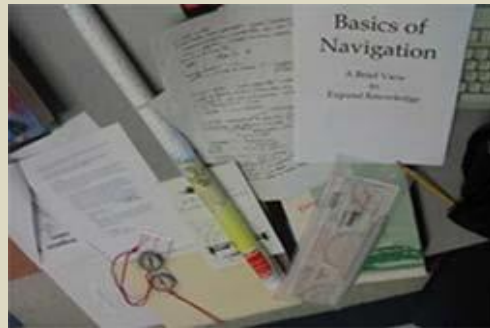


CTPC Basic Navigation

Thoughts

Compass, charts, and tide tables: what do they all mean? How do you use them to plot a course and navigate your craft to your chosen destination? Come and find out how to do just that.



Prerequisites: *None*

Next Step:

ACA Level 3 or 4 Skills classes

Topics Covered

We will discover the fun of chart work and kayak navigation through this guided experience. We will cover trip planning, chart reading, course plotting, on-water navigation, route finding and more.

Details and Requirements

This 3 - 6 hour clinic is designed for the intermediate to advanced paddler. We recommend that students have completed at least Level-2 curriculum, such as an ACA Essentials course. The course is planned for group participation in a suitable coastal environment such as a bay, cove or estuary.

Basic Equipment includes a properly outfitted kayak or canoe with paddle and appropriate safety equipment including PFD, spray skirt, paddle float, pump or bailer and sling. This equipment will be provided for the beginner, although it is best to use your own equipment if available. Please advise us on any equipment you may need prior to the class.

Personal Equipment recommendations include clothing suitable for immersion (synthetics, no cotton) and water shoes (no open-sided sandals). The student should come prepared for brief periods of immersion while practicing certain skills. Some students prefer to use nose-clips, earplugs, and/or swim goggles during immersion – all are acceptable, though generally not required. Other items of personal responsibility include: sunglasses, sunscreen, hat with visor, bug repellent and spare (dry) clothing. In cooler weather or on windy days a wind breaker may also offer comfort.

NOTE: We are not responsible for lost or damaged personal items. Plan to leave electronic keys, cell phones, etc. on shore or in a floating, waterproof container. Consider retention aids for prescription glasses, hats and other items dear to you.

Special Requirements

Please bring your desire to have fun and a spirit of adventure. In order to best serve you please advise us of any personal issues when registering so that we can prepare in advance for special needs or equipment. Let us know in confidence of any medical issues prior to the start of class. We can accommodate most concerns.

Costs and Fees

| Class Fee | Boat and Gear Rental | CTPC Participation Card |
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| Inquire | Available, inquire | Available on request |