

HOW TO CHOOSE A YACHT CHARTER IN GREECE

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*Are you confused about the way of chartering a yacht in Greece?
Let's see if we can help your choice that best suits your needs.*

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Standard conditions for all yacht rentals in Greece.

- Any chartering of sailboats in Greece with or without local skipper is always a 'bareboat rental', so you have to cover the additional costs (skipper, gasoil, boat water, port fee, final cleaning) and leave a guarantee deposit (when skippered sometimes is reduced or not requested).
- At least one sailing certificate or a signed declaration from a qualified is required to prove a sailing experience.
- Rental duration: Minimum 7 days from Saturday afternoon around 16.30h, to Saturday morning around 09.00h. Upon request otherwise and depending on the charter period.

Choice 1 (crewed vessel): Luxury vessel with permanent crew. (Minimum chartering: 1 day)

Full board or half board yacht chartering with a permanent crew of at least one captain and one hostess. Private luxury cruise in motor boat, or traditional boat, or big sailboat, or big catamaran. The full or half board & boat consumables (diesel, gasoline, water) are required in advance or included in the rental price. Navigation limits for motor boats the 6 Beauforts.

Choice 2 (bareboat vessel): Sailboat without crew and without a local skipper.

It is required: 2 sailing certificates, or 1 certificate and 1 signed declaration proving a sailing practice. If you are a qualified with sailing experience, then you can charter a bareboat yacht. Therefore, you will be the skipper and the responsible on board with the help of your crew. Check in & Check out.

Choice 3 (bareboat vessel / skippered): Sailboat without permanent crew, with a local skipper.

It is desired: 1 certificate or 1 signed declaration proving a sailing practice, (or nothing). Skippered charter means that you hire a local skipper and you remain the second skipper on board. This will relieve you of responsibilities for the yacht and gives you a 24hour guide. The local skipper becomes part of your group and will take care of you and your rental boat. He assumes his responsibilities on the navigation and you for yourself. A skipper will cost ±140-150€/day, a hostess (110-130€/day). The skipper will not clean or do groceries but a hostess will.

Choice 4 (bareboat /cabin charter / half board): Sailboat without permanent crew, with a local skipper.

It is desired: 1 certificate or 1 signed declaration proving a sailing practice (or nothing). This is the cheapest and easiest way to enjoy hands on sailing without the hassle of complicated advanced of planning. You are chartering a double cabin or a single berth with 'half board'. This option is more suitable for singles, couples and small groups of friends. You share the same boat with others who have the same interests as you. You are following a pre-fixed sailing schedule. No deposit required no responsibility on navigation, no Check-in, no Check-out.

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Refundable security deposit:

For all bareboat rentals a guarantee deposit of 1000-3000€ (accordingly the size and model of yacht) is requested upon the delivery by credit card (or by cash). This deposit will be refunded in total when the boat will be redelivered back in the same excellent condition it was at the departure. *For a bareboat skippered yacht, sometimes the deposit is not requested or it is reduced.*

Additional costs:

Most charter companies are not including extra equipment in their prices like *end cleaning, outboard, spinnaker, etc.* However some essentials like your consumables (boat water, port fee, fuel, ice cubes, tickets, etc) should be provided as normal extra fees.

One way Charter: (Bareboat or Skippered)

Choosing *one way cruise* from one charter base to another you will be able to move *more away*. Also one way cruise downwind gives you a longer range and is usually a lot more comfortable than a windward beat. One way charters come with an additional fee, covering the way back of the yacht (skipper's fee, fuel, etc), unless it is proposed in advance as 'transfer boat charter' in lower cost and among 2 charter bases.

Bring with you:

Full weather suits (yellow suits), shoes with soft white soles, few warm or cotton cloths easily combined between them, sun glasses, sun protection, phone or laptop charger and your personals. *Soft luggage is much handier to store below decks, please **avoid** hard-luggage.*

Find on board: Pillows, blankets, cabin linen, refrigerator, complete kitchen equipment, life jackets, life raft, dinghy, outboard (optional), VHF, sonar, GPS with maps, stereo.

*'Sun-Sailing' remains at your disposal for any further information.
We can organise together the best sailing holidays according to your desires.*

Booking procedure info: https://www.sunsailing.eu/eu-folders/ss-yacht_booking_greece.pdf

NOTICE: All suggested vessels are insured against: Third party liability, sea pollution and serious damages to the hull, machinery and equipment. However, any personal accident on-board or on land is not covered. We advise an extra personal insurance for the duration of the charter. More info online here: http://www.e-skipper.com/skipper/index.asp?x_id=395&sfx=uk