Mariner

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LOCATION

Camp Albemarle on the Sound
156 Albemarle Drive
Newport, NC 28570

OVERVIEW

Does your camper have salt water in their veins and a passion for boats? At **Mariner Camp**, campers will embark on a thrilling week of sailing, learning to master the **Topaz Uno Plus** sailboats under the guidance of our expert sailing staff. Whether they're catching the wind or navigating the open waters, campers will hone their skills daily and grow in confidence as they sail across the stunning waters of Camp Albemarle.

But Mariner is more than just sailing—it's about nurturing spiritual growth in an incredible natural setting. Each day offers purposeful opportunities for campers to deepen their faith and connect with God's creation. **Morning Watch** kicks off the day with a "seed for thought," setting the tone for spiritual reflection. In **Bible Study**, campers dive into scripture, drawing insights from the Bible to grow their faith. At **Vespers**, a staff member or local pastor will expand on the day's theme, helping campers build strong roots in their relationship with Christ. The day wraps up with **Devotions**, a special time for campers to ask questions, reflect, and further their spiritual journey.

In addition to mastering sailing, Mariner campers will enjoy an array of thrilling activities designed to challenge and excite. They'll tackle the **low ropes challenge course**, soar on the **giant swing**, sharpen their aim with **archery**, and get creative with **arts and crafts**. Campers can also test their strength in **tree climbing**, cool off with a swim in the pool, and let loose during the always-entertaining **skit night**!

Campers are grouped into **family groups**, typically consisting of 5 boys and 5 girls, led by both a male and female counselor. These groups share in all the week's activities, building close bonds through teamwork and shared experiences. Campers are housed separately by gender in platform tents or off-site pitched tents. Depending on enrollment, some groups may be single-gendered, with family groups arranged by age and cabinmate requests to ensure a comfortable and enjoyable experience for all.

Mariner Camp is the ultimate adventure on the water, blending the thrill of sailing with spiritual growth and unforgettable fun. Campers will leave with new sailing skills, deeper faith, and lifelong friendships, making this a week they'll never forget!

PHYSICAL FITNESS

Swim test; 25 yards without stopping and tread water for 1 minute

SKILLS LEARNED

Basic sailing skills

PACKING LIST

(Please label your belongings)

- Bible, notebook & pen/pencil
- Water bottle with a screw-on lid
- Short sleeved shirts
- Raincoat/poncho or rain gear
- Towels & washcloths
- Pillow
- Sleeping bag
- Sunscreen & insect repellant
- Extra socks
- Swimsuit appropriate for camp (2 if you have them) (female: 1 piece, males; swim trunks, no speedos)
- Pair of water shoes or river sandals (sandals with a heel strap)
- Flashlight or headlamp
- Shorts & long pants
- Long sleeved T-shirt
- Sweatshirt and sweatpants for cool weather
- Personal items (toothbrush/toothpaste, soap, shampoo, deodorant)
- Good sturdy shoes for hiking
- Extra dry clothes
- Pair of athletic shoes
- Clothing that can get dirty
- Plastic bag to put wet clothes in
- Dirty laundry bag
- Hat (if desired)
- Any medications you are taking (must be turned in to Healthcare Staff)
- Beach towel to use at the pool and waterfront
- Something to pack all yout items in (large suitcase/duffle bag, tote or trunk)
- Sleeping foam pad (if desired)

REMINDER: Please keep electronic devices at home – this includes cell phones **(if a camper is found with a cell phone, it will be taken and given back at the end of the camper session)**

Camp Albemarle is devoted to the safety of every camper, efforts are made to provide safety devices, equipment, procedures, and proper training to all staff. However, as in any outdoor experience, there exists an inherent risk/danger in all camp activities.