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SPIRIT 2024 REGATTA:
EVENT DETAILS

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EVENT OVERVIEW:

A SIX RACE SERIES AMONGST A PROGRAMME
OF VARIED SOCIAL EVENTS EXCLUSIVELY FOR SPIRIT YACHTS

WHEN: SATURDAY 15TH JUNE – SATURDAY 22ND JUNE 2024

WHERE: ST. PETER PORT, GUERNSEY

Hosted by Spirit Yachts & Guernsey Yacht Club LBG.

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SPIRIT YACHTS 2024 REGATTA RACING & SOCIAL PROGRAMME



DATE	ACTIVITY
Saturday 15th June	Regatta office open from 12pm
	Evening: welcome drinks <i>sponsored by Locate Guernsey</i> at Castle Cornet
Sunday 16th June	Day: Races 1 & 2 (<i>committee boat start line if possible</i>)
	Evening: Royal Channel Island Yacht Club open for drinks and complimentary nibbles
Monday 17th June	Day: Race 3 (<i>committee boat start line if possible</i>)
	Evening: Dinner in the regatta marquee with DJ and live saxophone
Tuesday 18th June	Day: Race 4, <i>Round Guernsey Race sponsored by Locate Guernsey (Castle Cornet start line)</i>
	Evening: <i>Locate Guernsey</i> drinks and canapés at The Boathouse
Wednesday 19th June	Match Racing Day (or optional rest day)
	Evening: Sunset dinner on Herm Island
Thursday 20th June	Day: Race 5, <i>Sark & Herm Passage Race sponsored by WEST SYSTEM (Castle Cornet start line)</i>
	Evening: Free
Friday 21st June	Day: Race 6, <i>Long Inshore Race (committee boat start line if possible)</i>
	Evening: regatta prize giving dinner at Old Government House hotel
Saturday 22nd June	Regatta office open from 9am, yachts depart

Optional activities such as charity Optimist sailing, sea swimming, and drinks on the beach will also be included but are weather dependent.

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RACING

Building on the success of the 2022 Spirit Regatta, the 2024 racing schedule has been designed to provide a variety of passage, long inshore, and windward/leeward courses to suit all Spirit yachts.

Quality of racing is key and the race committee aims to be flexible depending on the tides and weather to offer the best possible course setting throughout the week. The regatta will host two classes for larger and smaller Spirits to facilitate competitive and challenging racing for all.

Led by an experienced Race Officer, the race committee is planning to include two passage

races (one around Guernsey and one around Sark) as well as a mixture of shorter and longer coastal courses in the Little Russell channel, taking in nearby islands Herm and Jethou.

There will be daily morning briefings to provide an explanation of the day's racing, tides and weather, as well as the opportunity for skippers and crew to ask any questions.





THE RACE IS ON!

Taking inspiration from the Nioulargue match races at Les Voiles de St Tropez, this year's race programme incorporates an exciting new addition: a day has been allocated for Spirit owners and skippers to challenge fellow yachts to a match race.

THE CHALLENGES

History dictates that one owner / skipper sends a letter of challenge to the other and up to three yachts may race together. The Race will take place at a start time and over a course determined by the Spirit Regatta Organisers, but the reward (or forfeit) for losing will be determined by the Challenger. Results will be determined by the yachts' corrected time based on IRC handicap rating.

IN MEMORY OF THE NIOULARGUE:

"The long-held tradition of this special day is fully understood and much appreciated by racers and owners alike as they leave the rankings to one side for a day to launch a series of non-point-scoring challenges in line with the original spirit of the Nioulargue. A race created on a stroke of genius by Patrice de Colmont (owner of a 12 Metre "Ikra") back in 1981 when he challenged Dick Jayson (owner of a Swan 44 "Pride") to a race round the Nioulargue Buoy and back and the loser had to buy lunch at Club 55 on the beach for the other crew."







RACING

Since the company was founded in 1993, Spirit Yachts has actively encouraged the role of women in boatbuilding and in sailing. Spirit works with World Sailing and the World Sailing Trust to help promote opportunities for women in the industry and out on the water.

Continuing the success of the 2022 regatta, this year's event will require each yacht to submit at least one result for which a female has helmed the duration of the race. There will be a prize for the highest placed female helm during the week.



ENTRY & BERTHING

Entry for the regatta will open in February 2024. The regatta entry fee is £55 per metre for each Spirit yacht.

Berthing has been reserved in St Peter Port Harbour on the 'walk ashore' pontoons from 12pm on Saturday 15th June to 12pm on Saturday 22nd June. Discounted rates apply for the duration of the regatta.

Any additional berthing before or after the regatta will be charged at the prevailing rates and this should be booked directly with Guernsey Harbours: www.harbours.gg/visitor-marina-guernsey

YACHT LENGTH OVERALL	BERTHING COST PER 24 HRS
Up to 7.99m	£21.75
8m – 9.99m	£26.25
10m – 11.99m	£33.75
12m – 13.99m	£37.50
14m – 15.99m	£42.75
16m – 17.99m	£46.50
18m – 19.99m	£51.75
20m – 21.99m	£61.50
22m – 23.99m	£66.75
24m – 25.99m	£73.50
26m – 39.99m	£132.00



SOCIAL EVENTS

The social programme for the Spirit 2024 Regatta is designed to offer a balance of socialising with the fleet and opportunities to independently explore Guernsey and the surrounding islands.

