

**Follow along with us as we cruise onboard our
56' Ocean Yacht.**

Somewhere on the Water

December 12, 2021 – Day 6

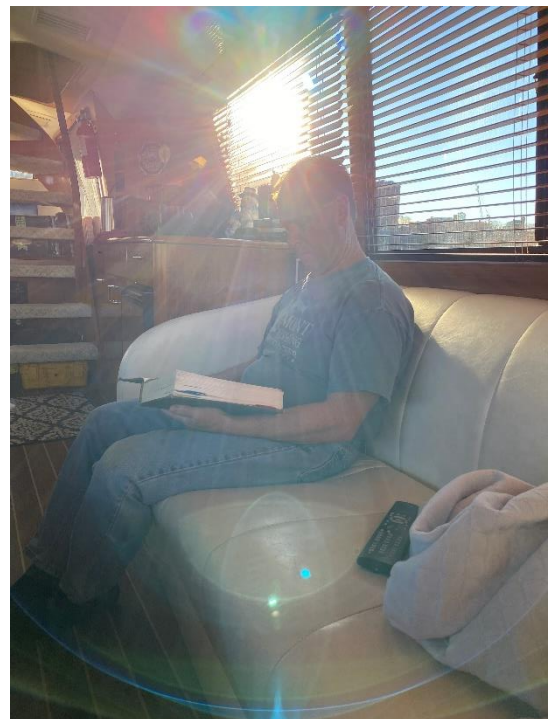
Sunday, day of rest, almost but not quite.



Photo of Manhattan in the morning.

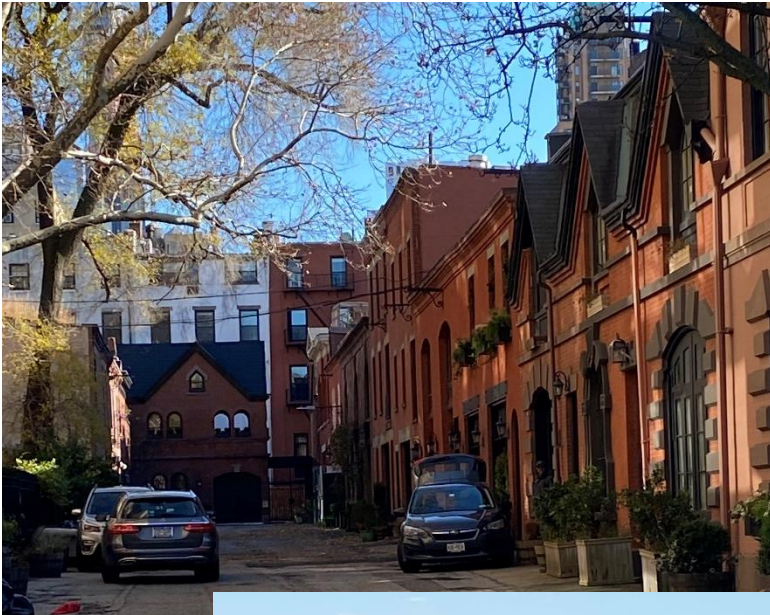
8:55 a.m. – Mark is always learning. He is reviewing the terminology of waves, distance apart, height measurements, etc.

We went to see Santa arrive via police car and then I took off and went to the grocery store. Little did I know that I was going to be walking through a beautiful neighborhood with cobblestoned streets lined with brownstone apartment buildings.





Brooklyn has 33 historic districts. I was in Brooklyn Heights. Considered a posh residential area it is known for its tree-lined promenade along the East River where I got to take these.





Haleigh should have come with me because I walked by the Brooklyn Cat Café. The only non-profit cat café in NYC. It is a cat adoption center and social space run by the Brooklyn Bridge Animal Welfare Coalition. I did not take a photo, but the front window of this tiny café had a tall cat climbing tree and I saw several cats inside.
Catcafebk.com

I went to Key Food on Montague St. The prices were similar to what I pay on Cape Cod for food. The exception to this; fruit. Meat is going up all over the US so \$6.25/lb of chicken was shocking but not because I was in NYC. The \$8.99 strawberries were a bit of a shock though. I bought a pork roast to cook in the crockpot for dinner which was very reasonably priced as well as the vegetables so I stocked up on salad fixings.

Upon my return to the boat, I find out that Mark discovered we have water – we have dock water!

Yes! Have I ever been more excited to do household chores like; Laundry, dishes, take a shower, and then more laundry???

Maybe at one point, I have, but right now I am so happy!

Patriots were on a bye-week so we watched the Buccaneers.

In just about every picture that we took of the Statue of Liberty from our point of view onboard Valkyrie, you can see this sailboat.



