



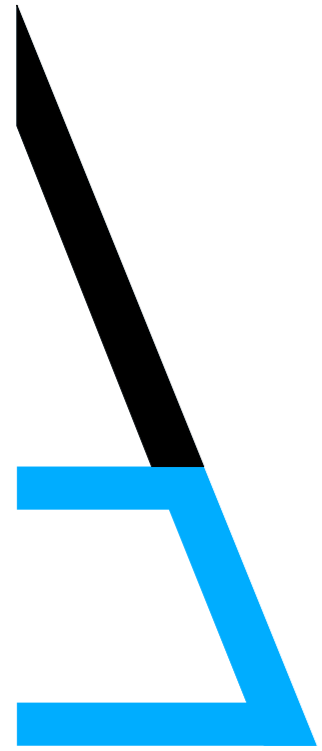
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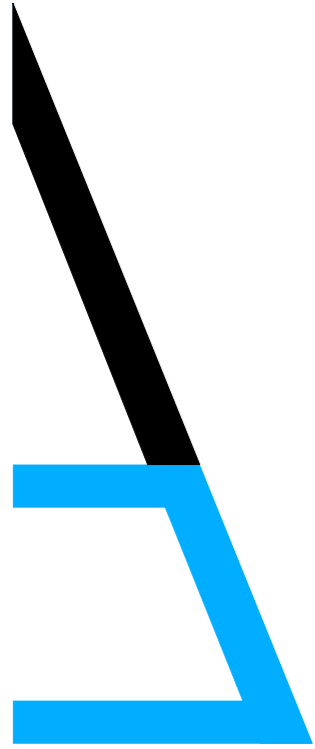
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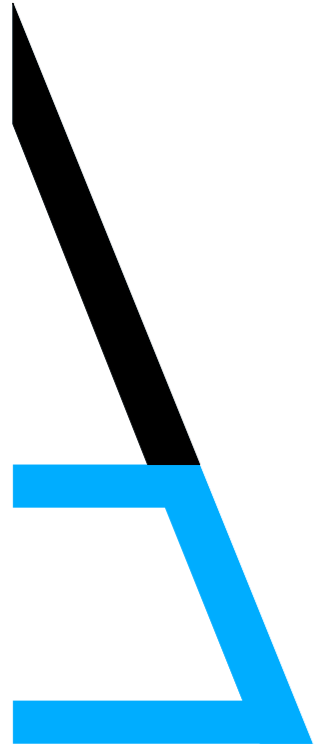


A regatta around the Isle of Beauty, combining the spirit of competition and sportsmanship, elegance and adventure, under the patronage of the prestigious Yacht Club of France

The Corsica Classic is a highly exclusive sport and lifestyle event, part of a renowned tradition of stunning Mediterranean regattas for classic yachts.

All classic yachts, approved by the CIM (International Mediterranean Committee) and yachts in the 'Esprit de tradition' class, approved by the IRC in 2019, are eligible to enter the race which is part of the official circuit organised by the CIM and French Association of Classic Yachts (AFYT).

Over the past 9 years the Corsica Classic has become a not-to-be-missed event on the Mediterranean sport and lifestyle calendar and remains the only classic regatta sailing around Corsica, and the only one in the international circuit to be set in August, just before the Monaco Classic Week, the Régates Royales in Cannes and the famous Voiles de Saint-Tropez.

