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Harbor Schooner Sets Sail On Summer's Final Stretch

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A final salute to summer can be had on New York Harbor onboard a boat with true American roots. NY1's Valarie D'Elia filed the following report.

As the end of August approaches, it can seem like a blink of the eye between July 4th and Labor Day. But there's a nice way to keep the summer sailing along with a patriotic flair, onboard a 105-foot schooner that's built along the lines of the racing yacht that is the namesake of the America's Cup.

"The original schooner America was built in Brooklyn actually, on the east side, in 1851, commissioned by the New York Yacht Club," explains Classic Harbor Line General Manager Sarah Greer.

What's known as America 2.0 is now sailing New York Harbor through October. It is the fifth boat operated by Classic Harbor Line that was built in Albany by the Scarano brothers.

"A lot of local products, cherry from the area, even the boat builder's back yard actually. Tons of hardware, the sails, the mast all fabricated by U.S. manufacturers," notes Greer.

Regular New York sailings on America 2.0 are scheduled through October. Everything from a \$55 two hour day sail to an \$80 sunset sail, up to \$135 for a sushi and sake cruise.

Enter code Val15 to get \$15 off any America 2.0 cruise through the end of the year either on New York Harbor or when it relocates to Key West for the winter.

For more information, visit www.sail-nyc.com.

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