

# SCHOONER LADONA



V I N T A G E   C R U I S I N G

# Cruise the coast of Maine in remarkable style.



Welcome to *Ladona*. Let us take you on a personally curated cruise vacation, where comfort at sea, memorable dining experiences, diverting excursions ashore, and our attentive crew set a new standard in windjamming.

Carrying only 16 guests, this grand schooner offers an intimate and exclusive way to experience the timeless beauty and stunning nature of this charming and remote coast. All from the deck of a true classic: Vintage Cruising.



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# Become in tune with the wind, the tides, and the sea.

The coast of Maine is magnificent, transformative—and to experience it under sail on a classic yacht is like no other experience you can find. We sail with seals basking on sun-warmed rocks and porpoises swimming about. Ospreys, eagles, and sea birds often ride the thermals above the sails.

Arriving by sail is an exercise in aesthetic purity; it is the journey *and* the destination. And when *Ladona* arrives to visit one of the 2,200 islands that pepper our cruising ground, you realize we are participants in the beauty of the Maine Coast, part of the scenery. It is easy to imagine yourself in another era: the era of Vintage Cruising.



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ALISON LANGLEY



# Our cuisine reflects the restrained decadence and pure aesthetic of Maine.



ALLAGASH BREWING

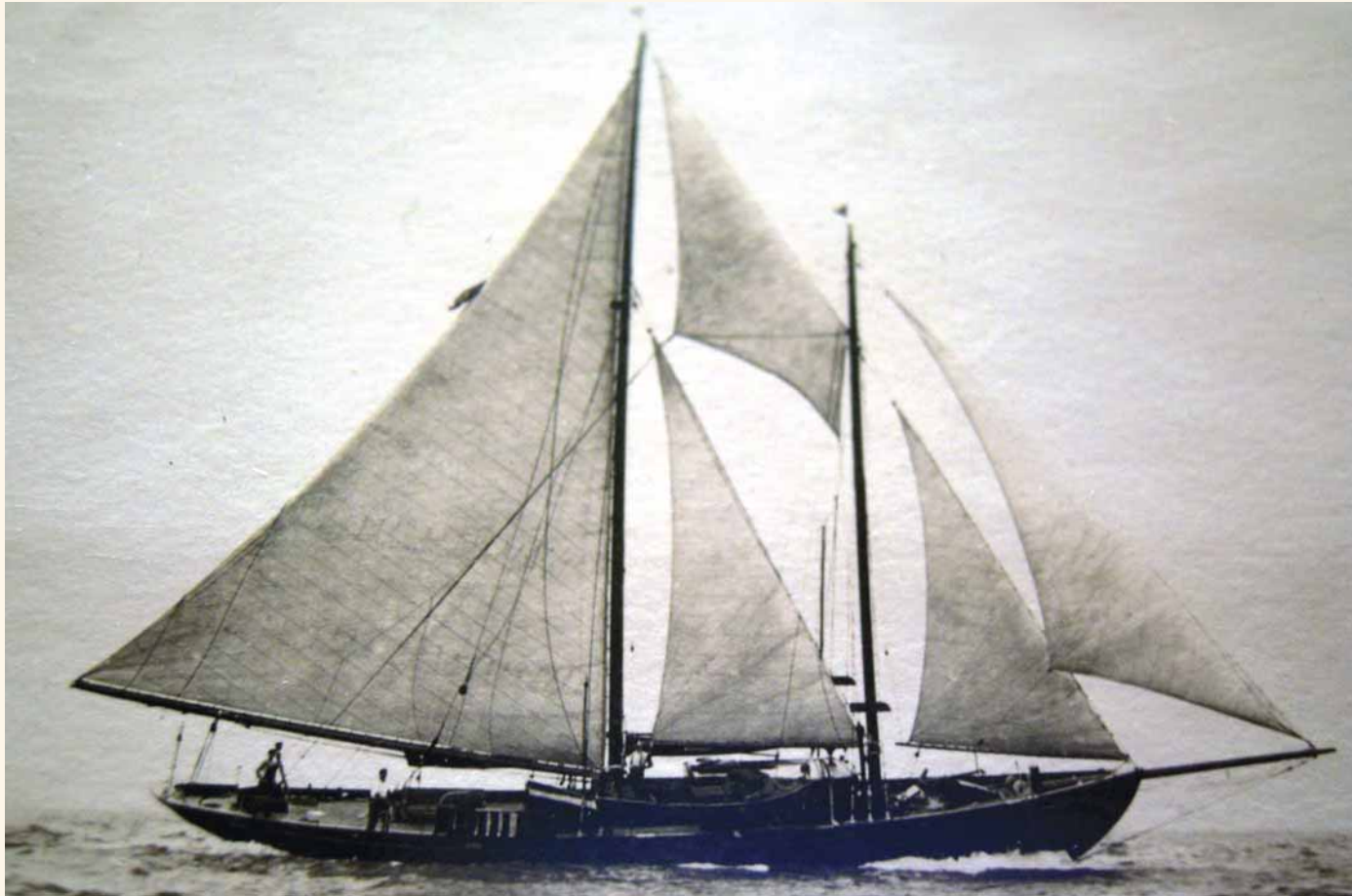


The chef's artfully prepared dishes are a celebration of Maine's finest ingredients from both the sea and the shore. We also delight in sharing our enthusiasm for foodways from around the world.

