



MUCHOS MAS

Captain – Troy Dougherty

Australian



Previous Yachts:

- » M/Y LADY SHERIDAN (60m)
- » M/Y ODESSA (49m)
- » M/Y MYSTIQUE (49m)
- » M/Y DOLCE FAR NIENTE (60m)
- » M/Y PANGAEA (56m)
- » M/Y CAPELLA C (60m)

Interests:

- » Rugby (league and union)
- » Golf, snowboarding, & Camping
- » All water-based sports
- » Flying & aerial drone photography
- » New places & new people
- » Good food & wine

Troy was born in Adelaide, South Australia grew up with his 2 older brothers on a small island (with only one paved road) off the coast of Brisbane, Queensland. Here his adventurous spirit took root; leisure time was always spent outdoors exploring – the only “entertainment” on the island. Each day Troy took a boat to the mainland for school, which simultaneously covered grades 1-7 for the 52 children! Throughout high school, playing rugby was a passion and Troy also worked on farms which taught him the value of a hard day’s work – a stronger work ethic would be hard to find at sea. Troy earned his Bachelors of Commerce with Majors in Marketing and Economics at Griffith University followed by 3 years in Management at an adventure gear retailer in Brisbane, honing his skills of catering to specific clientele needs, inventory management and employee hiring and training (including learning valuable leadership skills). Troy left Australia at 25 to follow his rugby dream and spent 2 years in Europe following the ski season. In 2005 Troy joined some friends doing day work on charter yachts and soon discovered yachting was the life for him! His greatest strength is understanding how important the crew dynamic is for the owner and guests and knowing how to keep a stable, content crew. Troy leads with confidence from the front and also by example – keen to encourage and bring out the unique skills of each crew member; consistently training and generously passing on his own knowledge that he learned from the ground up. This hands-on captain is calm under pressure and his integrity cannot be questioned, as each guest will quickly experience for themselves. Troy has a safety-first focus...always. This quietly spoken Australian Gent pays attention to what each guest dreams of...there is no request too small to pay attention to and certainly no request too large that Troy will pull out all the stops to ensure the charter experience is everything imaginable and more!

Chef – Jose Luis Ramos

American



- » Joined MUCHOS MAS July 2016

Interests/Languages:

- » Watersports, fishing, soccer, cycling, volleyball, keeping fit, fast cars, his 2 dogs
- » Conversational Spanish

Chef Jose was born in Utuado, Puerto Rico and moved to New Jersey when he was five years old. He then moved to South Florida during middle school where he developed a passion for soccer and volleyball – both of which he played competitively throughout his high school career. In 2001, Jose joined the United States Army and worked for three years as a Supplyman where he excelled in teamwork and sourcing equipment and supplies to foreign countries. His love for food led him to work as a restaurant chef and manager in 2007, where for nearly ten years he perfected his menu development based on seasonally fresh ingredients, local produce sourcing, and butchering. Having some friends in the yachting industry, Jose gained valuable insight into the lifestyle and demands of a yacht chef and knew it would be the perfect opportunity for him to be creative and cook with amazing ingredients for guests from all over the world. The idea of changing the menu with every charter based on individual preferences and ingredient availability was exactly what Jose was looking for so he finally decided to take the plunge and join yachting. Jose is fun-loving, easily approachable, and driven to exceed each guest’s expectation. His experience as a chef allows him to confidently showcase his versatility with ingredients and personality with every plate. Not only is Jose an amazing chef, he also gives great hugs!

Chief Stewardess – Amy Whitfield

New Zealander



Previous Yachts:

- » M/Y TRIBU (50m)
- » M/Y YALLA (74m)
- » M/Y SIA (35m)
- » M/Y HELENA (35m)
- » M/Y ESTER II (51m)

Interests/Languages

- » Traveling, baking, surfing
- » Conversational French

Amy was born in Liverpool, England and when she was 18 months old she and her family moved to New Zealand – where she still calls home. Amy graduated from Long Bay College in 2006 with her NCEA Levels 1, 2 & 3 and obtained her Level 5 National Diploma in Hospitality from the Hospitality Standards Institute. She has experience in restaurant management where she honed her skills in staff appraisals and support, marketing, events management, and staff training. In 2011, Amy found yachting after traveling around Europe with a friend and has never looked back! She likes the professionalism in which MUCHOS MAS is run and gets on well with the crew. Amy is strong-willed and professional – yet easy-going and approachable. She loves being creative with attention to detail while being very organized and tidy. Amy’s favorite thing in the Chief Stewardess position is to team up with the Chef to do themed “cocktails and canapes” and taking fresh ingredients from the galley to integrate them into cocktails. Amy loves getting to know the guests and developing a service style that is personalized to suit them. She strives to impress guests to the point that they want to come back and charter with MUCHOS MAS again!

