

**Star of Saugatuck Boat Cruises**  
**P.O. Box 654 – 716 Water Street, Saugatuck, MI 49453**

FACT SHEET

**Lower and Upper Deck Rental**  
 Cruise Length – 1½ Hours

**LOWER DECK**

Capacity: 70 Passengers (Seating with Buffet – 56 Passengers)

***MAY – JUNE – SEPTEMBER (After Labor Day) & OCTOBER***

SUNDAY Thru FRIDAY	BASE PRICE: Including up to 35 Passengers	\$504.00
SATURDAY & HOLIDAYS	BASE PRICE: Including up to 40 Passengers	\$576.00
Per person charge over Base Price:		\$ 15.30

***JULY 1<sup>ST</sup> Thru LABOR DAY***

MONDAY Thru FRIDAY (5 P.M.)	BASE PRICE: Including up to 70 Passengers	\$1,008.00
FRIDAY (After 5 p.m.) – SATURDAY – SUNDAY & HOLIDAYS		
	BASE PRICE: Including up to 70 Passengers	\$1,120.00

**UPPER DECK**

Capacity: 80 Passengers

***MAY – JUNE – SEPTEMBER (After Labor Day) & OCTOBER***

SUNDAY Thru THURSDAY	BASE PRICE: Including up to 50 Passengers	\$ 720.00
FRIDAY – SATURDAY & HOLIDAYS	BASE PRICE: Including up to 65 Passengers	\$ 936.50
Per person charge over Base Price:		\$ 15.30

***JULY 1<sup>ST</sup> Thru LABOR DAY***

MONDAY Thru THURSDAY	BASE PRICE: Including up to 80 Passengers	\$1,152.00
FRIDAY – SATURDAY – SUNDAY & HOLIDAYS		
	BASE PRICE: Including up to 80 Passengers	\$1,280.00

Cruise length is 1½ hours with the route being on the Kalamazoo River, Lake Kalamazoo and entering Lake Michigan with permitting lake conditions. If the captain determine that Lake Michigan is too rough to enter, the entirety of the cruise will be on the Kalamazoo River.

Rates quoted **do not** include any food or beverages (alcoholic or non-alcoholic).

Star of Saugatuck Boat Cruises reserves the right to sell any remaining tickets to the general public, or privately charter the other deck.

Groups renting the lower deck must allow upper deck passengers access to restrooms.

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**WHOLE BOAT RENTAL**  
**Upper Deck Capacity – 80**  
**Lower Deck Capacity – 70 (Set up with Buffet 56)**

**MAY – JUNE – SEPTEMBER (After Labor Day) – OCTOBER**

SUNDAY Thru THURSDAY                      **BASE PRICE: Including up to 50 Passengers**

1 ½ Hour Cruise	\$720.00	Per person charge over 50	\$15.30
2 Hour Cruise	\$970.60	Per person charge over 50	\$20.40

**MAY & OCTOBER**

FRIDAY – SATURDAY                      **BASE PRICE: Including up to 60 Passengers**

1½ Hour Cruise	\$864.00	Per person charge over 60	\$15.30
2 Hour Cruise	\$1,152.00	Per person charge over 60	\$20.40

**JUNE & SEPTEMBER**

FRIDAY & SATURDAY                      **BASE PRICE: Including up to 75 Passengers**

1½ Hour Cruise	\$1,080.00	Per person charge over 75	\$15.30
2 Hour Cruise	\$1,440.00	Per person charge over 75	\$20.40

**JULY 1<sup>ST</sup> through LABOR DAY**

MONDAY Thru FRIDAY (5 P.M.)                      **BASE PRICE: Including up to 100 Passengers**

1½ Hour Cruise	\$1,440.00	Per person charge over 100	\$15.30
2 Hour Cruise	\$1,920.00	Per person charge over 100	\$20.40

FRIDAY EVENING – SATURDAY – SUNDAY & HOLIDAY'S

**BASE PRICE: Including up to 100 Passengers**

1½ Hour Cruise	\$1,600.00	Per person charge over 100	\$17.00
2 Hour Cruise	\$2,133.00	Per person charge over 100	\$22.67

**WHOLE BOAT – 1 HOUR SPECIAL**

**June and July – 6:45 to 7:45 p.m.**

**BASE PRICE: Including up to 75 Passengers**

MONDAY Thru THURSDAY	\$ 720.00	Per person charge over 75	\$ 9.50
FRIDAY - SATURDAY – SUNDAY & HOLIDAYS	\$ 787.00	Per person charge over 75	\$10.50

**DOCKSIDE MOORING:** If you wish to return after your cruise and moor dockside to continue your party we can do so for a \$300.00 per hour dockside mooring fee. Minimum cruise time is **1½ hours**. Please note that passengers leaving the boat will not be allowed to return back onboard at a later time.

