

**BoatU.S. Annual List Of Top Ten Boat Names
And What They May Tell You About the Boat's Owner**

***ADDED BONUS LIST: Most Humorous Top Ten Boat Names**

ALEXANDRIA, Va., May 4, 2009 - Boat names can reveal much about the personality, passion, or experiences of a boat owner. This year the BoatU.S. list of [Top Ten List of Most Popular Boat Names](#) is particularly revealing:

- 1. *Seas the Day*:** While this boat owner may feel they have no control over their declining retirement account, they are completely in charge while boating and intend to get the most out of their boating lifestyle. (This is the sixth appearance of this name and its cousin, *Carpe Diem*, on the list since BoatU.S. began tracking boat names in 1991.)
- 2. *Summer Daze*:** A combination of warm weather and long days spent afloat on sunsplashed waterways may have put this boater into a dreamlike state.
- 3. *Second Chance*:** Perhaps this boat owner has had a life changing experience and feels that their boat now gives them a second lease on life. "*Second Wind*" is the sailboat equivalent.
- 4. *Aqua-Holic*:** On the Top-Ten list for the last seven years, this boat name illustrates a boater's chronic love for the waterways.
- 5. *Wind Seeker*:** No doubt a true sailboat name for a wanderer or racer.
- 6. *Dream Weaver*:** Like the 1976 Gary Wright song that muses about an escape to dreamland, this boat owner may weave memories of good days spent on the water, sheltering them from the pressures of day-to-day life.
- 7. *Black Pearl*:** The name of a fast, stealthy and intimidating fictional ship from the Disney *Pirates of the Caribbean* films, this boat likely has plenty of kids aboard.
- 8. *Hydrotherapy*:** Takes into account the healing nature that boating provides this boat owner.
- 9. *The Salt Shaker*:** If you know what a "Parrot head" is, you'll know what *The Salt Shaker* is for. On a Saturday night this boat and its owner could be the most popular in the marina.
- 10. *Sea Quest*:** This boat owner likely grew up watching Jacques Cousteau TV specials and wants to explore the world with their boat.

The BoatU.S. Boat Graphics service offers a free library of over 8,500 boat names and also allows boaters to easily select, custom design and preview boat names online - without having to pay up front. For more information, visit the online service at <<<http://www.BoatUS.com/boatgraphics>>> .

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The following names were voted by the editors of *BoatU.S. Magazine* to be the most humorous:

- 1. *What College Fund?*** With three out of four boat-owning households making less than \$100,000 a year, where else are you going to get the money?
- 2. *Stocks-N-Blonds*:** Clearly someone still has a job on Wall Street.
- 3. *Anchor Management*:** The calming effect that boating brings.
- 4. *Sweet Em-Ocean*:** A floating love shack?

5. **Knotty Buoy:** The Johnnie Depp of boaters.
6. **Reel-e-Fish-ent:** Could teach Capt. Sig Hansen of the Discovery Channel series *Deadliest Catch* a thing or two about fishing.
7. **A-Frayed Knot:** Fearless in their ability to tie bowline.
8. **O-Sea-D:** Obsessive, compulsive, and loving the ocean.
9. **A-Loan-Again:** Either cruising for a date or has purchased their boat on credit.
10. **Really Big Car:** Small boat complex?

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Going Boating? A Crew Safety Briefing Could Save Lives

National Safe Boating Week May 16-22

ALEXANDRIA, Va., April 29, 2009 - Having friends and family aboard is what boating is all about. But in an emergency could they quickly locate a fire extinguisher or provide accurate location information to rescuers -- without your help?

For National Safe Boating Week May 16 - 22, BoatU.S. [Seaworthy magazine](#) Editor Bob Adriance has developed a short Crew Safety Checklist. "Boating is supposed to be fun, so we do not want to unduly alarm our guests. However, every skipper should take a few minutes before they leave the dock to share these tips with crew." They are:

1. **Life Jackets:** Offer a correctly sized life jacket to those who wish to wear one, show guests where they are stored and how they are properly worn.
2. **Fire Extinguishers:** They should be easily visible near engine and galley areas. Take a moment to explain what types they are and how they are meant to be used. Point out any fire port locations for snuffing out engine compartment fires.
3. **Flares:** Show where they are located and how to safely activate without causing injury.