Charter Guide

IT'S YOUR CHOICE. WE HELP YOU MAKE THE RIGHT ONE.







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Discover INCREDIBLE DESTINATIONS

Chartering a yacht ensures that the world is your oyster. With yachts based in a wide range of destinations across the world, charter guests have an abundance of opportunities on where to visit. The transient nature of yachts offers unprecedented access to a host of unforgettable destinations, some only accessible by water.

Whether you are looking for the vibrant energy of a port, a remote escape away from the hustle and bustle of the world, or a mixture of both, there is a destination and a yacht to suit everyone. Unlike land-based holidays, traveling by yacht allows you to enjoy a huge variety of locations and experiences, all while staying in total luxury.

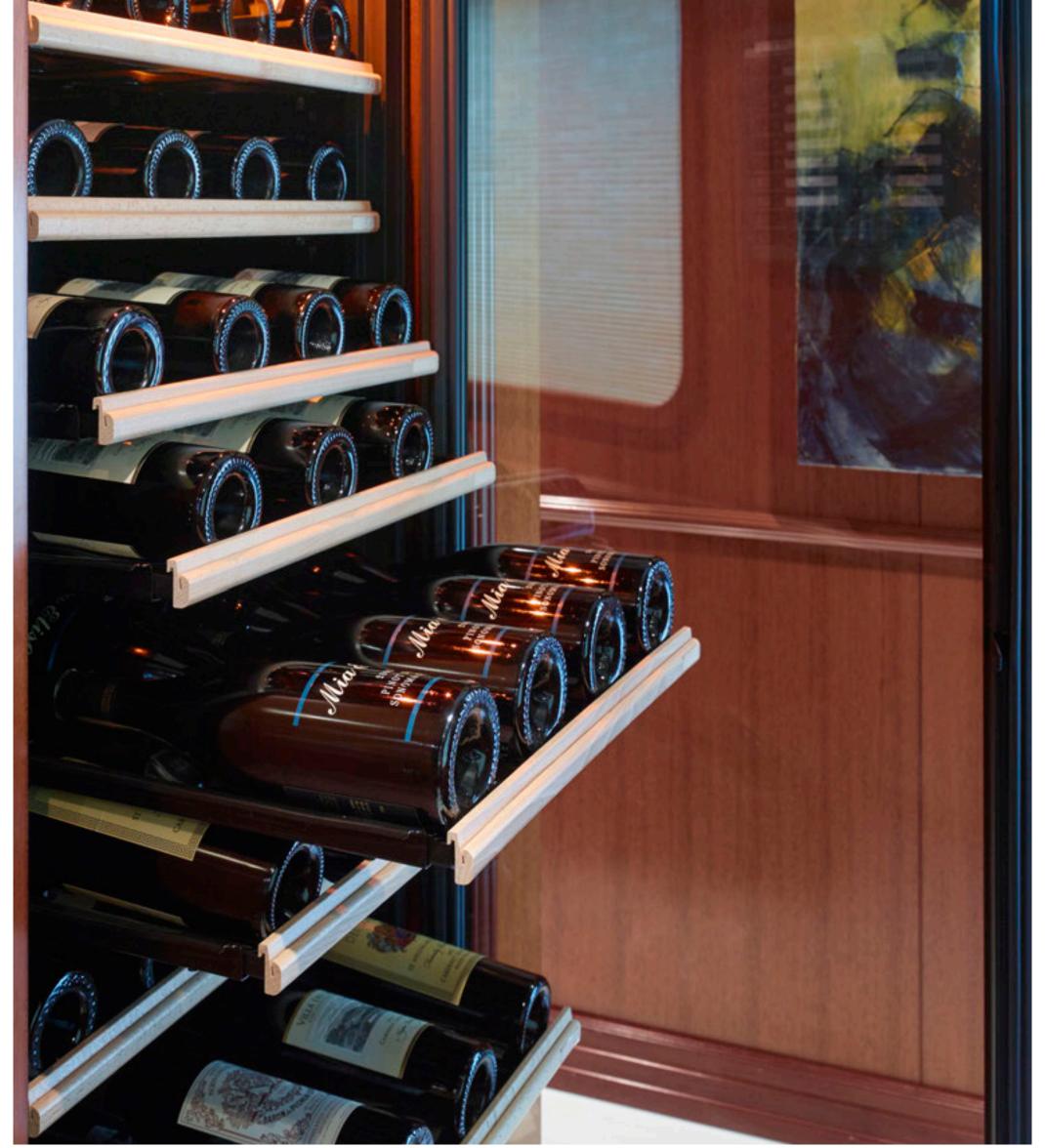
Choosing a yacht to visit a more remote destination is particularly beneficial as it ensures comfort and luxury in many areas that otherwise have little tourism infrastructure. The growing popularity of specialist explorer yachts ensure that even the most remote destinations, such as Alaska or far flung Pacific islands, are in easy reach.