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**DEPOSIT:** Charters require a \$300.00 deposit (\$500.00 if total cost is over \$1,000.00) **14 days** after receiving your contract, with the balance due **30 days** prior to your departure date. **Total cancellation of your cruise made less than 30 days out will forfeit their entire deposit, unless the charter is rescheduled.** Bar tabs may be paid after your cruise.

**ACCEPTED PAYMENT:** Payment accepted is cash, personal or organizational check or a debit card. **Sorry, NO credit cards.**

**GRATUITY:** Gratuities are not included in the cost of the cruise. It is left up to your discretion if you wish to leave a gratuity for the crew.

**REFUNDS:** A full refund will be made (by company check) if cruise is cancelled due to severe weather, strong winds, heavy rain, weather warning or mechanical failure ONLY. Cruises will depart in the event of rain or snow, and there will not be any adjustments made in pricing if fewer persons attend for whatever reason. **If the boat may not leave the dock due to a mechanical failure or weather, you may hold your event onboard for 1 ½ hours, dockside, for a \$400.00 usage fee.**

**BEVERAGES:** The Star of Saugatuck holds a state of Michigan liquor license. We sell beer, wine, wine coolers, mixed drinks, soft drinks, bottled water, chips and candy. We are more than happy to work with you for your beverage needs for your event.

You may have a cash bar, run a tab (your choice of beverages or full bar) or issue drink tickets with it becoming a cash bar after the tickets have been used.

You may **not** bring your own alcoholic beverages onboard the Star of Saugatuck. Anyone bringing alcohol onboard will cause **immediate termination** of the charter, without refund. Alcoholic beverages may **not** be taken off the boat.

Please drink responsibly. We want everyone to have a great time while onboard during your cruise, BUT we are not a “booze cruise” and if this is what you desire we would suggest that you charter another boat. We strongly urge you to have designated drivers, or provide transportation for your guests if they will be drinking. The Saugatuck/Douglas police are very “pro-active” in stopping persons they suspect of drinking and driving. Drinking is a privilege – not a right.

We reserve the right to refuse serving alcoholic beverages to anyone who appears to be intoxicated.

Legal drinking age in the state of Michigan is 21. If ask to provide proof of age a picture identification must be used, such as a drivers license. If you cannot provide photo identification you will **not** be served. Also, no one may get/buy a drink and give it to a minor or someone who has been asked for identification and cannot provide it.

The bars will discontinue serving alcohol approximately 20 minutes prior to return to our dock.

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If you need to arrange for transportation for your guests you may privately hire the Interurban Transit system – 269-857-1418, or Saugatuck Taxi – 269-543-3355. We strongly recommend designated drivers for each vehicle if your guests will be driving themselves after your event.

**The chartering party is responsible for any damage done while their group is onboard the Star of Saugatuck II.**

**FOOD:** You may bring your own food, use a local caterer (see list) or use a caterer of your choice. If there is **any food** served during your cruise, you are required to rent the whole boat. Your caterer must provide us with proof of insurance and name Queen of Saugatuck Inc. as an additional insured on their policy for the date of your charter. Caterer must use their own serving staff to set up, serve, and remove the food immediately after the cruise – catering staff will be included in head count but you will not be charged for them. Caterer may have a minimal amount of time to set up/tear down. All food should come prepared and ready to serve, as there is no prep area onboard the boat. There is minimal storage area for hot boxes as well. Caterer must also provide table linens, serving utensils, plates, napkins, and tableware. Caterer may use sterno to keep food warm.

**CATERER’S** (Have served food onboard.)

Catering Concepts	Dave – Pam – Tracy	616-392-3666
Mermaid’s	Sharon	269-857-8208
Riverside Market	Jane	269-857-8899

Meijer’s, Family Fare, D&W and Sam’s club also have party platters to go.

**MUSIC:** Onboard we have a p.a. system which may be hear throughout the entire boat and is available for your use. You may have a full or partial or no narration during your cruise – your choice. A small dance area may be arranged on the upper deck and we need to know in advance if you wish to have a dance area for your private charter.

We can play c.d.’s over our p.a. system or hook up an i-pod. This system is for background music only – if you wish to “crank up” the tunes for dancing you will need to provide your own amplification system.

If you have musician(s) such as disc jockey, karaoke, or live music they must be included in the head count, and you will not be charged for them.

Musicians **are required** to carry liability insurance and name Queen of Saugatuck Inc. as an additional insured for your event on their insurance policy. If they do not have insurance, we can provide it for them through our carrier for \$125.00 per event. We will need at least one weeks’ notice to provide this coverage and payment is due in advance. If your musician(s) provided their own policy, we must have this policy in our possession **one week** in advance of your cruise.

