Mediterranean

We Offer:

- Talk and dinner in autumn and spring
- Spring seminar
- Local WhatsApp groups
- Winter Zoom sessions
- Newsletters

Welcome to the Mediterranean Section

The Mediterranean Section is a community of cruising sailors numbering over 2,000 members. Most of our members sail in the Mediterranean, but quite a number are still in the planning stages or dreaming stage of heading there. We are a group of people who aim to support, help and encourage each other; we do this by keeping in contact electronically and meeting up both in the UK and the Mediterranean. Whether you sail or motor, you will be very welcome.

The Mediterranean Area

Our sailing area extends across the Mediterranean from Gibraltar to the Levant and includes the Black Sea.

Image: Marina Preko



Where we meet in the UK

In the UK, Section meetings with a talk followed by supper are held in CA House twice a year, in November and February, along with winter Zoom meetings.
We hold a weekend of talks about both technical aspects of Med sailing and favourite cruising grounds at our Mediterranean Seminar in March at CA House.

Where we meet in the Mediterranean

The Section aims to hold a sailing rally somewhere in the Mediterranean every year. The social side of our Section is very important and we encourage members to organise informal local 'get-togethers' where members meet for dinner and "cruises in company". These have been very successful, numbers varying from half a dozen to fifty or so people. Some members post details of their proposed sailing grounds so that those in the same areas can meet up and sail together informally, if they wish. All members fly a CA burgee and are encouraged to switch on 'Find a Friend' on CAptain's Mate which is a great way of welcoming other members along for a chat.

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Join Us!

Be part of our cruising community ashore and afloat.
Join as many CA Sections as you wish. Section membership is FREE to subscribed members. To find out more about our other Sections, visit www.theca.org.uk/sections alternatively contact us on the details provided

Forthcoming Events 2026/27

Thursday 8 October - Zoom only - "To and From the Mediterranean via the Inland Waterways of France" - Food - wine - No Orcas - Julian Dussek CA Section Secretary (EIWS)
Thursday 12 November 7pm - In Person at CA House and via Zoom - Cath Bruzzone " Italy - Water Tracks Less-Well Travelled" This will be followed at 8pm by the Med Section laying-up Supper
Thursday 10 December - Zoom only - Vivien Godfrey, Chairman & CEO, Stanfords - Stanfords' History in Maritime Charts and the Future of Paper Charts
Thursday 14 January 7pm - Zoom only - Anne Varvill - Edging Our Way East from Tunisia Towards Greece
Thursday 4 February 7pm - In person at the CA House and via Zoom - Peter Sparkes CEO RNLI. This will be a fundraising event for the RNLI. This will be followed at 8pm by the Med Section fitting out supper
Sunday 14 March - All-day, in person and via Zoom - The Annual Mediterranean Seminar. Details to follow.

Being Part of Our Section

The Section communicates with members electronically wherever possible, keeping them up to date through our Section pages on the CA website and local WhatsApp groups.

MedNet Forum

MedNet is an interactive email forum where members share information and ask questions on topics including gear, boat maintenance, regulations, repair professionals, restaurants and anchorages. To receive automatic emails, go to My Account > Notifications.

CAptain's Mate

CAptain's Mate enables members to submit and access over 11,000 Mediterranean cruising reports, continually updated and available both at home and on board. We have extensive coverage of all the Mediterranean islands and coastal areas.

Presentations from the MEDSEC Spring Seminars

The Spring Seminar is the highlight of the Mediterranean Section's calendar, offering a dynamic mix of presentations and workshops tailored to cruisers of all experience levels. Whether you're new to cruising in the Mediterranean or planning to explore new regions, you'll find practical guidance and inspiration throughout the event. For seasoned Med sailors, the seminar features expert-led sessions on a wide range of topics—from metallurgy to meteorology—designed to deepen your knowledge and enhance your cruising experience. We're proud to be regularly joined by the authors of leading Mediterranean Pilot books, including distinguished speakers such as Rod and Lu Heikell, whose insights are invaluable to anyone navigating these waters.
Some presentations are recorded and these will be available on the MEDSEC pages of the website https://www.theca.org.uk/sections/med. One of the most valued aspects of the weekend is the opportunity to chat with people who have experience of cruising in the Mediterranean either by sail or motor.



