

# Swanning About Charters

## General Information

1. Guests WILL enjoy themselves.
2. “Song and Dance” will be based at Chatham Maritime Marina.
3. Fees for standard Charters commencing and ending at Chatham will be approx £1200 per day (0930 to 1700), and £550 for a morning (0930-1230) or an afternoon (1430-1730). The exact amount will depend on the charterer’s requirements. Charters to cover special events, Cowes Week, and evening charters will be priced on application. **All fees include VAT.**
4. Charters from/to other marinas will be costed individually. Some of the other marinas in SE England you might like to consider are at St Katherines Dock, Limehouse, Galleons Point, Gravesend, Ramsgate and Dover.
5. The Charter fee will include use of the vessel (excluding private accommodation), crew, and a fuel allowance, to be determined for each charter. We reserve the right to surcharge for additional fuel used at £2.00 per mile or such other sum as we may agree.
6. Mooring / harbour fees incurred during the charter will be the responsibility of the charterer and be payable immediately.
7. The skipper will permit (and encourage) guests to drive the vessel when he deems it safe to do so.
8. The skipper and crew will do all they reasonably can to make the charter enjoyable. However, the skipper’s over-riding duty is to ensure the safety of the vessel and all on board. It is vital, therefore that all guests understand that the skipper’s instructions must be followed at all times.
9. Smoking is not permitted on board.
10. If any guest takes any action or behaves in such a way that the skipper considers the safety of the vessel or anyone on board is being put at risk, he will end the charter, and take such action as he deems proper to preserve the vessel and ensure all on board are put at no further risk.
11. Breakages and spillages are inevitable from time to time, but the booking conditions provide that any damage caused as a result of guest’s **recklessness** is to be made good at the charterer’s expense. If a guest is worse for drink, his actions will be deemed to be reckless.
12. Life Jackets will be available for all on board, and **MUST** be worn whenever the skipper requires. In fact, our modern life-jackets are unobtrusive and comfortable, and many people choose to wear them all the time they are afloat. They are, after all, no use at all unless worn!
13. Destinations from Chatham include....
  - a. London...under the QE2 bridge, through the Thames Barrier, under Tower Bridge
  - b. S. E. Essex and its creeks
  - c. N Kent Coast/ Thanet
  - d. Faversham/Oare Creeks...The Swale
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