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### welcome to your floating paradise

summer 2025 : a force on the move





# oh, hello there!

Here is everything you need to prepare for your week of island hopping adventures. Have a read through and let's get excited...

- Pre-travel checklist
- Travel tips
- Arrival and departure info
- Money money money
- Your floating home
- What to expect from the week
- Competitions and time to play
- How to stay safe
- Helpful hints and tricks
- Your friendly hosts

### welcome to armada. we are so pleased to meet you!





# the world of armada

### island to island, party to party





island hop safari · paradise picnics · explore caves & coves · natural bay dips · crystal blue dives · hidden trails

### party ã



sundown takeovers · off-shore floating · open and close parties · club nights on a beach · tropic floatie party · the after party · moonstruck raft party · après sea time · disco at sea

### ã experience



sunrise breakfasts beachside brunches anchor down feasts · après soleil on deck · flag odyssey

### ã play



wave olympics · love boats · daily floatie time · flamingle · splash up · wave rave · inflatable heaven · on board soundtracks

### be ã



swim every day in turquoise paradise • soak in the sun • skies full of stars • waveside meditations • shimmer sessions • stretches at dawn • breeze & mind • parade of flags

### armãda an adventure before the adventure?

We're inviting you guys to get off that Skyscanner app already and consider a little more adventurous and sustainable route to your starting point by avoiding air travel altogether.

You'll get the chance to tick another few beautiful spots off that bucket list en route, and arrive happy you've done your bit. We've put together a <u>blog post</u> with some ideas, or one of our content creators James covered his epic journey last year.

### POV you want to take it sloww and take the 🚑 instead of a 💥 to Croatia

Base cost: £180 (interrail pass)

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### pre-travel checklist

#### **Travel insurance**

Please ensure your policy covers sailing, and if asked, you will not be sailing more than 12 miles offshore (its a typical exclusion) at any time throughout the week.



### Packing list

Swimmers and sunnies are your basics, but we've got a handy list of things you might want to bring to fully enjoy the armada experience.





### arrival & departure

You'll start and finish your week in Alimos Marina, Athens. The Marina is located just over 30 km from the airport.



Alimos Marina Alimos Athens 174 55 Check-in is located at pontoon 5



Check in opens at 4pm on Saturday afternoon but yachts are often not ready until 6pm. If you get there early, relax with a drink in the sunshine



If you're arriving after 7pm, we will be in touch to arrange your check in



Checkout... we return to the base by 3pm on the Friday afternoon so you're welcome to depart on Friday evening flights. You must be off the yachts by 6pm Friday.





## getting to base

the closest airport to our base is Athens Airport. Flights to Athens are available from London, Manchester and Edinburgh on a Saturday throughout the summer.



### taxi

Metered taxis operate from the airport. The journey to our base will cost around €45-50 in an Uber.



### bus from athens

The easiest way to get from Athens airport to our base is by Bus. EXPRESS X96 from Athens Airport: Destination PIRAEUS (PIREAS). For Marina ALIMOS get off at bus stop EDEM. The stop is opposite of the entrance. The entrance of the marina is in front of SHELL station.





### transfers

JamTransfer is a multinational company dedicated to airport taxi and transfer services if you would prefer to book in advance



## money money money

Cash machines are readily accessible and widely available. ATMs usually accept standard international credit and debit cards including Visa and Mastercard and travel cards including Monzo.

- them, or splitting the cost of their meal if you're eating out.
- will cost around 20€pp but obviously the more you've sailed and the less you've motored, the less fuel you'll have used!

• Remember to feed your skipper! When chartering skippered-yachts, it is common courtesy to account for your skipper's meals, whether cooking an extra portion for

• At the end of your week, the yacht will need to be re-filled with diesel. We estimate this





### your floating home

Your yacht is your home for the week, and unless you packed Dobby the house elf in your duffel bag/backpack, keeping it clean and tidy is down to you. It's pretty simple- leave it just as you found it.

The charter companies will charge an additional cleaning fee if the yachts are returned in a poor state, so keep your yacht clean and tidy throughout the week to save a big cleaning job on your final morning.

