

Tips for a Luxury Yacht Charter

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·What type of Yacht Charter Vacation do you want? Exactly what kind of get away are you planning for? Will this be a corporate event, featuring business and pleasure, a romantic honeymoon vacation or a family vacation? What sort of activities do you have in mind for the trip? All of these details will help you narrow down what type of boat and the region you will want to explore. ·When do you want to go on your Luxury Yacht Charter Vacation? Timing is everything. If you know the exact dates you want to book, planning and logistics will be much easier to accommodate. Certain times of the year are better for certain parts of the world than others. During the summer months (May-September) the winds are most favorable in New England, Alaska and the Mediterranean. During the winter months (December-March) the most enjoyable vacation charters are in the Caribbean. Also if you are looking to book near the holidays or for a particular large event, you will probably need to book early as charters are very popular during those times. ·Where is your Luxury Yacht Charter Vacation going to take you? If you can choose the region or country that you wish to travel to and how long you plan to stay, crewed charters can offer several detailed itineraries to take you exactly where you want to go. This may influence when you charter and the duration of your vacation. ·Who will be in your party? If this is a romantic get away, how many couples where there be? Will you be hosting an event or arranging a summer vacation with the kids? Knowing exactly the number of people in your party will be a key factor in choosing the right boat. Today there are many luxury charter yachts to choose from, if you know how many staterooms you will need we can narrow down your choices. Also, if you know about the people in the party and their individual interests we can design an itinerary to meet all requests and include activities for everyone. ·How much are you willing to budget for the entire Luxury Yacht Charter Vacation? It is important to have a general idea for your budget. This will be instrumental in choosing the duration, destination, and the type of Yacht you wish to charter. Don't forget that provisioning; food, beverages and crew are all in addition to the cost of the charter and insurance. ·Which Style Yacht Charter Vacation would you prefer? Depending on the duration and where you choose to vacation, what type of Charter are you looking for. Would you like to have a Crewed Charter with an experienced captain and a stew to wait on you? Or would you prefer to be your own captain and have an adventure with just you and your party in the boat of your dreams with a Bare-boat Charter. Also do you prefer a power motor yacht or a large sailboat? ·Did you do your homework? Once you have answered the whom, what and where, do some research and narrow down the choices. Many Charter companies will only offer you highly recommended vessels that we have personally inspected and an experienced crew but feel free to ask questions and do your own research. A good charter company will have references from past clients who were satisfied with their vacation. Contacting past charterers, may give you some more insight and recommendations as to the details of your charter vacation. Explore all of your options and know what you want. ·Have you considered all of the details? An established charter company will have a team of seasoned professionals who specialize in provisioning and the logistics for your vacation. They will take great pride in your party's happiness and will only consider the best for their clients. These firms are there to handle all details so that you can enjoy. If you have any particular requests, they can be taken into account and the crew will do their best to accommodate any and all of your needs. Always ask to see a full menu, provisioning sheet and captain itinerary for your approval to ensure your vacation will run smoothly and to your standards. ALL ABOARD! Put on your sunglasses and step aboard for some champagne to celebrate the vacation of a lifetime!