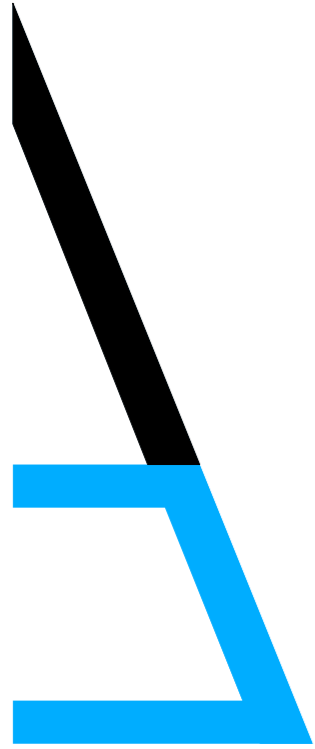


HISTORY, ARCHITECTURE & HERITAGE

YACHT CLUB DE FRANCE // The regatta is under the patronage of the Yacht Club of France since 2014, a mark of great prestige. The YCF will be giving a very special Prize at the closing ceremony to the most Fairplay Sailing Yacht. Created in 1867 by Napoleon III, the highest sailing institution in France has had very prestigious members, such as the polar explorer Charcot, Jules Verne or Eric Tabarly.

www.ycf-club.fr // [@yacht_club_de_france](https://twitter.com/yacht_club_de_france)

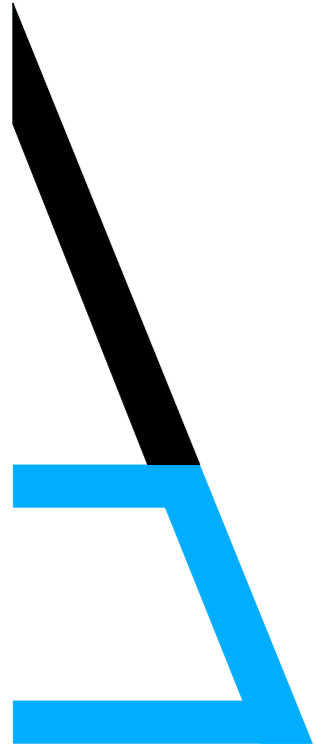
HISTORICAL MONUMENTS // More than 90 classic yachts, some of the most beautiful in the world, have participated in the Corsica Classic in 9 editions. Authentic floating works of art, always ready to fight on the water, even at more than 80 years old ... This year, the casting will be historic: The faithful participants, such as SY Vistona, great Italian favorite in his class which totals seven Corsica Classic to his credit, SY Morwenna, SY Saint-Christopher (winner of the Voile de Saint-Tropez last year in his class), SY Houbonne IV or SY Eileen, big favorite in the Epoque Marconi class. Among the new participants: an Australian sailboat, SY Windjammer - which crosses half of the globe to join the race - and a second crew of the Kangaroo country, gathered on SY Tiphane II. The Spirit of Tradition class (recently built yachts with a vintage look) is still growing this year with 11 participants, which announces a great nautical battle between the experienced (SY Mr Fips, SY Scherzo) and the newcomers: Among them, SY Tintagel, affiliated with the Royal Swedish Yacht Club, the oldest in Europe, created in 1830. The Corsica Classic is more feminized, with 40% female participation ... And if racing also meant



parity? Many boats are now barred by couples (SY Saint-Christopher, SY Windjammer, SY Mr Fips, SY Eileen, etc.)!

AMERICA AMERICA // In 2014, the winner was SY Dorade, from The St. Francis Yacht Club, a magnificent Marconi built to Olin Stephens' innovative 1929 design and winner of some of the world's great regattas including the Fastnet and the 1931 Newport to Plymouth Transatlantic. Dorade has a very special gift for the Vintage Marconi class winner : the Dorade Trophy, that weighs 20kg is actually one of the boat's historical winches and was made especially for the Corsica Classic in California... The trophy is back in the game every year, like the America's Cup trophy. SY Skylark's owner, Tara Getty, will hand it back to a new winner this year.
www.dorade.org // @doradesailing1929

HISTORICAL COCKTAIL // Monday, August 26, the crews of the Corsica Classic will have a privileged access to the historic walls of the fortifications of Bonifacio: The Bastion de l'Etendard, fully rehabilitated, was a strategic location for the defense of the city: Successively seat of the King of Aragon in 1420 and Franco-Turkish in 1553, its remains of the Pisan and Genoese period date from the 12th and 13th century. In this grand setting, participants will gather for the cocktail party and the opening dinner. www.bonifacio.fr // @bonifaciotourism