2nd Stewardess – Phoebe Smart

Australian



Previous Yachts:

- » M/Y GALACTICA STAR (65m)
- » S/Y VERTIGO (67m)
- » M/Y SAPPHIRE (52m)
- » S/Y ETHEREAL (59m)
- » M/Y DOROTHEA III (45m)
- » M/Y PLAN B (49m)

Interests/Languages:

- » Yoga, diving, photography, baking
- » Basic Japanese

Phoebe was born and raised on the Mornington Peninsula in Victoria, Australia, where she lived with her family for the entirety of her childhood. The middle of three children, Phoebe and her siblings spent most of their time surrounded by animals, playing outside in treehouses and riding bikes, and of course, enjoying long, hot days at the beach. After graduating from High School, she travelled north to Melbourne to La Trobe University, and achieved a Bachelor of Biological Sciences degree, and a Diploma of Languages in Japanese. Following her education, Phoebe worked in the local bakery and café, rounding out her experience in hospitality, management, knowledge of produce and its distribution, baking, and honing in her barista skills. In 2013, she decided to make the leap to the yachting industry in order to follow her beloved sun and sea. After acquiring a plethora of experience and a lengthy resume, she has found a wonderful new home on board MUCHOS MAS with her “defacto family”. Her fellow crew enjoy her positive energy and never ending work ethic, this, accompanied with her healthy level of OCD, you can count on Phoebe to get any and all tasks done right!

Stewardess – Laine Anderson

American



» Joined MUCHOS MAS October 2017

Interests:

- » Traveling
- » Exploring great beaches
- » Sports & exercising
- » Day boating
- » Dogs – especially golden retrievers!

Laine grew up in Chicago, Illinois and later moved to Jupiter, Florida once her family was ready for a warm-weather lifestyle. The youngest of three siblings, she spent her free time playing soccer, volleyball, and any other activity that involved being outdoors. Laine graduated from the University of Florida with a Bachelor of Science in Family, Youth, and Community Science and honed her customer service and sales skills while working for a surf and paddle company for three years. Laine is also a master of juicing and smoothie creation from working at a juice bar for two years. She loves meeting new guests and enjoys learning of their interests. Since Laine has spent most of her life on boats, she knew that yachting was the perfect outlet to combine her love of boating and travel. She was thrilled to join MUCHOS MAS and connects really well with the international crew onboard! This pleasant and personable stewardess has a great sense of humor and is always eager to expand her knowledge. She looks forward to showing charter guests what excites her about the various places MUCHOS MAS travels.

1st Officer – Jean du Plessis

South Africa



Previous Yachts:

- » M/Y AMARULA SUN (50m)
- » M/Y CALLISTO (65m)
- » M/Y KISSES (53m)
- » M/Y PRINCESS MARIANA (78m)

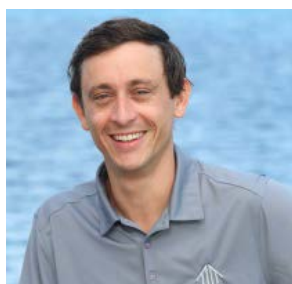
Interests/Languages:

- » Drone enthusiast, spearfishing, wildlife photography, adventure diving
- » Fluent Afrikaans

Jean was born in northern South Africa in Nylstroom, but soon after moved to his childhood home in the city of Pretoria, where from an early age, he was encouraged to explore the outdoors. Along with his parents and two younger sisters, Jean spent any and all holidays travelling to some of South Africa's most remote lodges and wilderness areas, while Christmas was spent enjoying the beaches of Cape Town. Knowing exactly what he wanted after graduating High School, Jean joined the yachting industry at the age of 19, and by age 26 he had obtained his Chief Mate 3000gt CoC certification. In 2008, he joined a yacht that travelled from the West Coast of the US, through Central America, and then venturing to the coast of Egypt: this adventure would seal his long-term career in yachting. Boasting an extensive education and invaluable experience, Jean can handle any curveball a charter can throw at him by adapting to any charter guest's needs and desires. His fellow crew appreciate his selflessness, and diligent service to others, which makes him an integral asset to the team on board MUCHOS MAS.