Highlights include welcome drinks at the historic Castle Cornet overlooking the Little Russell channel, complimentary dockside drinks, rum tasting, and an evening ferry trip across to Herm island for a sunset BBQ. A spectacular three course dinner and prize-giving at the prestigious Old Government House hotel will round off the week in style. The regatta HQ will be in a marquee located at Guernsey Yacht Club LBG, which has stunning views to neighbouring Channel Islands. Situated on the ground floor,

adjacent to the yacht club with direct access to the bar, the marquee will also be the venue for morning breakfasts and briefings, as well as mid-week social events (including drinks, dinner, and DJ with live saxophone).

Thanks to the support from regatta partner Locate Guernsey and other event sponsors, as well as a contribution from Spirit Yachts, the total cost of all social events for competitors is £150 per crew member. See separate entry form for details.



SUSTAINABILITY

As many of you will already be aware, sustainability is a key element to the Spirit Yachts' ethos. We are not perfect, but we continually strive to lower the carbon footprint of our yachts and how we operate as a company.

Our goal is to run a fantastic week of racing and socialising, whilst being mindful of the environment and creating a sustainable legacy for future Spirit regattas.

Spirit 2024 will be run according to a three pillar strategy to REDUCE waste, RAISE awareness and build RELATIONSHIPS with event suppliers, sponsors and local businesses to lessen the impact on the environment and drive positive change in Guernsey.





WHERE: GUERNSEY YACHT CLUB LBG

TRAVEL

Guernsey is easily accessible from the UK, France and further afield.

BY SEA:

Condor Ferries provides services to Guernsey from Portsmouth and Poole in the UK. The car and passenger ferry from Poole takes three hours and brings you directly into St. Peter Port. Alternatively, a seven-hour ferry from Portsmouth runs during the day to St. Peter Port and overnight on the way back to the UK.

BY AIR:

There are regular flights from several UK and European destinations to Guernsey. Guernsey airport is a ten-minute drive from St. Peter Port.

ON ISLAND:

Cycling is the best way to get around quickly on Guernsey. Bikes and e-bikes can be hired via **go-guernsey.gg**





YACHT DELIVERY & LOGISTICS

If you require assistance with the delivery of your yacht or any regatta logistics, please contact the Spirit team.

Alternatively, Simon Hughes (skipper on Spirit 72 Gwenhyfar II) is able to offer a professional crew delivery service via his company Sun Yachts, which is located in St Peter Port.

As well as being Guernsey's BRIG RIB dealer, Sun Yachts is also able to assist with maintenance, deliveries, launching support, and general yacht logistics and management.

✉ simon@sunyachts.co.uk



ACCOMMODATION

There is a range of accommodation in Guernsey, but availability is limited and early booking is advised. Please contact helen@spirityachts.com if you have any accommodation queries.

RECOMMENDED HOTELS (SEE NEXT PAGE FOR SELF-CATERING):

Old Government House Hotel & Spa: the only five-star hotel on Guernsey. A beautiful building steeped in history with sea views. 10min walk to the pontoons in St. Peter Port.

St Pierre Park Hotel: four-star hotel situated in 35 acres of grounds with a spa and golf course on site. 30min walk or 15min cycle to the harbour.

The Duke of Richmond Hotel: four-star, contemporary hotel located next to Cambridge Park, a 15min walk to the harbour.

Fermain Valley Hotel: four-star, secluded hotel, 30min walk or 15min cycle to the harbour.

Best Western Hotel de Havelet: four-star, Georgian hotel with views over the harbour, 10min walk to the harbour.

La Collinette Hotel: three-star boutique hotel with self-catering apartments and cottages on site; a 15min walk to the harbour.

Duke of Normandie Hotel: three-star, modern hotel located 75metres from St. Peter Port High Street and a 5min walk to the harbour.

Best Western Moores Central Hotel: three-star hotel in a picturesque building right in the heart of St. Peter Port town; 10min walk to the harbour.

La Michèle Hotel: simple, comfortable, family-run hotel located in Fermain Bay. Approx. 15min cycle and 25min walk to St Peter Port.

Premier Inn: A cost effective option and a 30min walk, or a 15min cycle from the harbour.



SELF-CATERING ACCOMMODATION

Whilst Guernsey has some lovely self-catering properties, there are limited options for large groups. Crew may need to be housed across multiple properties and early reservation is essential.

BELOW ARE SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR SELF-CATERED PROPERTIES, ALL OF WHICH ARE LOCATED IN THE ST. PETER PORT AREA.

