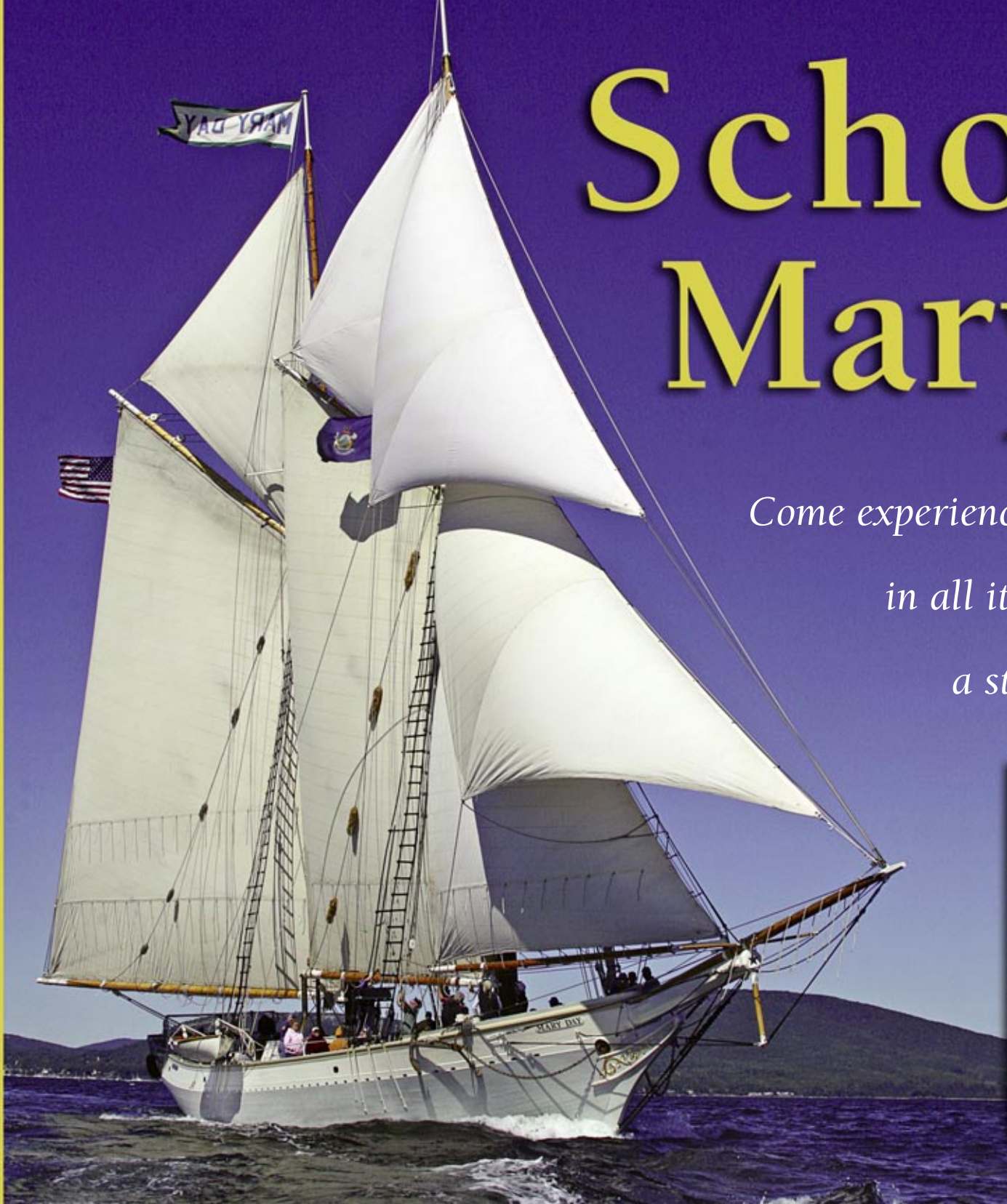


# Schooner Mary Day

*Come experience the rugged coast of Maine  
in all its spectacular beauty aboard  
a stunning traditional schooner*



# AN ADVENTURE UNLIKE ANY OTHER

INSTEAD OF beginning the day with the jolt of an alarm clock, you'll awaken to the aroma of fresh-baked bread, or the ancient call of a loon. Instead of searching for a parking spot, you'll be looking for porpoises, eagles, and seals as we sail among rugged granite islands studded with spruce trees. Take a turn at the wheel of our 96-ton schooner, help raise and trim the massive canvas sails, or curl up on our spacious cabin houses with a good book and just relax. We'll anchor every afternoon, and go ashore in some quaint little harbor well off the beaten path. After dinner, we'll watch the stars come out or the moon rise over the mountains of Acadia National Park.

