



Friends of the Museum
CRUISES



About **CRUISES**

In addition to the more than 320 boats in the general collection, the Antique Boat Museum maintains an In-Water Fleet available for exclusive use by *Friends of the Museum*.

One of the most popular privileges we extend to our *Friends* is the opportunity to cruise, for up to four hours, in one of our In-Water Fleet boats. The modest fuel fee helps to defray the maintenance costs and, more importantly, ensures that our collection of in-water boats will be available for generations to come.

All Museum captains are licensed by the United States Coast Guard and are experienced River boaters. Captains volunteer their time to provide you with a safe and enjoyable River experience. A gratuity for your captain and crew is very much appreciated.

Zipper

Zipper is the flagship of the Museum's In-Water Fleet of classic wooden boats. Built in 1974, she is 41' in length and can carry up to 17 passengers plus captain and crew. *Zipper* has become a well-recognized ambassador of the Museum at events throughout the 1000 Islands and beyond. She has traveled with *Friends of the Museum* to Ottawa, Montreal and to Lake Champlain.

Learn more:

Zipper

See her in action:

Zipper



George Fischer photo

Zipper is available for up to four hours
at **\$110 per hour.**

Gadfly

Gadfly, one of the larger Hutchinson sedan commuters, spent a good portion of her life in Michigan before being donated to the Museum in 1994. She is assigned to the Museum's In-Water Fleet and has provided hundreds of Museum patrons with the opportunity to enjoy traveling on the River in the secure comfort that is the embodiment of her style.

Kent O. Smith photo



Learn more:

Gadfly

See her in action:

Gadfly

Gadfly is available for up to four hours
at **\$85 per hour.**

Flat Top

Flat Top was owned by country music star Alan Jackson who chose that name as a reference to the flat top steel-string acoustic guitars he commonly used. *Flat Top* is one of 36 semi-enclosed cruisers built by Chris-Craft. In 2002, Jackson purchased the boat from the original owner on Lake Chautauqua, New York and transported it to Woodbury, Tennessee to undergo extensive restoration work at Hickman Wooden Boat Works. *Flat Top* now features pristine woodwork and artistry, both interior and exterior, while retaining its original look.

Learn more:

Flat Top

See her in action:

Flat Top



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at **\$85 per hour.**

Teal

Teal, a 1988 Gar Wood triple-cockpit runabout, is 28' in length and will seat six passengers and captain. Gar Wood Custom Boats, owned by the Turcotte brothers of Brant Lake, New York are among the finest craftsmen now building mahogany runabouts to traditional designs, in their case, by the legendary Gar Wood.



Learn more:

Teal

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Miss 1000 Islands III

Miss 1000 Islands III is a 30' John Hacker. This truly American type was popularized in the early years of the 20th century by designers such as Gar Wood, Chris Smith and John Hacker, who created boats that went fast and looked good. Hacker Craft is one of the most recognizable names amongst wooden boats today and it is the Museum's pleasure to share the experience of riding in a boat such as this one. She will accommodate six passengers and captain.



Miss 1000 Islands III is available for special *Friends* charters after 4pm daily for an **\$85 per hour** charter fee.

CRUISE *Booking & Details*

Friends cruises can be scheduled with Matt Perrin, Administrative Assistant, by phone at 315.686.4104 ext. 247 Monday - Friday from 9 am until 4:30 pm or by email at mattperrin@abm.org.

- Reservations must be made 48 hours in advance and are first come, first served.
- Pick-ups and Drop-offs at other U.S. locations are possible but dependent on water depth and dock size. Rates reflect travel times to and from the Museum.
- In the event that the Museum needs to cancel your ride due to weather, we will reschedule your cruise.
- ABM boats cruising through international waters along the St. Lawrence River are subject to all US and Canadian Maritime Laws.