Breakfast will be prepared for you when you rise, whether you're an early bird or prefer to sleep a little longer. Lunches are accompanied by a generous helping of spectacular coastal scenery.

In the evening, we enjoy wine and hors d'oeuvres followed by an elegant dinner. We often linger around the large, on-deck tables long after the sunset-gilded sky has become a canopy of stars.

# You will be proud to be aboard this beautiful vessel.



*Ladona* has been known for her beauty, swiftness, and strength since the day she was christened in 1922. Designed by William Hand and built as an elegant private yacht, she quickly proved her mettle as an ocean racer,

winning class honors in the Bermuda Cup in 1923. She served her country as a submarine patrol vessel during World War II, and later taught young sailors the ropes as a sail-training vessel.

Now fully restored after a painstaking refit, *Ladona* is designed for discerning tastes. There is much personal attention to detail and comfort, yet her aesthetic integrity and sailing ability still take your breath away.



*Ladona* offers:

- Exceptional cuisine, selected wines paired with evening meals
- Premium linens and other luxurious touches
- Four cabins with queen beds, four with two twins, and one single cabin
- Three showers: one on deck for rinsing off after swimming, and two below decks
- Three semi-ensuite, state-of-the-art marine heads
- Hot and cold running water in all cabins and heads
- 110v (household) power outlets in all cabins and heads
- Plenty of comfortable places to lounge on deck and below: we have redesigned *Ladona* from scratch with your comfort in mind
- Explore on your own: two stand-up paddleboards and a classic rowing dinghy to use in quiet anchorages
- Seated dining on deck under the awning or below in our capacious galley
- Plenty of space to relax: 82 feet of classic schooner, sixteen guests, and five crew to attend to your needs



# We invite you to join us on board.



**J. R. Braugh, Captain/Co-owner**

You will be very well taken care of by this third-generation merchant mariner. With over 20 years aboard Maine's historic windjammer fleet, sail-training vessels, and private yachts, J. R. has plied the waters of the Caribbean and the entire Eastern Seaboard. Hosting guests under vintage sails on the coast of Maine is still his favorite vocation.

J. R. loves to share his knowledge of the Maine Coast and unique sailing vessels found here. He looks forward to welcoming you on the quarterdeck—no day on *Ladona* goes by without humor and conversation. J. R. also loves music and frequently performs on board.



**Anna Miller, Executive Chef**

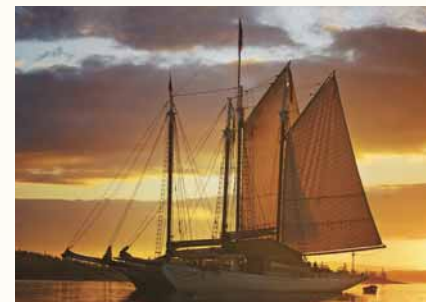
With a strong grounding in the classics (mentored by her two Italian grandmothers), Chef Anna is a creative and warm soul. After completing her culinary degree, she has spent the past decade dividing her time between the area's best-loved eateries and windjammer galleys. She has played a major role in developing the *Stephen Taber* into a well-known culinary travel destination. Guests have described Anna as a "brilliant magician"; we couldn't agree more.



**Captain Noah and Jane Barnes, Co-owners**

Between Noah's lifetime of experience in the charter world and Jane's extensive international career with hospitality and fine wines, they have built a solid reputation for excellence with their flagship vessel, the *Stephen Taber*. Noah and Jane are thrilled to present the freshly rebuilt classic yacht *Ladona*, and are greatly looking forward to sailing in company (and the inevitable gentlemen's races, of course).

We invite you to learn more about our other schooner, the *Stephen Taber*, too. Please visit [stephentaber.com](http://stephentaber.com).



*Ladona* sets sail from her homeport of Rockland, Maine, from May until October. Cruises last between three and six days, and the vessel is also available for chartered daysails. The fare is all-inclusive: accommodations, all meals (except dinner on your boarding night), wine served with the evening meal, shore excursions, and activities.

Please call, email, or visit our website to learn more. We look forward to welcoming you aboard.

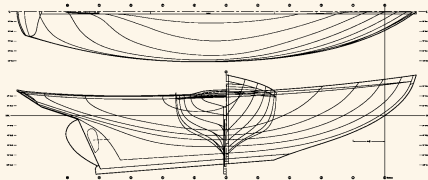
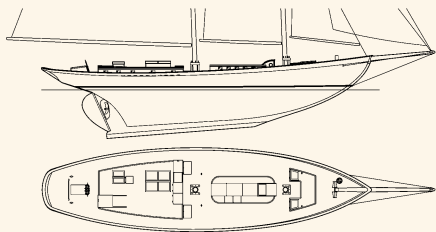


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the perfect blend of refined hospitality,  
exceptional food and wine,  
and the soul-stirring beauty of the Maine coast



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