IYC offers a full destination guide to browse for your next yachting adventure.











Enjoy unparalleled cuisine

No yacht charter would be complete without experiencing the best in fine dining. Food is at the heart of every charter, whether enjoying a beautifully fresh al fresco breakfast or a full à la carte tasting menu experience. Your yacht crew will always include a chef, whose passion is creating unforgettable menus for guests.

Making the most of local ingredients, your chef will craft a bespoke menu to suit all tastes and dietary preferences, creating a showcase of flavours to wow even the most seasoned fine diner or wine lover.

The small details that add up to make a charter so special often include themed nights – with a menu to match, a custom cocktail to enjoy on a balmy night or even the simple pleasure of a cup of coffee made exactly the way you like it, appearing by your side before you even ask.

Decompress WITH A WELLNESS YACHT CHARTER

A perfect way to escape from "everyday stress" is by planning a relaxing wellness getaway or yoga retreat on board a luxury yacht.

Sun, sea and fresh air can be the best medicine for the tensions of modern life, and a wellness yacht charter provides everything you need in a luxurious environment, so that you can return home invigorated and refreshed.

Whether you are looking for a week of fitness or an indulgent trip to enjoy massages, spa treatments and juice cleanses, you can create the experience that you desire. Luxury yachts provide the perfect setting for wellness yacht retreats with gym equipment, massage therapists, yoga instructors and holistic medicine specialists.









Experience world class service

With a carefully hand-picked crew on board, service levels on yachts are unmatched, offering a six-star silver service experience from start to finish. Prior to your charter commencing, all your personal preferences will be taken into consideration to ensure that every last detail is to your exact liking.

Designed to the highest standards, superyachts have every comfort and amenity imaginable all in the most luxurious settings. Guests are able to enjoy beautifully designed spaces and generous cabins to relax in.

Dependent on individual preferences, charter guests can choose a yacht with additional features to suit their lifestyle, with many yachts are fully equipped with gyms, saunas, outdoor movie theatres for scoring under the stars and more.

Live unforgettable moments on board

A luxury yacht is so much more than just a base to enjoy a beautiful location from. Any time spent onboard is special thanks to the experiences and memories that will last a lifetime. Whether a party is comprised of couples, friends, or a family group, a charter is a perfect way to cater to a variety of tastes and interests. Enjoy a host of activities and excursions during your time onboard, with your dedicated crew always on hand to set up and assist you at all times. Careful planning will ensure a varied itinerary for all guests and their interests, including shorebased excursions, water-based activities, and time on board.

The majority of charter yachts carry an exciting inventory of water toys and tenders, with everything from jet skis to large inflatable slides to choose from. Speed through the water on your WaveRunner, soar above the waves using a jet pack, or enjoy the serenity of paddling a glass bottomed kayak over a busy reef teeming with underwater life. Diving and fishing are particularly popular activities, with a yacht ensuring access to some of the world's highest rated spots for both.

Your captain and crew can recommend options for sightseeing and visiting the area's highlights. They can also set up special experiences such as a beach picnic or romantic meal on shore. Back on the yacht, ample on-board spaces mean that guests will be spoiled for choice whether to spend the day sunbathing, watching a movie or relaxing in the Jacuzzi. Whatever way you to spend your days, when choosing a yacht you will be guided by IYC's expert team to ensure your vessel is perfect for you and all your guests.







