

# ***Sail the San Blas Islands of Panama***



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Escape to Panama, "the path less traveled". Located off Panama's northeastern Caribbean coast is the breathtaking beautiful San Blas archipelago of 367 small islands inhabited by the Kuna Indians. Only 10 percent of the islands are occupied. The remaining islands are deserted with just beautiful palm trees and uninhabited beaches.

Come sail with me aboard my s/v ***Takes Me Away***, a 43' Beneteau. It has 3 cabins and 2 heads with warm water showers. This is an all-inclusive adventure.

Week-long, NLSC-endorsed sailing trips are available on a first-come basis during the months of February – March. I am flexible and will work with schedules of folks when they want to come. Each weekly trip will cost \$1,500 per participant. The cost of the trip includes sailing, snorkeling, cruising, and all food in this untouched part of Panama that is controlled by the Kuna Indians. Each trip may have up to 4 participants in addition to the captain.

If you desire to learn or practice your sailing or navigating techniques, I will be happy to assist you. I have been a sailing instructor for Sailboats, Inc. the largest charter and sailing school in the Midwest, as well as Womanship, and Women in the Wind.



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Dates arranged upon special request for February and March.

This opportunity is for persons with all levels of sailing experience. Reserve your berth today for the most relaxing and rewarding vacation of your lifetime. Singles, couples, and families are welcome.

To embark on the San Blas sailing trip, you will first fly into Tocumen

International airport in Panama City, Panama (PTY). There are flights from MSP to PTY via Delta, American, and Continental. You are responsible for obtaining your own airline ticket and reservations.

Usually when folks make up their mind that they want to come and have dates that they can come, I work with them to see if the dates are available for the boat, and then help them with the motels and the flight to Corazon de Jesus. I recommend they get a time frame when they want to come, see if they can get the Panama City to Corazon de Jesus flight, then work on their Mpls to Panama flight. The dates for the charters are flexible.

After flying into Panama City (PTY), I recommend that you plan to stay overnight in a motel for at least one night as all 3 airlines arrive in the evening, and you cannot leave to fly to the San Blas Islands until the next day. Flying in is the only way to the San Blas Islands as this area of Panama where you are going has no roads into it. You will need to fly to the island of Corazon de Jesus in the San Blas Islands via Air Panama airline. The airplane is a Cessna, which seats 12-people and flies out of a different airport than the bigger airlines use - Marcos A. Gelabert airport in Albrook. Here is contact information for Air Panama. [www.flyairpanama.com](http://www.flyairpanama.com) or call 011 507 316 9000 or 011 507 316 9023

Motels in Panama City range in cost from \$40 to \$50 per night for moderate accommodations. You could stay in Panama City for a few days and do some touring if you wish before starting the sailing portion of your trip.



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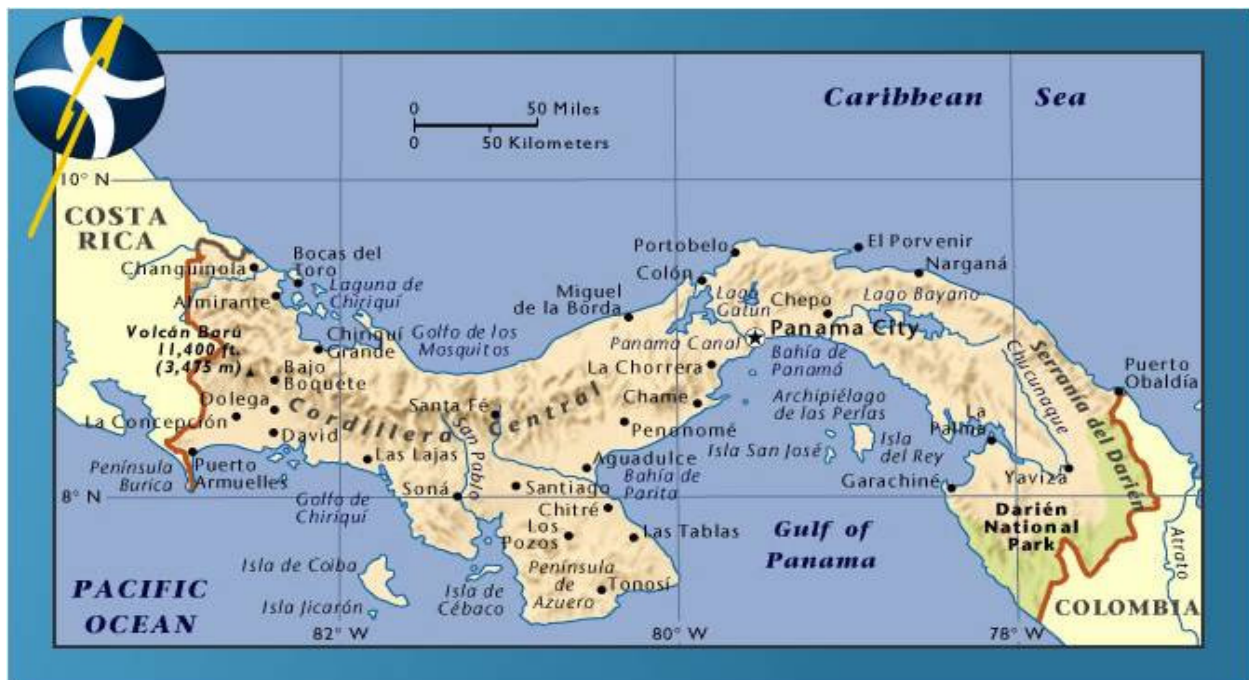
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The airport on Corazon de Jesus has an open-air ticket counter that is staffed with attendants only during arrivals and departures. The attendants arrive to work from the next island via their dugout canoes. I will meet you at this airport and take you to the boat.

We will start our sail by visiting some of the different islands and villages. The sails will be 2 to 6 hours long depending upon the crew's preferences. I am very willing to relinquish the helm and the lines to all who want to practice their sailing skills. If you need assistance, I will be there to guide and teach you. We will swim, sail, relax, beach comb, snorkel, and just kick back and enjoy the beautiful and unspoiled scenery of the islands. We will visit different islands each day or just hang out on one for a couple days, if your heart so desires. This is a National Geographic experience.

Each captained-charter is for one week. During your week, you will have your berth on the sailboat, all the breakfasts, lunches, and dinners eaten on the boat, moderate amounts of alcohol, and me as your sailing guide and tour director. The islands (not shown on the following map) are located on the NE coast of Panama between El Porvenir and Puerto Obaldia.



The 43 ft. Beneteau can accommodate four guests very comfortably with two people sharing each double stateroom. There are two showers and heads, hot water, a spacious galley, a roomy cockpit and a swim platform; she sails beautifully. Sailing times are available for January, February and March.

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Half of the fee is due upon booking and the balance on the start of the cruise. If you have questions or would like more information, please call Captain Dianne Siebrasse, at (612) 724-5195 or send an email to [Dianne.s@ix.netcom.com](mailto:Dianne.s@ix.netcom.com). For more information check out the ***Takes Me Away Sailing Adventures*** web site at [www.takesmeaway.com](http://www.takesmeaway.com).

