



## Annabel J

The Skipper and crew look forward to meeting you and ensuring that you have a very special holiday.

The expected arrival and departure time is **4PM** on both days unless otherwise specified.

On arrival please contact the skipper on the number above and you will be met at the Rising Sun PH (Warsash) or Bugle PH (Hamble). You will be transported by launch to Annabel J on her mid-river mooring where you will meet other guests and crew.

Depending on weather conditions and other criteria, Annabel J may sail that evening so please try to arrive promptly.

### About The Ship:

Annabel J is an interpretation of the legendary Bristol Channel Pilot Cutter; designed to patrol in the jaws of the Bristol Channel. These hardy cutters were necessarily fast, easily handled by a man and a boy and seaworthy. Annabel J was built in 1996 and is based on an original Pilot Cutter 'Margerite T'. Annabel J is constructed in Steel and is fitted out as a luxury yacht. Below decks she is a haven of beautiful deep polished mahogany, elegant upholstery and cut glass. She is equipped with the latest navigational equipment, a heater, hot running water and even electric flush toilets! She will look after you in style.

### Construction:

Built in 1996 by A P Appledore (Falmouth). Fitted out by Bridgend Boat Co, Newton Ferrers. Steel Hull,

teak decks and cockpit. 5 sails include: Main sail, Main top sail, Stay sail, Jib and jib top sail. Tiller steering and a very fast and seaworthy yacht.

Below decks:

Luxury interior with large comfortable bunks accommodating 8 guests and 2 crew. She has a 3 berth cabin (1 double) and 5 berths in the saloon. There are 2 toilets, heating, and hot and cold water

She carries Radar, GPS, VHF, and AIS and is fully approved by the MCA as a charter vessel.

All yachts have very limited storage space and AJ is no exception. Please limit yourself to one small soft bag without wheels. Suitcases are strictly forbidden.

**What to bring:**

- Sleeping Bag, pillow case (pillows are provided)
- Sun hat
- Gloves
- Warm clothes – Thermal underwear and fleeces a warm hat and scarf
- Non-slip deck shoes or trainers and sailing wellies if you have them.
- Swim suit, suntan lotion, sunglasses
- Wash kit and towel
- RYA log book if you have one
- For voyages of more than 3 days – passport and European medical card
- Seasick Tablets
- Foul weather gear is supplied so no need to bring your own.

**Included:**

Meals and soft drinks taken on board; loan of good quality waterproofs; automatic life jackets.

**Not Included:**

No voyage would be complete without visiting the superb pubs and restaurants; so some meals may be

taken ashore. The cost of these meals and drinks ashore is not covered by your voyage fee. Transport to and from the ports of embarkation.

**Travel Insurance.**

(Travel Insurance is required). Travel insurance designed specifically for sailing holidays is available on line at Topsail Insurance <http://www.topsailinsurance.co.uk/a/AJ> (Single trip for yachtsmen, tall ship voyages and annual travel insurance.)

Drinking during the day is strongly discouraged, however once tucked up on a mooring for the night, one of the first jobs is to crack open a bottle to celebrate sundown and the end of another lovely day's sail. AJ carries a stock of wine and beer which can be purchased at reasonable cost, or you can bring your own.

**Skipper:**

Your Skipper has extensive experience of coastal and ocean sailing and is commercially qualified.

**Involvement Level:**

Hands-on sailing, watch-keeping on longer voyages, navigation if you wish, some food preparation and washing up.

