand side of the road.

**From Victoria International Airport:** Follow the road leading out of the airport and turn left on McTavish and then a left at the lights on to HWY 17. The next set of lights is Beacon Avenue, turn right. Continue with the directions for Fourth Street as above.

**From downtown Victoria:** Get onto HWY 17 northbound (Blanchard Street turns into HWY 17) and follow for approximately 30mins. Look for the signs for the Town of Sidney and take the right exit on Beacon Avenue. Follow directions for Fourth Street as above.

*See map below.*

## IS THERE SOMEWHERE SAFE TO PARK?

Long term parking available at Port Sidney for ~\$11/day, please see our office upon arrival OR in a lot on Bevan and Second Street for \$6/day.

## WHAT AMENITIES ARE THERE AT YOUR BASE?

**Groceries** are within walking distance of 3 major grocery stores – Thrifty's, Fairways and Save On Foods. There is also a provincial liquor store at Save On & Thrifty's and a private liquor store closer to our base in the Cannery building.

**Laundry** is available at Port Sidney Marina

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**Restaurants** are within walking distance, from casual pubs to fine dining, see our staff for suggestions upon arrival.

**Chandleries** are abundant and all within walking distance.

**NB: A PASSCARD NEEDS TO BE PURCHASED FROM PORT SIDNEY MARINA UPON ARRIVAL IN ORDER TO GAIN ACCESS TO THE WASHROOMS, AS WELL AS ACCESS TO THE MARINA AFTER HOURS.**



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