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Sailing to Barcelona Local Coordinator



Nothing predestined this French Parisian to be fascinated by oceans and seas, but after a first sailing experience on an Optimist at age 10, he quickly found his passion.

Once he became an experienced sailor, Jeff worked as a volunteer teacher at “Les Glénans”, the famous French sailing school based in Brittany during his holidays.

At the age of 18, he convinced his family to go on a one-year sailing trip around the world with him. He was the only experienced sailor and his parents, sister and younger brothers learned on the roof.

After an unforgettable voyage in the Atlantic Ocean, he returned to Paris to study Literature, Philosophy, Geography and Urbanism at the University of La Sorbonne. But the sea was still calling. With Paris being definitively too far from the sea, Jeff left for Barcelona in 2003. After working in different areas related to sailing, mainly logistics and sales, he joined Daniel Schneider in 2006 at Nauta Consultants, a consulting company that organizes sailing events. In particular, Jeff strives to ally sailing, culture and environmental protection. For that purpose he is currently building up a regatta fleet to offer companies the opportunity to experience the freedom and thrill of sailing and racing.

Jeff brings to *Sailing to Barcelona* his expertise in the organization of nautical events, as well as his local knowledge and relevant contact network. For Jeff, *Sailing to Barcelona* is a great opportunity to participate in a project that involves the sea, its protection, sailing and beautiful boats.

Jeff speaks French, Spanish, English and some Catalan.