Also, remember when the sails go up on a yacht, the yacht leans to one side, so anything not secured can fall into the sea. Therefore, it's best practice to put everything away in your cabin once you've finished using it, to save mess or damage to belongings while out on the water.

### remember to fly your flag high

And follow the armada floating soundtracks to play out on deck; a different beat for different times of the day



## our partners, your benefits



### kit up your crew with... OOSC swimwear summer is here



Not only will our colourful partners @ 00SC swim be joining us out at sea for some island hopping shenanigans, but they're offering an exclusive 20% discount for you and your crew to get kitted out armada style. Go BIG with bright and bold colours. Matchy Matchy.

### exclusive discount

code: yourarmada20

shop here





### competition

look out on social for how to win some free swimmies.

### the official armada week eyewear partner

# Sungod



Whether you're racing dinghies, cruising coastlines or crossing oceans. Make the most of your 20% with our favourite eyewear provider and enhance your experience at sea.

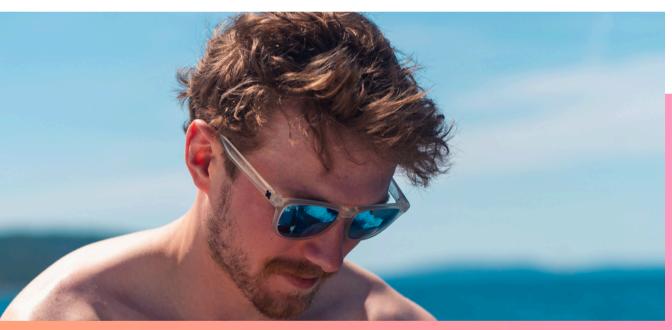
### exclusive discount **code:** available upon request\*

shop here

\*Email us via hello@armada-week.com and we'll share your unique code to use online







### competition

Fancy a pair, or two for free? Keep an eye on your emails.

### get stoked for summer with

**Bro!** 

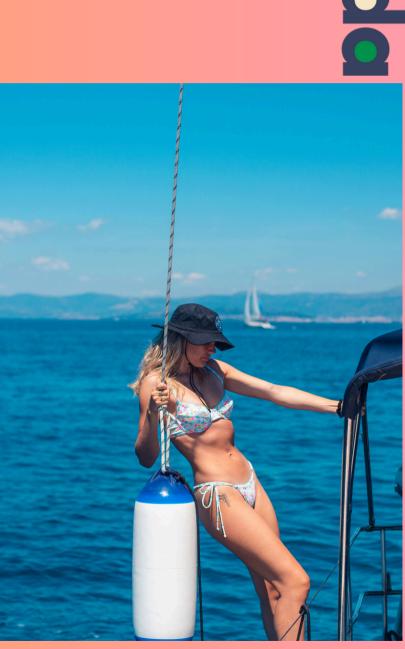


Stay stoked this summer and keep your head sheltered from the sun with one of their awesome boonies! Available in a huge variety of colours, prints and fabrics to keep you looking fresh on the beach and at sea.

shop here

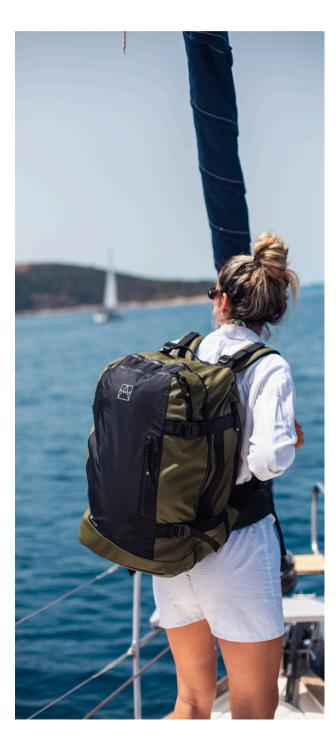


### exclusive discount code: armadabro20



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## the ultimate travel bags. Stubble & Co



Do.More. this summer with our partner Stubble & Co.

