



Royal Yacht Squadron

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Cowes

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Regatta Guest Information Pack

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Introduction to Cowes

Situated on the west bank estuary of the River Medina is the seaport town of Cowes, which ever since the founding of the Royal Yacht Squadron in 1815 has largely been considered the home of international yacht racing.

Along with the many maritime services available in Cowes, there is a wide range of places to eat; from café culture to restaurants and pubs which play host to the vibrant nightlife in high season, offering live music and open mic nights. Throughout the largely pedestrianised town centre, there is an abundance of shops offering clothing, nautical paraphernalia, food, jewellery and household accessories.

We have prepared this pack to give you an overview of what you will find when you arrive in Cowes, and to make planning your trip as simple as possible. Please also visit Cowes Online www.cowes.co.uk for more extensive information on Cowes.

Useful Information

Royal Yacht Squadron Flag Officers:

Commodore: T J R Sheldon Esq
Vice Commodore: Colin Campbell Esq
Rear Commodore Finance: Christopher Russell Esq
Rear Commodore Yachting: Robert M Bicket Esq

Secretary: Patricia Lewington MVO
Events Manager: Emma Preece
Treasurer: Jane Howe
Assistant Treasurer: Keith Farr
Sailing Master: Chris Mason
Sailing Manager: John Thorn
Office Assistants: Jane Barbour & Jerone Smith

Contact the RYS office on: 01983 292191 or mail@rys.org.uk

Useful Contacts

Emergency Services (Ambulance, Police, Fire and Coastguard): 999
Non-Life-Threatening, Urgent Medical Assistance: 111
Non-Urgent Police Assistance: 101

Getting About

Ferry Services

There are two ferry companies which service the Island:

Red Funnel

www.redfunnel.co.uk

08704 448898

Passenger ferry (Red Jet) which operates:
Southampton - West Cowes

Car ferry which operates:
Southampton - East Cowes

Wightlink

www.wightlink.co.uk

08705 827744

Passenger ferry (Fastcat) which operates:
Portsmouth - Ryde.

Car ferries which operate:
Portsmouth - Fishbourne, and
Lymington - Yarmouth

Taxis and Car Hire Services

Jones Taxis
01983 282822

1st Class Cars
07719 212
01983 295566

TJ Taxi Services
01983 520274
07768 426645

www.tjtaxiservices.co.uk

Cowes Taxis
01983 294444

Rounsevell Cars
01983 280800

A1 Cars
01983 240000

Top Gear Vehicle Rentals
www.top-gearhire.com
01983 299056

Water Taxi

Cowes Harbour Taxis (VHF #77 c/c "Harbour Taxi") 07855 767918

Cowes Water Taxis (VHF #06 07551 431993)

Waterbus (VHF #77) c/c "Waterbus" 07974 864627

Folly Launch (VHF #72 c/c "Folly Launch") 07884 400046

Rib Hire

Marine & Property Care & Rib Charter

07979 495537

www.cowesribs.com

Griffin Marine Services

01983 826026

07876 623124

www.griffmarineservices.co.uk

Lymington Rib Charter

07887 635000

admin@solentribcharter.co.uk

8.75m Scorpion RIB for Charter

07769 972007

will@headingtons.com

Akwamarine Ltd

07836 378978

www.akwamarine.com

Cowes Yacht Clubs

Royal Ocean Racing Club Cowes

The Parade, Castle Hill, Cowes PO31 7QU

01983 293581

www.rorc.org

Royal London Yacht Club

The Parade, Cowes PO31 7QS

01983 299727

secretary@rlyc.org.uk

www.rlyc.org.uk

Island Sailing Club

70 High Street

Cowes

Isle of Wight

PO31 7RE

01983 249430

www.islandsc.org.uk

www.roundtheisland.org.uk

admin@islandsc.org.uk

Cowes Corinthian Yacht Club

39 Birmingham Rd

Cowes

Isle of Wight

PO31 7BH

01983 296333

www.ccy.org.uk

Marinas and Moorings

Cowes Harbour

Commission

01983 293952

East Cowes Marina

01983 299975

Shepards Wharf Marina

01983 297821

VHF CH69 call sign MH1

Island Harbour Marina

01983 822999

Newport Harbour

01983 525994

Cowes Yacht Haven

01983 299975

Folly Reach

07884 400046

Accommodation

Quay Management Services.
01983 651169 / 07496 363369

www.quaymanagement.co.uk / katie@quaymanagement.co.uk

Agencies

A Base Ashore

Jamieson and Rachel Ide
Windrush
Baring Road
Cowes
PO31 8DS
01983 281891
07809 299874

