



## Pre-Arrival Information

Thank you for choosing Superior Charters for your upcoming charter vacation in the Apostle Islands!

Please be sure to review the information below with your crew prior to your arrival.

### What to Bring

- Personal Gear (packed in soft luggage, no rigid luggage): Sleeping bags, pillows, towels, warm clothing, rain gear, sunscreen and chapstick, bathing suit, sunglasses, deck appropriate footwear (non-marking soled shoes), sweater or jacket, motion sickness pills and aspirin, insect repellent, small flashlight, and camera.
- Galley Gear: Food, seasoning, drinking water, dishcloth and dishtowels.

### What to Leave Behind

- Pets: We do not allow pets on any of our boats.
- Coolers: Coolers may be used to transport food, but only soft-sided coolers are allowed onboard while sailing.
- Tents: Camping on the islands while chartering is not allowed.
- Kayaks: Kayaks can easily damage top-sides and decks and are not allowed on any of our boats.

### Did You Know?

Our vessels are not permitted to stay overnight on any pier in the islands. None of the piers are considered safe harbor; this includes the Stockton Island dock. You and your boat are safer at anchor.

### Upon Arrival for your Charter

Complimentary boarding is available anytime **after 6:00 p.m.** the night before your charter begins. If you arrive during business hours, please stop by our office to check-in; our office is located in Port Superior Marina. We will review your paperwork and provide you with your boat's inventory sheet. We ask that you review the inventory sheet to familiarize yourself with the boat and the location of all the equipment; this is best to do prior to loading your gear aboard the boat.

### Late Arrivals

If you arrive after office hours, we will post a letter for you on the bulletin board at the outside entrance of our office with the location of your boat and a welcome letter. The boat will be left open, with lights on. If you arrive after 10:00 pm at the marina please note it is important to be quiet when loading gear onto sailboats. Please keep this in mind for the sake of boaters who are already asleep.

### **Marina Facilities**

Port Superior and Pike's Bay Marinas are located in the same harbor two miles south of Bayfield. Shore facilities (showers and restrooms) are available while you are docked in the marina. For boats berthed in Pikes Bay Marina, the shore facilities are located in the club house. For boats berthed in Port Superior Marina the shore facilities are located on the side of the Ship Store. Both are open 24 hours. While dockside, the boats are on 110 volt power, shower and dressing rooms are on shore.

### **Boat Orientation**

In the morning, after completing the boat's inventory sheet, stop by the Superior Charters office to set up your on board orientation with a staff member. They will review the boat and answer any questions you may have. These will be handled on a first-come, first-served basis. We do offer a limited number of orientations the night of boarding for a \$125 fee. Please contact our office to schedule this option in advance.

### **Instruction or Captained Charters**

If you are receiving instruction or have arranged for a Captain for your charter, you will meet the Captain in our offices at 8:00 a.m. on the first day of your charter. Please be prompt so that we can process your paperwork and get you on your way.

### **Communications in the Islands**

The Apostle Islands is a wilderness cruising grounds. Limited cell phone coverage is available in the Islands but should not be relied on. All boats are equipped with marine VHF radios. Superior Charters monitors the VHF during business hours. The US Coast Guard has a station in Bayfield and monitors channel 16 for emergency purposes only.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to call us at (715) 779-5124 or email us at [Sail@SuperiorCharters.com](mailto:Sail@SuperiorCharters.com); our office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., seven days a week during the charter season.

We look forward to the pleasure of serving you!

### **The Superior Charters Crew**

