

Sail Inventory Suggestions for San Francisco to Hawai'i Passage

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What is your budget & expectations?

Minimum: Mainsail, #3, #1, .75 oz AP spinnaker

Budget: Minimum plus blast reacher (135%) or butterfly, and 1.5 oz shy kite

No limit: Budget plus jib top (155%), more kites than food!

Sport Boats: Asymmetric spinnakers

4 Legs of the race

Start to Pt. Bonita: Beat

Normal: start with #1, change to #3 outside gate

Light air: Light #1

Heavy air: #3

Close Reach: Can't carry yet

Normal: Blast Reacher

Light air: Jib Top, Drifter, Code Alpha, VMG spinnaker

Heavy air: Blast Reacher

Running:

Normal: Reacher or shy kite, asymmetric, what you have when you can

Light air: Drifter

Heavy air: shy kite

Trade Winds to Finish:

Normal: full sized spinnaker during day-runner. At night, heavy air kite, butterfly jib, polled out blast reacher

Light air: .5 oz, AP for higher AWA

Heavy air: shy kite

Storm Sails: storm trys'l, storm jib, Gail sail (ATN)

Spinnaker Socks: ATN

Spinnaker Nets: fills fore triangle with something to keep spinnaker from wrapping around forestay.

Outgrabbers: floating block suspended from boom, attaches to spinnaker sheet between clew and boat, pulls clew outboard to stabilize spinnaker.

Sail Repair Suggestions, by Synthia Petroka

Take your sails to a loft to be checked

Sail Lofts:

	UK Sailmakers	Alameda	510-523-3966	www.uksailmakers.com
	Spinnaker Shop	Palo Alto	650-858-1544	www.spinnakershop.com
	Santa Cruz Sails	Santa Cruz	831-454-0868	
<i>*used</i>	Sail Warehouse, The		831-646-5346	www.thesailwarehouse.com
<i>*used</i>	Sail Exchange		949-631-0193	www.sailexchange.com
	Rooster Sails	Alameda	510-523-1977	www.roostersails.com
	Quantum Sails	Richmond	510-234-4334	www.quantumsails.com
<i>*used</i>	Pineapple Sails	Oakland	510-522-2200	www.pineapplesails.com
	North Sails	Alameda	510-522-5373	www.northsails.com
	Neil Pryde Sails	Sausalito	415-827-1177	www.neilprydesails.com
	Lee Sails	Alameda	510-523-9011	
	Larsen Sails	Santa Cruz	831-476-3009	www.neilprydesails.com
	Hood Sailmakers	Sausalito	415-332-4104	www.hoodsailmakers.com
	Hogin Sails	Alameda	510-523-4388	www.hoginsails.com
	Haynes Sails	San Rafael	415-459-2666	
	Halsey Lidgard	San Mateo	650-347-2540	www.halseylidgard.com
	Doyle Sailmakers	Alameda	510-523-9411	www.doylesails.com

Problem areas to check:

Head: Headboard, webbed rings, web loops

Luff attachments: Slugs/slides, grommets, shackles

Reefs: Pressed ring corrosion, intermediate points

Corners: Corner & sail body join

Leech: Leech line and cleats, Batten pockets

Stitching: Seams, UV covers

Sail repair kit

General items

Scissors - strong enough to cut boltrope

Sailmakers needles

Seam ripper

Webbing

Spare battens

Ice pick or awl

Sailmakers palm - don't scrimp here

Waxed hand sewing thread

Insignia cloth repair tape

Leather

Denatured Alcohol

Luff attachments

Slugs, slides, shackles, round rings