

AUGUST CRUISE Maple Juice Cove to Rockland Friday, August 2 – Saturday August 10 Preliminary Agenda

Cruise Captain: Byron Borst

Cruise Assistant: Chet Shuman

The itinerary is based on keeping the cruise to a week, having a mix of places with shore facilities and anchoring out, and keeping the distances fairly short so that both sailboats and powerboats will feel welcome.

The itinerary is:

Friday August 2: Maple Juice Cove, a delightful and protected spot near the mouth of the St. George River. We will be anchoring and if the weather cooperates, rafting is possible. Cocktails on a host boat.

Saturday August 3: Camden. Arrange a mooring or dock space through Dockwa. The Cruise Captain and Assistant have done so at the Camden Yacht Club. Lyman Morse and the town harbormaster are options as well. Group dinner ashore.

Sunday August 4: Belfast. Arrange a mooring or slip through Dockwa, preferably at the Front Street Shipyard where the Cruise Captain and Assistant will be. Social event to be determined, but either drinks on one of the boats or a group dinner.

Monday August 5: At will. Usually, cruise participants will opt to stay together, but captains are free to do as they wish. Possible spots include Center Harbor on Eggemoggin Reach, an early start at Southwest Harbor, or any one of several harbors along the way.

Tuesday August 6: Southwest Harbor. Arrange a mooring or slip through Dockwa, preferably at Dysart's Great Harbor Marina where the Cruise Captain and Assistant will be. Group dinner ashore.

Wednesday August 7: At will. Possible spots include McGlathery Island on Merchant's Row, an anchoring destination.

Thursday August 8: Perry Creek on Vinalhaven. Moorings are frequently available, but all are private and must be relinquished if the owner arrives. Otherwise, it is a well-protected location for anchoring. There are good walking trails around the harbor, accessible on the south side of the cove. Social hour on a host boat.

Friday August 9: Rockland. The Cruise Captain and Assistant have arranged slips at The Landing Marina through Dockwa. There are several other sources of both slips and mooring in Rockland Harbor. Group dinner ashore, venue to be determined. This is the boat show weekend in Rockland.

Saturday August 10: The cruise disbands. Most will head home to BHYC, others will keep on cruising!

Important:

Make your slip or mooring reservations early. Coastal facilities were seriously impacted by the January storms and may be limited in some locations.

Let us know your intentions by registering on the BHYC web site and with an email to Byron Borst, Cruise Captain. Even if your interest is still tentative, let Byron know that you are considering joining us. It's very important to get an accurate count in advance for our group events.

Distances:

Friday 8/2: BHYC to Maple Juice Cove 22 nm

Saturday 8/3: Maple Juice Cove to Camden 26 nm

Sunday 8/4: Camden to Belfast 15 nm

Monday 8/5: At will (suggest Center Harbor on Eggemoggin Reach 18 nm)

Tuesday 8/6: Southwest Harbor or Cranberry Island 20 nm from Center Harbor

Wednesday 8/7 At will (suggest McGlathery Island on Merchant's Row 20 nm)

Thursday 8/8 Perry Creek on Vinalhaven 11 nm from McGlathery Island

Friday 8/9 Perry Creek to Rockland 10 nm

Saturday 8/10 Rockland to BHYC 38nm

Feedback:

We also would welcome any input from potential cruisers as to how we might make the cruise more inviting. One thought we have been working on is a lobster bake on the beach at one of the islands. Depending on your feedback we will plan dinner ashore where facilities allow. We, of course, plan on our traditional raft up cocktails where we are eating aboard. Another thought is that we invite non-member cruisers to join us, hoping that they will enjoy our company enough to join the BHYC.

Contacts:

Byron Borst is the Cruise Captain for this cruise, with Chet Shuman assisting. Please let either of them know your thoughts:

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