LIFESTYLE, GASTRONOMY & LOCAL PRODUCTS

GASTRONOMY // The Corsica Classic will hold its opening dinner on Monday 26th In the citadel of Bonifacio, in the heart of Bastion de l'Etendard, classified as a historical monument. The farm-to-table Auberge Pozzo di Mastri, located in Figari, imagined a corsican inspired menu, accompanied by island exception products: the fishes from Corsica by Gloria Maris, the oil olive Château NaSica, the wines of sea-Imajyne, Granajolo wines, and the delicious frozen desserts signed by the master-icecream maker, Pierre Geronimi ... The final dinner will be sown, on the 1st of September, under the citadel of Saint-Florent and it will be delivered by the same local producers, and hosted by Damien Muller, owner of the Auberge du Pêcheur in Saint-Florent, accompanied by Clos Signadore local wines.

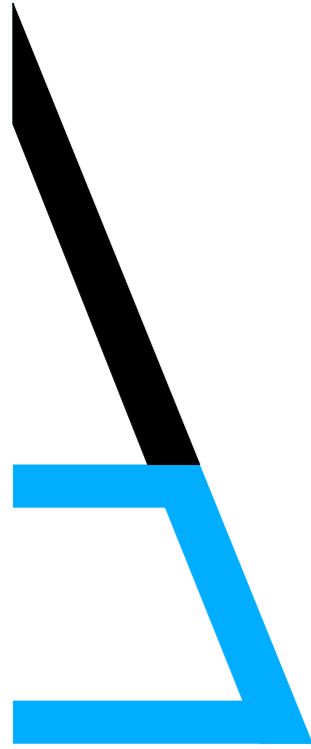
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www.pozzodimastri.com

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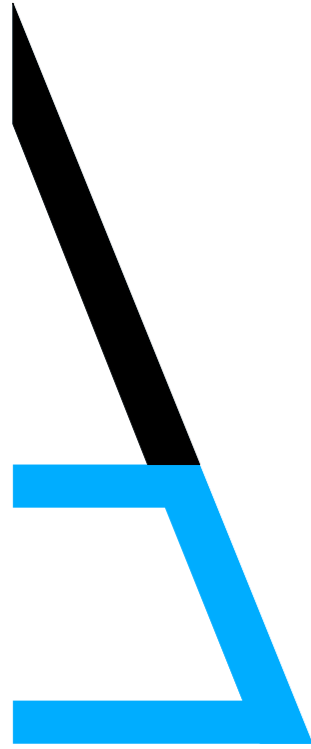
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OLIVE OIL // Château Nasica olive oil is one of the oldest olive groves in Corsica. In 786, Amondo Nasica Amondaschi is one of the 5 Lords to travel with Charlemagne in Corsica on the orders of Pope Clement. Today, some of their trees are sometimes millennia old, an almost forgotten endemic variety, the Smadja Niellaghia, with exceptional organoleptic and taste qualities - polyphenols higher than 600mg / L, like the best oils in the world. Today, Marie-Ange Mattei, heiress of the Nasica dynasty, gives new life to this estate located in Prato de Giovellina, near the Regional Natural Park of Corsica with a first vintage dating from 2017. Presented on the tables of Corsican star chefs, as well as at Jean-George Vongerichten in New York, in Aspen and Shanghai, this precious olive oil will be prepared by the Corsica Classic chefs during festivities and the winners will be seen offer baskets full of corsican delicatessen. The brand new restaurant, deli and pastry shop, Caffe de Flore 1755 (opening soon in Shanghai), owned by the same ancestral corsican family, will offer to the participants corsican flavored macarons to cheer up all the teams...