Tough, durable and multi-functional, their bags are built to be versatile, wherever the destination. Perfect for your next ocean

adventure.

armada customers can shop with an exclusive 15% discount for a limited time only.



### exclusive discount

code:

shop here

### available upon request

\*Email us via hello@armada-week.com and we'll share your unique code to

use online





### competition

Keep an eye on our socials to win one in our Giveaway!

# your armãda week

the route and programme are subject to change depending on the weather

we cannot wait to show you what armada is all about. Here is a bit of a taster into what your week may look like. The schedule changes day by day and week by week so your hosts will communicate the plans each day. BUT just to give you an idea...

### saturday

### Athens

Check in at the armada base, dump your bags onboard and spend the day uncovering historic secrets from the cobbled streets. Meet your skipper and hosts for the week as you hear the programme and settle in watching your first island sunset. After dinner you'll join the rest of the flotilla for some drinks at a local bar.

### **Sunday** Agia Marina

Get ready for a day full of pinch me moments as we head towards Agia Marina, a charming fishing village full of waterside cafes and tavernas.

Stop en route to explore some rocky coves and then moor up for the afternoon in time to join the flotilla for beach volleyball and sunset cocktails. In the evening we'll host our legendary opening night party, setting the tone for the week ahead.

### tuesday Ermioni

### monday

### **Russian Bay**

We invite you to start the day with a mindful moment of meditation by the crystal waters, to bring back the zen after the escapades of the night before.

Enjoy as your skipper takes you to a secluded natural bay, where you can swim from your yacht. Grab dinner with your crew then row yourself to the beach bar for a night of dancing under the stars. In the late morning we'll set sail for the island of Ermioni, sat atop of a peninsula boasting stunning views for miles around.

Spend the day dancing away with your besties on your own floating home, with your banging soundtrack and cold beers supplying the vibes.

Explore the bustling bars for an afternoon aperol, then grab dinner as the sun sets, opening into a sky full of stars. We'll be heading to Millenium Bar for a night full of mischief, dancing until the wee hours of the morning.

### wednesday

### Dokos

thursday

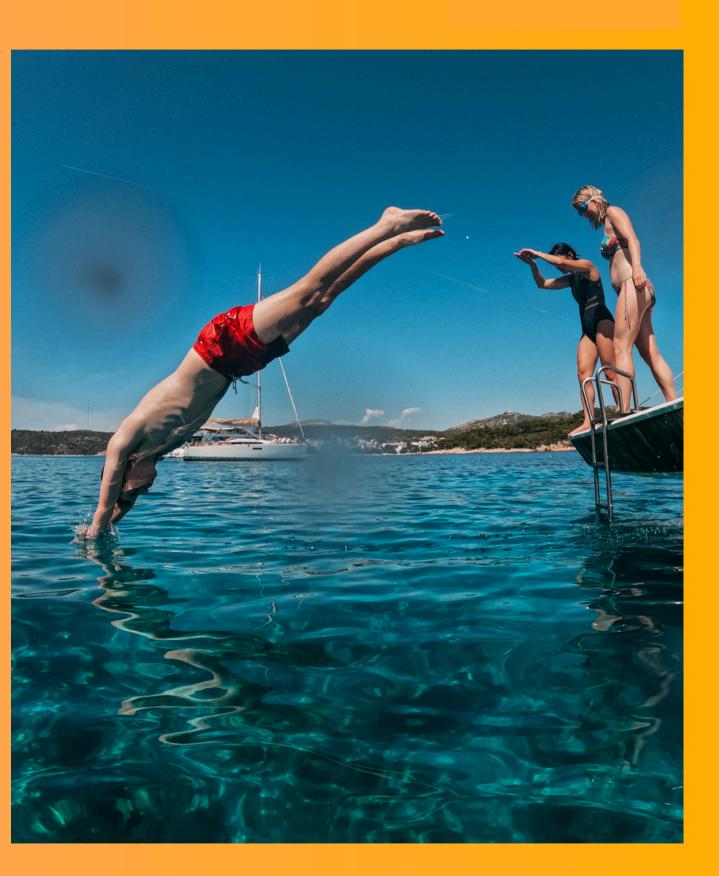
Poros

Wakeup, suit up and blow off any cobwebs with a morning dip in the aqua blue waters then head off on our next sailing adventure. We'll anchor drop together in a secluded natural bay of an uninhabited island where only mountain goats roam the shore. We'll be making a raft, creating the ultimate floating dance floor. Expect floaties, big tunes and some flamingling. As the darkness comes allow yourself to be mesmerised by the speckled starry night skies of the Adriatic ocean.