How to plan YOUR YACHT CHARTER





5 Easy Steps TO BOOKING A CHARTER

- 1. Select your dates and appropriate budget
- 2. Choose a destination and who you're going with
- 3. We will research and provide you with a comprehensive list that covers your requirements
- 4. Select a yacht and sign the charter contracts
- 5. Share your travel, food and itinerary preferences

What is a CHARTER CONSULTANT?

Every aspect of your trip is managed by our team of expert Charter Consultants. From the early planning and preparation stages, to the day you disembark your yacht, your Charter Consultant will work above and beyond to ensure that your trip exceeds all your expectations.

Your Charter Consultant:

- Has access to all yachts available in the charter market for destinations around the world.
- Is knowledgeable on the various charter contracts and the legal implications within them.
- Knowledgeable on the cruising destinations.
- Represents the charterer in transaction.
- Works on the details of the charter (preference sheets, itinerary with captain, logistics, etc).
- Has in depth knowledge and insight on the yachts and their crew.
- Attends charter trade shows (Antigua, Barcelona, Greece, Newport RI, Tortola and Bahamas).
- Attends industry Yacht Shows (FLIBS, MIA, PBBS, Monaco).
- Knowledgeable on the value added tax (VAT) of each country and legal implications associated with each cruising destination.
- Active members and contributors in industry associations.







WHEN CAN I CHARTER AND FOR HOW LONG?

Anytime of the year, but this varies by destination. As far as timeframe, most yachts are a minimum of seven nights.

CAN I SELECT THE DAY OF THE WEEK MY CHARTER WILL BEGIN?

Yes, but this is also dependent on the yacht's availability.

CAN I SELECT ITINERARY?

Yes. Your Charter Consultant and Captain will help create a bespoke itinerary best suited for you and your guests.

HOW DO I CHOOSE THE RIGHT YACHT?

Your Charter Consultant will help choose the perfect yacht to create a luxury holiday best suited to your needs. This is a matchmaking process carried out by your Consultant to find a yacht that is in your desired location, has the perfect layout for your group, and activities for everyone on board to enjoy.

HOW MANY GUESTS ARE ALLOWED ON THE YACHT?

Most yachts allow a maximum of 12 guests. If you have additional guests, a tandem charter can be arranged as well. A small number of yachts can accommodate up to 36 guests.

CAN I USE ALL THE AMENITIES ON THE YACHT?

During the charter, you are allowed to use all amenities on the yacht and enjoy as if they are your own.

HOW DO I RELAY ALL MY PREFERENCE?

Your Charter Consultant will provide you with preference sheets that allow you to select your favourite foods, wines and dining times. The preference sheet will also detail which activities (on board or ashore) that you and your guests wish to enjoy.

ALASKA

PACIFIC NORTH WEST

NEW ENGLAND

FLORIDA

BAHAMAS

CARIBBEAN

CENTRAL/SOUTH AMERICA

GALAPAGOS

MEDITERRANEAN

RED SEA

MALDIVES

SOUTH EAST ASIA

ANTARCTIC



Sample Itinerary AMALFI COAST - ITALY

Stretching from the Gulf of Naples to the Gulf of Salerno, the Amalfi Coast encompasses everything that is dreamed of in a Mediterranean coastal landscape. Truly the perfect Italian destination, dramatic cliffs tumble into deep blue seas, picturesque towns crowd into the hillsides amid jutting churches and verdant forests, and the restaurant scene is amongst the best in Europe. Deemed by UNESCO to be "an outstanding example of Mediterranean landscape", the Amalfi Coast has become an extremely popular destination for visiting superyachts, with luxurious resorts, boutique shopping and fine dining establishments appearing in recent years to serve its new influx of visitors with a penchant for the finer things. True to the Italian attitude, the locals have held fast to their traditional lifestyles and pastel-hued terraced houses which merge into the landscape, and the opulence of this glittering region has simply grown around them.

