

Welcome Aboard *Sea Dragon*

Welcome, Expedition Team!

The following information is intended to assist your transition into the team and your expedition. It covers the basics on roles and expectations and some important practicalities, as well as everything you'll need to prepare yourself for life on board.

Roles and Expectations

You are joining a working expedition as a full member of the crew. As such, you will be involved in virtually all aspects of the voyage and operations. On board you will be part of a team of up to 13 crew, including yourself.

Our expectations of you are fairly straightforward. Your team will depend on you to fully participate in everything on the boat. You will be expected to work hard to the best of your ability, to be conscientious, alert, to look after the boat and to care for each other. You will not be asked to do anything you are not comfortable doing.

Expedition Overview and Background Information [Reverse Places](#)

Join *Sea Dragon*'s expert team for a beautiful trans-pacific trip - sailing under the stars, surfing down waves, and warm, friendly waters as we sail from the Northern Line & Phoenix Islands to the beautiful island of Hawaii

Join us on this fast, fun, reach across the trade winds to the stunning islands of Hawaii

This is a great opportunity for adventure, whether this is your first time aboard a sailing vessel and you want to see what the fuss is about, or a seasoned pro wanting to get that Pacific notch on your belt and feel some adrenaline this is the leg for you!

This adventure sail is an excellent opportunity to build your sea miles (as this trip is an RYA qualifying passage) experience an ocean crossing, practice or learn celestial navigation, seamanship, take a look at the issues of plastic pollution in our oceans and enjoy the very best sailing has to offer. This passage could also be the finish to an awesome exploration of the remote central Pacific nation of Kiribati, with an equally awesome couple of days enjoying all Hawaii has to offer.

Designed to thrive in these waters! *Sea Dragon* is specifically set up for volunteer crew with both experienced and limited sailing experience, she can safely handle any number of sailing conditions the Pacific might throw at her. With a crew capacity of 14 and a cruising speed of 12 knots, she is a comfortable and exciting ocean-going yacht and will easily crunch the nautical miles from Kiritimati to Hawaii

Meet-up Details & Location

Crew arrives on board Sea Dragon at 1600 on Wednesday 30th May 2018

The meet-up location is: TBC

Schedule

Day 1: Crew Arrive at Kiritimati to be met by the crew and board Sea Dragon at 1600 in the afternoon. Time to get settled on board, participate in crew introductions and receive crew safety briefing that afternoon/evening, and dinner

Day 2: Clear Customs, sail training and Depart for Hawaii

Day 3-8: Underway to Hawaii

Day 9: Arrive at Hawaii, Clear customs and immigration, drink local Pina Colada

Day 10: Crew can depart by 0900

*Itinerary subject to change based on weather and willingness to ‘say yes more’ to spontaneous possibilities 😊

Documentation Check List

For further instructions and information see: [CHECK LIST INFORMATION AND FORMS](#)

Submit before your trip:

	Crew Profile Form
	Headshot photo (email to anita@panexplore.com)

Carry as travel documents (for customs and immigration):

	Proof of Your Flight Home
	Visas ESTA or B1/B2 (if you are not a Eu/GB/US citizen,

Bring hard copies to the boat:

	Medical Form
	Proof of Travel/Medical Insurance

Kit List

We recommend you pack very light. Pack in a small, squashy duffle-type bag, NOT hard suitcases as there is no room to store them on board. Your storage space will be in a box next to your bunk,

dimensions - 50cm x 40cm x 26cm. You may experience both tropical and temperate weather on this expedition. Here is what to bring:

What to bring (Tropical)

- Shorts
- T-shirts
- Casual Trousers
- 2 Warm fleeces
- Long sleeve t-shirts/layers for protection & warmth
- Warm base layer (it gets chilly at night)
- swimwear
- Warm gloves
- Sandals or deck shoes (highly recommended that they are waterproof, no flip-flops on deck)

Essential for all trips

- Sunglasses, sunscreen, hat
- Personal medication
- Towel
- Head lamp (ideally one with both red and white)
- Watch
- Toiletries (toothpaste, lotion, contact lens solution, etc. the less plastic the better!)
- Reusable water bottle (ideally no plastic water bottles)
- your favourite snacks (if desired)

What we provide

- Pillow, pillowcase, sheets and blanket
- Foul weather gear (thin waterproof pant and jacket set)
- Full first aid kit
- Individual PFD (personal flotation device) with tether

See recommended additions to this list in the online [Kit List](#).

