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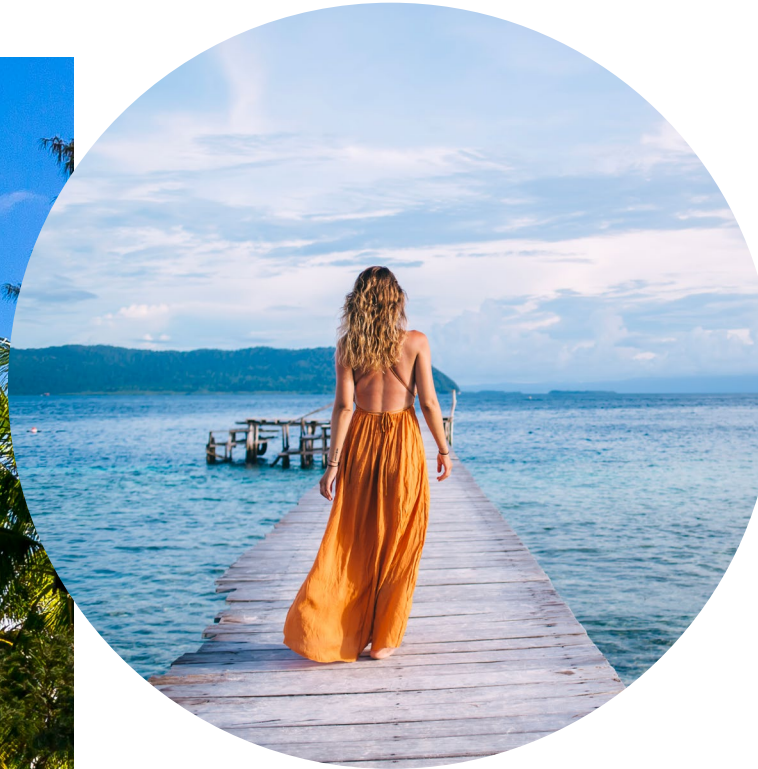
From the grand tours of the early 20th century to today's sustainable luxury experiences, travel has always evolved to meet the desires of discerning travelers. The demand for personalized experiences remains strong, especially in yacht charters. Combining personalization, exclusivity, and sustainability, most charters offer a mix of everything. Add some wanderlust to your vacation planning with expert tips on cruising grounds that offer something special. *The possibilities are endless.*



& HOT SPOTS

Looking for inspiration for next year's cruising?
Navigator takes a look at a variety of coastal
spots having their moment in 2025.

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Escape

French Polynesia

It doesn't get much more remote than cruising in French Polynesia. A scattered archipelago of volcanic islands and atolls strewn in the South Pacific, these islands represent the epitome of the tropical island idyll. Divided into the Society Islands, the Tuamotus, the Marquesas, the Australs, and the Gambier Archipelago, they are otherworldly cruising grounds of biological riches. Share these pellucid waters as you snorkel and dive beneath the surface with rippling rainbows of fish including parrotfish, emperor angelfish, striped snapper, and even the occasional black tip reef shark to add some spice to your dive.



Smart Set

French Riviera

Prepare your summer wardrobe for the jet-set glamor of the Côte d'Azur. Luxury, style, and elegance are what epitomize the glittering coastline. From Monaco to St. Tropez, these cruising grounds are without a doubt a must-visit summer playground for anyone who considers themselves a bonafide charterer.

On par with some of the fashion capitals of the world, the sky is literally the limit when it comes to shopping. From designer boutiques in St. Tropez, Cannes, and Monaco, to the hidden local gems in the quaint towns and villages, the gilded icons of high fashion are calling.



Adventure

Pacific Northwest

There are many compelling reasons to travel further in the year ahead and for those with their sights on far-reaching adventures, a yacht provides the perfect platform to dust off that bucket list. If you are seeking a new experience, look west to the Pacific Northwest for a fresh combination of luxury and adventure. No other cruising ground offers such variety for the waterborne. Cruise the wild coastline of the Pacific Northwest – from Vancouver all the way up to Southeast Alaska – and immerse yourself into both nature and culture. An action packed, bespoke itinerary takes in up-close encounters with wildlife alongside Inuit guides, while activities such as kayaking through the glacial ecosystem and trekking through a temperate rainforest provide great adventures for all ages.



Gastronomy

Amalfi Coast

Lovers of gourmet food will love cruising in Italy. It is perhaps not surprising that the Amalfi Coast has a plethora of fantastic restaurants, the best of which center their menu around local seafood. From Capri and Ischia to the vertiginous stretch of mainland that runs from Sorrento to Amalfi, this sun-drenched coastline is known for its generous helping of Michelin-starred restaurants, as well as more traditional, family-run establishments. There are too many to mention, but the must-visits include the original Italian Michelin-starred restaurant La Caravella in the town of Amalfi, Quattro Passi on the Sorrento Peninsula, La Sponda in Positano (pictured), and Lo Scoglio da Tommaso in Sorrento.



Fun & Sun

Grenada

While the Caribbean Windward Islands are often overlooked in favor of the Leeward Islands, the likes of St. Barts and Antigua, the islands of St. Lucia and Grenada, and the stunning Grenadines chain, have more than proven themselves as worthy contenders for the superyacht set. The southernmost of the Windward Islands, Grenada is the place to head for a taste of Carnival spirit with year-round parades, food, dancing, and performances. The horseshoe-shaped harbor of St. George's is at the center of the action. Head ashore and join the locals as they dance the night away to the sounds of a steel drum band.



Culture

Cyclades

Is there anywhere more popular than the Cyclades right now? The Greek archipelago that includes Mykonos, Santorini, Milos, and Paros – to name just a few – were the most popular cruising grounds for charters this past summer and the trend looks set to continue. This could be due to their beach clubs, nightclubs, and boutique properties with fantastic spas and restaurants, but their infinite appeal also lies in their historical splendor. A charter through the Cyclades is a dot-to-dot tour of archaeological ruins left by ancient civilizations over the course of five millennia, and the best thing is that you can dip your toes in to the highlights on each island. From the sacred grounds of Delos, supposed birthplace of Apollo and Artemis, to catacombs and ancient ruins on Milos, each island is unique and surprisingly different.



Nature

Costa Rica

A sublime territory regularly cited as one of the most biodiverse countries in the world, Costa Rica was one of the first countries to promote responsible eco-tourism. As a cruising ground, Costa Rica offers two beautiful coastlines – either the tranquil Caribbean or the vast Pacific Ocean – both with protected marine reserves that guarantee extraordinary underwater sealife. If you can tear yourself away from the water, there is also plenty to see on land. Virgin rainforests, untouched beaches, immense volcanoes, and mountain peaks provide a sensory experience like few others.

For charters along the Pacific coast, embark from the **IGY Marina Bahía Golfito** and discover the surrounding Corcovado and Piedras Blancas National Parks. Alternatively, step onboard in **IGY's Red Frog Beach Island Marina** on Bastimentos Island, Panama, and embark on an adventure through Panama's Bocas del Toro Archipelago and north along the Caribbean coast of Costa Rica.