DAY 1 - NAPLES

Arrive in Naples and cruise towards the stunning east coast of Capri to your evening anchorage, nestled under the mind-blowing cliffs, near the home of famous Russian author Maxim Gorki. Swim in the crystal clear waters before enjoying a relaxing dinner. Spend the night at anchor surrounded by the beautiful Italian landscape.

DAY 2 – POSITANO AND RAVELLO

Take a tender ashore to Positano, home to many exclusive boutiques and beautiful surroundings. This small picturesque town has stunning views down the Amalfi Coast.

Enjoy lunch on board before cruising to Ravello and coming ashore to explore Ravello village, which is perched high on a rocky outcrop. The village is also beautiful to explore in the evening, especially the main piazza, and the Michelin star Rosellinis restaurant at Palazzo Sasso is world class.

DAY 3 – AMALFI TO CAPRI

Take a tender to the port of Amalfi and explore the old town centre - the spectacular Cathedral of Saint Andrews is very special, particularly the Paradise cloisters. Enjoy coffee and cake at the famous bar opposite the cathedral before your yacht heads for Capri. If sea conditions allow, pay a visit to the famous Blue Grotto Caves, where you can enter the caves via a narrow entrance in the local wooden boats and an oarsman will navigate you around the narrow/dark caves which are lit by turquoise shafts of light. An evening walk up to the hilltop village in the old 'Furniclar' rewards you with breathtaking scenic views.

DAY 4 – SANT ANGELO AND LACCO AMENA

Head for the south side of Ischia and Sant Angelo where you can explore the ancient fishing port or enjoy a swim or water sports in the bay. Tender in to Maronti beach in the evening and visit Le Fumarole restaurant, which has a small natural sauna and thermal bath. This is a beautiful spot to anchor overnight if conditions allow.

DAY 5 – PONZA, PALMAROLA AND VENTOTENE

Depart for the Pontine Islands of Ponza, Palmarola and Ventotene. Palmarola has beautiful bays and rock formations for swimming and exploring by tender. This is a quieter destination where you can enjoy the peace and solitude in beautiful surroundings. Take lunch and dinner aboard so you can make the most of the stunning waters to enjoy swimming and playing water sports.

DAY 6 – VENTOTENE AND THE PORT OF ISCHIA

Enjoy a visit to Ventotene, once a prominent Roman port. Lunch at anchor before continuing on to the old Port of Ischia, for the evening and night. The old Port of Ischia is a mixture of locals and Neapolitan tourists, with port side cafes, restaurants and busy narrow shopping streets – full of character and beautiful surroundings.

DAY 7 – PROCIDA AND SORRENTO

Cruise to the small eclectic island of Procida, before enjoying a swim in the calm waters. Continue on to Sorrento, a small town which sits among lemon and orange groves, close to nearby historic Pompeii. Sorrento's rich history is reflected in its blended architecture styles, and the Piazza Tasso forms the heart of the town – the perfect place to enjoy a final lunch on your Amalfi coast charter.

Securing Your Yacht

WHEN CAN I CHARTER AND FOR HOW LONG?

Anytime of the year, but this varies by destination. As far as timeframe, most yachts are a minimum of seven nights.

HOW DO I CALCULATE THE CHARTER RATE?

Charter rates are quoted per week. Charters spanning for more or less than seven days are calculated pro-rata against the weekly rate (divided by seven or six respectively and multiplied by the number of charter days). Charters commence from noon onwards on the first day and terminate by noon on the last day. Some yachts have high season rates that apply to the most popular charter periods (July, August, Christmas and New Year's) and low season rates that apply to all other periods.

WHAT IS INCLUDED IN THE CHARTER RATE?

Charter rates include the yacht with crew service together with all necessary equipment, properly insured for marine risks. Rates do not include VAT, provisioning, fuel charges, electronic communications, canal fees, harbour dues, local taxes and specific marina fees. If embarkation and/ or disembarkation take place away from the yacht's home port, delivery/redelivery fees and expenses may also be charged.

HOW MUCH SHOULD I TIP THE CREW?

Crew gratuities are not obligatory, but it's customary to leave 5% to 15% of the total charter fee, upon discretion and based on satisfaction with service received on board. The best way to make sure that all crew members are recognised equally is to entrust the distribution of gratuities to the captain or your Charter Consultant.

