

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

# *Somewhere on the Water*

Our Great Loop

Anchorage Fishers Island, NY to anchorage, Northport Harbor, NY

Thursday, May 29, 2025

Day 2

Welcome! Glad to have you here!

Mark checked the oil on the engines and generator and started them both before I woke up. The anchor alarm went off at 3:30 am. We had spun around and came outside our set circle but everything was ok. He hauled the anchor and we departed Fishers Island by 6:30 am.

Cruising Long Island Sound in general is not too exciting in the sense that there is not much to look at, however, it is exciting because it brings us that much closer to the Hudson River, and for us, that is uncharted territory.

I spent most of the day working and editing videos. Creating videos does take a lot of time so thank you for your patience. Documenting this trip will be time-consuming and you should anticipate delays in uploading.

Before arriving Northport you have to circle around Eaton's Neck where you can see Eaton's Neck Lighthouse. Constructed in 1798 it is one of only two 18<sup>th</sup> century lighthouses still standing in NY.



Coming into Northport, NY was easy. There is a huge anchorage here. Northport appears to be a charming waterside community with lots of beaches, homes, and boaters. This place has to be hopping in the Summer. The few local boaters that were out while we

were here took advantage of knowing that there was no patrolling because, within this no-wake zone, there were plenty of wakes.

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### *Fun Fact:*

Northport is a suburb of NYC with approximately 7,300 people. Its nickname is Great Cow Harbour because....

After Dutch interest a few years earlier, the land was sold by Chief Asharoken, head of the Matinecocks, to three Englishmen in 1656. With land that was well suited for farming, the early settlers grazed cattle on pastures around the harbor. The area soon became known as Great Cow Harbour.

For miles away while cruising the LIS red & white smoke stacks were visible. Little did I realize that once we were anchored they would be right in our temporary backyard.

The Northport Power Station, known as “the stacks” by locals is the largest power generation facility on Long Island. It is a natural gas and conventional oil electric generating station. Since 2007 it has been owned by National Grid. In 2010 National Grid filed a lawsuit against the station's property tax levy which was the most taxed building in the US at \$80 million. The stacks are 620' tall.



The view of the stacks from LIS  
Vs

The view of the stacks from the anchor



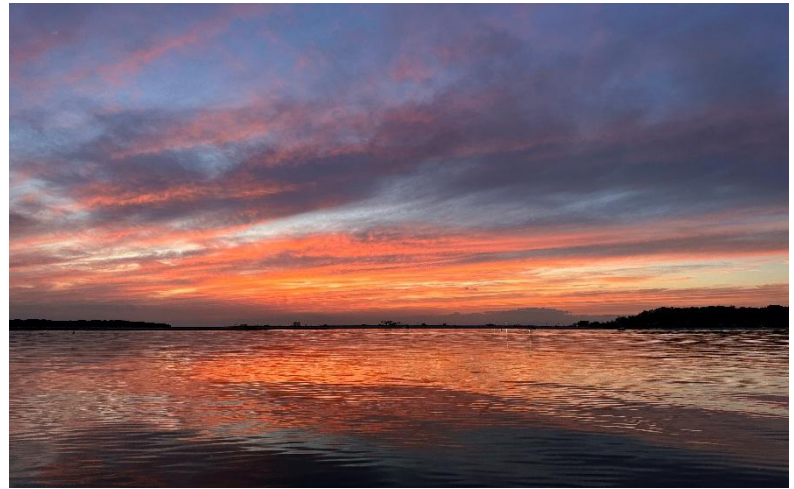
Once we arrived and dropped anchor, Mark checked the transmission oil levels because he has to do it while it is running and in neutral.

Once Mark set the anchor and settled down for a break, he worked on tomorrow's plan. Tomorrow we are cruising the East River into NYC. It is best to do that with the tide. The one time we did it against the tide it took 6 hours. It was ridiculous. East River is known for its strong currents, especially through Hell Gate.

Our back door rattles rather loudly when we are underway so Mark fixed that while I was cooking dinner. We had chili.



Finally, we had a nice night to sit out back. May's weather has not been ideal so we took advantage and had a cocktail and listened to music for a couple of hours before bed. We are not far from Lagaardia Airport as evidenced by the number of planes we saw coming in for a landing and taking off. Saw some fish jumping so we both took a few casts of the fishing pole.



### *Daily Summary:*

Departed from Fishers Island, NY @: 6:30 am

Arrived at Northport Harbor, NY @: 2:45 pm

Hours traveled: 8hrs 15 mins

Nautical Miles Traveled: 73.02

Average Speed: 8.5 knots

Weather: Low hanging clouds, rain & mist, high 50's low 60's 15 mph winds  
diminishing overnight

Anchorage / mooring / marina review: large area, calm waters,  
peaceful, lovely waterside village

#of locks we went through: 0

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