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Packing and Travel Information

Packing Suggestions and Tips

- Layers: The weather in Maine is always fluctuating throughout the sailing day so we always recommend bringing lots of layers. Non-cotton layers like wool, fleece or windbreakers are great. It's usually cooler on the water than on land, especially in June, end of September and October.
- Whatever footwear you're most comfortable in: Sneakers and soft-soled shoes can be great for hanging out on deck and for walkabouts on shore.
- Sun protection: sunhat, sunglasses, sunscreen. Remember, there is not much shade out on the water.
- Rain jacket and rain pants: We sail in all weather so if you'd prefer to be on deck on a rainy day, bring your gear. Otherwise, you are welcome to hunker down below decks in our warm and cozy galley with a good book.
- Swimsuit: Summer splashdowns can be great fun, even if the water is a bit brisk!
- Earplugs: If you're a light sleeper, consider bringing your own pair, the crew gets up early to get ready for the day, and sound travels easily in a wooden ship - it's like a big guitar sometimes. We'll have some onboard, but bring your own if you'd prefer.
- Camera: Windjamming provides ample picturesque moments! We have USB-A ports in every cabin to charge your camera and cell phones.
- Sleeping bag: This is *only* if you want to sleep on deck to discover the most incredible night sky. We provide all bed linens, towels and washcloths in your cabins.
- Your favorite beer, wine, spirits and mixers: We offer some wine with dinner, but bring whatever else you'd like to enjoy during your trip. We have a large cooler on deck for you to ice down whatever you'll be enjoying for the day. The rest will be stowed in your cabin.
- Toiletries: We provide soap in your cabins for handwashing; and shampoo, conditioner and body wash in the shower, but bring whatever other toiletries you will need.
- Books, watercolors, board games, binoculars or musical instruments: We offer all of these things onboard the Grace Bailey, but bring your own if you have a favorite!

- **A 10% (of your trip cost) cash gratuity is customary for our hardworking crew.**
- **If you plan to drive, please bring \$25 cash per vehicle for parking in our nearby lot.**
- Pack lightly: Of course, you need your gear for an adventure on the Grace Bailey, but our cabins are cozy and luggage storage is generally under beds in your cabins. Soft-sided luggage tends to fit best in boat shaped storage spaces.
- What if I forget something? No worries, the morning that we leave the dock you'll have a chance to walk into town to stores right nearby including Walgreens and Maine Sport, a local outdoor gear outfitter.
- A note about contraband: Our vessel is federally inspected and under federal jurisdiction. Marijuana, though newly legal on the state level here in Maine, is still illegal federally and so not allowed aboard the Grace Bailey.

Travel

By Car

If you are planning to arrive in your own vehicle, you can put “Captain Spear Drive, Rockland, Maine” into your GPS and it will bring you to our docks. There is a large “Windjammer Wharf” sign at the end of Captain Spear Drive directly across from Hamilton Marine, the large green warehouse building. Drive down Captain Spear Drive to the end and you will see the Grace Bailey on the right side of the docks.

Parking

Upon arrival, temporarily park where you can find a spot on Captain Spear Drive as you unload. Once we have your luggage onboard, we will lead you to our private parking lot (\$25 cash fee per vehicle) where your car will be safe for the duration of your cruise.

By Bus

The Concord Coach Lines offers one daily round trip service to Rockland, Maine from Boston Logan Airport, Portland Transportation Center, Bangor Transportation Center and other points on these routes. The current bus schedule usually works well for our boarding day, but does not work as well on the day that we get in. The bus station in Rockland, Maine is located about a 5 minute walk to the Grace Bailey.

Concord Coach Lines (800)-639-3317

By Air

The closest airport to the Grace Bailey is the Knox County Regional Airport in Owls Head Maine, which is a small airport located about a 10 minute drive from the boat. Cape Air operates a few daily direct round trip flights from Boston Logan airport on small planes. These small planes serve as a wonderful introduction to the Midcoast. On a clear day, you can see a beautiful view of the islands that we will be sailing through, which is an experience in itself. Don't forget to schedule a rental car or taxi in advance to get you to the Grace Bailey, as it is a short drive.

Knox County Regional Airport (207) 594-4131

Cape Air (800) 227-3247

The other airport options closest to us are as follows:

Bangor International Airport (Bangor, ME): North about 2 hours

Portland International Jetport (Portland, ME): South about 2 hours

Boston Logan International Airport (Boston, MA): South about 4 hours

By Rental Car

There are many rental car options at the Boston, Bangor and Portland airports, but they can get booked up in the busy summer season so we recommend making a reservation in advance. There are a couple of rental car services within a 10 minute drive of the Grace Bailey, but it is not a large hub for returning rental vehicles so plan accordingly if you plan to rent a car to get to Rockland.

Budget Car Rental at the Knox Country Regional Airport in Owls Head, Maine (207) 594-0822
Enterprise Rental Cars in Thomaston, Maine (207) 594-9093

By Shuttle

A local transportation service, Sterling Elite (formally Midcoast Shuttle), offers a shuttle service from the Bangor and Portland airports directly to the boat. We recommend making reservations with them well in advance and with a minimum of 48 hours notice. They currently offer the following services: Fixed Time Shuttle, Private Airport Transfer and Chauffered Services.

Sterling Elite (207) 785-3100 | sterlingelite.net

Local Taxis

There are taxi services in our area, but they are rarely available on demand and will need to be scheduled in advance. Please note that there are only a handful of Uber drivers in our area and can rarely be relied upon for immediate rides.

Joe's Taxi (207) 975-3560

Reed's Taxi (207) 390-1801

Hit the Road Taxi (207) 691-0295 or (207) 691-2195

Schooner Bay Taxi (207) 594-5000

Camden Car Service (207) 975-1456

Sterling Elite (207) 785-3100

Boarding

Please arrive for boarding between 5 and 6 PM with a short Captain's Call to follow. The evening that you arrive, you will sleep onboard the boat at the dock. Take this time to settle into your new accommodations and do any last minute shopping. We do not serve dinner that night, but there are many delicious restaurants within walking distance of the Grace Bailey. Your first meal onboard will be breakfast at 8:00 AM the next morning before we leave Rockland Harbor and sail off into the Bay.

Return

We will arrive back at the dock where we boarded around noon on the last day of our trip. Often it will be a bit earlier, but please arrange travel around a noontime arrival.

If you have any questions at all, just give us a call, text or email at anytime:
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We look forward to meeting you soon!

Sincerely,



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