HOW CAN I SECURE THE YACHT I HAVE SELECTED FOR CHARTER?

Charters are always subject to a fully executed contract. Once your Charter Consultant has confirmed the availability of your selected yacht, you will receive a Charter Agreement. The Charter Agreement specifies the terms and conditions, rights and obligations of each party. Upon signature of the Charter Agreement a deposit of 50% of the total charter fee is required so that you can confirm your booking. The remaining 50% of the charter fee, plus the Advance Provisioning Allowance (APA) and any delivery/redelivery fees, VAT taxes as well as other agreed charges are due 5 weeks before the charter commences.

WHAT IS THE CANCELLATION POLICY?

As per the MYBA contract, if you decide to cancel your charter, the owner may retain your deposit or the entire charter fee; this depends on the timing you will communicate your cancellation. If you cancel after you have submitted your deposit, but before the final instalment is due, the owner is entitled to retain your deposit. If you have already paid the entire charter fee, the owner is entitled to retain the full amount but will return the Advance Provisioning Allowance (APA) and any other additional expenses including, but not limited to security deposit, delivery, dockage, etc. Should you decide to cancel your charter, make sure to talk to your IYC Charter Consultant as we can help liaise with the owner to find an alternative date for your charter. Trip Cancellation Insurance can be obtained for a nominal fee to mitigate your loss in the event of a cancellation. Your Charter Consultant will be more than happy to obtain a personalised quote for this from our preferred insurers.

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There are addendums in place to protect your charter. From travel bans, to catching covid your charter consultant will provide you with the yachts covid requirements. We still recommend that you take out the relevant travel insurance to protect all aspects of your charter.

Jet Edge PARTNERSHIP

Jet Edge is built to meet the highest level of private aviation needs, with a focus on safety, security, and flawless execution. The Jet Edge fleet of 95 aircraft includes primarily mid-size, large-cabin and long-range Gulf Stream and Challenger aircraft. Jet Edge flights are serviced by world-class flight crews, with a cabin attendant aboard every large-cabin flight.

Our clients will now be able to enjoy luxury private travel that is completely tailored to their needs, as IYC and Jet Edge's service teams will seamlessly handle every detail of their trip from their home to their charter yacht. Jet Edge flights are serviced by a dedicated customer experience team with a cabin attendant aboard every large cabin flight.

We are extremely excited about this new partnership and look forward to providing our clients the very best.















In most countries, a value added tax (or VAT rate) will be added on top of the charter fee. An overview of VAT rates and taxes is provided below, however, please make sure to discuss with your Charter Consultant as exceptions apply and rates are subject to change.

For EU member states, the VAT is due in the country where the charter begins, although there are exceptions to the rule. For charters commencing in a non-EU country, but passing-by or ending in an EU country, VAT may be applicable only for the number of days spent in that EU country's territorial waters.

FRANCE & MONACO:

The VAT rate is 20%. VAT is also applicable for delivery and redelivery fees.

ITALY:

The VAT rate is 22%. VAT is also applicable for delivery and redelivery fees.

SPAIN:

The VAT rate is 21% for yachts with a Spanish charter license.

GREECE:

The VAT rate is 9.6% or 12% for yachts with a Greek charter license.

CROATIA:

The VAT rate is 13% for a yacht with a Croatian charter license.

MONTENEGRO:

The VAT rate is 0% while cruising in Montenegro. If the itinerary includes cruising in Croatia, then Croatia's 13% VAT is due for each day the yacht spends in Croatia.

TURKEY:

The VAT rate is 0% while cruising in Turkey, however local cruising taxes apply. Yachts with a Turkish flag are taxed at 18%.

BAHAMAS:

A 4% charter tax is applicable on all charters in the Bahamas.

UNITED STATES:

A charter tax may be applicable based upon county of embarkation.

CARIBBEAN:

There is currently no VAT or taxes applicable for the Caribbean.

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Offices

14 OFFICES STRATEGICALLY LOCATED IN SOME OF THE WORLD'S MOST PROMINENT YACHTING DESTINATIONS

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