Engineer – Bastian Allonsius

French



Previous Yachts:

- » M/Y TRIBU (51m)
- » M/Y ROYAL II (40FT)
- » M/Y PALM B (40m)
- » M/Y ESTER II (51m)
- » M/Y DIAM'S (32m)

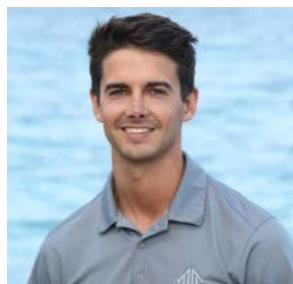
Interests/Languages:

- » Traveling to as many corners of the world as possible, riding motorcycles and following Moto GP, enjoying great food with good friends, skiing
- » Fluent French

Born in Reims, the heart of the Champagne region in France, Bastien moved to the South of France at 3yrs of age and spent lot of time skiing in the Southern French Alps during the winters. In the South of France, Bastien was exposed to a world of yachts and travel. As he has always been interested in mechanics and engineering, he merged the two and went on to study Maritime Engineering (levels 1, 2 & 3) at the Maritime Academy of Toulon - his long term goal of becoming a Maritime Engineer became a reality! He is a natural problem solver and passionate about his chosen career – “there is always a solution, you just have to keep looking”! Bastien brings with him an excellent work ethic (dedicated, reliable, high standard of work) and his friends would describe him as outgoing and easy to talk to. He is a valued part of this dynamic, active, close knit team and is happy to be on board MUCHOS MAS. Bastien endeavors to keep all guests safe and feeling very welcomed - he was raised in the typical French fashion with good food, good wine, and good friends after all!

Bosun – Marius JJ Smit

South African



Previous Yachts:

- » M/Y NIRVANA (87m)
- » M/Y KIBO (82m)
- » M/Y ANASTASIA (75m)

Interests/Languages:

- » Going to the gym, all methods of physical training, golf, trail running, rugby, tennis, skurfing, wake boarding, fishing
- » Fluent Afrikaans

Marius was born in Tzaneen, South Africa and lived on a farm until he was seven years old. He spent the majority of his childhood outdoors, riding motorbikes and fishing. At the age of eight, he and his family moved to Cape Town and he spent his school years playing rugby, cricket, and golf. In 2012, one of his sister's friends introduced him to the yachting industry – knowing that his active and outgoing personality would make him a perfect fit. He decided to leave South Africa to pursue it and the rest is history! Marius adores how the crew on MUCHOS MAS works together as a team; he always stays positive and it up for a laugh. He has extensive experience in all deck operations, large tender driving, and fishing (he runs the fishing program on the yacht). Marius loves the challenges that come with chartering and strives to make sure that each guest has the time of their life.

Deckhand – Cameron Rowe-Needham

South African



Previous Yachts:

» M/Y PEK (26m)

Interests/Languages:

» Scuba diving, surfing, skateboarding, keeping fit, having a good laugh with friends, anything to do with the water and the ocean

» Conversational Afrikaans

Born and raised on the beaches of South Africa in the city of Durban, Cameron was destined for a life on the water. With a personal goal to remain in board shorts as much as possible, most of Cameron's youth was spent participating in any and all activities in the ocean, along with his mother, father, and younger sister. After graduating from High School, he worked for a short time in the food and beverage industry, and then spent some time in a more suitable role as a surfing instructor. He then obtained his PADI Scuba Diving Instructor certification and joined the world of yachting in 2016 to take his passions across the globe. With an in depth knowledge and many years of experience of reading the oceans waves, currents, and rips, Cameron can assist any guest with any level of expertise in enjoying their time on the water. Cameron possesses an undeniable hard working attitude and an ability to keep smiling when things get tough, that make him a pleasure to have around. His favorite thing about being aboard MUCHOS MAS is his fellow crew, who to his enjoyment are always up for an adventure, and the opportunities that yachting provides, such as travelling and meeting new and exciting people.