

OLIVIA KAYES' INCREDIBLE EXPERIENCE ON BOARD VOYAGE 767

I didn't quite know what to expect when going on the Spirit of Adventure.

I was a little nervous yet very excited as to what was to come when I arrived at the ship for the start of my 10 day voyage aboard the ship, Spirit of New Zealand.

I needn't have worried. The next 10 days proved to be some of the best days of my life. I honestly couldn't recommend Spirit enough, and hands down had the best experience I could have ever imagined.

Words can't quite explain my time on the ship and the adventures we all had.

I had many amazing opportunities such as swimming with dolphins, sailing (lots of sailing!), climbing the mast and much more but without a doubt it was the people I met that made my voyage so amazing.



I walked on board with 35 strangers and left with 35 amazing friends.

We shared incredible sunsets, early morning swims, smooth sailing lying on the bowsprit and the exhilarating feeling of standing on the top yard while sailing.

I was elected Mate on trainee day and learnt so much about myself, that it's important to live in the and take every single opportunity you get, and to live life to the absolute max.

I can't thank enough the team at Spirit of Adventure, the crew on board Spirit of NZ, the wonderful Karen Franklin, Red Beach Surf Club's Heron Trust, my parents and the other trainees enough for making this an experience of a lifetime.

Thanks for the amazing memories, the good times, the endless laughter and the unforgettable smiles.

Thank you for teaching me to be confident in myself, to live life fully and, most importantly, to love life.

Thank you everyone for the best 10 days.

I'd do it all again tomorrow if I could.

To Voyage 767 - thanks for adventuring with me.

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