**How to find us if joining in the Solent:****Public Transport**

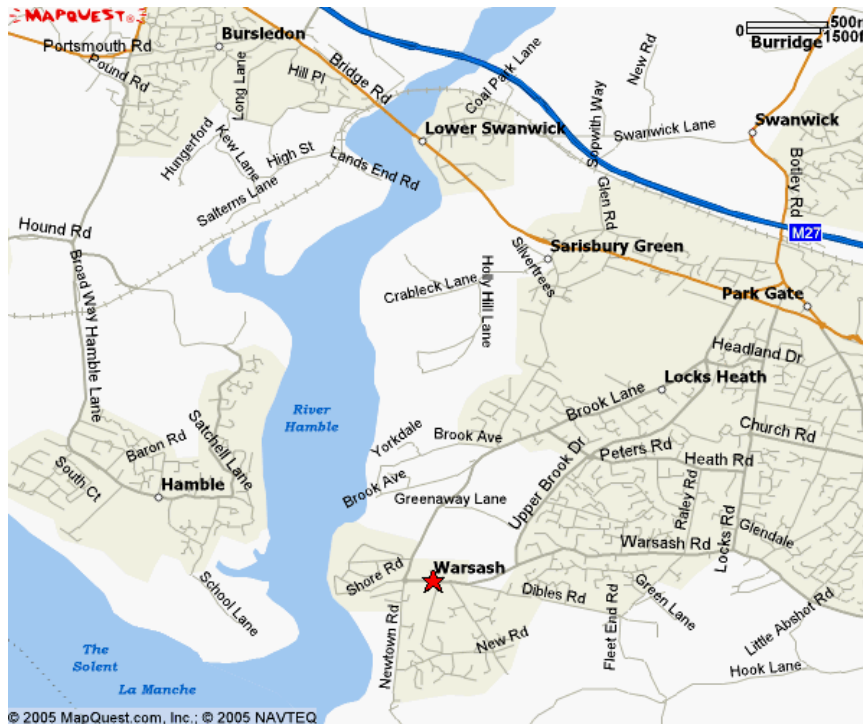
Hamble station is approx 1 mile outside of the town. A bus or Taxi can be used to complete the journey to the Hamble town centre. Phone the skipper on arrival and you will be picked up at the Town Quay near the Bugle PH to take you out to the boat. If you wish to use a Taxi, we recommend pre-booking as there is no taxi rank at the station. Tel 02380406633

**By Road.**

- From the west, take the Hamble turning J8 (A3024) from the M27 and turn right. At the first roundabout take the first exit (A27) towards Bursledon. After 3 miles, at the top of a hill turn right into Barnes Lane, signposted Warsash. At the T junction turn right into Brook Lane. After 0.7 miles, take the 3<sup>rd</sup> exit off the

roundabout into Shore Road. You will pass a large car park on your right where you will eventually park, but for now follow the road around to the left and park in the short-stay car park opposite the Rising Sun PH. Parking is free in Warsash!!

- From the East, take the Fareham West turning J9 and turn left. At the first roundabout take the 5<sup>th</sup> exit (A27). At the 3<sup>rd</sup> roundabout take the 1<sup>st</sup> exit towards Warsash. At the next roundabout turn right into Brook Lane.



## Accommodation

If you would like to stay before or after your voyage, here is a selection of reasonable cost local B&Bs. We have not personally tried these; please let us know if any are unsuitable.

- **Twin Oaks** 3 Upper Northam Road, Hedge End, SO30 4EA Tel: 01489 690054
- **The Spinnaker** Bridge Road, Lower Swanwick, Southampton, SO31 7EB Tel: 01489572123 Fax: 01489 577394
- **Strawberry Cottage** Shamblehurst Manor, Old Shamblehurst Lane, Hedge End, SO302RX Tel: 01489 795289 Mobile: 07889 630649
- **Steeple Court Farm** Church Lane, Botley, SO30 2EQ Tel: 01489 788738 or 01489 798824
- **Solent View** 361 Warsash Road, Titchfield Common, Fareham, Hampshire, PO14 4LL Tel: 01489 582666 Fax: 01489 588277
- **Montana Guest House** 90 Lower Northam Road, Hedge End, Southampton SO30 4FT Tel/Fax: 01489782797
- **Farthings**  
School Lane, Hamble, SO31 4JD Tel: 023 8045 2009