

David & Amy Alton

Amy's family has been in the maritime industry for three generations. She grew up taking trips on her uncle's boat, sailing at summer camp, and generally running around OSVs and passenger vessels. She began working for her dad at age 15, and when he passed away she bought his passenger vessel business and ran it for 5 years before selling it to take off on a five-year circumnavigation. Amy has a degree in Mechanical Engineering, and has been a USCG 100 Ton licensed captain since October 2012. Amy also writes for *Cruising World* magazine.

David's first big sailing experience was with Amy's Dad, and he took off from there. David sailed for recreation on their sailboat until he got his captain's license and came to work for Amy as a captain. David is now the Captain of Starry Horizons, on a five-year circumnavigation, and is responsible for the wellbeing of the crew and boat. David has a degree in Finance, and has been a USCG 100 Ton licensed captain since January 2013.

Amy and David run the brand Out Chasing Stars, and have a travel blog, Facebook page, and YouTube channel under the brand. Media kits are available upon request.

Yachting Experience

Star Cat: 30 foot Maine Cat catamaran sailed for personal coastal day trips, January 2010 - August 2014

Star Fleet, LP: A fleet of five passenger vessels, ranging from the Star Cat to the 100-foot, 150-passenger Star Gazer. Amy owned the business for five years, and worked as a captain as needed. David worked as a captain for two years and 235 cruises.

Julia: Amy and David lived aboard Julia, a 44-foot catamaran, as crew for 35 days, assisting the new owners in sailing the boat from Portland, Oregon to Hilo, Hawaii.

Starry Horizons: Amy and David moved aboard the 44-foot catamaran in October 2014 and have sailed nearly 30,000nm from France to Australia. The longest passage was 4,200 nm, done in 26 days without additional crew.

References

Nick Maudlin

Formerly Director of Marine Operations at Star Fleet, Nick reported directly to Amy, supervised David, and taught them both sailing skills.

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