Let your spirit set sail



Sailing in tidal waters

From Ramsgate (Kent) to Emden (East Frisia)

Sun 27 May 2018 – Sat 02 June 2018



The starting point of this sailing trip is the English port of Ramsgate in Kent County. After crossing the English Channel, we will sail along the Dutch coast and the West Frisian chain of islands before heading for the seaport of Emden with our 'tall ship'. This is where the Emder Matjestage (literally translated as Soused Herring Days) event takes place: a colourful folk festival celebrating the long tradition of herring fishing.

This busy part of the sea offers exciting and eventful days with many maritime encounters and experiences. Enjoy relaxing days on board following the rhythm of the North Sea tides! You will get to know the Eye of the Wind as a seaworthy and reliable sailing ship. No previous knowledge or experience is required to sail on our windjammer.

This is where you will go on board: Ramsgate, England

Our crew will welcome you on board in Ramsgate at the northeastern end of Kent County. Embarkation will take place at 19:00 hours. Afterwards, you will have dinner together in the comfortable lounge, where you will quickly feel at home on the Eye of the Wind's deck and get to know your fellow sailors.

The once famous seaside resort still radiates the glamourous charm of long-gone decades. Although the lively resort has seen better times as a getaway, the coffeehouse culture, the old houses around the port, and the beach with its fine sand make a visit to the city absolutely worth it.

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

In the morning, after safety instructions and an introduction to sailing, it is soon time to cast off. We usually stay within sight of the coast, which makes this trip ideal for sailing beginners. As we are now in the tidal waters with their strong currents and extremely high traffic density, there will not only be a nautical chart on the navigation table, but also a tidal stream atlas and a tidal calendar. Where the Thames estuary and the North Sea meet, you can watch world trade rushing across the water through a traffic separation area not unlike a motorway.

Whether you decide to enjoy this spectacle or to participate actively on board – the choice is yours. Of course, you can just enjoy watching the sailing manoeuvres and the traditional seamanship in action.



Days at sea: Nature, relaxation and pleasure

The next section of the trip will take us along the island chain of the West Frisian Islands. In the spring weather, the North Sea unfolds its rough charm, and a fresh breeze blows through the rigging. You will get to know the Eye of the Wind as a seaworthy and reliable ship that has proven itself in all weather conditions. The fresh sea air is known to make you hungry — so look forward to our excellent on-board cuisine, which will surprise you every day with varied creations from the galley cookbook. If you like, you can just make yourself comfortable below deck in the comfortable lounge, browse through a good book from the large on-board library, or see which DVDs are available. In cloudy weather, you can always warm up with a cup of tea or coffee in the galley.



This is where you will disembark: Emden, East Frisia

When we arrive in Emden, everything will be revolving around small fish: the Matjestage (literally translated as Soused Herring Days) will be celebrated for the 29th time in the seaport town. The event goes back to a herring fishing tradition of more than 450 years in Emden, which ensured the daily income of many families. Since herring fishing in East Frisia was relocated to Bremerhaven, the Matjesfest commemorates the old tradition. During the festival, many traditional ships from Germany and abroad will moor at the inland harbour and Ratsdelft, bringing back a touch of long-gone maritime romanticism to the city. In the evening, various live bands provide the right entertainment for strolling over the festival grounds.





Five good reasons to go:

- Thames estuary, English Channel and Frisian Islands: safe sailing in coastal waters
- Active sailing and manoeuvering on a 100-year-old windjammer
- Excellent onboard cuisine, delicious meals from morning to evening
- A maritime experience for 'ship spotters' and photographers, too
- "Emder Matjestage" event upon arrival at the port of disembarkation



Journey time:

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Services included:

- 6 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.

Photos:

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- 1 Ankerwinde Anchor Windlass
- Luke Mannschaftsunterkunt
 Foc'sle hatch
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- Forward hatch

 Foremast

 Foremast
- Gas locker

 6 Gemüseschrank
 Vegetable locker
- 7 Kombüse Galley 8 Speisesalo
- Speisesalon
 Dining Saloon
 Luke Mittschiff
 Midshins hatch
- Midships hatch

 10 Hauptmast
 Mainmast
- 11 Werkstatt Workshop
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- 13 Kajütstreppe
- Aft companionw
- Toilet

 15 Luke Maschinenraum
 Engine room hatch
- 16 Kapitänskabine Captain's cabin
- 17 Kartenraum Chartroom 18 Schiffsruder

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- 1 Kettenkasten Chain locker
- Chain locker

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- Crew cabin

 3 Mannschaftskabine
- Crew cabin

 4 Mannschafts-WC/ Dus
 Crew showers and heads
- 6 Mannschaftskabine
- 7 Gästekabine 👽, 3 Kojen Guest cabin 🛈, 3 berth
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- 13 Kajjutstreppe Companionway
- Lower Saloon

 15 Kühlraum

 Defringrated Store
- 16 Gefrierkammer Freezer

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