@chateau_nasica // www.caffedeflore.com // @caffedeflore1755

CORSICAN DELI // A leading actor in aquaculture made in France, Gloria Maris Groupe will be the official supplier through its historic production site in Corsica, Acquadea, a European reference for sustainable and responsible aquaculture. The fresh fishes will be prepared in particular by Pozzo Di Mastri farm-to-table auberge on monday 26h august in Bonifacio and at the closing dinner during the award ceremony at the Citadelle de Saint-Florent on september 1st. Turbot Red Label, Royal Sea Bream, Lean, bar, the most beautiful products of



the Mediterranean will be tasted during this gastronomic and sporty journey of the Corsica Classic. // www.gloriamarisgroupe.com // [@gloriamarisgroupe](https://twitter.com/gloriamarisgroupe)

PIERRE GERONIMI // After sport, comfort. The Corsican ice cream master Pierre Geronimi will propose his latest creations on the various gourmet stages throughout the week: At the opening dinner in the precincts of the citadel of Bonifacio and for the closing dinner in Saint-Florent, his icy and surprising perfumes who pay tribute to the Island of Beauty will sublimate this gourmet trip.

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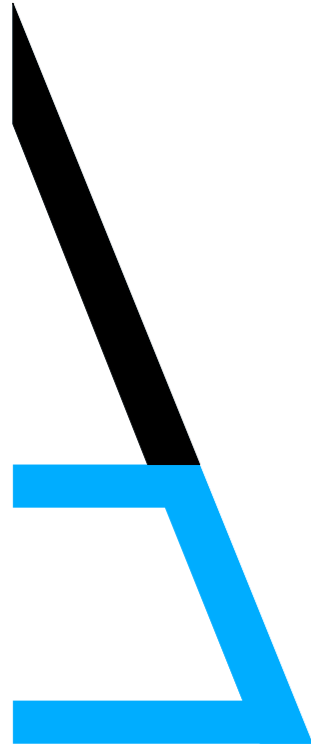
BRASSERIES PIETRA // During the week, the crews will be able to taste the famous chestnut amber beer, mixed with honey and cereals tasting notes, the signature beer of Corsican the brewery, Pietra. The teams will also discover the Corsican IPA (Indian Pale Ale), and the brand new organic and no glu Blond beer.

www.brasseriepietra.corsica // [@brasseriepietra](https://twitter.com/brasseriepietra)

LES TERRASSES D'ARAGON // This traditional cutlery located in Bonifacio is making knives since 35 years. The Zuria family, with Meilleur Ouvrier de France Robert Beillonnet, is designing new collections of exceptional woods of Corsica. The masterpieces will be offered to the winners in Bonifacio and Saint-Florent.

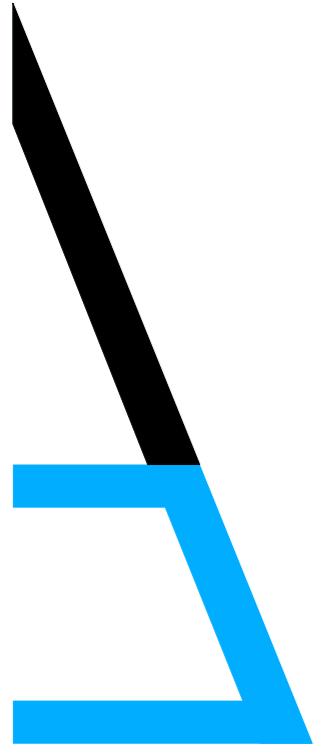
www.lesterrassesdaragon.com

DOMAINE POZZO DI MASTRI // Surrounded by vineyards, olive groves and oaks, Auberge Pozzo di Mastri is part



of some of the unmissable charms of Isle of Beauté. Located in Figari, the ferme-Auberge also produced the IMAJYNE Sea Wine, in homage to Jean-Yves Milanini-Auriol, the father of producers, Bruno et Sylvain. L'Auberge will host the opening dinner of the summer of Corsica Classic in Bonifacio on Monday, August 26, accompanied by the Imajyne Sea Wine. www.pozzodimastri.com // @pozzodimastri // @imajynebluewine

