

# Yacht Hire Bay of Islands

**Great Escape**  
*Sail Yourself Yachts*

## LEARN TO SAIL

### TWO PEOPLE, ONE INSTRUCTOR, ONE BOAT

#### 2-day Introduction to Sailing

This 2-day course gives you an excellent introduction to the sport of sailing. Safe and enjoyable you'll be with your instructor during the day and tied up to our dock for your night aboard. Yachting New Zealand Level 1 Keelboat Certification. (\$445 per sailor).

#### 5-day Adventure Course

This 5-day sailing adventure is perfect for those with some boating experience ready to step up to taking charge of their own keelboat. Includes 2 days with an instructor, 4 nights aboard and 3 days cruising and exploring the Bay of Islands by yourselves. Yachting New Zealand Level 2 Keelboat Certification. (\$720 per sailor).

#### 6-day Sailing Holiday and Certification Course

This 6-day sailing holiday is perfect if you are new to sailing with a dream of sailing by yourself in the Beautiful Bay of Islands. It is also a useful sailing holiday for two people with different levels of sailing expertise. Includes 3 days with an instructor, 5 nights aboard and 3 days cruising and exploring the Bay of Islands by yourselves. Yachting New Zealand Level 1 or 2 Keelboat certification. (\$890 per sailor).

#### 5-day Advanced Course

This 5-day live aboard is an intensive designed to extend your expertise ready for further sailing adventures. You'll live aboard with your instructor and up to three others, sailing extended Bay of Islands cruising grounds for 5 days and 4 nights. Yachting New Zealand Level 3 Keelboat certification. (\$1,490 per sailor).

"Definitely the highlight of our new Zealand adventure - normally chartering a yacht is so expensive. Great Escape made it affordable." Eric & Susan, Australia

"The Bay of Islands is such a beautiful place - to sail by ourselves was something we'd never imagined." Peter & Julie, Scotland



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# Great Escape

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### BAY OF ISLANDS

**Dolphins, deserted islands, quiet anchorages, exciting sailing.**

Escape reality, live out a dream - do exactly what you want. It's your boat, you're the skipper, you are making the choices. Laze on a deserted beach, swim or snorkel in clear clean water, or walk one of the many bush tracks in what is reputedly the best cruising ground in the world. Then anchor for the evening in a sheltered bay, have a drink, enjoy a meal and feel the beauty of the Bay of Islands.

### BAY OF ISLANDS

The Bay of Islands maritime park offers an area of approximately 200 sq miles of cruising, with over 100 islands to explore. There's an abundance of tranquil sheltered bays and anchorages. Fishing is plentiful, dolphins and blue penguins are often seen. From late December until mid March, water temperatures are around 20-23 degrees and the prevailing North Easterly sea breeze ranges around 15 knots.

### OUR COMPANY

At Great Escape we have a fleet of 12 well maintained yachts from 20 to 31 feet to suit all budgets. All our yachts are kiwi designed & built to sail well, so you get a **REAL** New Zealand experience.

We are a family owned and operated company that are very passionate about sailing and the Bay of Islands. We have been chartering yachts and teaching sailing for over 20 years and we guarantee a friendly personal New Zealand experience.

### OUR BOATS

**Davidson 20** – big volume 20 ft boat. We recommend two people for overnight stays. Gas stove, toilet, dinghy, 8hp motor.

**Noelex 25** – good performing 25 ft yacht with lifting ballasted keel. Sleeps 2-5 people, great for small families. Good gallery, stereo, toilet. 8 hp outboard, dinghy supplied.

**Noelex 30** – big sister to the Noelex 25, designed by Bruce Farr. Fun, lively sailing. Great for two couples. Fridge, gas oven, toilet, stereo, inboard diesel and dinghy supplied.

**Raven 31** – large volume 31 ft yacht. Walk through transom. Fridge, gas oven, pressure hot and cold water, shower, toilet, stereo, inboard diesel and dinghy supplied. Comfortable, easily handled.

**"Everything you need is aboard;** Navigational aids including charts, local cruising guide, and tide table. Safety equipment including life jackets, fire extinguisher, flares, buckets and first aid kit. Cruising essentials such as pots and pans, cutlery and crockery, Linen available on request.

Great Escape is a certified New Zealand Maritime Transport Operator and we provide all the gear you need to have a wonderful sailing holiday.

**All you need to bring are your provisions and personal gear."**

### AFFORDABLE BOATS, PRICELESS EXPERIENCES

Boat	Hire Period	Costs
Davidson 20	Daily 9.30 – 5.00pm	\$180/day
Noelex 25	Daily 9.30 – 5.00pm	\$250/day
Noelex 30	Midday – Midday 3 night minimum hire	\$340 night
Raven 31	Midday – Midday 3 night minimum hire	\$390 night

### NOTES

- Discounts for multi-day hires
- Reduced rates during shoulder and off-peak season
- Refundable bond required

### SAILING EXPERIENCE

Because the Bay of islands is such an extensive cruising ground, we require from our charterers a reasonably sound knowledge of sailing and boat handling. We will spend some time familiarising you with the boat, anchorages and navigation in the Bay of Islands and show you the places of interest. For the less experienced, sailing lessons are available.