Travel to and from *Sea Dragon*

When making your travel arrangements, it's important to remember that sailing is subject to changeable sea conditions and the weather, so some leeway should be made in your plans for unpredictable delays and to give yourself time to allow for any holdups. You might be able to connect with other crew members in your travels to and from the boat.

Pangaea are not responsible for your flights to and from Sea Dragon, nor in the event of a delay to the schedule, nor if you disembark on route, prior to completion of the passage.

Our team will be glad to give you as much advice as we can on travel logistics.

Suggested airports

For Kiritimati, Kiribati

- Fly into Cassidy International Airport, (CXI) This is the only airport in the Kiribati part of the Line Islands with an IATA and or ICAO code. Located north of [Banana](#), a settlement on [Kiritimati](#) (also known as Christmas Island) The airport is served by [Fiji Airways](#) from [Nadi](#), Fiji and [Honolulu](#), United States.

Air Pacific provides an air service twice a week from Nadi to Tarawa. It also connects Christmas Island once a week from Nadi and Honolulu. Our Airline also provides air service to Tarawa once a week from Brisbane & Nauru.

Address:

Cassidy International Airport
Kiritimati
Kiribati

34.2 km from Kiritimati and an 1hr by road.
25km from London to the airport - 1hr by road
7km from Banana to the airport - 40 mins by road

Getting to and from the airport-

There is only one main road that goes from London (the main village) to the airport and there is public transportation through that route.

If you have not yet organised flights, Please do get in touch with our airline representatives to find you their best deal. For help with flights please visit

<http://panexplore.com/crew-resources/flight-booking-information/>

For Honolulu, Oahu Island, Hawaii

Fly out of Daniel K. Inouye International, (HNL) also known as Honolulu International Airport, the principal aviation gateway of the City and County of Honolulu on Oahu in the State of Hawaii.

<http://airports.hawaii.gov/hnl/>

The airport is served by 27 international and domestic carriers, three inter island airlines, and four commuter airlines.

Address:

300 Rodgers Blvd,
Honolulu, HI 96819,
USA

16 min (8 miles) south on Rodgers Blvd toward Aolele St. Turn slight right onto Aolele St. Turn slight left onto Alaonaona St. H1/Honolulu/Waikiki/Airport Exit/Waianae. Merge onto HI-92 E via EXIT 18A toward Waikiki. Turn right onto Channel St. Channel St becomes Pier 1. Aloha Tower, PIER 9.

Traveling from the airport to the Marina:

Kiritimati:

Getting to and from the airport-

There is only one main road that goes from London (the main village to the airport and there is public transportation through that route.

Fleets of privately owned buses operate most the efficient and inexpensive mode of public transport on South Tarawa and Christmas Island. Boats operate from Betio & Bairiki in South Tarawa; the smaller vessels operate to North Tarawa and to the nearest islands Abaiang & Maiana. Larger boats operate to farther outer islands including Christmas Island and the islands in the Line and Phoenix group transporting passenger and cargoes. Air Kiribati domestic planes operate regular flight connections to the outer islands in the Gilbert group.

TIME

Kiribati is 12 hours ahead of GMT that is, 2 hours ahead of Tokyo and 22 hours ahead of Honolulu, on the other side of the international dateline.