This really is what it's like to be on board this legendary windjammer. If you're willing to leave your cares behind, come join us for a most extraordinary sailing adventure unlike any other vacation you could choose. It's a wonderful way to escape the complexities and pressures of our hurry-up world and reconnect with yourself, others on board, and nature.





### Join the Family

When you step aboard, it's as though we're welcoming you to our family. Indeed, more than half of our passengers feel so much at home that they return to cruise with us again. It's truly the people we meet who make this life so worthwhile for us. When we say our good-byes at the end of each cruise, we always feel touched by the joy and friendship we've experienced during the week and hope to continue these new-found friendships for many years to come.

In addition to being fully licensed captains, we both hold degrees in experiential environmental education. That's a little bit of a mouthful, but all it means is that we believe in getting out there and experiencing the amazing natural world up close. You don't have to be a sailor, a buff athlete, or a rugged outdoorsman. All you need is an enthusiasm for nature, a sense of adventure, and a willingness to go wherever the wind takes us.

"It's wonderful to just sit back and breathe deeply and skim along the water silently. All three of the folks I coaxed into coming have thanked me profusely." — Marty, Washington, DC



Every day brings a new adventure. One day we might sail the livelong day across the bay to an outpost island, and the next we might slip through a tight little tickle to visit an old fort or a stalwart lighthouse. When we raise the anchor in the morning, we often don't know where we'll be spending that night — it depends on which way and how strong the wind blows. There are hundreds of special anchorages, many of which we know and many yet for us to discover. Wherever we drop the hook, it'll be a snug harbor where the evening is illuminated by starlight or perhaps blanketed in a soft fog, with only murmurs of nature and water lapping a nearby island to lull us to sleep.

On the last day of our cruise, we return to Camden before noon. Our homeport, tucked between the mountains and the sea, is a picturesque jewel, so do plan to spend a little time exploring it before or after your cruise.



# UNDER SAIL ABOARD MARY DAY

**N**AMED FOR A WONDERFUL LADY whose husband was her designer and first captain, *Mary Day* has a distinguished history. When she was launched in 1962, she became the first commercial sailing passenger vessel built in the twentieth century and the first coasting schooner ever designed especially for windjammer vacations, with the comfort and safety of guests (not the stowage of cargo) the top priority. Her rugged construction, graceful lines, swiftness, exceptional roominess, and hospitality have made her a legend in her own time, beloved by passengers and marine professionals alike.

*Mary Day's* 90-foot deck length and 23-foot beam mean there's plenty of space for everyone. Sure and stable, she doesn't roll like a motor vessel, so there is very little likelihood of seasickness.

With her sleek hull and 5200 square feet of sail, *Mary Day* hums along at ten knots or better when the wind pipes up. She certainly holds her own in the annual Great Schooner Race. With no inboard engine, it's the sounds of the wind in the rigging, the waves surging against the islands, and the water rushing past the hull that create our traveling music. When the winds fail, we get a push from *Arno*, our trusty yawlboat carried on the stern. At day's end, the centerboard, easily hauled up in shallower waters, allows us to gunkhole into anchorages that are off-limits to deep-draft keel boats.





## Relax, Learn, Enjoy

What will you do aboard *Mary Day*? You can learn some coastwise navigation, help trim the sails, take a trick at the wheel, read a book, or simply nap in the sun. You'll find yourself grabbing the binoculars for close-up looks at lighthouses, seals, beautiful wooden boats, a raft of eider ducks in the surf, or a bald eagle atop a crooked tree.

After we arrive at our anchorage each evening, there's time to explore. Take one of the peapod rowing boats and poke about in the shallows, go for a run or hike along the shore, or take an invigorating swim in the "pool." Following a hearty dinner, we often gather by the fire for some impromptu sea chanteys accompanied by whatever assortment of instruments we have aboard that week. Before bed, you'll want to go on deck and gaze at the canopy of stars overhead. Out here, where no city lights interfere, you can truly sense the three-dimensional richness of the universe.