L. N. Mattei // It is a cult product in Corsica. The movie «César» by Marcel Pagnol in 1936, celebrating the south of France, already casted it ! The true «apéritif» from the isle of Beauty was invented in 1872 by Louis Napoléon Mattei. Inspired by a trip to the Caribbean, composed of local grapes, citrus, plants and spices. In the historic distillery in Bastia, you will discover the vintage posters of the brand, as well as being a concept-store in a historical monument. LN Mattei star product, «Cap Corse», will be discovered by the teams during the official cocktails. www.capcorsemattei.com // @capmattei

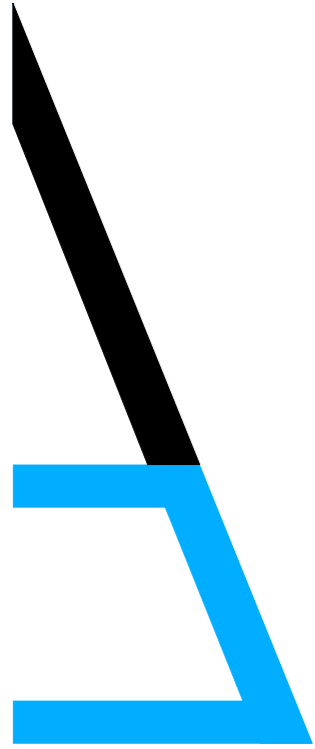


UNFORGETTABLE STOPOVERS

AIR CORSICA // The official island airline renews its privileged partnership with the Corsica Classic. With an international development in the last two years, from Brussels Charleroi (since March 2017), London-Stanssted (since May 2018) and now Porto (since april 2019), Air Corsica allows international travelers to take direct connections to Corsica: The first airline in Corsica extends its territory to better discover the island of beauty in the world. www.aircorsica.com // @aircorsicaofficial

ROUTE // Bonifacio, Lavezzi Islands, Saint-Cyprien bay, Bavella, Sari-Solenzara, Bastia, Macinaggio, Saint-Florent : names that conjure up visions of the Isle of Beauty; iconic landmarks dotted along the route of this seven-day race. Each day, the yachts will follow a coastal route of around 20 miles, a distance that will take at least 2 ½ hours to navigate on the shortest days, and up to 8 hours on the longest. Arriving at their overnight moorings, competitors will find exceptional port services and stunning backdrops. www.corsica-classic.com // @corsicaclassic

CORSICAN ROOTS // With its course between Bonifacio and Saint-Florent, the regatta will stop in 7 ports along Corsican shores. The event is actively supported by Corsican entrepreneurs such as Gloria Maris (fish), wine-



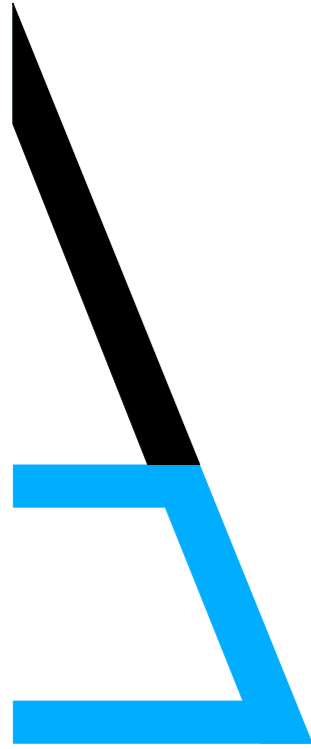
growers (Granajolo, Clos Signadore, Sea Wine ImaJYne), Pietra (breweries), Mattei drinks (cocktails and juices), Château Nasica (olive oil), ice-cream master Pierre Geronimi, restaurants (Pozzo di Mastri, Caffè de Flore 1755, L'Auberge du Pêcheur) and hotels along with the major Corsican authorities. All these actors of the island will be put forward to make discover their know-how and the excellence of their products, Made in Corsica.