CURRENCY

The Australian dollar is the legal currency of Kiribati. Traveller's cheques and all major currencies are accepted by the only bank, NZ Bank of Kiribati. The headquarters and branches are located in Tarawa and Christmas Island. Foreign currency can also be exchanged at some of the local hotels. Credit Cards such as Master Card and Visa are also accepted.

There are 23 accommodations recommended by the National Tourism Office in Kiribati; 16 are on Tarawa and 7 on Christmas Island. There are also privately owned guest houses on Abemama & Butaritari. All other accommodations on the outer islands are operated by Island Councils and present an interesting opportunity to experience life on the outer islands without modern conveniences. The Kiribati National Tourism Office may assist with reservations.

Honolulu, Oahu Island:

Bus: Oahu's city transportation system is aptly named "TheBus." Fares are reasonable, routes are extensive and there are special visitor passes for multiple day uses. For more information on fares, bus routes to popular attractions and other useful information visit:

[HTTP://WWW.THEBUS.ORG](http://WWW.THEBUS.ORG).

Shuttle services: private shuttle services from the airport around the Island are plentiful and not too expensive

[Airport Shuttle](#)
[Ohana Transit](#)
[Go Hawaii Shuttle](#)

Taxi Services: Taxis are a great way to travel when in a group and the cost can be shared. You can find taxi stands at the airport

<http://www.startaxihawaii.com>

Car Rental: Rental car, prices and deals compare with mainland USA. Cars can be rented at the airport

Passport & Visa

For general information on travel documents require please visit

<https://panexplore.com/insurances-and-visas>

Kiritimati

Passports and visas are not required when travelling to Christmas Island from the Australian mainland. However, photographic identification, such as an Australian Driver's Licence or Proof of Age card, must be produced for each passenger (including children) for clearance through Customs and Immigration. A valid passport meets this identification requirement and is the preferred means of documentation to expedite passenger processing and provide passenger identification in the case of a flight diversion to another country.

Normal Australian Customs and Immigration procedures apply when entry is made from outside Australia. A passport is necessary and a visa may be required. Refer to your travel agent or the [Department of Immigration and Border Protection](#) for further details.

Hawaii

All visitors must be able to present a valid passport (with 6 months to run) and will require a B1/B2 visa if not a US Citizen - <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas/tourism-visit/visitor.html> -

To apply online - B1/B2 visa

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas/tourism-visit/visitor.html>

U.S. and Canadian citizens entering the U.S. at land and sea ports of entry from within the western hemisphere must now also present a passport or other documents compliant with the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative (WHTI; visit www.getyouhome.gov for details).

Food and Drink on board

Sea Dragon operates a mostly vegetarian menu on board with the odd catch of the day if we are lucky enough to have caught anything.

We do request that guest crew limit the amount of one use disposable plastic bottles and containers they bring aboard. We operate an ecological vessel, in line with our mission with as minimal waste as possible.

Communications on board

Remember that there is no internet on board, but you can send/receive a few short emails through the satellite phone via an offline email service called XGate. Remember to bring any email addresses you might want as you will not be able to access this information while underway.

We also have a satellite phone for making outgoing calls only. This is charged at an additional cost of \$1.50 per minute. You will receive a bill on departure for any costs incurred using on board communications.

If you need an emergency contact for while you're at sea you can be reached via seadragon@gmn-usa.com. Please give out this address very sparingly, and ask whoever is writing to you to send short text emails (no images or attachments!), in plain text format ONLY.

Your loved ones and followers can also track Sea Dragon with hourly position updates by going to our homepage here <http://panexplore.com> and clicking on LIVE MAP toward the top right hand side of the site. Or send out this link: <http://tracking.redportglobal.com/anonymous/panexplore>

Electricity Usage

Sea Dragon has US plugs, 120VAC power for personal use. There are also 12/24 VDC charging sockets available.

FAQs

For addition information about life on board Sea Dragon, please see our [Crew resources](#) page or contact

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