"No experience on the water can surpass the magnificence of being on the deck of *Mary Day*, her sails filled. I find joy in simple things like helping to tack the ship.... My spirit is lifted by the sight and sounds of eagles, loons, dolphins, seals, and wildlife I can't name."  
— Ed, Alabama



# ALL THE COMFORTS DOWN BELOW

**T**HE MAIN SALOON is large and welcoming and offers several sitting areas. There's a parlor organ for entertainment, and a fireplace to add to the cozy atmosphere. The gentle rise of the saloon staircase makes going up on deck especially easy. Just forward is the galley, where you're always welcome to take a peek at what's cooking, or even roll up your sleeves and help peel potatoes or knead the bread dough.

New guests always ask about the cabins and what to bring. You can tour the entire vessel online at our website. Remember this is an historic schooner — not a cruise ship. Cabins 1 through 4 have double beds. Cabins 5 and 6 each have 3 single bunks. Cabins 7, 8, 11, and 12 have bunk beds. Cabins 9 and 10 have head-to-head single bunks. We also have two private single cabins just off the main saloon. The two heads, one with a hot shower, are on deck, and the crew keeps them immaculate.

- All cabins have a window, fresh-water sink, crisp sheets, soft towels, warm-air heat, woolen blankets, and comforters.
- Cabins 1 through 12 have an opening skylight.
- All cabins have maximum headroom, light, and air.





### *Galley Goodies*

The combination of sun, salt air, and sailing brings on big appetites. Having witnessed this phenomenon for years, we're well prepared to handle it. Our galley serves generous helpings of such old-fashioned favorites as Thanksgiving turkey with all the trimmings, New England ham dinner, plenty of salads and fresh vegetables, pancakes, muffins, savory chowders and soups, and even hand-cranked ice cream — all made from scratch and served in generous portions. All of our breads and desserts, including cakes, brownies, chocolate chip cookies, and pies brimming with fresh fruits, come straight from the woodstove. And of course every cruise includes our famous all-you-can-eat lobster feast cooked on a secluded beach over a fire.



Folks new to the windjamming experience usually wonder what they should bring. Pack in soft-sided collapsible duffle bags, and bring comfortable clothes: long pants, shorts, rubber-soled shoes, rain gear, a sweater, and a windbreaker. We recommend dressing in layers for Maine's variable weather. Bring a swimsuit, too, for sunning on deck or swimming. If you play a musical instrument, please bring it. Bring your camera, of course, binoculars, and maybe a sketchbook or journal for your creative inspirations.

“Everything was top notch and very accommodating. The food was superb.”

— George, Massachusetts



To get a better feel for what it's like to cruise on Mary Day, please visit our blog at [www.mainewindjammerblog.com](http://www.mainewindjammerblog.com)

## CAPTAIN BARRY KING AND JEN MARTIN

**B**ARRY IS A COAST GUARD LICENSED master and we both have extensive sailing and educational backgrounds.

In addition to many years of experience as mate and then captain aboard *Mary Day*, Barry has worked on a variety of other vessels, from tugboats to square riggers. He has voyaged from the Caribbean to the Canadian Maritimes and Newfoundland, and from Bermuda to the U.S. Gulf Coast. Barry is also a Registered Maine Guide and a Wilderness Emergency Medical Technician. Jen's sailing career took her to Florida and the Bahamas before she became captain of *Figaro IV*, a classic ocean racing yacht, here on the Maine coast.

We met as students with the Audubon Society's Expedition Institute while earning master's degrees in experiential environmental education. This program gave us in-depth knowledge of a diversity of human and natural communities ranging from a sub-Arctic fishing

village in Labrador to the Native American desert Southwest.

We were married aboard *Mary Day* and live year round here in Maine with our children, Sawyer and Courtney. All four of us have an enthusiasm for people, the wilderness, and beautiful traditional sailing vessels. We'd love for you to come share with us the ocean breezes, salt spray, vibrant sunsets, and the endless bounty of nature here on the coast of Maine.



