



SAN JUAN ISLANDS AND BEYOND

YOUR GUIDE TO DESIGNING THE IDEAL YACHT ITINERARY







The San Juan Islands

Design an epic adventure winding through the 172 enchanting islands and reefs of the San Juan Islands. Spend your days exploring the unique offerings of each island while breathing in the crisp fresh air. Best experienced by private yacht, the natural splendor will leave you astounded.

Let this be your guide for designing an unparalleled cruising itinerary for Yacht Owners, Charter Guests, and Yacht Enthusiasts looking to explore the pristine waterways and towns scattered throughout the San Juan Islands.



San Juan Island

As you cruise through the Puget Sound through Deception Pass to San Juan Island taking in the beauty of this Northwestern paradise, keep an eye out for whales. Once you have arrived at Friday Harbor be sure to check out the quaint downtown just steps away from the waterfront. Venture further inland to Pelindaba Lavender Farm where you can walk through the aromatic fields. A visit to San Juan Island wouldn't be complete without visiting Roche Harbor Resort. A favorite among experienced yachters, the resort offers a wealth of history and exquisite restaurants. Walk down the brick road to the original lime kiln before visiting the boutique shops. A short tender ride from Roche Harbor is Wescott Bay Shellfish Co. an excellent place to spend an afternoon sampling oysters and sipping on rosé.





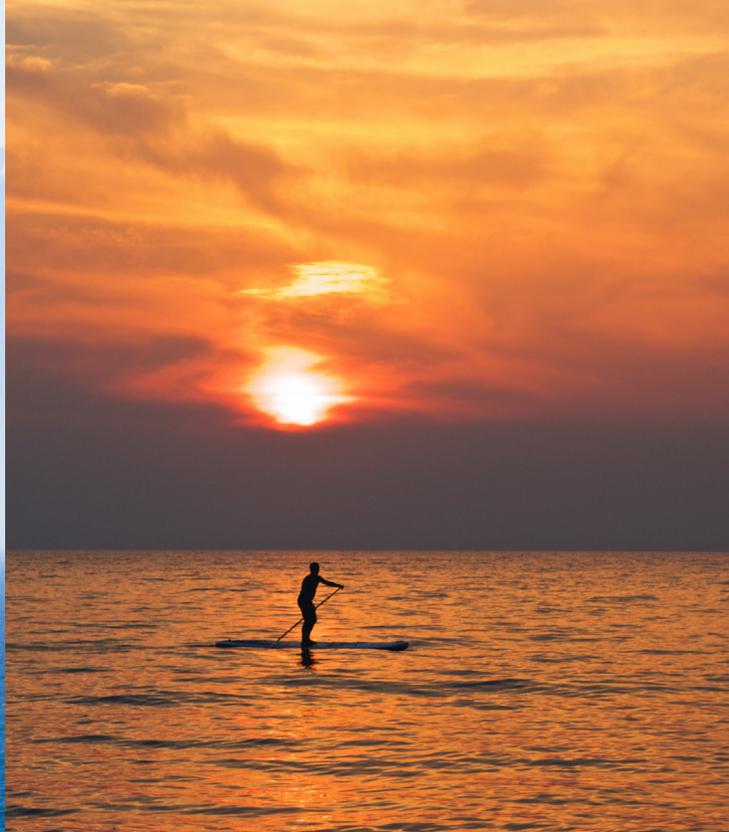
Lopez Island

The rolling hills covered in kelly green trees lining the gentle coastline off Lopez Island provides a perfect destination to relax and unplug. The tranquil waters in the Lopez Sound offer a magnificent anchorage location. Spend your day soaking in the sun on the aft deck while reading a good book. Head to shore in the evening for a sunset bicycle ride along the beachfront path before ending at Lopez Island Creamery, a gourmet ice cream shop. Take time to hike the easy three-mile loop to Iceberg Point, a pleasant place to enjoy the breathtaking views of the Olympic Peninsula.



Orcas Island

Cruise to Orcas Island next, a magical paradise rightfully nicknamed “the gem of the San Juans.” Located on the East Sound is Rosario Resort and Spa, a nationally registered historic place, where you can spend your day being pampered at The Spa before an enticing dinner at The Mansion Restaurant. Start your morning on Orcas Island paddle boarding around the bay or practicing yoga and meditation on the water. Revel in the natural beauty that surrounds you while cruising to Massacre Bay, located on the West Sound. Before leaving Orcas Island be sure to visit Orcas Island Pottery, the oldest pottery studio in the Pacific Northwest. Their whimsical gardens lined with vibrant vases, bowls, and dinnerware will make you feel as if you are in a fairytale.





Shaw Island

Take a leisurely cruise to Shaw Island, where you may be cruising alongside Washington State ferry boats. The remote island located between San Juan Island and Orcas Island has excellent anchorage in Blind Bay. Kayak to shore where you can experience a rustic and remote ambiance while walking along the sandy beaches. Sit back and relax while your crew serves craft cocktails before a themed dinner party onboard your yacht. Or take a sunset cruise around the island savoring the magnificent scenery before anchoring at Indian Cove.



Lummi Island

Start your day by setting out for Turn Point Lighthouse located on Stuart Island, a picturesque destination hugging the Canadian border that can only be accessed by boat or yacht. Continue North toward Patos Island Lighthouse before anchoring at Sucia Island where you can spend the afternoon crabbing. Your chef can create a unique dinner menu to pair with your catch of the day. End the day by anchoring off Lummi Island near Willows Inn and enjoy the extensive views of the Strait of Georgia. The Willows Inn restaurant boasts the title of #1 restaurant in North America for three years running and features an upscale seasonal tasting menu. Finish your visit on Lummi Island by anchoring in Inati Bay.



Cypress Island

Wake up to the view of Mount Baker in the distance while experiencing the unique Cypress Island. With over 5,200 acres of protected forests, wetlands, and grasslands this untouched island offers the ultimate natural northwest beauty. Take a hike to Eagle Cliff, where the 360-degree views will make you feel like you are on top of the world. You'll be able to see all the incredible destinations you've enjoyed throughout your journey. Closeout the busy day by relaxing on the water, which is part of the Cypress Island Aquatic Reserve. Just a short cruise away is Anacortes, a bustling seaside town with a variety of things to do on land.



Bellingham

The abundance of nature in the bustling city of Bellingham is the perfect way to conclude your adventure. Spend your last fleeting moments on the water kayaking or fishing before heading downtown. The seemingly endless options of restaurants, breweries, and bars will leave your mouth watering. Walk to the charming boutiques and shops where you'll find custom clothing, home décor, and more. Keep an eye out for the vivid and expansive murals throughout the city, painted by Gretchen Leggitt. As you prepare to disembark your yacht, you'll be left with fond memories of your adventures in the San Juan Islands.



PLAN YOUR TRIP



TIME ZONE

Pacific Standard Time

CURRENCY

US Dollar \$

CLIMATE

The climate in the San Juan Islands is temperate year-round. You can expect warm sunny days throughout the summer and mild winter temperatures.

WHAT TO PACK

With such varying activities, be sure to pack outfit options for every occasion. In true island style, you can opt for more casual ensembles. Don't forget a swimsuit and sunhat!







www.synw.org

+1 (206) 289-0536

1900 N Northlake Way #223
Seattle, WA 98103