We leave the best till last on the Athens Route, with a visit to the picturesque island of Poros. Heavenly cocktail bars, authentic restaurants and boutique shops line the promenade, so explore before we head en masse to Malibu nightclub to dance until the sun comes up.

### **friday** Back to Base

Whether you're seeking a flaky pastry and strong coffee or quite possibly a Bloody Mary we'll spend the morning sailing back to base. Get ready to check out of your boat and depart knowing you have made some friends for life. Cue the mopey playlist for the flight home.



### armãda



This year we will be working with Borome, a small non-profit organisation that works to minimise food waste and insecurity. At the end of the week, they will collect any unwanted and leftover food from your yacht and redistribute it to those in need. Our armada crew will also offer you the chance to donate any leftover floaties, which we will then 'sell' to guests the following week and donate all funds to Borome. This will both help us minimise single-use plastic, and support the charity. Finally, we encourage all raft party participants to consider making a direct donation to Borome, supporting their ongoing efforts to save and offer food to those in need.

Even a small monetary donation of €100 translates into over 6.000 portions of food and close to 9.000 kg of CO2 eq not emitted into the atmosphere (this has been calculated for Boroume specifically by the European Commission).

### <u>raising money for a</u> <u>great cause</u>



### 8 ways to be more sustainable this **armada** week.

- 1. Bring a refillable water bottle to reduce plastic waste.
- 2. Consider eco-friendly transportation options instead of air travel.
- 3. Help keep the ocean clean by picking up any plastic or rubbish you see while on board.
- 4. Join us for a group beach clean during the trip to help preserve the beauty of the beaches we visit.
- 5. Use sea-safe sun cream, like Hawaiian Tropics 100% Mineral Actives, which is under £10 and provides UVA and UVB protection without chemical filters or parabens.
- 6. Save water by showering less during the trip.
- 7. Say no to plastic straws.
- 8. Recycle using recycling bins you'll find along the way.

### sustainability looks good on you.



# shopping list

inspiration to get creative on deck.

Check out our food shopping guide and a few cheeky, sunshine filled recipes brought to you by MasterChef quarter finalist and all round food lover, Hannah Gregory <u>@wandersups</u>

- Sunrise breakfasts
- armada cocktail recipes
- Simple yet super tasty pasta recipe
- Anchor down lunchtime feast ideas

<u>get your list & inspo here</u>





### a handy list to use when grabbing those all important yacht provisions for the week ahead as well as some FUN

### WanderSups





# respect the area & keep safe

### respect the area

### stay hydrated

### recycle

### don't litter

#### personal responsibility

Your safety is of paramount importance to us. We are not here to mother you and there is a huge amount of personal responsibility that must be taken on board by each and every person. Look after each other

#### water safety

Please remember that you are surrounded by water, which adds a certain 'danger' level to the holiday, particularly when drinking is involved. Look after yourself and each other. Take care around the water, stepping on and off your yacht and walking on pontoons

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#### drinking: the rules

1. Do not sail your yacht if you have been drinking.

2. Do not swim in the ocean if you have been drinking.

3. Do not operate a dinghy, with or without an outboard engine if you have been drinking.

4. If drinking on board your yacht at night when at anchor, we ask that you wear a lifejacket. You may look a bit silly but hey, it's worth it

5: Please be careful in shallow waters- do not dive in !

## **o** follow, float & win



Follow @armada\_week on Instagram and Tik Tok for...

