



Yankee Lady IV on the Toronto Harbour

Congratulations!

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We would like to personally congratulate you on your engagement and are happy to be considered for the planning and hosting of your big day!

We understand how important your wedding day is -- one of the most memorable days of your life. Yankee Lady has been hosting weddings for over three decades. We offer something most venues can't - a no-stress, romantic, personalized, entertaining and unforgettable experience in the middle of the Toronto Harbour - with a view like no other!

Who We Are

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Yankee Lady is a family owned and operated business dedicated to personalized and exceptional service.

It all started in the early 80s when John and Jim Greeley partnered up to purchase their first cruise boat, Yankee Lady I; a 50 passenger boat ready to make its mark on the harbour.

In 1989 Yankee Lady II, a 100 passenger yacht, was purchased and started cruising Toronto Harbour with her smaller sister ship. With dreams of growing bigger, and providing a larger venue to the Toronto community for their weddings, and company parties, John started designing Yankee Lady III in the mid 90s. While attending Marine Survey School in Florida, John spent his winter developing and designing their dream yacht.

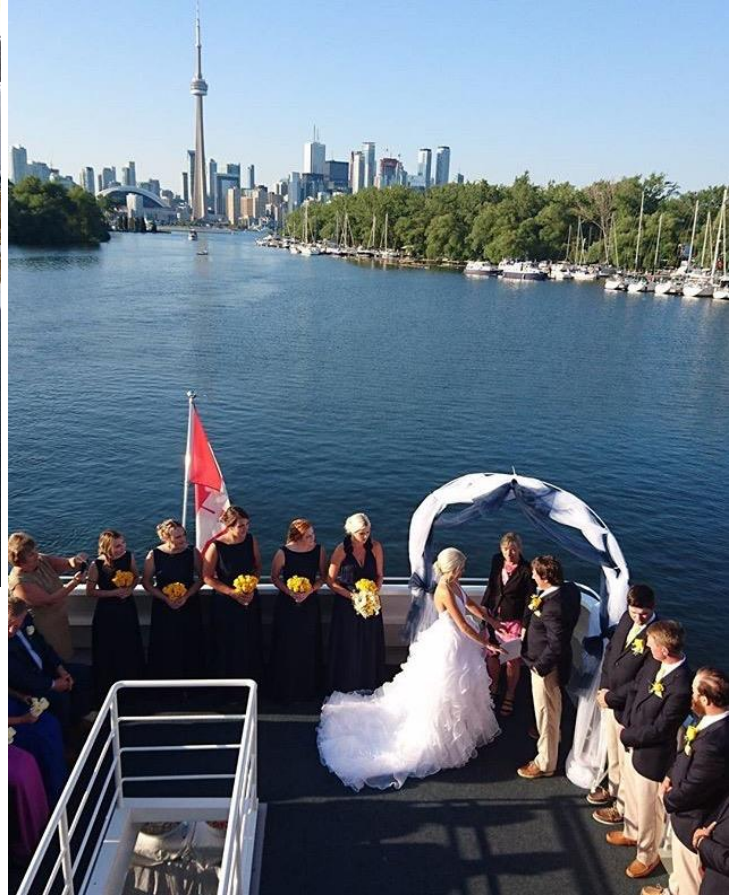
Over 22 months starting in the summer of 1995, what was drawn on paper slowly became a reality for John and Jim. With the help of others, Yankee Lady III was built with their own hands. She started operating as a Toronto cruise boat in 1997. With the capability of carrying 280 passengers, she was named the most beautiful passenger ship in Toronto Harbour. In late 2003 the cousins had plans to start to build Yankee Lady IV. After negotiating for land to build their newest ship right here in Toronto's waterfront, John and Jim started to build IV based on III's design, but with some additions including the addition of heating and air conditioning.

Yankee Lady IV started operating the summer of 2006, the same year that Yankee Lady I and II were sold. Yankee Lady I became Sea Voyager and cruised Toronto Harbour with a new owner for three years until she was sold and moved to Montreal. Yankee Lady II has been renamed Escape TO and currently operates in Toronto under new ownership.

We now offer cruises from mid April until late October specializing in weddings, corporate functions, private parties and themed public cruises.

We offer a full service venue, everything from catering, entertainment, a wedding official, décor, cakes, makeup, flowers, and much more.





*Wedding décor/setup as
requested by our clients*

From the smallest detail to the largest task, our team is there for you at every turn.

