

SAIL AWAY SAILING SCHOOL, LLC



British Virgin Islands 2027

Basic & Bareboat Cruising 103/104

February 6-13 Basic Cruising/Bareboat Chartering sailing

vacation: Enjoy a beautiful cruise in the British Virgin Islands (BVI) while earning Basic Cruising (ASA 103) and Bareboat Chartering (ASA 104) certifications. ASA 104 serves as a required boating license (IPC) in most of Europe and Asia. Our live-aboard yacht, pictured above, is a spacious 43' Sun Odyssey with 4 cabins and 2 heads. Boat has Wifi, chart plotter, electric winch and bow thrusters. Layout <https://ws.nausys.com/CBMS-external/rest/yacht/50721761/html?date=30-01-2027&agencyId=978019> All are welcome on this cruise, though ASA 101 is the prerequisite for certifications.

We will set sail each morning and anchor off a different island each afternoon. You will have time for exploring BVI's famous Baths, snorkeling, swimming, and enjoying the beaches and bays of this world-famous group of islands. Our motorized dinghy will take us ashore for dinner at a different restaurant each night. We will learn navigation, boat systems, diesel engine checks, crew overboard techniques, emergency procedures, reefing, anchoring, sail trim, advanced knots, cooking underway, live-aboard skills. We will practice docking and mooring ball pick-ups.

ITINERARY: Board February 6 starting at 5pm at Ritter Marina near Road Town, Tortola, BVI. Sleep aboard yacht at dock. Set sail after orientation the next morning. We will visit 1-2 islands every day. Return to dock February 13 and disembark by 12 p.m.

Included: 7 breakfasts & 6 lunches onboard, bottled water, tropical drink nightly, onboard WiFi, snorkel, mask, fins, BVI cruising tax, National Parks tax, Textbooks; Coastal Cruising Made Easy, Bareboat Cruising Made Easy, ASA certifications, shared double berth, bed linens, towels. Packing list and textbooks will be sent upon registration. (ASA 101 is prerequisite for those taking the course.)

Not included: Flight to BVI (airport code: EIS) or St. Thomas (airport code: STT), taxi from airport (about \$45), BVI departure tax (\$50), dinners ashore, taxi & entry to The Baths (optional), personal beverages & snacks. BVI uses American dollar currency. Contact Capt. Joan for flight and hotel suggestions.

GETTING THERE: Fly into BVI; airport code-EIS and take 45 minute taxi to BVI Yacht Charters, Ritter Marina, Wickham's Cay, Road Town, Tortola - or - Fly into St Thomas: airport code-STT and take 5-minute taxi to Charlotte Amalie ferry dock. Take 45-minute ferry ride to Road Town, Tortola then 5-minute taxi to BVI Yacht Charters. St.

Thomas ferries stop running in early afternoon, so check ferry schedules. Please purchase ferry tickets in advance - see <https://www.bvitourism.com/ferry-schedules>

No smoking allowed onboard yacht, dinghy, or public places in BVI.

ASA 103/104 Registration Form – BVI 2027

Mail with Check to:
Sail Away Sailing School, LLC
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Minneapolis, MN 55432
captainjoan@mac.com 612-871-8101

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

(no personal information is shared)

I would like to reserve _____ spaces for **February 6-13, 2027** - ASA 103/104 Basic Cruising/Bareboat Chartering. Non-students get \$100 discount.

Course fee: \$2550 _____. \$4950 for 2 people sharing a cabin _____.

\$4750 for 1 person in private cabin _____. **Optional: Add \$150 for ASA 116-Dinghy_____.**

Total _____

Price subject to change until deposit is received.

Deposit: 50% of fee required at time of registration. Remainder due: Nov. 10, 2026.

If paying by credit card, please add 4%.

Deposit Amount Enclosed: _____

Signature _____

Cancellation policy: Full refund less textbook cost (and credit card fee) if canceled by Nov. 1, 2026. No refund after Nov. 1, 2026, unless replacement student from waiting list is registered.

Travel insurance is highly recommended. Here are a few companies charterers have used:

[Safe Travels Voyager - Standard Policy has COVID-19 Coverage](#)

[TravelEx Insurance](#)

[CSA Travel Protection](#)

[TravelGuard Insurance](#)

Instructor Captain Byron Toole's relaxed teaching style has made him a popular Basic Keelboat and

Docking instructor at Sail Away Sailing School. A lifelong educator, he has directed kids learn-to-sail programs and taught high school Navy JROTC for 27 years. Byron's first career was as a Navy Search and Rescue/Logistics helicopter pilot and flight instructor. He loves sailing the BVI and looks forward to helping you create lifelong memories and expert sailing skills.