www.abaseashore.com
help@abaseashore.com

Shoreberths

James Gair
01983 284249
07887 564286

www.shoreberths.com
james@shoreberths.com

Cowes Holiday Homes

Graham Machin
07751 328717

www.cowesholidayhomes.co.uk
cowesholidayhomes@outlook.com

Regatta Lets

2 Willow Drive
Northwood
PO31 8AR
01983 291909
07747 811203

www.regattalets.com
andrea@regattalets.com

JAC Accommodation

Egypt Esplanade
Cowes
PO31 8BS
01983 280632

jac@wight365.net

Blue Chip Holidays Ltd

Suzanne Priddle
07580 206411

www.bluechipholidays.co.uk
bookingsteam@bluechipholidays.co.uk

Hotels

The Woodvale Hotel

1 Princes Esplanade, Gurnard, PO31 8LE
01983 292037

www.hotelcowes.co.uk

North House

30 Sun Hill, Cowes PO31 7HY
01983 209453

www.northhousecowes.co.uk

New Holmwood Hotel

65 Queen's Road, Cowes, PO31 8BW
01983 292508

www.newholmwoodhotel.co.uk

Villa Rothsay Hotel

Baring Road, Cowes, PO31 8DF
01983 295178

Email: hotel@villa-rothsay.co.uk
www.villa-rothsay.co.uk

Bed & Breakfasts

Endeavour House

47 Mill Hill Road
Cowes
PO31 7EG
01983 297406

www.endeavourhousecowes.co.uk

Caledon Guest House

59 Mill Hill Road
Cowes
PO31 7EG
01983 293599

www.the-caledon.co.uk

Noss Mayo

66a Baring Road
Cowes
PO31 8DW
01983 200266

Mimosa Lodge

59 Baring Road
Cowes
PO31 8DW
01983 241490

www.mimosa-lodge.co.uk

Anchorage Guesthouse

Mill Hill Road
Cowes
01983 247975

www.anchoragecowes.co.uk

Holly Tree House

218 Park Road
Cowes
PO31 7BG
01983 246227

Westbourne House

43 Birmingham Road
Cowes
PO31 7BH
01983 290009 / 07871 845032

www.westbournehousecowes.co.uk

PUBLIC HOUSE ACCOMMODATION

The Anchor Inn

1-3 High Street, Cowes PO31 7SA
01983 292823

www.theanchorcowes.co.uk

The Union Inn

Watchhouse Lane, Cowes PO31 7QH
01983 293163

www.unioninncowes.co.uk

The Fountain Hotel

High Street, Cowes PO31 7RR
01983 292397

www.oldenglishinns.co.uk/our-locations/the-fountain-inn-cowes

Duke of York

Mill Hill Road, Cowes PO31 7BT
01983 295171

www.dukeofyorkcowes.co.uk

Holiday Village Chalets

Gurnard Pines Holiday Village

Cockleton Lane
Gurnard
01983 292395

www.gurnardpinesholidayvillage.co.uk

Thorness Bay Holiday Park

Thorness Lane
Nr Cowes
Isle of Wight
PO31 8NJ
08433 092576

www.park-resorts.com/holiday-parks/isle-of-wight/thorness-bay

Houses

Myles Harrison

Flat 1
Regency House
High Street
Cowes
07769 642220

mharris8@its.jnj.com

Cath Giraudon

Lisburne
61 Queen's Road
Cowes
07770 914250

Carlton Cottage

Queen's Road
Cowes
07771 905794

www.carltoncottagecowes.co.uk

Available for Cowes Week

www.airbnb.co.uk/rooms/19909220

Three bedroom house in Cowes

Gray's Inn

Union Road
Cowes
PO31 7TW
01983 200770
07939 028889

www.bedbreakfastcowes.co.uk

Jane Windsor

2 Claremont Place
Sun Hill
Cowes
07775 523156

janewindsor@btinternet.com

Alison Wheeler

Crew House

Aliw29sjhg@hotmail.com

The J House

Tel: 0330 311 6411

www.bluechipholidays.co.uk/isle-of-wight/cowes/5-the-j-house

Dining

Restaurants

Murrays

01983 296233

The Red Duster

01983 290311

www.theredduster.com

Tonino's

01983 298464

www.toninoscowes.co.uk

Mojac's

01983 281118

www.mojacs.co.uk

The Coast Bar

07831 331717 / 01983 298574

www.thecoastbar.co.uk

Bahar Tandoori

01983 200378

Amabi

01983 716164

www.amabi.co.uk

Number 3

01983 291714

www.number3cowes.com

Bars and Public Houses

*See Public House Accommodation

Pier View

01983 294929

Vectis Tavern

01983 238439

The Yachtsman

01983 299618

Marine Services

Chandlers

Fynn Marine

Cowes Yacht Haven, Vectis Yard, Marina Walk, Cowes, Isle of Wight

