

Castine Yacht Club Cruise
July 17 – 22, 2010

Day 1: Saturday, July 17

Rendezvous in Northeast Harbor. 6:00 pm drinks and dinner at the Main Sail restaurant, 10 Huntington Road, (207)276-5857.

Approximate distance – 28.2 miles

Suggested route, Castine – Northeast Harbor

Castine Harbor to BW"EE" bell (end of Reach)	12.5 m
"EE" through Casco Passage to BW"CP" bell	5.0 m
"CP" bell to BW"W8" gong (Bass Harbor Head)	4.7 m
"W8" gong to Northeast Harbor	6.0 m

Day 2: Sunday, July 18

Proceed to Trafton Island around Petit Manan in Narraguagus Bay. ("... a favorite of "yachtspeople" for generations ... From here you can explore the nearby bays or depart for Great Wass and Roque ... This is a lovely anchorage and one of the best places in Maine to watch the ospreys ... " (*Cruising guide to the Maine Coast, CGMC*, p. 341). 6:00 pm drinks on "Fair Lady" – everyone invited. Dinner on your own boat.

Approximate distance – 27 miles

Suggested route, Northeast Harbor to Trafton Island

NE to R"2" gong beyond E. Bunker Ledge	3.5 m
R"2" gong to R"85" off Schoodic	8.0 m
R"85" to BW"WB" (West bar of Petit Manan)	7.5 m
BW"WB" to "1" bell off Pond Island	5.5 m
"1" bell around east side and into Trafton	2.5 m

Day 3: Monday, July 19

Arrive approximately midday in East Jonesport for supplies, fuel, and water. Moorings are for rent from Jonesport Shipyard (Ch 9 & 16, (207)497-2701). Town Marina Dock may look enticing but only has 3

feet at low tide. The best place to get fuel and water is at the O. W. Look Lobster Company (207)497-2061. Look Lobster can be identified by the tall smoke stack. There are two very small restaurants in walking distance, as well as a combination hardware store and Hamilton Marine. The restaurants are not always open and when they are, they may not be able to handle a group of our size.

The distance from Trafton to Roque is relatively short – Power boats can go under the bridge from West to East Jonesport (vertical clearance 39 feet). This is only about 10 miles. Sailboats must go out and around Great Wass – then back in to East Jonesport – maybe 20 miles in all. Then about five miles for us all from Jonesport to Roque.

Rendezvous for the evening at Roque Island, Great Beach – Anchor for the night – walk the beach or whatever– 6:00 pm drinks and potluck or (perhaps) grill hamburgers, steaks, etc. on “Frolic,” with a one or two boats rafted with “Frolic” if necessary.

Approximate total distance (for sailboats) - 25.5 miles

Suggested route, Trafton via East Jonesport to Roque Island	
Trafton via Black Rock to R"6" bell off Egg Rock	9.0 m
R"6" to Main Channel beyond Moose Peak horn	5.5 m
Through Main Channel to East Jonesport	<u>5.0 m</u>
Distance Trafton to East Jonesport	19.5 m
Jonesport into Roque Island Great Beach	5.0 m
(Enter by way of The Thorofare (see <i>CGMC</i>) or west of Double Shot Island)	

Day 4: Tuesday, July 20

Lay day. Places to explore during this easy day obviously include more of the Roque Archipelago – then there is tiny Mistake Island with its boardwalk to Moose Peak Light, between Head Harbor and Great Wass and/or the Mud Hole with trails to walk on Great Wass. (This last is not for the “faint of heart” - but has five stars from *CGMC*). And anyone in need of supplies, a laundromat, or garbage disposal can easily duck back into Jonesport.

At some point in the afternoon proceed to the “Cows Yard” at Head

Harbor Island, Eastern Bay and anchor. According to the *CGMC* this is “ ... a secure anchorage, attractive and easy to enter under any conditions from the south through Head Harbor. It is one of the two best harbors between Mount Desert and Roque Island.” There are NO services – just lovely views – 6:00 pm drinks on the “Marian B.” Dinner on your own boat.

Approximate distance to Cows Yard - 7 miles

Suggested route, Roque Island to Cows Yard

Exit Roque by way of The Thorofare or west of Double Shot Island
to “1”gong at Little Breaker Ledge 4 m
“1” around Man Island through Head Harbor to
the Cows Yard 3 m

Day 5: Wednesday, July 21

Proceed to Little Cranberry Island for a “civilized” evening enjoying the sunset over Mt. Desert. Anchor if you like, but moorings are available from the Isleford Dock Restaurant (207-244-7494) where we will have our final dinner together at 6:00pm. There are also a few guest moorings with the Little Cranberry Yacht Club. Moorings marked “Town Guest” and “Memorial Guest” are free.

This is a wonderful island to walk – gardens – artists – museum – etc. and a fitting finale for our cruise!

Approximate distance - 33.5 miles

Suggested route Cows Yard to Little Cranberry Island

Cows Yard to R”6” off Egg Rock	6.0 m
R”6” to N”2” below Petit Manan	9.0 m
N”2” to R”85” off Schoodic	8.5 m
R”85” to R”2” gong at East Bunker Ledge	8.0 m
R”2” around and into Little Cranberry harbor	2.0

Day 6: Thursday, July 22

Little Cranberry to Castine!

Reverse Day One directions for home – about 27 miles