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If your musician(s) does not have liability insurance, or we are not provided a copy of the policy **musicians will not be allowed onboard the boat – this is non-negotiable.** Musician check-off list will be provided with contract.

This insurance is for liability **only** and does **not** cover any of their equipment if damaged or lost. The Star of Saugatuck is not responsible for any damage to their instruments or equipment while onboard. Musicians are responsible for taking all equipment on/off the boat.

All equipment must be adequately secured to prevent it's falling over if bumped by a passenger, or if the boat rocks due to a wave or wake from another boat. An aisle must left on each side of the pilothouse to access the stairway and may **not** be blocked. Speakers may not be put on pedestals or hung in any manner. Bungee cords, rope, or plastic tie straps are acceptable methods of securing their equipment. Final set up is subject to management approval for crew/passenger accessibility and safety.

Even though musicians are "free" they must be included in the total number of passengers allowed on the upper deck, and if they bring heavy equipment (i.e. speakers) onboard this too may diminish the amount of passenger you may put on the upper deck – this is a U.S. Coast Guard stability regulation which we strictly adhere to.

**CRUISE TIME:** Cruises will begin at your scheduled departure time. Boarding will begin 10-15 minutes prior to that time and all passengers will be issued a boarding pass. If you elect to wait for additional party members to arrive, cruise time will **not** be adjusted. If the departure is delayed if we are waiting for weather to pass over, or making a mechanical repair, cruise time will be adjusted.

**DECORATIONS:** Decorations must be approved prior to your putting them up. Decoration time may be minimal prior to your departure. You are responsible for putting up and removing (immediately after the cruise) decorations from the boat. String and plastic tie straps work best. Duct, masking or scotch tape, thumb tacks, nails, etc. anything that would leave a permanent mark or remove paint may not be used to secure decorations. If you have table decorations they should be secured to the table (florist putty works).

No open flame is allowed onboard the boat.

**SEATING CAPACITY:** Maximum upper deck capacity is **80** passengers. Lower deck seating capacity is **70** passengers. If you set up a buffet on the lower deck seating capacity is reduced to 56 passengers.

U.S. Coast Guard limits passengers allowed on the upper deck to 80 passengers. This is a strictly adhered to regulation, and our crew closely monitors the number of passengers top side. When maximum capacity is reached on the upper deck, all other passengers will be required to go to the lower deck, or they may stand out on the bow. Standing on the stairways going to the upper deck is not permissible. If you are going to have over 80 passengers you may want to make out a seating arrangement to determine who will have upper/lower deck seating.

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100-130 passengers are a comfortable number of passengers to have onboard. The boat can handle 150 passengers but feels extremely congested.

Passengers behaving in a manner, which is considered a danger to the boat, other passengers onboard, or crew member, will be removed from the vessel, and may face federal prosecution. If the situation warrants it may cause immediate termination of the cruise.

We request that you designate a person onboard the boat that the captain or crew may talk to if such a situation arises during your cruise.

**You are liable to any damages sustained to the Star of Saugatuck II caused by any of your party members.**

**SMOKING:** Cruises are non-smoking. If you privately charter the entire boat and wish to allow smoking – it may take place on the bow or upper deck of the boat. Smoking is not permitted in the lower deck cabin or restrooms. We need to know in advance if you wish to allow smoking onboard for your private charter.

**MISCELLANEOUS:**

Restrooms are located on the lower deck of the boat. There are two restrooms, and the men's serves as a unisex-handicapped accessible restroom.

The Star can accommodate individuals using canes, walkers or non-motorized wheelchairs that are not wider than 27". Passengers in wheelchairs will be seated on our lower deck. Please note that we **cannot** accommodate motorized wheelchairs or scooters due to fluctuating water levels on our gangplank. We do have a non-motorized wheelchair that your party may use for boarding dockside.

For your guest's safety and comfort we suggest rubber soled shoes and no heels or flip flops. **EXTREME CAUTION** should be used if decks become wet – certain shoes on wet boat decks become extremely slippery and extreme caution should be used when moving around the boat.

Children must remain under adult supervision at all times. Passengers are not allowed to stand on chairs or tables for safety purposes.

Due to increased security regulations no packages may be brought onboard. All bags, as well as, passengers may be subject to random searches anytime – prior to boarding or onboard the boat. Upon heightened security photo identification may be required and a passenger roster will be kept dockside with all passengers onboard.

Firearms or weapons of any type **are not** allowed onboard – even if you carry a permit.

We have surveillance camera's onboard both decks of the boat.