

*Let your spirit set sail*



# *Cornwall, Channel Islands and Brittany*

**From the Cornwall coast to Jersey and onwards to France**

**Tue 08 October 2019 ⇨ Tue 15 October 2019**



The Eye of the Wind visits her home port! On this journey through the English Channel, which can sometimes unfold its rough charm in the early days of autumn, you will get to know the brig as a comfortable, seaworthy and reliable ship that has proven itself in all weather conditions. You will experience our tall ship as a place of tranquillity, where you can enjoy a relaxed holiday full of peace and quiet despite being in the middle of the busy maritime traffic of the English Channel. After some interesting and exciting days on the tidal waters of the Channel, we will reach the coastal town of Brest at the bay of the same name in Brittany.

## **This is where you will go on board: Plymouth, England**

Embarkation takes place at 19:00 hours. Afterwards, there will be dinner together in the comfortable lounge, where you will soon feel at home and be able to find your way around the Eye of the Wind's deck – and you will quickly get to know your fellow sailors.

From many airports on the European mainland, you can get to the Exeter/Cornwall airport in just a few hours and with only one stop. From there, you can take one of the [▷ low-cost express trains](#) that run at short intervals; you can reach Plymouth by direct connection in about one hour. We will be happy to assist you with the individual planning of your arrival and departure. If you have any questions, please contact us in good time.

Britain's "Ocean City" offers an abundance of nature, history and culture: Beautiful beaches and romantic hidden coves can be found along the coastline on either side of Plymouth en route to Devon and Cornwall.

Attractions in Plymouth include the waterfront promenade with its famous Mayflower steps (pictured right), from which the Pilgrim Fathers once set sail for the "new world". You can also take a ferry or water taxi to Sutton Harbour or Royal William Yard to discover the city's maritime heritage. A large selection of cultural events and exhibitions rounds off the visit.

Our tip: Due to its location between the sea and the moor, Plymouth is the ideal starting point for an exploration of the area around the "English Riviera". You can take the Cremyll ferry from Stonehouse to explore the beautiful Mount Edgcombe House and Gardens, or head inland and marvel at the jagged expanse of Dartmoor (pictured right), one of Britain's most beautiful and largest national parks.





### All hands on deck or all laid back – the choice is yours!

After receiving safety instructions and an introduction to sailing from the ship's crew, you will soon be able to take part in the sailing. Being at the helm and keeping a wind-powered tall ship on course is a unique holiday experience – especially under a starry night sky! Your active assistance on deck and in the rigging is always voluntary, and our regular crew will explain everything you need to know. The reward of climbing to the top of the mast is an unforgettable view of the vast sea. Naturally, you can just enjoy watching the traditional seamanship and sailing manoeuvres in action.

### Our sailing water: Through the English Channel and to the island of Jersey

Challenging waters lie ahead of us, in which the forces of the tidal current set the natural rhythm. With its busy traffic, the Channel is one of the most interesting areas for "ship spotters". Every day, up to 500 vessels are on the move in these sailing waters, which means that new ships can be discovered from deck all the time.

The heave of the sea and fresh sea air are known to make sailors hungry. You can look forward to our excellent onboard cuisine, which will surprise you every day with varied creations from the galley cookbook. In cooler hours, you can just make yourself comfortable below deck in the comfy lounge, browse through the onboard library and our collection of DVDs. To get warmed up, you can, of course, get a cup of tea or coffee at any time.

A longer stay is planned on the Channel Island Jersey – it is here in St Helier that the Eye of the Wind reaches her home port! This pearl in the bay of Saint-Malo is not only the largest, but also the sunniest of the "Norman islands", as they are called in French. In a remarkable coastal formation, green banks, rugged cliffs and long sandy beaches alternate and invite for long walks. Enjoy the typical island flair during a visit to the bustling market hall, a coffee break at Liberation Square or a guided tour of the Maritime Museum right next to the port. Or, from the Jardins de la Mer park, you can watch the speedboats that connect Jersey with its neighbouring islands and the mainland as a ferry service. A trip to the valley of Saint-Pierre with its historic Quétivel water mill from the 14<sup>th</sup> century is also worth visiting.

### This is where you will disembark: Brest, France

At the end of the journey, we shall reach the "end of the earth": the French département Finistère in Brittany.

For more than 350 years, the port city of Brest in the bay of the same name has been an important maritime and naval base. The cityscape is characterised by fortifications, maritime buildings, and bridges. Make the most of your stay by visiting the Océanopolis theme park with its 42 seawater aquariums, or learn about the history of the port at the Musée de la Marine in the Château fortress.

Many major European airports can easily be reached from Brest by daily connection via Lyon.



## Six good reasons to go

- Varied maritime encounters in the busy sailing area of the English Channel
- Balanced ratio between time at sea and time in port
- Shore leave in Jersey: visit of the Eye of the Wind's home port
- Sailing and manoeuvring on a 100-year-old windjammer – you may participate actively!
- Excellent onboard cuisine, delicious meals from morning to evening
- Our friendly crew allows you to participate in life on board and explains every step



## Journey time

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## Services included

- 7 nights' accommodation aboard the Tall Ship Eye of the Wind.
- Accommodation in a comfortable double cabin with hot and cold running water, shower, toilet, and air conditioning (single cabin surcharge).
- Full board (including all meals, soft drinks, coffee & tea).
- Lounge with TV/DVD and extensive on-board library.
- The tour price includes VAT.

## Not included

Arrival and departure, shore excursions and alcoholic beverages.

We gladly assist you in the individual planning of your arrival and departure. Please contact us if necessary in a timely manner.

## Please consider the following notes on the itinerary

The indicated ports are optional. The ship's management reserves the right to change the itinerary at short notice depending on wind and weather conditions.

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