SPORT, STYLE & SUNGLASSES

OFFICIAL POSTER 10TH EDITION // Each year, the Corsica Classic's winner over all is honored on the official poster following his trophy. This year, it's SY Skylark, owned by Tara Getty, winner overall 2018, represented on the official poster designed by creative director and artist Sébastien Lyky, who works for the biggest luxury brands, from Cartier to Louis Vuitton from Bvlgari to Kenzo, Hermes and Celine. @seblyky

QUAY AUSTRALIA // Australian sunglasses Quay Australia will dress all the staff and participants of the Corsica Classic 10th edition. These trendy sunglasses have just signed a collaboration with Jennifer Lopez and appeal to countless celebrities around the world. In 14 years of existence, Quay Australia has dressed many events, festivals and personalities, creating the #quaysquad.

www.quayaustralia.fr // @quayaustralia

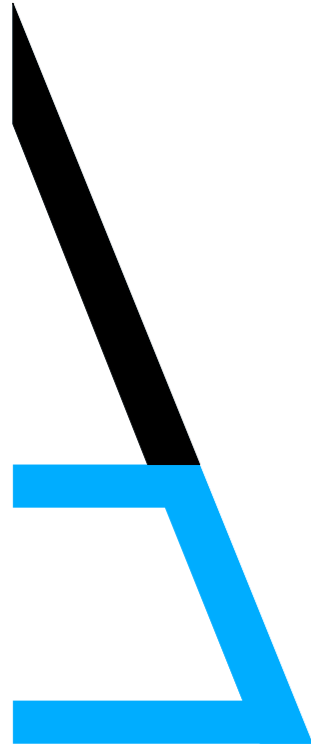


CASANERA // Immortelle, myrtle & tangerine, juniper, wild mint... Marie Ceccaldi gathers the plants of the maquis in the Island for exceptional care products. Heir to a precious herbarium of a healing grandmother and a mother who was a pioneer in fresh cosmetics, she creates organic care products for the body, the face, perfumes and vegetal candles based on essential oils from the Mediterranean. Casanera products will be offered to the winners of the Corsica Classic.

casanera.corsica

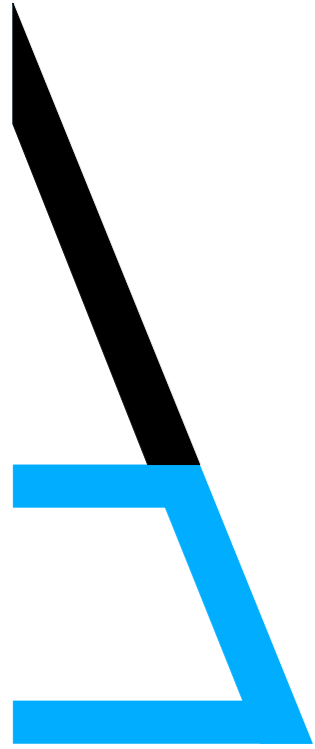
ENVIRONMENT & NATURE

SAVE THE MED // At a time when it is more urgent than ever to raise awareness and act in favor of water reserves on Earth, the Corsica Classic puts on the run a pollution trawl loaned by Océanoplastic in order to clean up the Mediterranean Sea and raise awareness of the phenomenon with the general public on the port of Saint-Florent. This cleaning operation of the Mediterranean will be set up between Bastia, Macinaggio and Saint-Florent, off the Cap Corse Marine Park and Agriates. An awareness stand will be set up in Saint-Florent to make the issues better understood by the general public. Thanks to Patrick Fabvre, director of Océanoplastic, the Corsican Blue Project association, the port of Saint-Florent and the Water Family association, all this data



will be transmitted to the Marine Park in order to optimize their studies. The Corsican Blue Project association, supported by the ADEC, is also working on the design of an innovative vessel for the permanent watch of the island coasts. www.corsicanblueproject.com // @corsicanblueproject