Grange Lodge Hotel Self Catering Apartments:

✉ info@grangelodgehotel.com

Albany Self Catering Apartments:

✉ info@albanyselfcatering.co.uk

Ilex Lodge:

✉ reservations@selfcatering.gg

La Collinette Hotel Cottages and Apartments:

✉ reservations@lacollinette.com



A TASTE OF
GUERNSEY



RESTAURANTS

From high-end to low-key, there are plenty of restaurants serving delicious food on Guernsey.

TOP RECOMMENDATIONS:

Octopus: a stunning venue on the south side of Havelet Bay in St. Peter Port, offering fantastic views of the Little Russell out towards Herm, Jethou, and Sark. Vibrant atmosphere, outdoor terrace and an international menu including fresh local seafood.

Gusto: informal, quintessentially Italian with delicious food and friendly service in the heart of St. Peter Port.

Copenhagen Bar & Grill: located on the ground floor of a former Coach House with views of St. Peter Port, Castle Cornet and Havelet Bay from the restaurant and outdoor terrace. Serving Mediterranean food and a wide cocktail menu.

The Slaughterhouse: modern restaurant and bar right on the harbour with views over St. Peter Port and Havelet Bay. Informal with a varied drinks/cocktail menu.

Le Nautique: fine dining seafood restaurant with views of St. Peter Port harbour.

The Boathouse: low key restaurant located right next to St. Peter Port harbour serving delicious food and drinks all day. The decking at the back is ideal for breakfast or lunch in the sunshine, or dinner overlooking the marina.

Koi Koi: Dim Sum and sushi bar with great cocktails and good atmosphere

Terrace Garden Café: Low, key, tasty Thai food on a roof terrace overlooking St. Peter Port

Reservation for all restaurants is advised to avoid disappointment, especially if the booking is for a large number of people.



EXPERIENCE
GUERNSEY



ACTIVITIES

The focal points of the Spirit 2024 Regatta are the racing and socialising with fellow Spirit owners and crew. However, a rest day has been included in the programme to allow entrants to take time out and explore Guernsey and the surrounding islands.

TOP RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Visit one of the island's 27 beaches: Petit Port, Moulin Huet Bay, Pembroke Bay and Cobo Bay all come highly recommended
- Explore the island by walking one of the many footpaths along cliff paths, rural lanes and coves
- Watersports: surfing, kayaking, stand up paddle boarding and coasteering
- Take a day trip to Sark or Herm on the ferry. Shell and Belvoir beaches on Herm are not to be missed
- Have a swim in one of Guernsey's La Vallette bathing pools on the east coast. Since 1865, these man-made pools have provided safe havens for a swim with a view
- Hauteville House: home to famous French writer Victor Hugo, during his time in exile from France
- Walk the 400m causeway at low tide to Lihou Island, a small tidal island off the west coast of Guernsey with an official population of one person
- Explore the island's rich history by visiting the German Underground Hospital, the Guernsey Occupation Museum or the Guernsey Museum at Candie, which features a permanent exhibition about the island as well as changing art exhibitions
- The Renoir Walk is a short walking trail along the coast taking in locations where Renoir painted during a summer holiday in 1883.

USEFUL WEBSITES & CONTACTS

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Berthing via Guernsey Harbours:

www.harbours.gg

ABOUT GUERNSEY & HOW TO GET THERE:

www.locateguernsey.com

www.visitguernsey.com

Watch this video to find out more
about life on Guernsey.

ACCOMMODATION:

www.visitguernsey.com/accommodation

www.citravelgroup.com

✉ enquiries@citravelgroup.com

www.premierholidays.co.uk

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Contact ✉ helen@spirityachts.com if you
require any support booking accommodation

THANKS

Thanks go to Spirit 2024 Regatta partner Locate Guernsey for their continued support. Locate Guernsey offers free advice and information about living and working in Guernsey. Their friendly team can be contacted in the lead up to the regatta for advice on arranging on-island activities and they will be on hand at the regatta to provide help and information about Guernsey. For further details visit: www.locateguernsey.com

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WEST SYSTEM® Brand Products: Spirit Yachts uses WEST SYSTEM epoxy on all its yachts due to the proven quality, strength and simple application of the products. Whether it is hull building or a simple dockside repair, WEST SYSTEM products can be found in the Spirit yard, at events, and onboard Spirit yachts worldwide.

Lewmar: Leading deck hardware specialist Lewmar has a portfolio of hardware, winches, hydraulics, windlasses, anchors, thrusters, steering systems, hatches and portlights. Lewmar supplies custom solutions for Spirit yachts of all sizes.

OneSails (GBR): OneSails' performance sails and quality custom covers coupled with the team's in-depth knowledge of Spirit yachts are the reasons OneSails has been Spirit's preferred sail and cover maker for over twenty years.

Pantaenius: One of the leading specialists for sail and motor yacht insurance, Pantaenius offers honest advice and optimal insurance cover for your yacht. The Pantaenius team will be in Guernsey working and sailing alongside Spirit crew during the regatta.

Oceanskies: Guernsey-based Oceanskies specialises in the registration, documentation and crew employment for yachts. Oceanskies is Spirit Yachts' trusted supplier for yacht registration in various jurisdictions and a range of supporting marine services internationally.



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