

# Sailing Resume – Simon Roberts

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- Citizenship: Dual, United States and United Kingdom
- 3000 sea miles as of February 2026



## Sailing qualifications:

- RYA Yachtmaster Offshore sail – commercial & STCW endorsements
- RYA Powerboat level 2 – commercial endorsement
- Basic STCW issued April 2025
- ENG-1 seafarer medical issued April 2025
- Short Range Certificate (SRC)
- American Sailing Association Qualified Instructor, IQCs: 201, 202, 203, 204, 214, 216, 218

## Skipper experience:

- April 2026, River Orwell and Felixstowe coast, Jeanneau 40, 1 day, winds to F5, seas to 1.5 metres
- February 2026, Florida/Alabama coast, Seaward 25, 4 days, winds to F4, seas to 1 metre
- October 2025, Sea of Cortez, Baja California, Dufour 460, 7 days, winds to F6, seas to 2 metres
- September 2025, Adriatic, Croatia, Lagoon 42, 7 days, winds to F6, seas to 2 metres
- April 2025, English Channel, Brighton, Beneteau First 36.7, 1 day + night, winds F3
- April - October 2025, mountain lakes, Colorado, J/22, 26 ASA classes taught, winds to F6
- April - October 2025, mountain lakes, Colorado, J/22, 9 days, winds to F7
- November/December 2024, Sea of Abaco, Bahamas, Lagoon 42, 7 days, winds to F5, seas to 1.5 metres
- April - October 2024, mountain lakes, Colorado, J/22, 20 days, winds to F7
- November 2023, Key Largo, Florida, Lagoon 37, 2 days, winds to F4
- April - October 2023, mountain lakes, Colorado, J/22, 25 days, winds to F5

## Sailing experience as crew:

2026:

- Pensacola Bay, Florida, & ICW, commissioning and shakedown involving updates to the engine cooling system and installation of new navigation electronics and autopilot. 6 days, winds to F4. Seaward 25.

2025:

- November, Blue water passage from St George, Bermuda, to Marigot, St Martin. 6 day passage, 880 nM, solo night watches 3 on 6 off, winds to F5, seas to 2.5 metres. Beneteau 50.
- November, Blue water passage from Hampton, VA to Hamilton, Bermuda. 5 day passage, 700 nM, solo night watches 3 on 6 off, winds to F4, seas to 2 metres. Beneteau 50.
- November, Coastal passage from Atlantic City, NJ to Hampton, VA. 30 hour passage, 160 nM, solo night watches, 3 on, 6 off. Beneteau 50.
- August, Apostle Islands Lake Superior, Seaward 25, 5 days, winds to F5

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## Sailing experience as crew (cont):

2024:

- October, Otranto, Italy, Cyclades 39.3, wind to F3
- August, Apostle Islands, Lake Superior, Seaward 25, 5 days, winds to F6.
- June, Pueblo Reservoir, Colorado, Seaward 25, 2 days, winds to F4
- April - October, Chatfield reservoir, Colorado, J/22, 10 racing, winds to F6

2023:

- Colorado mountain lakes, Catalina 22, 3 days
- San Francisco Bay, Catalina 320, 1 day, winds to F6, seas to 2 metres
- Lake Dillon, Colorado, Columbia 8.3, 1 day, winds to F6
- Canyon Lake, Texas, Hunter 375, 3 days, winds to F5

## Training

2026

- Currently studying ASA 107 – Celestial Navigation
- 3 days RYA Yachtmaster Offshore exam prep, Jeanneau 40
- 2 days RYA Powerboat level 2
- 5 days ASA Instructor Qualification Clinics: ASA 204, 214, 216, 218
- 3 day hands-on Diesel maintenance and repair class covering concepts, systems, maintenance, fault finding, repairs and tuning with Victoria Sailing School, Denver, Colorado.

2025:

- RYA Professional Practices and Responsibilities, self-study
- Basic STCW training (Personal Survival Techniques, Fire Prevention and Fire Fighting, Elementary First Aid, Proficiency in Security Awareness, Personal Safety and Social Responsibility), 5 days
- Yachtmaster exam prep, 4 days, Beneteau First 36.7
- RYA Yachtmaster Theory. Exam invigilated
- RYA Coastal Skipper, 5 days liveaboard, Beneteau First 36.7

2024:

- Spinnaker handling class, 3 days, J/22 + self-study theory
- RYA Day Skipper, 5 days, Beneteau First 36.7, Elan 380
- RYA Competent Crew, 5 days, Beneteau First 36.7
- RYA Day Skipper Theory

2023:

- ASA 114 (cruising catamaran), 2 days, Lagoon 37
- ASA 105 (coastal navigation), self-study
- ASA 104 (bareboat cruising), 3 days, Catalina 31
- ASA 103 (basic coastal cruising), 5 days, J/22
- ASA 101 (basic keelboat), 4 days, J/22

## References

- Capt. Tibor Van den Wildenbergh, Owner Victoria Sailing School – [tibor@victoriasailingschool.com](mailto:tibor@victoriasailingschool.com)
- Ash Pilki, RYA instructor – [apc.marineservices@gmail.com](mailto:apc.marineservices@gmail.com)
- Mihail Ribic "Mish", RYA instructor – [misaribic@hotmail.com](mailto:misaribic@hotmail.com)
- Steven Leitch, USCG Captain: 100t near offshore / sail – [sleitch@clearhealthcloud.com](mailto:sleitch@clearhealthcloud.com)
- Michael Smith, owner of Seaward 25 "Athena" – [michael.smith@teachconstruction.org](mailto:michael.smith@teachconstruction.org)

## Personal information

My professional life began building and programming industrial control systems such as welding robots and food processing plants. Later, I shifted focus to become a corporate trainer, teaching computer programming, software design, architecture, and security. I have training materials published through O'Reilly, Pearson, Coursera, and YouTube.

For much of my career I've been self employed. This allowed me to pursue other interests professionally alongside my core business. I am an FAA certificated pilot and flight instructor. Recreationally I fly antique aircraft such as the Piper Cub, experimental aircraft, and tow gliders in the foothills of the Rocky Mountains.

I'm an enthusiastic photographer. I photographed 35 weddings, and taught a few photography classes for the art department of a local high school.

I'm technically and electronically adept; I've extensive experience in maintenance, troubleshooting, and repair work on gasoline automobiles, and marine diesel engines, in addition to a three day in-depth, hands-on, class on diesel engines. I also have an amateur radio license, and design and build electronic gadgets.

I'm currently working on basic SCUBA certification, have completed the classroom and pool training and expect to complete my certification dives in late June 2026.

I speak functional French (perhaps B1~B2 level), and read fiction in the language to build and maintain my skills. I love to sing, host frequent karaoke parties, and have performed in amateur stage productions.

## Other information

- Royal Yachting Association member number: 921023385
- American Sailing Association member number: 2023195213
- FAA Certificated Pilot & Flight Instructor certificate #2729630
- YouTube (computer) training channel: <https://www.youtube.com/@DancingCloudServices>
- U.S. Amateur "extra" radio license: KF0HCK