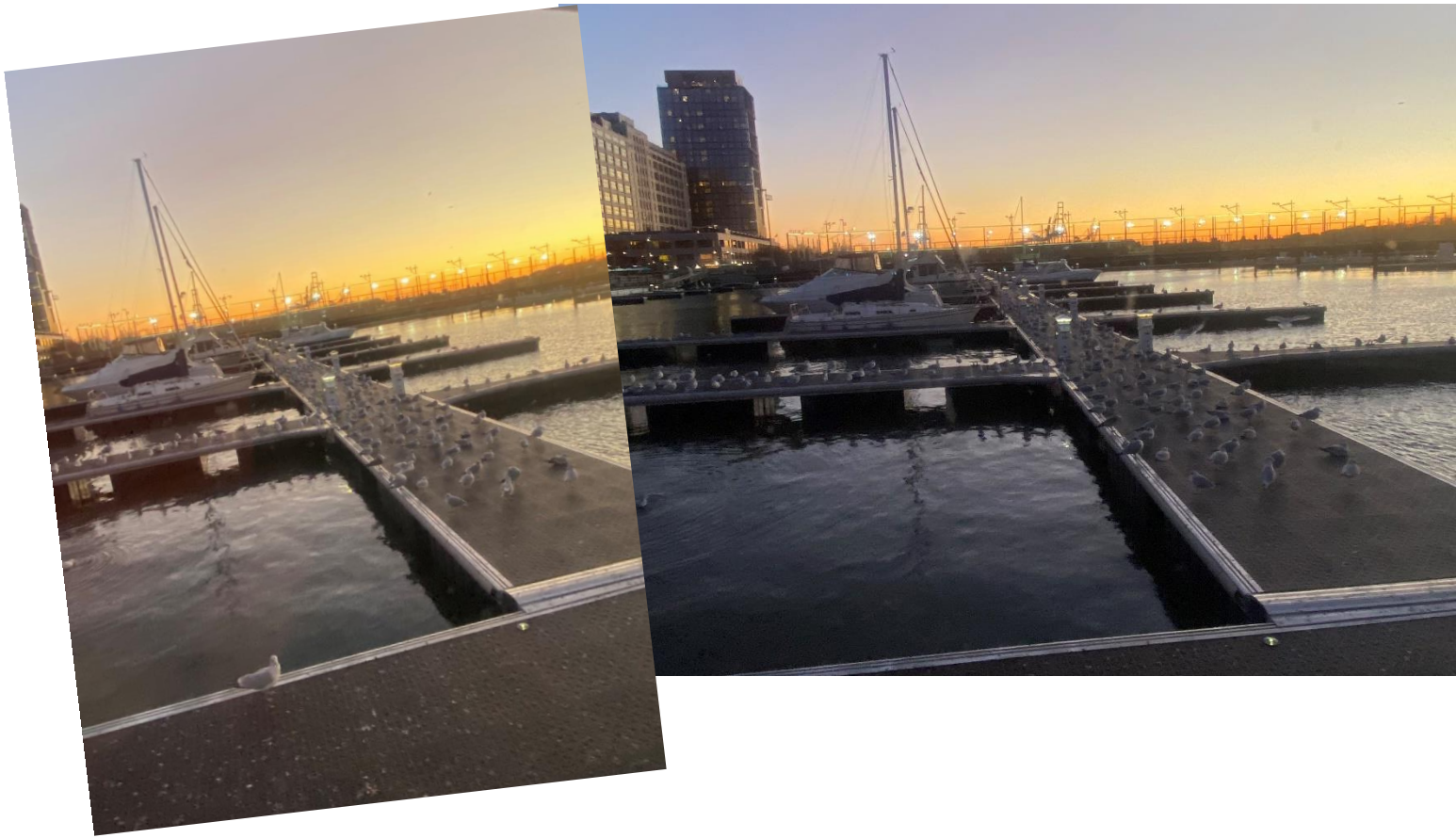
This is the Grain De Sail cargo sailboat. Just completed in 2020, this 80' schooner carries 1,500 cases of wine and makes the 3-month long trip 2x a year.

Wait...what?! Yes, I said it, 1,500 cases of wine.

This schooner leaves France, full of wine, comes to NYC, hosts tours and tastings then departs for Central America to stock up on cocoa and coffee before returning to France.
Check it out: graindesailwines.com

No, I did not get to go onboard, but I did walk over to it and tried to see if anyone was around to talk to. The crew was busy with tours. Impressive just the same, even though I did not get to go onboard.

As our Sunday winds down, I take a walk to the end of the dock to dump our trash. Right before I open the door I shoot this photo.



Damn birds. Seagulls everywhere, seagull shit, everywhere. It is almost creepy how many of these birds there are and how they fly around you. Spying almost. Waiting for the opportune moment to... to what? Too many Alfred Hitchcock movies in my past...hahaha Anyway. We hate seagulls on the docks. Messy, messy, messy conditions they create for boaters.

7:04 p.m. One last photo of the night skyline. Cannot get enough of it!

