

## Troop 21 High Adventure 2024 Sailing in Paradise: British Virgin Islands

This is it! After 12-years, Troop 21 returns to the British Virgin Islands July 13-20, 2024 for a week of adventure on the high seas. Imagine seven nights aboard a 50-foot catamaran, each day traveling to another exotic destination to explore with your friends. Feel the trade winds as they carry you to ports of call such as Cooper Island, the Baths, Virgin Gorda, the Bitter End Yacht Club, Saba Rock, Jost van Dyck, and famous Norman Island. Weather permitting, we will make a special overnight trip to Anegada, an unspoiled atoll where the snorkeling is good and lobster is on the menu!

We will charter from the Moorings, the largest and most experienced charter outfitter in the Caribbean. Although we will be bringing along 2 experienced captains for our 2 catamarans, scouts and parents are expected to sail! The sailing merit badge is a prerequisite and will be offered in the spring. Amenities on board include a full galley, individual cabins, bimini top, "navy showers," and lots of room to spread out. These are well-appointed air-conditioned catamarans with motor back-up to ensure a safe and fun trip. Link **HERE** to see catamaran details and a video.

Included in the trip cost of \$3,400 is round trip airfare from St. Louis to St. Thomas USVI, ferry to the BVI, sailboat charter, gas, food on board and most other meals, snorkel gear, dinghy rental, shark repellent, unlimited sunshine and a whole lot more. We will eat out every other night.

Our adventure of a lifetime is open to scouts who will be graduating the 8<sup>th</sup> grade and older. This trip has only 22 positions and traditionally fills very quickly; a waiting list has typically been needed. A small number of parents are needed on each vessel, but scouts have the priority at least initially with additional adults added if there are openings later on. Partial payments will be made every other month. Interested in going? Secure your spot NOW with a \$200 per person non-refundable deposit given to Tom Coscia ASAP. Payments can be made online. The passenger manifest is established in the order deposits are received. Questions? Tom Coscia (314) 780-3021.





Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than by the things you did do. So throw off the bowlines. Sail away from safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore, Dream, Discover.

---Mark Twain