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## A Maine Sailing Legend

SchoonerMaryDay.com

### WHY CHOOSE MARY DAY?

- ★ She is the first schooner built specifically to carry guests on windjammer vacations.
- ★ We rebuilt and refurbished her in 2000 — and didn't stop there. We continue to upgrade her every year.
- ★ The open, uncluttered decks provide ample space to stretch out and relax.
- ★ Cabins have windows, skylights, and 9 feet of headroom, for plenty of fresh air. (Tour our accommodations at SchoonerMaryDay.com)
- ★ She is the only windjammer with heat in every cabin. The wood-fired heat keeps things dry and wards off the occasional evening chill.
- ★ There's an all-you-can-eat lobster picnic on every cruise.
- ★ Our cooks work hard to satisfy the hungriest appetites with delicious dishes prepared from scratch and baked to perfection, all in our antique wood-burning cookstove.
- ★ We are the owners/operators. We've been sailing Penobscot Bay for three decades and wouldn't miss sharing this experience with you. As educators, we'll help you get more from your adventure.
- ★ There's no inboard engine, just pure sails.
- ★ Mary Day is Coast Guard inspected and impeccably maintained by our dedicated crew.
- ★ 28 guests, 7 crew, 1 magnificent coastline — and no itinerary! (Suggested minimum age for passengers is 15 years.)

Please see cruise descriptions and terms on reverse

## 2025 Schedule

All cruises (excluding 1-day cruise) board anytime after 4pm, with first night spent dockside allowing time to explore Camden at your leisure.

### JUNE

Long days and great wind! June is when the bay is alive with seal pups, migrating pelagic birds and islands waking up to summer's warm temperatures.

June 8 - 12	Sun - Thurs	No Itinerary; Just Sail & Relax/Full Moon	4-day cruise	\$1290
June 13 - 16	Fri - Mon	Father's Day Getaway	3-day cruise	\$958
June 17 - 21	Tue - Sat	No Itinerary; Just Sail & Relax	4-day cruise	\$1290
June 22 - 28	Sun - Sat	Natural History/ Photography Cruise/New Moon	6-day cruise	\$1471

### JULY

Sunny days, warm nights and star filled skies. Summer is in full swing all along the coast!

June 29 - July 5	Sun - Sat	Great Schooner Race	6-day cruise	\$1471
July 6 - 12	Sun - Sat	No Smoking Cruise/Full Moon	6-day cruise	\$1471
July 13 - 17	Sun - Thu	No Itinerary; Just Sail & Relax	4-day cruise	\$1365
July 18 - 21	Fri - Mon	Weekend Getaway!	3-day cruise	\$1187
July 22 - 26	Tue - Sat	No Itinerary; Just Sail & Relax /New Moon	4-day cruise	\$1365
July 27 - Aug 2	Sun - Sat	Lighthouse Cruise	6-day cruise	\$1471

### AUGUST

Escape the heat and humidity! Explore the islands! Enjoy the best that summer in Maine has to offer!

Aug 3 - 9	Sun - Sat	Capt's Favorite Harbors/Full Moon	6-day cruise	\$1471
Aug 10 - 16	Sun - Sat	Perseid Meteor Showers	6-day cruise	\$1471
Aug 17 - 21	Sun - Thu	No Itinerary; Just Sail & Relax	4-day cruise	\$1365
Aug 22 - 25	Fri - Mon	Weekend Getaway! /New Moon	3-day cruise	\$1187
Aug 26 - 30	Tue - Sat	Camden's Windjammer Festival	4-day cruise	\$1365

### SEPTEMBER

Early autumn brings summer's triumphant splendor... warm days, crisp nights and great wind!

Aug 31 - Sept 1	Sun - Mon	Overnight Maine Sailing Staycation*	1-day cruise	\$490
Sept 3 - 6	Wed - Sat	No Itinerary; Just Sail & Relax	3-day cruise	\$958
Sept 7 - 13	Sun - Sat	Wooden Boat Rendezvous /Full Moon	6-day cruise	\$1471
Sept 14 - 18	Sun - Thu	No Itinerary; Just Sail & Relax	4-day cruise	\$1290
Sept 19 - 22	Fri - Mon	Fall Weekend Getaway! /New Moon	3-day cruise	\$958
Sept 23 - 27	Tue - Sat	Fall Foliage!	4-day cruise	\$1290

Please call to verify rates and availability. Schedule and rates are subject to change.

Smoking is not allowed anywhere on board during No Smoking cruises.

Smoking is only allowed on deck in designated areas during all other cruises.

\*Lobster picnic not included on overnight cruise.