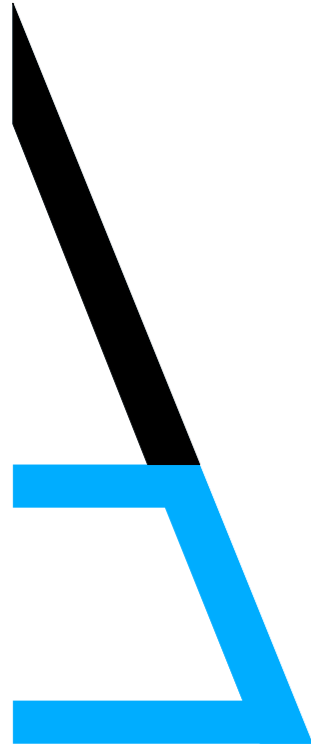
THE WORLD ENVIRONMENT PRIZE // The Corsica Classic is for the first time partner of the World Environment Prize. At the initiative of twenty Corsican entrepreneurs, the World Environmental Prize, intended to reward each year the best technological innovations in the field of the environment: energy, storage, new materials, transport, water, waste, agriculture ... from the world of research, startups, SMEs, large groups. The World Environmental Prize is an Entrepreneur Award for entrepreneurs: it will reward, after open call for projects to teams from all countries, and a selection on file, one or more projects that will receive a prize of a total amount 100 000 Euros - which places the prize among the best endowed in the world in this field. This prize will be awarded every year at a major event in Corsica to illustrate the pioneering nature of the island in the field of sustainable development, stimulate its own ecosystem of technological innovation, mobilize the population, especially the younger generations, and decision makers, around the major challenge of the 21st century. www.prize.corsica (launched on July 29) // @corsicaprize



SPECIAL GUESTS

TANIA YOUNG // Patron of the race for the seventh consecutive year, TV Darling of the French television, Tania Young, will attend several stages of the race and will be the mistress of ceremony of the award ceremony - without counting the morning briefings briefings. After presenting the weather and the prime-time travel show, Faut Pas Rêver, Tania Young now presents her chronicle of unusual travels around the world in the flagship show of France 2, Télé Matin. @taniayoungofficiel

CHARITY // Corsica Classic tied the knot with Breast Cancer Association "SOS Cancer du Sein" and its « Pink » Regatta. The regatta will host several women who are suffering or have been suffering from breast cancer to participate on one leg of the regatta for a lifetime experience in Bonifacio on monday 26th august and in Saint-Florent on sunday September 1st. This very special stage will include these women in the teams to share an incredible adventure on the sea. www.soscancerdusein.org



2019 PROGRAMME

SUNDAY 25.08:

REGISTRATION & WELCOME DAY, BONIFACIO

9H-17H: REGISTRATION

19H-21H: WELCOME COCKTAIL, PORT BONIFACIO

MONDAY 26.08: REGATTA BONIFACIO-BONIFACIO TROPHY OF THE CITY

10 AM: BRIEFING AT THE QUAY, BONIFACIO

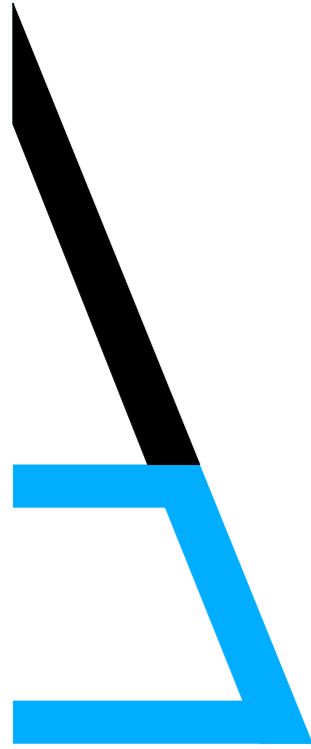
11AM: DEPARTURE FROM BONIFACIO

12H: REGATTA DEPARTURE BONIFACIO / BONIFACIO TROPHY OF THE CITY

7 PM: AWARD CEREMONY OF THE TROPHY OF THE CITY ANTOINE ZURIA, FOLLOWED BY A DINNER AT BASTION DE L'ETENDARD, BY AUBERGE POZZO DI MASTRI