- Spotting some familiar faces featuring in the content.
- Competitions to win treats from armada and our generous partners
- Live takeovers from your favourite ambassadors.
- Onsite updates for all your summer and lifestyle inspo and tips from the locals with best restaurant picks and bars up on stories each day

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Sharing your own content with your friends when you're here?

Use our specially created gifs by searching "armada\_week".

And remember to tag us @armada\_week

### **SHOW US YOUR MAGIC**

Fancy winning a free trip next year?

We're calling all you social pros to enter a Reel or TikTok Competition. We'll reward our favourite entries with a FREE content creator place next year so now's the time to show us what you can do. Think colourful, fun, highlights of the week put to your favourite track of the summer. Just pull together your favourite clips and let the beautiful surroundings do the work.

Post it on your channels and tag us or send to us on Instagram message. Selected winners will be contacted on Friday.



### expectations

To make sure you have the best time and know what to expect from us on your trip, please take note of the following:

### direct contact with your armada team

Contact levels are different vs. other holiday types where you are in one base the whole time. Communication about the daily schedule is mainly via WhatsApp channels. Your hosts will drop in when you get into the day's stop, but remember they might be busy setting up an exciting event for you later!

### independent adventure

armada is a choose-you-own-adventure week, and best part of that is getting to be independent! You'll get the most out of your armada experience by taking ownership of your time, exploring on your own, working out the boat, getting your provisions, etc. Maybe you'll discover a hidden gem we've never seen!

### different types of armada crew

Our <u>hosts</u> are there to make sure you have the best time when moored up, from beach olympics to sunset cocktails, they'll keep you entertained on land! Our <u>skippers</u> are the experts on water. They'll get you safely from A to B. Please note, they are not there to be a host and you will see your hosts on land.

### look out for each other

Our armada crew will always try and help when possible, but we cannot be an emergency service. Just as you would back home or on an independent holiday, it is you for you decide if the emergency services are required - please call 112.



### armãda

## top tips for enjoying your week

### extra things you can do



### be your own DJ:

Don't forget to curate your own Spotify playlist with your fave banging tunes for pure positive vibes 4. Some of the boats will have bluetooth but bring an aux cord with you to be safe



#### hang with the flotilla. we're a force on the move:

Expect there to be a flotilla of boats on your week, each sailing independently. Throw yourself into our specially designed evening events to get to know everyone. You never know, you might meet your besties for life...



#### don't risk low battery mode:

Although there will be USB ports on board, you might want to bring a battery pack to make sure your phone stays powered, so you can capture those all-important 'gram-worthy pics' and vids 📔



### no roads (or sea sickness) where we're going.

We sail on flat waters like a lake, so you're unlikely to suffer from seasickness. If you are prone to being a bit queasy on boats, bring some Stugeron and stay on deck when the yachts are moving.



#### want even more adrenaline?

Speak to a member of the team to book even more thrilling watersports or land adventures like Vespa riding, jet skiing or paragliding.



#### learn the lingo:

Check out our lowdown on all sea terms. Think pirates after a few beers.







Use a WhatsApp group for your everyone on your yacht, to easily communicate plans throughout the week.



we cannot emphasize this enough



Aim to leave between 10/11am each morning. It's easy to lounge around until after mid-day, but the yachts need to get into harbour and are parked by 4/5 most days, so don't waste valuable swim time hanging around each morning.



On arrival, take a photo of your yacht name (it's on the back of the yacht) and save the photo as your screen saver on your phone. All yachts look very similar when you're returning back to them after a couple of drinks, things can get a little tricky sometimes





### swap suitcases for soft luggage:

the cabins are cosy and the storage is tricky for hard cases so bring duffels or backpacks instead.

#### card/party games:

To liven up those drinking games.

### keep in touch:

#### sunscreen sunscreen sunscreen:

### get on the road, sorry, sea:

### don't lose your boat:





### download the armada playlists



# this is waiting for you

see you soon



## 

### contacts for you

If you need anything on your way to base, please call James (+44 7739 731329)

On the way to base, you should receive a message from your skipper or host (on whatsapp) who from that point on will be your main point of contact.

### have a great time

and don't forget to follow and float with us here

