

**Duration:** 4 Days. Maximum 4 students per course

**Previous Experience Required:** 2 Days on a motor cruiser, minimum 100 nautical miles and 4 night hours. A knowledge of basic navigation (best gained from an RYA Day Skipper Theory Course)

**Course Overview:** Practical navigation and pilotage, boat handling, seamanship and skippering techniques enabling you to skipper a boat in local waters in daylight

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**Cost:** £875

This is the most popular of the motor cruising courses. The aim is to teach practical pilotage, navigation, seamanship and boat handling up to the standard required to skipper a motor cruiser safely in familiar waters by day. The course also includes some night cruising experience, with emphasis on leaving/entering a harbour, considerations for keeping a look-out, and identifying marks by night. Your experienced and patient instructor will teach you these skills and you will put them into practice as you skipper the motor cruiser on short passages around the Solent.

There is particular emphasis on boat handling for RYA Day Skippers and during the 4 days you will practice mooring under various conditions. Students live aboard for the duration of the course and visit many different harbours and anchorages to practice pilotage techniques which, like boat handling, is an essential skill for the aspiring skipper. At the end of the RYA Day Skipper course you will be confident to skipper a motor cruiser on short passages by day.

This course will also enable you to apply for the ICC (International Certificate of Competence). This qualification is required by most European countries to validate your competence to own or charter a boat. The ICC obtained by presenting your RYA Day Skipper certificate will cover motor yachts up to 24 metres in length on coastal waters.

**Itinerary:** 0900 on first day until approximately 1700 on day 4.

**What's Included:** Breakfast and lunch, wet weather gear and accommodation onboard. For details of what you should bring please [refer to the FAQ's section](#) .

**Support Courses:** [VHF Radio](#) , [RYA First Aid](#) , [RYA Diesel Engine](#)

**Next Step:** At this stage in the RYA scheme it is really worthwhile consolidating what you have learnt by completing some more sea miles and putting the lessons learnt on this course into practice. Following this you should look to join the [RYA Coastal Skipper/Yachtmaster Theory Course](#)

**Course Dates: 2015/16 (Please note all courses are run by Mendez Marine and you will be redirected to their site during the booking process)**

If you would like own boat tuition to complete this course please feel free to call us to discuss the options

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