

Stag and Hen Days

Solent Rib Charter is the UK's leading Rib charter company and the expert provider of Rib Stag and Hen days.





About the day

Smart Stag & Hen parties

Rib Stag and Hen parties are not budget activities. We satisfy our target market of those demanding a first class day completely different to the typical and consequently unimaginative Stag and Hen day.

Fantastic fun

Ribs are fantastic fun, used by lifeboat organisations the world over for their ability to safely traverse serious seas. Ribs are uniquely exciting and enjoyable.

Adrenaline event

Please don't book us if you are looking for a gentle ride; whilst we are always super sensible, this is a 'full on' activity with very obvious risks attached, which is what makes it such fun.

Pace

One of the key secrets is pace; we keep the day moving along without pause. The Solent is blessed with many ports to visit and with so much on water activity as well as all the traditional sights such as the Needles, that everybody will be truly exhausted by the end of the day.

Unqualified success

Best of all though, we guarantee the day will be judged an unqualified success and you will not have been 'processed' on the usual formulaic stag and hen activity.

Location

Although it is possible to start in Southampton, Portsmouth or Poole, Lymington is the favoured meeting point. Lymington is an unspoilt Georgian town in the heart of the New Forest National Park, handy for night life in both Bournemouth and Southampton.

Haven Bistro

Use The Haven Bistro to enjoy croissants, bacon rolls, and coffee whilst awaiting your friends - a great way to ensure that an inevitable late arrival does not spoil the day. Talk to us for other recommended Solent venues.



Ports to visit

- Yarmouth Harbour
- · Cowes and River Medina
- · Wootton Creek
- · Beaulieu River
- · Hamble River
- Southampton
- Portsmouth
- · Hythe Marina Village

Sights

- Needles light house and cliffs
- Alum Bay coloured sand cliffs
- Scratchells spectacular cliffs
- Hurst Castle Tudor and Victorian
- · Yarmouth Castle
- Newtown National Trust reserve
- · Royal Navy fleet
- Spinnaker Tower
- Georgian naval dockyards
- Gunwharf Quays
- The 'Palmerston folly' forts
- · Isle of Wight





General information

Weather

Whilst sunshine is always fantastic, the weather to hope for is a low pressure system. An unsettled sea state and wind will make the conditions much more exciting and provide a real edge to the day.

Oilskins

High quality breathable oilskins are available to hire but must be booked in advance. Lifejackets are issued free of charge and must be worn.

Arrival

Most groups aim to arrive sometime between 09.00 and 12.00. The day is yours, the boats are yours, and the time of arrival is entirely at your discretion. We normally finish by 17.00.

Briefing

Once the whole party has assembled, the skippers will spread out some charts and talk through the options geared to the prevailing winds and tides.

Lunch

We are happy to recommend lunch locations; there are a wide range of great waterside venues to suit every budget. Do book ahead!

The Ribs

Our Ribs are fast, fun, safe and immaculately presented. The Ribs are Coastguard coded and surveyed. Our skippers are fully qualified and commercially endorsed. We carry full public liability insurance.

Other activities

Most groups find the Ribs such an extreme and exciting activity that additional activities are not really necessary. We can organise kayaking, cycling and Treasure Hunts etc but experience has taught us that less is more – the boats will do the work for you.

Health

Participants will need to be in robust health. This event is unsuitable for those with knee, hip, back, neck or weight problems. Please contact us to discuss how to include members of your party who may be pregnant.

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