

# CARIBBEAN YACHT RALLY 2016

19 February to 5 March 2016 – 16 DAYS

From  
**\$5,195**  
per  
person

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*The Caribbean is a feast for the senses, a fascinating mix of cultures, colours and sounds. The history is as varied as the characters living there with English, French, Dutch, and Creole flavours all adding to the mix.*

Let the trade winds ease you through the Leeward Islands as we begin our journey in Antigua and finish on the island of St. Martin - just in time for the start of the world famous Heineken Regatta! Lay on white sand beaches, indulge in a variety of cuisines and don't forget to enjoy a rum or two.



## RALLY ITINERARY ... *sail in company, explore on your own*

### **DAY 1: Arrive in Antigua**

Arrive in Antigua and transfer to the hotel in Jolly Harbour. Relax and soak up some Caribbean vibe to the sounds of the steel band at Shirley Heights or one of the local music venues.

### **DAY 2: Embarkation**

A lunch at Harmony Hall Art Gallery and Restaurant overlooking the beautiful Nonsuch Bay is recommended. In the afternoon we transfer from the hotel to the marina for embarkation. Check your yacht and provisions and join us for a welcome dinner in Jolly Harbour.

### **DAY 3: Leisure day cruise to Deep Bay 15 nm**

Depart for Deep Bay or an alternative anchorage in Northern Antigua. Deep Bay has good access to St Johns if you are

shopping for last minute supplies. Explore the wreck in the bay or hike to Fort Barrington.

### **DAY 4: Race 1 to Barbuda 27 nm**

Dinghy ashore to a deserted pink sand beach on one of the very few islands in the Caribbean that remains undeveloped. Party on the beach with Uncle Roddy and the local crowd at the post-race function!

### **DAY 5: Leisure day in Barbuda**

With the exception of a few guests and the island donkeys, the population seems to consist of the graceful frigate birds. Make an excursion to the bird sanctuary and enjoy a free day to relax, swim or explore.

### **DAY 6: Race 2 to Nevis 55 nm**

Nevis was once a busy sugar producing island where some of the grand manor houses of the plantation owners still

operate as restaurants and hotels. Join us for a post-race dinner ashore.

### **DAY 7: Leisure day in Nevis**

Take a tour around the island, alternatively play a round of golf on the highly rated course or enjoy a spa treatment in the Four Seasons resort.

### **DAY 8: Leisure day cruise to St Kitts 8 nm**

Abbreviated from St Christopher, St Kitts is a green and pleasant island mostly covered in rainforest. Step back in history and visit the fortress on Brimstone Hill.

### **DAY 9: Race 3 to St Eustasius 20 nm**

Cruise 10 miles to the northern end of St Kitts and then race to St Eustatius. Known as Statia it is today a part of the Netherlands Antilles. Through history it

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has changed hands more than 20 times. Once a duty-free island it is today an important oil trans-shipment port with a surprising number of attractive cliff-top cottages and stone houses hidden from view from the bay. Join us for a post-race dinner ashore.

## DAY 10: Leisure day cruise to Saba 20 nm

Venture ashore this morning and enjoy breakfast in one of the many restaurants. In the afternoon, set off for Saba; a secluded haven, quaint, peaceful and friendly.

## DAY 11: Leisure day in Saba

This tiny, immaculate, Dutch island, where everything clings to the side of an extinct volcano is a nature lover's paradise. Saba Marine Park is second to none, so enjoy some snorkelling or scuba diving!

## DAY 12: Race 4 to St Barts 28 nm

Properly named St Barthelemy, St Barts is a favoured holiday spot for the rich and famous. Dine in excellent restaurants, shop in boutiques and explore the beaches. Join us for a post-race dinner ashore.

## DAY 13: Leisure day in St Barts

Today a suggestion is lunch at Eden Rock. 'People-watch' on the beach and view planes landing on the infamous St Barts runway! In the afternoon move to a mooring buoy in Colombier Bay National Marine Park. Swim with turtles, walk the deserted beach and climb to the saddle to view the Atlantic Ocean.