Here's what our team can do for you:

- Consult with you and listen to what your *dream wedding* consists of.
 - Formulate and customize the event to your wants and needs based on -
 - Food and beverage
 - Decor
 - Entertainment/Suppliers
 - Set-Ups
 - Budget. etc
 - Advise you on how a boat wedding is different than at a land venue:
 - Guide you on what is allowed and possible on a ship
 - How liquor laws on the ships are different than those of a land venue
 - Advise on ceremony and reception set ups
 - What can or cannot be done safely on a ship.
 - Provide contracts, terms of charter and payment options
 - Be here for your questions and needs from start to finish.
 - Event plan and coordinate your detailed notes for the day
 - Have our highly trained cruise directors execute your event details
 - Our ship's crew will ensure your safety and take you on a picturesque cruise
 - Wish you all the best for the future.
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Customize your Wedding

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We at Yankee Lady Yacht Charters take great pride in designing your special day to meet your requirements and budget. Traditional or non traditional, themed or simple, our team will be happy to put together something just for you!

Our wedding structure is fully customizable and as easy as these five steps:

1. Choose the day of the week, time of day and length of your cruise
2. Choose a menu whether buffet style, plated, or cocktail style
3. Choose your decor
4. Choose your bar style
5. Choose your entertainment



For how we price out things and our charter rates please check out www.yankeelady.ca/charter-rates/

Menu

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One of the most important components of a great wedding is the food. We strive to make your wedding experience exceptional, with the best catering, staff, servers and presentation. Whether it's a casual buffet, pass-around hors d'oeuvres or plated service, we offer fresh and delicious menus every time. We accommodate any dietary needs or restrictions upon request: vegetarian, vegan, kosher, halal, allergies, etc.

All of our menus are completely customizable to your preferences. All of our menus may be found on line at www.yankeelady.ca/menu/



Decor

Favourite colours. Dressed up tables. Florals. Backdrops. Lighting. Tuille.

As a full service venue, Yankee Lady can assist with:

- Chair covers and sashes
- Linens
- Balloons
- Florals - bridal and centrepieces
- Wedding arch
- Red carpet
- Decorated railings
- Backdrops
- Lighting
- Specialty furniture and rentals



Bar Options

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Depending on your budget and needs, Yankee Lady will offer a bar to your specifications.....here are the options. Please note we are liquor licensed and all beverages must come through us.

Cash bar – patrons purchase their own drinks. We accept cash, Visa, MasterCard, American Express and debit. Guests may run tabs with a credit card.

Consumption Bar – a bar deposit of \$35.00 per person must be paid prior to the cruise. Final charges will be based on actual consumption. Monies will either be owing or reimbursed post cruise.

Pre-purchased Drink tickets – may be redeemed for any beverage on the bar . These may be purchased for house or premium brands.

Combination Bar – e.g. charterer purchases wine for dinner, but other beverages are offered in a cash bar format. Specific brands may be ordered on request.

Non-alcoholic bars are available - Don't drink alcohol? No problem. We have a variety of soft drinks and juices.

For current pricing please check out www.yankeelady.ca/bar/



Entertainment

Want or need that something extra to enhance your already spectacular day? Here are some ideas we have done in the past:

- DJ - let our great team of disc jockeys play all your favourite tunes and feature your favourite genre of music. Requests taken too!
- Band - one person, up to a 5 piece band can easily be accommodated on the ship. Whether you select your own, or wish us to source for you....this is always an option.
- Photo Booth
 - Digibooth
 - Hard photobooth
 - Photographer taking posed and candid shots
 - Personalized frames
- Caricaturist - souvenirs for your guests....drawn on the spot.
- Fortune Teller
- Handwriting analysis
- Palm reader
- Casino - a myriad of games to choose from
- Magician - a show, or walking around doing tricks
- Karaoke - sing along to your favourite tunes
- Games - we'd be happy to lead some for you.
- Dancers
- Impersonators
- A performance by Elvis
- Let your imagination take you.....



DigiBooth



Caricaturist - Jan Walsh

Frequently Asked Questions

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How many people can you accommodate?

While we are certified to carry a maximum of 300 people including all passengers, crew and service staff, this is not a comfortable number for a wedding.

We can provide:

- Sitting for 100 on our main deck
- Sitting for 150 over two decks
- Cocktail style set up for up to 250

Can we get married on board?

Yes you can! But contrary to what some people may believe, our captain cannot marry you...you need a proper wedding official. And yes, we have a list of officials who have performed services on board before. If you have someone in mind, you may certainly use them as well.

Where do we get married on board?

In most cases, we set up the ceremony on the back, open deck of the second floor of our ship. We take the ship into the Island Lagoons over towards Hanlon's Point, and stop the vessel. You will have the Toronto skyline in the backdrop of your service, while you are surrounded by water, local wildlife (swans), yachts, and greenery. Beautiful! Of course if you would prefer another location on the ship, we'd be happy to do that as well.

