



# LEARN TO SAIL

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As the location of the 35th America's Cup, Bermuda has proven to be one of the best sailing venues on the planet. With steady ocean breezes, protected crystal clear waters and near perfect sailing conditions, Bermuda is the ideal location for the world's most talented sailors and novices alike.

The Royal Bermuda Yacht Club is conveniently situated on the Hamilton Harbour, located in the heart of Bermuda. This harbour serves as the gateway to Bermuda's Great Sound, also known as a sailor's playground. RBYC welcomes sailors of all skill levels to embark on our beautiful waters and experience the reason the 35th America's Cup has chosen Bermuda as its home.

Established in 1844, RBYC is arguably one of the oldest yacht clubs in the Western hemisphere. Bermuda's sailing legacy is an integral part of the island's history. RBYC continues to honour Bermuda's sailing heritage by providing sailing programmes to be enjoyed by all.

The Learn to Sail Programme can be customized, taking into consideration group size (corporate team building, families, sailing teams, children's groups and private lessons) and skill level (beginner to elite). All visitors who enroll in any of the RBYC Learn to Sail Programmes are encouraged to take advantage of the Club's amenities while on the premises. This includes the terrace restaurant and bar for lunch or dinner. Please note, reservations must be made in advance.





# OFFICIAL RYA TRAINING CENTER

The RBYC Sailing Academy is Bermuda's only official RYA (Royal Yachting Association) Training Centre. The RYA is recognized worldwide and their certifications are highly respected.



RBYC Sailing Academy offers practical sailing courses from an Introductory Level to Performance Sailing. The curriculums are supported by the appropriate RYA shorebased theory courses. Lessons and packages are offered between September and May and are based upon availability. Reservations must be made in advance. Please contact the Sailing Officer at [sailingoffice@rbyc.bm](mailto:sailingoffice@rbyc.bm). Please note, RBYC members receive a preferred rate.

## SAILING PROGRAMMES

DESCRIPTION	DURATION	BOAT	ACCOMIDATES	FEES
<p><b>JUNIOR SAILING</b></p> <p>Private and group lessons are offered to those interested in their first sailing experience or seasoned juniors looking to improve their skills. Lessons can be customized and are available for more than a single day. This programme can be tailored for families or groups of juniors between the ages of 6 - 18.</p>	<p><b>3 Hours</b> (9am-12pm or 1pm-4pm)</p>	Opti	1 person	\$175/person
		Laser	1 person	\$175/person
		RS Feva	2 people	\$160/person
<p><b>ADULT SAILING</b></p> <p>Private and group lessons are offered to those interested in their first sailing experience or seasoned racers looking to improve their skills. Lessons can be customized and are available for more than a single day. This programme can be tailored to families or groups of adults 16 years old and older.</p>	<p><b>3 Hours</b> (9am-12pm or 1pm-4pm)</p>	Laser	1 person	\$175/person
		RS Feva	2 people	\$160/person
		J80	2-5 people	\$150/person
<p><b>SAILING WEEK</b></p> <p>This 5-day training course focuses on teaching and improving sailing skills with the goal of completing either the RYA Level 1, 2 or 3 Certification. All sailing weeks end with a friendly competition sail. Weeks can also be customized for high performance racing, families or corporate team building.</p>	<p><b>5 Days</b> 16 Hours</p>	J80	3-15 people	\$650/person



## OUR BOATS

### OPTIMIST (DINGHY BOAT)

The Optimist is a small, single-handed sailing dinghy intended for use by children up to the age of 15. The Opti is safe and stable. Its simplicity makes it ideal as a sailing school boat. The stability of the boat comes from its hard chine design and small sail area.



### LASER (DINGHY BOAT)

The Laser is one of the most popular single-handed dinghies in the world. The design emphasizes simplicity and performance and may be sailed by either one or two people, though it is rarely sailed by two. The Laser comes with several rig sizes: 4.7 (youth), Radial and Full, which make the boat easy to rig and its lightweight hull make it easy to carry. It's a perfect boat for an individual to learn to sail.



### RS FEVA (DINGHY BOAT)

The RS Feva is a world leading two person (double-handed) sailing dinghy with a huge race circuit and recreational following across the globe. It is one of the RYA's youth pathway boats. It's a versatile boat in its ability to teach from beginner to advanced racing. It uses an asymmetric spinnaker system, making this a great entry-level sports boat.



### J80 (KEEL BOAT)

The J80 is the perfect combination of day boat and one-design race boat. At 8 meters long, they are a safe, balanced, stable boat, easily driven and crewed by four or five. They can also be cruised locally by two. Thanks to its simplicity, its strength and its performance record, this keelboat has become popular worldwide. It is a competitive boat, but at the same time extremely friendly. With a furling jib, retractable bow sprit, and all spinnaker work done from the large cockpit, the crew is always safe, making this the perfect boat for families or large groups.



## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Participants of the RBYC Learn to Sail Programme are provided with a life vest and RYA logbook to record their progress. RBYC sailing and powerboat instructors are First Aid certified ensuring a safe environment. For more information about the curriculum visit the [RYA website](#). To make your reservation, contact the RBYC Sailing Academy at [sailingoffice@rbyc.bm](mailto:sailingoffice@rbyc.bm).

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