New York and our fabulous view from the anchorage at Ellis Island





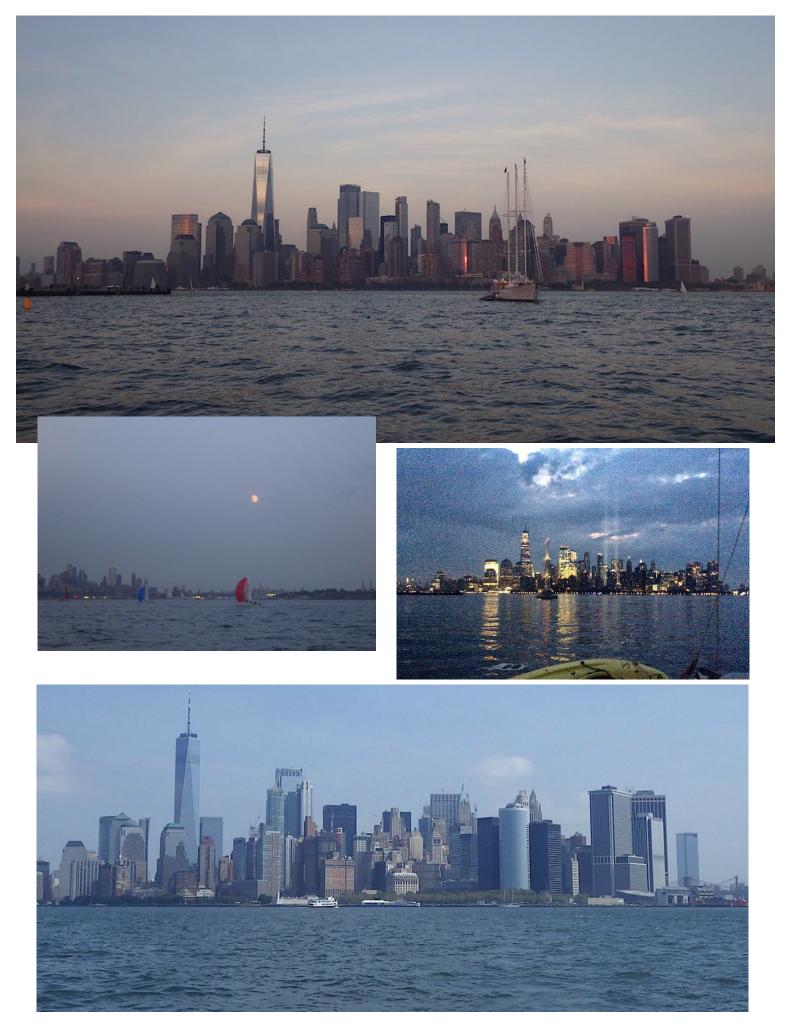




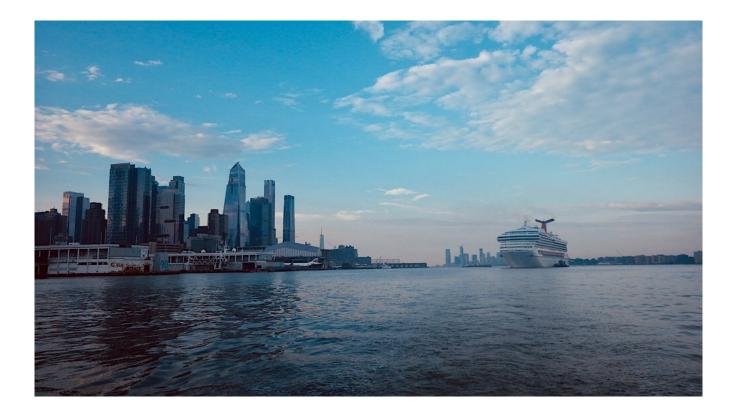
Our little excursion to Liberty Island-



So pretty-



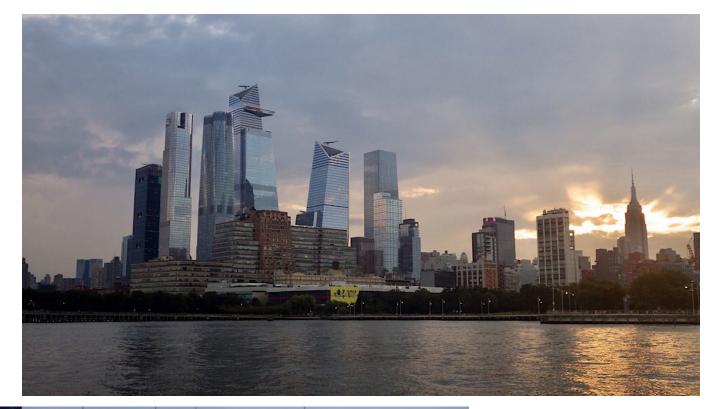
Sailing up the Hudson from Ellis Island at dawn was spectacular. We had a cruise liner alongside us for a long time, going as slow as us....finally it slowed even more to dock at the Manhattan cruise terminal around 57th street.



Where there are more wonky buildings and yet another two under construction-It really is the latest trend in New York!



Even the Empire State Building looks lopsided but that's the wide angle lens I think.





The George Washington bridge makes you feel you're leaving New York

& at Hastings on Hudson you're suddenly in the country-



We really are out of the city now, this is the Tappan Zee bridge, Tarrytown.



After a night anchored at Green's cove bay, Haverstraw, early morning industrial mist on the water at Verplanck and now the scenery is getting beautiful. We are nearly at Bear Mountain bridge.





Bear Mountain bridge



Now we're nearing Fort Montgomery and West Point, the oldest Military Academy in The United States.







We arrived in Catskill Creek on Friday 14 September and have organised to have the mast unstepped (taken down!) on Monday morning at Riverview Marine services. Now we have to get everything ready & find wooden supports to hold the mast (cradles).

Beautiful early morning mist effacing the Rip Van Winkle bridge-

'Rip Van Winkle' is a short story by the American author Washington Irving, first published in 1819. It follows a Dutch-American villager in colonial America named Rip Van Winkle who falls asleep in the Catskill mountains and wakes up 20 years later, having missed the American Revolution. (Thanks Wikipedia)

