

## ASA Course Information 2005/2006

Prices and course offerings subject to change without notice.

## Yachting Vacations Sailing School

**Yachting Vacations** offers a wide range of American Sailing Association (ASA) certification sailing and cruising courses, on board our various sailing vessels, including our beautiful *Etap*, *Island Packet* and Catamaran yachts, from our base in southwest Florida. ASA is the world leader in standardized sailing and cruising certification, certifying thousands of students every year. As an accredited ASA Professional Certification Facility, we are proud of our affiliation with ASA!

**Just as with our charters, Yachting Vacations Sailing School**, provides top quality yachts, great service, and first class sailing and cruising instructors. All our instructors are United States Coast Guard licensed, ASA certified, have vast experience on various yachts, inland, coastal and offshore waters, and are trained to pass their vast knowledge and experience on to our students. Our goal is to have you successfully complete ASA certifications and be on your way to many years of great sailing and cruising experiences with your families and friends, anywhere in the world.

**Yachting Vacations is based at Burnt Store Marina in Punta Gorda, Florida on Charlotte Harbor.** Charlotte Harbor is a beautiful 200+ square miles bay of protected waters, with direct access to the Gulf of Mexico through Boca Grande Pass. The combination of a great marina with superb amenities, Charlotte Harbor, the many barrier islands, anchorages, marinas, resorts, restaurants, and the Gulf of Mexico, provides a wonderful environment to combine cruising courses with a great yachting vacation!

**We offer live-aboard and non-live-aboard courses and our prices are "all-inclusive"** and include use of vessel, certified instructor, provisions (live-aboard courses only, excluding alcohol), docking fees at Burnt Store Marina, course materials, and certification fees. Not included are fuel, docking fees at other marinas, personal expenses, instructor gratuities, and 6% Fla. sales tax.

**Single course fees are based upon two students minimum per class. To maximize your experience, we limit classes to four students maximum.** We also offer private courses—see price schedule. Additional crew may be brought along (subject to certain conditions, including yacht accommodations) at a cost of 50% of the single rate, per person. Early boarding after 3:00 p.m. the night before (Sunday night for most live-aboard classes) is available at no charge. Stay-aboard the night after the course is completed is subject to availability and a nominal charge.

**All standard live-aboard courses start Monday morning at 8:30 and finish at 4:30 p.m. on the last day.** This includes fuel up, pump out, and cleaning. Private and doubles courses can be arranged starting and ending on alternative days.

**Once we confirm your desired courses, class dates, fees, and so on:** (1) A deposit of 50% of the total course fee is due upon enrollment. (2) Upon receipt of your deposit, we will mail your course materials. (3) You are required to read and study these materials prior to the class. You may not have enough time to study the materials during the class. Not being prepared can lead to failure of ASA certification exams. (4) The balance of the course fee is due thirty (30) days prior to class starting date.

**Payments may be made by check, VISA or MasterCard. Our cancellation policy is as follows:** (a) Cancellation sixty (60) or more days prior to class starting date: full refund, minus \$100, minus cost of course materials already mailed, and minus 3% if deposits were made by credit card. (b) Cancellation less than sixty (60) but thirty (30) or more days before class starting date: no refund. However, fees paid may be applied against a future class taken within twelve (12) months of the original starting date. (c) Cancellation less than thirty (30) days before class starting date: no refund, unless we can find another student to replace you for the same class. If we do find another student, conditions under (b) apply. If we cancel the class for any reason, including reasons beyond our control, such as extreme weather conditions, we will reschedule as soon as practical. Sorry, we are not responsible for your travel rescheduling or similar fees imposed by airlines and others.

**Security Deposit:** At the start of a class, we require a refundable Security Deposit in the amount of \$400.00 which will be refunded within three weeks of the end of your class, subject to standard Security Deposit conditions. Upon boarding, you will be required to sign a standard Yacht Charter Agreement as required by U.S. law and for insurance coverage purposes.

**Bareboat or captained charters are available right after your class completes,** but are subject to various conditions, including student competency (as judged by your instructor and Yachting Vacations) and yacht availability. Charter fees are paid for separately (see Enrollment Form) and regular charter Agreement conditions apply. You will receive a 10% discount on the charter fees. Students who obtain proper ASA certification (ASA 104, and 114—for catamaran charters) through Yachting Vacations Sailing School will receive a 10% discount on future bareboat charters of seven days or longer.

**Call us to enroll now!**