## DAY 14: Race 5 to St Martin 18 nm

St Martin has been successfully shared by the French and the Dutch for 350 years, there are distinct cultural differences between the two sides of the island. In the evening there is an optional dinner at the Sunset Café in Grand Case. Afterwards you may choose to taxi into Marigot for a Heineken Regatta party.

## DAY 15: Leisure day in St Martin

Today is at leisure to watch the Heineken Regatta before heading to our final destination Marigot. Join us for our final night dinner and presentation.

## DAY 16: Depart St Martin

Disembark and transfer to the airport for your departure flight or extend your stay.

# YACHTS & PRICES

Yacht Rally Fleet	Year	Cabins		Shower/ WC	Recommended Guests	Price per person Based on recommended capacity	Yacht Bond
		Dbl	Twin				
Lagoon 380	2014	4		2	8	AU\$5,195	€ 500
Lagoon 400	2014/2015	4		2	8	AU\$5,495	€ 650
Lipari 41	2013	4		2	8	AU\$5,395	€ 650
Lagoon 450 Luxe	2015	4		4	8	AU\$6,395	€ 650
Catana 47 Carbon Infusion	2011	4		4	8	AU\$5,950	€ 750
Catana 47 Carbon Infusion	2012	4		4	8	AU\$6,395	€ 750
Jeanneau Sun Odyssey 509	2013/2014	4	1	3	8	AU\$5,725	€ 500
Catana 55 Carbon Infusion	2013	6		6	12	AU\$6,925	€ 750

Add a professional skipper from AU\$4,200 for a total for 14 nights

Prices are in Australian dollars and exclude airfares. Please enquire with Mariner Boating Holidays for the full price list.

## WHAT'S INCLUDED?

### Yacht charter and equipment

- 14 night bareboat charter
- One way charter delivery fee
- Yacht security bond reduction
- Standard navigation equipment
- End of charter cleaning
- Welcome pack
- Outboard motor
- Dinghy
- 2 sets of bed linen
- 2 sets of bath towels
- Beach towel
- Snorkelling gear
- Yacht berthing fees on race days as per yacht rally program
- All taxes
- Cruising permit
- National park fees

### Land

- First night accommodation in Antigua
- Welcome dinner at hotel in Antigua
- Transfer from hotel to yacht
- Dinners on race days as per yacht rally program

### Support

- 24/7 support from Mariner Boatings experienced guides
- 24/7 professional technical assistance for the yacht
- Race management
- Prizes for race days
- Weatherproof sailing apparel
- Daily weather updates
- Regular newsletters with up to date itinerary suggestions

## Did you know?



*The world famous Heineken Regatta will begin on the last day of this rally. Lucky for you, we will be right in the heart of the action.*

*The Heineken Regatta draws sailors and musicians from around the globe annually.*

*Extend your stay in Antigua and enjoy 3 days of a quintessential Caribbean party.*

## ADDITIONAL COSTS

- Add a professional skipper if you don't want to sail yourself
- Add a single supplement if you want your own room on land
- Optional pre and post yacht rally extension tours
- ESTA USA Visa waiver
- Travel Insurance
- Refundable security bond
- On board provisioning
- Marina fees on non race days
- Fuel for the yacht and outboard motor
- Flights and taxes
- Airport transfers

## PERSONAL TRAVEL INSURANCE

A valid travel insurance policy is a Mariner Boating booking condition.

We partner with Suresave, with whom we have special arrangements for cover during our yacht rallies. Please ask your Mariner Boating consultant for a Suresave no obligation quote.

## PLEASE NOTE

- A booking form and deposit of AU\$1,500 per person is required to confirm a booking
- Sailing qualifications are required to charter a yacht
- Hotel accommodation is twin/double share and includes breakfast
- Prices are subject to currency fluctuation until paid in full
- Credit card transactions are subject to merchant fees
- The itinerary and prices are correct at the time of issue but subject to changes without notice (23/04/2015)

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