Book online at [MaryDay.com](http://MaryDay.com) or call 800-992-2218 to make your reservation today!

BOOK YOUR CRUISE: 800-992-2218



## LIGHTHOUSE TOURS

Sail back in time to discover the history and mystery of these national treasures. Twenty-two picturesque lighthouses dot our cruising area. We won't see them all in one cruise but, weather permitting, we guarantee you'll see new lighthouses each day. Maine features some of the most complete light stations in the country. We'll see those lighthouses that are impossible except by boat. Seeing lighthouses from the deck of a schooner puts them in true historic significance. All our lighthouse cruises include an opportunity to get inside a light tower. Along the way we'll learn first-hand about the history of Maine's lighthouses, why they are located where they are, how they influenced commerce along Maine's unforgiving rocky coast, how keepers and their families survived for months at a time in remote locations and how these lighthouses remain important aids to navigation.

## NATURE AND PHOTOGRAPHY

Grab your camera and binoculars for this 6-day sailing adventure. Capture the joy of nature and enjoy the thrill of sailing through Maine's pristine island archipelago rich with wildlife and textured by dramatic island geology. We'll see what is possible with a very modest digital camera. As we'll learn, photography is all about using light to effectively convey stories and ideas. With a few simple tricks today's cell phone technology introduces a whole new creative opportunity. The week features a fun-filled evening of work created by participants aboard. Our naturalist will help us appreciate the mega and micro fauna that make Maine one of the East coast's most naturally vibrant areas to explore. Celebrate the longest days of the year exploring islands and intertidal ecology ashore while capturing beautiful images sailing along one of the planet's most scenic coastlines aboard one of Maine's celebrated windjammers.

## CAMDEN WINDJAMMER FESTIVAL CRUISE

The Camden Windjammer Festival celebrates the 1936 founding of the windjammer industry right here in Camden with concerts, plays, a schooner talent show composed of guests and crew for the privilege of flying the coveted Schooner Talent Show banner. We will join the other windjammers in a parade of sail into Camden harbor on Friday afternoon, where we will all raft up for the evening. Without question, you will witness the largest gathering of windjammer passenger vessels this side of the known universe. Guests should plan to stay aboard to enjoy Friday night dinner, the fireworks display and Saturday brunch at no extra charge.

## THE GREAT SCHOONER RACE

This cruise includes a spectacle not seen anywhere else in the world; an amazing congregation of large commercial

sailing vessels gathering together for an evening of fun messing about in small boats before a day of racing around Penobscot Bay. We'll spend the week preparing the crew, enthusiastic guests and the boat for this thrilling event. *Mary Day* has had her share of wins but been bested just enough to keep us on our toes. With fickle wind shifts, counter currents, and navigational challenges it is anyone's race to win. And that is why we call it the Great Schooner Race.

## WOODENBOAT RENDEZVOUS CRUISE

Celebrate the season's final gathering of Maine's tall-ship fleet at the home of *WoodenBoat* magazine. This is a great chance to explore the WoodenBoat School's workshops. Come join us as we converge in a parade of sail in Eggemoggin Reach before anchoring for the afternoon in the harbor at WoodenBoat. Big beautiful sailing vessels with a Maine coast backdrop will create many great images for you to capture so bring your camera!

*The Fine Print*

**Reservation/cancellation policy:** In order to keep our cost to you as low as possible and maintain fairness, reservations are taken on a first-come, first-served basis. Your reservation will be confirmed when we receive your deposit of \$300/person. The balance payment is due 8 weeks prior to sailing. If balance payment is not received by the due date, we reserve the right to resell your cabin. All cancellations are subject to \$100/ person booking fee. If you switch cruise dates, there will be a \$100/person switching fee. If you must cancel within 8 weeks of your sailing date, we will refund your payment, minus the \$100/person

booking fee, only if we are able to fill your space. Because of life's uncertainties, we highly recommend that you purchase trip-cancellation insurance.

**Cabin requests:** We will do our best to honor cabin requests. We reserve the right to make last-minute changes in order to best accommodate as many guests as possible. As you dream about your palatial accommodations keep in mind that this is a windjammer and not an ocean liner. It's like camping in style, without the ants and leaky tent. Join us with this spirit of adventure in mind.

Please visit [SchoonerMaryDay.com](http://SchoonerMaryDay.com) or call 800-992-2218 for more information