



LEE COUVE

First Mate/Junior Captain

I am seeking longevity on private or charter motor yacht program that will enable me to grow in the industry and further my skills. I am a consistently diligent and well liked crew member - a hard worker and someone who gets on with others easily. I am currently working towards my OOW and am looking forward to being an integral part of my next program.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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33

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Current Location

Nicaragua

Passport Expiry:

17 February 2026

Visas:

B1B2

Nationality:

South African

Health:

Excellent - Fully Vaccinated

WORK EXPERIENCE:

M/Y Sweet Escape | 40M Charter | Chief Officer

May 2021 - November 2022

Ran with 8 crew and 12 guests. Charters out of Exumas, George Town and Key West. In charge of all passage plans, deck operations, navigational watches and Mini ISM. Completed 10 charters and an extended yard period. I also assisted in taking the vessel off of the dock as well as dropping and picking up the anchor. I ran and maintained the 39ft Nortec and then later the 38ft Boston Whaler. I was responsible for planning and running all the excursions and water toys including 3 jet skis, 1 flyboard, 1 efoil, 4 seabobs, inflatable slide and platforms. Completed 2 annual surveys.

M/Y Plan A | 40M Private/Charter | 1st Mate

July 2019 -October 2020

Got the vessel through annual flag state survey. Towed/Operated a 34ft Regulator. Managed all exterior projects & contractors. Prepped the boat for FLBS which included polishing/sealing paint (ceramic coating) and sanding teak. Duties included being watch leader, passage planning, LSA and safety, carrying out drills, mini ISM, launching/retrieving tenders, jet ski crane operations, water sports, running/maintaining decks, anchoring and mooring operations. Stand in captain for 105ft sister ship for tug operations.

M/Y Home | 50M Private | Temp Bosun

March 2019 - May 2019

Busy private vessel doing weekend trips in the Bahamas with a 44ft Fjord IPS drive tender. Duties included being watch leader, launching/retrieving tenders and jet skis, crane operations, water sports, running/maintaining decks, anchoring and mooring operations.

QUALIFICATIONS / CERTIFICATIONS

Yachting Certification:

Yachtmaster 200t Limited

STCW'95

ENG1 - Exp: July 2024

Efficient Deckhand Training (EDH)

VHF Radio operator

Powerboat Level 2

Primary:

2007 - Matriculated from Crawford North Coast High School, Durban

Tertiary:

2009 - 2011: IMM Graduate School (Diploma in International Marketing Management)



WORK EXPERIENCE:

M/Y Amorazur II | 45M Private | Temp Deck

October 2018 - March 2019

Ride along on Dockwise. Ongoing exterior paint projects on deck - major blister repairs, doing all the build ups for contractors to do the final topcoat. This included anticorrosion, Max Cor CF, Hullguard Extra, Awlfair and various filters, Highbuild and 545 Epoxy primers onto aluminium hull and super structure. Prepping and varnishing capping rails.

M/Y Ninkasi | 42M Charter/Private | Bosun/Relief Mate

December 2017 - July 2018

Busy charter boat running with a crew of 9. Watch leader, crane operator, anchor operator, calling distances, in charge of all mooring operations on deck and tender driver. I ran everything on deck including schedules on and off charter with 2 deckhands working under me. I ran all water sport operations. Completed a full yard period which included a full paint job of the boat. During shipyard I was incharge of all exterior varnish and paint.

M/Y Ocean club | 50M private | Temp Bosun

October 2017 - December 2017

Anchor watches, manoeuvring vessel in waiting zone for Yacht Express. Ran 3 dayworkers in the yard before a brief boss trip in the Bahamas. Did LSA monthly checks and drills. Ran with 9 crew.

M/Y Plan B (73M) | Deckhand | March 2017 - July 2017

M/Y Seawolf (60M) | Lead Deckhand/Tender Driver | May 2016 - Oct 2016

M/Y Adler II (42M) | Deckhand/Tender Driver | Jan 2015 - Sept 2015

M/Y Rena (44M) | Deckhand/Tender Driver | Apr 2014 - Nov 2014

M/Y Patti Lou (37M) | Temp Deckhand | March 2014 - Apr 2014

Skills and Strengths:

- Varnish and paint
- Paint corrections and sealing
- Crane operations
- Water sports
- Tender driving
- Fishing
- Extended product knowledge
- Operating deep sea fishing vessels
- Jet skis, stand up jet skis and paddle skis
- Extensive knowledge of exumas

Interests:

Growing up on the coast of Durban has given me a deep passion and understanding of the ocean. I enjoy spending my time at the beach surfing. I also enjoy fishing, SUP boarding, kayaking and water sports.

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