How long is the cruise?

How long do you want it to be? In general, couples want at least five hours. If you are planning on getting married on board, with a reception, we suggest six hours. Of course you can have less, or more depending on your itinerary and your needs. You may also decide on the day of your event to purchase more time.

What kind of food is available?

We have sit-down, buffet-style, and cocktail style menus. We are here to customize your event to suit your needs. We have a variety of menus listed in this package; however, we would be happy to put a specialized menu together for you.

What about people with special dietary needs?

Just let us know what they are ahead of time, and we'll do our best to accommodate or prepare something special.

Can we bring our own catering?

We allow outside catering, however, there are rules and costs associated. Your caterer must meet with us to look at the facilities and discuss with us what is required. Your caterer must be insured, and we must be added as an additional insured. They must provide everything required for food service. There is a fee based on what you are doing, and what you require from us. Ask us for more details.

If we have our own caterer, can they bring the alcohol?

No. We are a liquor licensed establishment and all alcohol, by law, must come through our liquor license. In addition, we do not allow outside caterers to bring non alcoholic beverages. All beverages must come through us.

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Can I decorate?

We can certainly provide décor for you, but if you'd like to make your own centrepieces or hire an outside decorator we will work with you. Note, we can provide one hour directly prior to your event for outside decorators. If they need more time, and the ship is available, there will be an additional fee. No more than 5 people will be permitted to come on board to help decorate.

What decorations are there?

The ship comes with white tablecloths and napkins. We can certainly add chair covers, coloured linens, centrepieces, wedding arch, flowers, railing décor, etc. Let us know what you would like. Some of our wedding packages include these extras, while others do not. But we can customize to suit.

What if it rains?

We cruise rain or shine. There is plenty of indoor space on our ships where your guests will not get wet, and the views of the city are just as spectacular from our large dining room windows.

Are you wheelchair accessible?

We can certainly get a wheelchair on board, with our specially made gangways, and a person in a wheelchair can access all food and beverage service as well as an outdoor deck. They will not have access to the upper two decks, nor the washrooms below. If you have any guests with other

disabilities, please let us know. We'd like to ensure they have a great, safe experience!

How safe is it on the ship?

We are certified annually by Transport Canada Marine Safety. We carry over 300 adult life jackets, 30 children's life jackets, two 150 man life rafts, four (4) life rings, nine (9) fire extinguishers, a fire suppression system, flares, the proper horns, two VHF radios, etc. All of our crew are safety trained. At any time, if you or your passengers have any questions, please feel free to ask a staff member.

Can we have a tasting of the food?

Yes you may. We allow a tasting for two people free of charge. If you require more people to taste, there will be a fee per person. Tastings are generally done on board or at an offsite kitchen, and at a mutually agreeable time. We only do tastings with clients who have already booked.

Is there a dress code?

We would hope that people will dress in accordance with your desires or theme however a few guidelines: bring a light jacket or sweater ... it can get cool at night; while high heels are allowed ... the ship is moving, and high heels, stairs, and movement don't work together ... comfortable and practical is better.

What type of payments do you accept?

We take Visa, MasterCard, American Express, Debit, business cheque, cash and Paypal.

After the ship has left the dock, what if someone needs to get on or off?

We can always get you a water taxi. If someone missed the boat, if you need to get a wedding official off, or a guest needs to leave early, we can call for you. If you have a large number of people who would like to leave the ship at a certain time, and you want to still cruise afterwards, we can always make a "pitstop" at our regular dock. We would need to know this ahead of time.

How does the music work?

We have a DJ service we have used for many years. They are a great group of DJ's. We have you fill in a music profile, and you can be very specific on the list of songs played (or not played!). Sound is throughout our ship. We have a cordless microphone that may be used for your ceremony and/or for your speeches during your reception. Want to bring your own DJ? We do allow this...however, please discuss this with one of our wedding planners, as there are guidelines for this/patching in, etc.

Are children allowed on board?

The age restriction for private charters is at the discretion of the charterer. Our liquor license does not restrict minors from being on board. Please note that there are no specific life saving apparatus, i.e. life jackets, available for infants.

Where does the ship go?

In general, we follow the map, however, exactly where we go is determined by the Captain...he has your safety in mind and continually checks the traffic, wind direction, lake swells etc. You will have a smooth comfortable ride!



We at Yankee Lady Yacht Charters would love the opportunity to show you our ships and sit and discuss your wedding, engagement party, after-wedding celebration etc.

For an appointment please call

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Or email us at info@yankeelady.ca