01983 297500

07786 474211

www.fynnmarine.co.uk

Marine Bazaar

225 Arctic Road, Cowes, Isle of Wight

01983 298869

Pascall Atkey

29-30 High Street, Cowes, Isle of Wight

01983 292381

Spencer Rigging

Empire Building, St Mary's Road, Cowes, Isle of Wight

01983 292022

www.spencerrigging.co.uk

Jolliffes Chandlery

2-4 Birmingham Road, Cowes, Isle of Wight

01983 290100

Diving Companies

MMC Ltd

Medina River, Cowes, Isle of Wight

07966 579965

info@mmc-worldwide.com

Island Divers

Unit 2 Medina Village, Bridge road, Cowes, Isle of Wight

01983 240255

www.iowdivers.co.uk

Fuel

Cowes Harbour Fuels

Harbour Office, Town Quay, Cowes, Isle of Wight

01983 293952 (Harbour Office) or 01983 200716

Lallows Boatyard

3 Medina Road, Cowes, Isle of Wight

01983 292112

www.lallowsboatyard.co.uk

Breakdown Assistance

Sea Start

Unit 13, Hamble Point Marina, Hamble, Hampshire
0800 885500 & 02380 458000

www.seastart.co.uk

Boat Builders and Repairs

Composite Craft Ltd

Medina Yard, Pelham Road, Cowes, Isle of Wight
07971 817444

www.compositecraft.co.uk

South Boats

Venture Quays, Castle Street, Cowes, Isle of Wight
01983 280030

www.southboatsiow.com

Will Squibb Boatbuilders & Marine Surveyors

Attrills Yard, The Duver, St Helens, Isle of Wight
01983 874629

www.willsquibb.net

A&M Fabrications

Unit 42, Medina Village, Medina Road, Cowes, Isle of Wight
01983 297999

Kingston Marine Boatyard

Kingston Road, East Cowes, Isle of Wight
01983 293952

www.cowesharbourcommission.co.uk/boatyard_and_marine_services

Safety Equipment

TeamO

07503 461259

www.teamomarine.com

SeaSafe Systems

Mariners House, Mariners Way, Somerton Business Park, Newport Road, Cowes
01983 282388

www.seasafe.co.uk

Groceries

The Butchers

23 High Street, Cowes, Isle of Wight
01983 293129

Healthy Indulgence

110 High Street, Cowes, Isle of Wight
01983 210042

Phillips Seafood & Smoke House

111 High Street, Cowes, Isle of Wight
01983 245247

The Food Hamper & Deli Cowes

116 High Street, Cowes, Isle of Wight
01983 295680

Sainsbury's

129-130 High Street, Cowes, Isle of Wight
01983 273400

Marks and Spencer

Terminus Road, Cowes, Isle of Wight
01983 329296

Waitrose

Well Road, East Cowes, Isle of Wight
01983 295680

Health and Beauty

Barbers

Beresford's Barber Shop

2 Shooters Hill, Cowes, Isle of Wight
01983 293863

www.beresfordsbarbershop.co.uk

Cowes Esquire

50 High Street, Cowes, Isle of Wight
01983 240204

www.cowesbarber.co.uk

Hair Port Unisex Hairdressers

113A High Street, Cowes, Isle of Wight
01983 291331

Hairdressers

K&H Hairdressers

3 The Arcade, Cowes, PO31 7AR
01983 299000

Jeans

1A High Street Cowes, PO31 7SA
01983 293102

Charlotte's Academy

9 Birmingham Road, Cowes, PO31 7BH
01983 200960

Spa Facilities

BeCalmed Spa Therapy Centre

8 Birmingham Road, Cowes, Isle of Wight
01983 296655

www.site.becalmedincowes.co.uk

Other Services

Osbornes

119 High Street, Cowes, Isle of Wight
01983 280974

Cowes Post Office

High Street

VecWash Launderette

1 Mill Hill Road, Cowes, Isle of Wight
01983 294698

Useful Websites

Cowes Online

www.cowes.co.uk

Cowes Harbour Commission

www.cowesharbourcommission.co.uk

Cowes Yacht Haven

www.cowesyachthaven.com

Isle of Wight Tourist Information

www.visitisleofwight.co.uk

Isle of Wight Council Visitor Services

www.iwight.com/visitors

Royal Yacht Squadron

www.rys.org.uk

BBC Weather

www.bbc.co.uk/weather

Osborne House

www.english-heritage.org.uk/daysout/properties/osborne

