



Summer 2023 ASA Flotilla

The San Juan Islands

Join fellow sailors in cruising the Pacific Northwest's beautiful San Juan Islands. Located in the Salish Sea, the San Juan Islands are a cruising paradise, boasting sheltered waters, magnificent marine parks, quiet villages and an abundance of welcoming marinas. Wildlife abounds on land and in the sea, with deer, bald eagles, sea otters, seals, sea lions and orca whales commonplace. Late June timing provides fair winds and plentiful daylight.

On this flotilla we'll depart Bellingham WA and sail to Reid Harbor (Stuart Island) for a picnic dinner ashore. The next day we'll keep our eyes open for whales as we cruise around San Juan Island to Friday Harbor. A lay day in Friday Harbor allows time for exploration and a group dinner at a local restaurant. Then we'll meander through the center of the islands to anchor at Spencer Spit (Lopez Island) and enjoy a beach BBQ. Wednesday we head up East Sound to Gatsby-era Rosario Resort (Orcas Island). As we work our way back toward Bellingham, we'll raft up at Inati Bay (Lummi Island) Thursday evening before a final sail across Bellingham Bay the next morning.



Agenda:

Friday, June 23 – Arrive 3:30pm. Attend 4pm flotilla briefing followed by your onboard systems checkout. Stay aboard your boat (gear and grocery loading may begin following your onboard checkout) Friday evening.

Saturday, June 24 (9am) through Friday, June 30 (noon) - Sailing in the US San Juan Islands

Sailboats:

Choose any available sailboat from our charter fleet! To the charter rate add a flotilla fee of \$175 per person. View our fleet list, photos, floor plans and availability at <https://www.sanjuansailing.com/charter-detail/sail-listings.php?id=Sail>.

Notes:

- The price for your flotilla charter will include the weekly charter fee for the boat, daily damage waiver and liability coverage fee for your boat, \$60 preboard/sleepaboard on June 23 and a flotilla fee of \$175/person. You also have the option to rent kayaks or paddleboards. Charter/flotilla services include your skippers meeting, onboard systems checkout, ASA-hosted reception, flotilla fees/activities, flotilla shirts for each crew member, linens & towels, dinghy with 2HP outboard and all applicable taxes. The flotilla price does NOT include provisioning, meals ashore, dock/moorage fees, or fuel. ASA membership is not required to participate.
- Your vessel's fuel tank will be full at the start of your charter and must be returned full. Please top off at the fuel dock in Bellingham. A \$100 fuel top-off fee, plus the price of fuel, will apply if your vessel is not returned with a full tank.
- 30% of your charter rate will be due at the time of booking, as a reservation deposit. After that, the remainder of your balance will be due 30 days before your flotilla starts. Unless you have made other arrangements, we will automatically charge the remainder of your balance to your credit card at that time.
- Please designate a skipper for your boat. The skipper will need to submit his/her sailing résumé to us for approval.
- Cancellation Policy: If you must cancel your charter 30 days or more prior to its start, your reservation deposit will be returned less a \$150 processing fee. If you need to cancel within 30 days of your charter, all fees paid will be refunded if we're able to rebook the charter, less a \$150 processing fee. Please carefully consider cancellation insurance. We suggest [Travelguard](#), [Generali](#), or [World Nomads](#).

Provisioning:

There's a full-service grocery store (Haggen Food, open until midnight, 360-671-3300) including deli, meat counter and bakery, 5 minutes by car from SJS's docks (or a \$10 taxi ride). We also have Fred Meyer, Whole Foods, Trader Joes and Costco within 10 minutes. Re-provisioning will be available at some locations during the flotilla.

Rather have someone else take care of the provisioning for you? Provisioning services are available through Mari Blakeslee at [Eight Bells Provisioning & Catering](#) (206-854-3284), Sharon Steinbach at "Sharon's Errand Service" (360-510-9850), or [The Galley Girls](#). You can also pre-order groceries online to pick up at [Fred Meyer](#) or order online for delivery to the harbor through [Instacart](#).

Transportation Tips:

1. Option A - Fly to Bellingham airport (BLI) via Horizon Air, Southwest Air or Allegiant Air. Horizon offers connections from other major airlines. Then taxi (approx. \$15) from airport to San Juan Sailing.
2. Option B - Fly to SEA/TAC airport in Seattle (SEA), rent a car (Hertz, Avis and Enterprise serve Bellingham) and drive (100 miles) to San Juan Sailing or take the [Airporter Shuttle](#).
3. If driving, we are located next to Gate 3 at Squalicum Harbor in Bellingham, WA. Directions to our office available at <https://www.sanjuansailing.com/charters/getting-here.html>.
4. If you happen to be arriving in town a few days early we have several hotels that offer discounts to our charter guests. You will find a list of hotels and links at <https://www.sanjuansailing.com/charters/getting-here.html>.

