

Cruising to Catalina



Easy as 1-2-3!

One of the challenges for many new sailors is how to get the confidence to make that first voyage to Catalina. There have been many Aventura fleet sails across the channel. We have streamlined the steps into the simple 1-2-3 Catalina Cruising Program.

1 Step 1 of the program is the basic sailing class, followed by encouragement to get involved in day charters with other members. Possibilities include social sails, racing, and family charters with security blankets called Shadow Sailors. During these experiences you begin to hear the stories about Catalina cruising.

A requirement for multiple day charters is passing Aventura's Navigation exam, so this is **2** Step 2 in the 1-2-3 series leading to cruising. Navigation classes are offered Thursday evenings March 9th, 16th and 23rd.

Step 3 is an actual fleet sail to Catalina. **3** Not only will you sail together in a group of boats with knowledgeable and experienced members, you'll also have an expert fleet captain available to mentor and guide you through your first cruising experience. A skipper's briefing a week before the cruise provides valuable, practical tips for your upcoming adventure. Upon arrival at the island, you'll be free to enjoy the island and group social gatherings without the stress of being alone or uncertain about your new sailing/cruising skills.

From this first cruising experience may come years of adventures in the California Channel Islands and maybe even islands in the Caribbean and Mediterranean. And it all begins with the first steps, as easy as 1-2-3.

Call the office today and sign up for the March navigation course and reserve your boat!

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