

Specialist Short Courses

Marine Radio—VHF

A one day course for anyone who owns a fixed or hand held marine VHF radio.

Diesel Engine

A beginners' course to help you prevent and solve diesel engine failure.

First Aid

A one day course covering all the basic first aid detail, from a boating perspective.

Gerónimo Sailing School

Sail and Motor Cruising
Courses 2009



Shore Based Courses

Basic Navigation

A two day introduction for new, inexperienced or rusty skippers or crew. This course is a great "taster" before the Start Yachting, Competent Crew or Helmsman's courses.

Day Skipper

A comprehensive introduction to cruising for new and inexperienced skippers. This shorebased course is the perfect preparation for the days skipper course afloat.

Coastal Skipper

Advanced training for more experienced skippers building on the Day Skipper course. It will give you all the theory needed for Coastal Skipper training afloat.



What Next



"Now you have read what is on offer, simply pick up the phone and call our call centre, one of our team can take your booking or if you're still not sure speak to one of our yachtmasters who will help advise you."

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- ▶ Start Yachting
- ▶ Competent Crew
- ▶ Helmsman
- ▶ Day Skipper
- ▶ Coastal Skipper
- ▶ Certificates of Competence

Sail Cruising Courses

At Geronimo Sailing School we welcome students at all levels. From beginners who have never stepped on a boat to owners who just want to improve their skills. All of our sail training courses last over five days with the exception of our start sailing course. For the five day courses you will live on board and be involved in all aspects of boating, from watch keeping to house keeping.

Start Yachting

An introduction to sailing for complete beginners. By the end of the course you will have experienced steering a yacht, sail handling, rope work and be aware of safety on board.



Competent Crew

Experience living on board and really get to know your boat. Virtually all the course is hands on. You are the crew, without you the sails will not go up and the boat will not be steered.

Day Skipper

A course for aspiring skippers with some yachting experience and basic navigation and sailing skills.

Learn to skipper a short passage with the instructor on hand to give advice and encouragement and ensure your safety.

Coastal Skipper

Advanced Skippering techniques for yachtsmen and women with considerable knowledge of sailing and navigation. Like the day skipper course, this course consists of skippered passages in a variety of situations. It is a satisfying but intense week with candidates often working towards a Certificate of Competence.

Yachtmaster Prep

If your going for the big one our instructors can ensure you are at the point you need to be, then we can arrange your assessment.

Job done!

Sail Cruising Courses

| Course | Suggested Minimum Pre-Course Experience | Recommended Knowledge | Course Content | Ability after Course | Minimum Duration |
|------------------------|--|--|---|---|------------------|
| Start Yachting | None | None | Steering a yacht, sail handling, rope work & safety on board. | Basic knowledge of yachting | 2 days |
| Competent Crew | None | None | Basic seamanship & helmsmanship | Useful crew member | 5 days |
| Day Skipper | 5 days, 100 miles, 4 night Hours | Navigation to Day Skipper Shore based & basic sailing ability | Basic pilotage, boat handling, seamanship and navigation | Skipper a small yacht in familiar waters by day' | 5 days |
| Coastal Skipper | 15 days (2 as skipper), 300 miles, 8 night hours | Navigation to Day Skipper standard, Sailing to Day Skipper Practical standard. | Skippering techniques for coastal & offshore passages. | Skipper a yacht on coastal passages by day and night. | 5 days |

Power Cruising Courses

At Geronimo Sailing School we know that a large proportion of motor cruising courses take place on owners boats. We provide instructors for your boat or you can use Moonshadow our own training yacht.

Helmsman

This two day course is ideal for new owners conscious of the hazards and difficulties of handling their boat in a marina. It is useful for crews as well as skippers.

Day Skipper

Take charge on short passages under instruction, with help and advice from your instructor.

Before attending the course you should be able to navigate and it is recommended that you complete the RYA Shorebased Day Skipper Course to brush up your skills.

Coastal Skipper

For the more ambitious skipper to improve their skills, take charge and learn to make full use of the boat on longer, more complex passages.

Before taking this course it is virtually essential that you have attended the shorebased course to ensure time is not wasted on board with teaching theory.



Yachtmaster Prep

Even if your planning to sit your yachtmaster exam in your own boat our instructors can get you there.

In a professional yet relaxed manner.



Power Cruising Courses

| Course | Suggested Minimum Pre-Course Experience | Recommended Knowledge | Course Content | Ability after Course | Minimum Duration |
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| Helmsman's Course | None | None | Boating safety, helmsmanship, introduction to engine maintenance. | Competent to handle a motor cruiser of specific type in sheltered waters. | 2 days |
| Day Skipper | 2 days practical experience | Navigation to Day Skipper Shore based & basic motor cruising ability. | Pilotage, boat handling, seamanship and navigation | Skipper a motor cruiser in familiar waters by day. | 5 days |
| Coastal Skipper | 15 days (2 as skipper), 300 miles, 8 night hours | Navigation to Day Skipper standard, Sailing to Day Skipper Practical standard. | Skippering techniques for coastal & offshore passages. | Skipper a motor cruiser on coastal passages by day and night. | 5 days |