



SEA FURY CHARTERS

**HALF MOON BAY, AUCKLAND
SKIPPER: PRYOR LEE**

If you're looking for a large charter boat to fish with a bigger group of fishing mates in Auckland, then you should consider the big cat Sea Fury.

Sea Fury is an impressive 15 metre charter boat (55 foot overall). She is a catamaran design (twin hulls), made of alloy by Senator Boats and powered by two 500hp Volvo diesel engines. Cruising at 22 knots and a top speed just over 30 knots, when she gets going it is great to witness the power of the big Volvos. This charter vessel is moored at the Half Moon Bay Marina in Auckland.

I have been lucky to get out fishing aboard the boat twice now and each time my new fishing crew have all been impressed by the comfortable space it provides. The back deck is a whopping 5m x 7m, making Sea Fury one very large fishing platform! You just can't beat this on a charter boat, I have been out on smaller charter boats with too many anglers for the limited space and it isn't fun.

Sea Fury Charters specialise in fishing charters in and beyond Auckland, including overnights to Gt Barrier. It will comfortably fish 10 anglers for day trips and take 8 passengers plus 2 crew for the overnight trips.

The boat is kitted out with all the right gear such as a Raymarine e125 depth sounder / fish finder with CHIRP pulse technology and bird radar. The unit is plugged into a large TV screen so you can easily see what is happening below from the cockpit when fishing. If you don't have your own gear they will provide good quality Shimano Status, Shakespeare Ugly-Stik and Fin-Nor Troppo rods with matching Shimano Caenan, Charter Special and Baitrunner reels with Fin-Nor Offshore and Biscayne reels.

There are two live bait tanks, a tuna tube, berley pot, under-floor salt-ice / fish / food storage bins and plenty of indoor / outdoor lighting.

The wheelhouse and cabins are very roomy with plenty of head space with 4 x double berths and 2 x single berths for accommodation. The galley contains a fridge, electric kettle, toaster, gas grill and hob. For those overnights you of course have access to a shower and toilet, with a separate hand basin / washroom. The outdoor gas barbeque (3-burner) is great to fire up for lunch.

It also has a quality Denon stereo (inside + outside speakers), with iPod/ iPhone cable to charge your phones, a flat screen LED television with DVD player and a roof-mounted clay target trap for clay target shooting if the fishing has gone quiet!



Trips to Cuvier Island for big kingfish can also be organised.
Photo courtesy of Sea Fury

Skipper Pryor on the lookout for diving birds



OWNERS/SKIPPER

Pryor Lee and his partner Blythe Biel jointly own and operate Sea Fury Charters. When you call the office you will most likely talk to Blythe, who really is such a friendly, helpful office manager who really prides herself on helping you.

Skipper Pryor has over 14 years+ experience as a commercial fisherman/helicopter pilot and hunting and fishing guide. He is just as friendly as Blythe and they really make a good team, making sure their clients are happy and experience a good day out on the water. Blythe also makes the best home-made biscuits for the trip! They don't last long with the hungry "seagulls" on board.

I am in fact, so impressed with this boat that I have booked it for my stag party later in the year to head away with the boys for a weekend at Gt Barrier diving and fishing, possibly shooting over to Cuvier Island too. I can't wait to get away for a weekend with good friends on Sea Fury. Hopefully the weather and fish play ball.



Kerren Packer from Shimano testing out new gear

Check out this cockpit! So much room available for anglers



Plenty of beds on board to sleep 8 people plus 2 crew

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