TUESDAY 27.08: REGATTA BONIFACIO-PORTO-VECCHIO

10 AM: BRIEFING AT THE QUAY, BONIFACIO



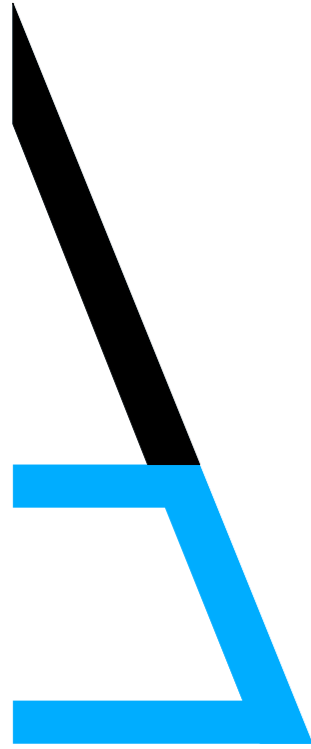
11AM: DEPARTURE FROM THE PORT
12H: REGATTA DEPARTURE BONIFACIO - PORTO-VECCHIO
19H: WELCOME COCKTAIL IN PORTO-VECCHIO

WEDNESDAY 28.08: PORTO-VECCHIO-SOLENZARA REGATTA
10AM: VHF BRIEFING
11AM: DEPARTURE ANCHORAGE
12H: DEPARTURE FROM PORTO-VECCHIO TO SOLENZARA
7 PM: WELCOME COCKTAIL BY SOLENZARA

THURSDAY 29.08: REGATTA SOLENZARA-BASTIA OLD PORT
10 AM: BRIEFING ON THE QUAY, SOLENZARA
11AM: DEPARTURE FROM THE PORT
12H: DEPARTURE SOLENZARA - BASTIA OLD-PORT
20H: ARRIVAL OF THE FIRST PARTICIPANTS BASTIA OLD PORT, WELCOME COCKTAIL

FRIDAY 30.08: REGATTA BASTIA-MACINAGGIO
10AM: BRIEFING ON THE QUAY BASTIA OLD-PORT
11AM: DEPARTURE FROM THE PORT
12H: DEPARTURE BASTIA- MACINAGGIO
19H: WELCOME COCKTAIL, MACINAGGIO

SATURDAY 31.09: REGATTA MACINAGGIO-SAINT-FLORENT

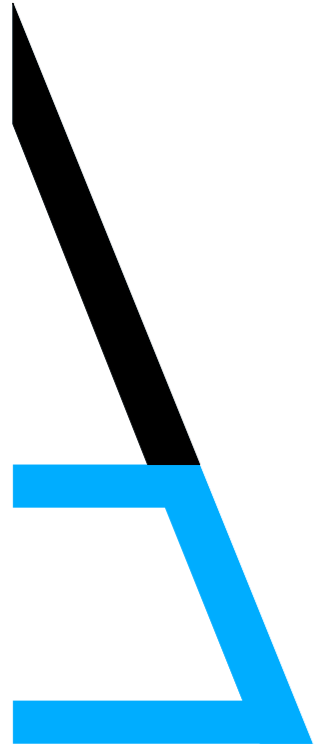


10AM: BRIEFING ON THE MACINAGGIO WHARF
11AM: DEPARTURE FROM THE PORT
12H: DEPARTURE MACINAGGIO - SAINT-FLORENT
7 PM: WELCOME COCKTAIL FROM SAINT-FLORENT

SUNDAY 01.09: REGATTA IN THE BAY OF SAINT-FLORENT
10 AM: BRIEFING ON THE QUAI DE SAINT-FLORENT
11AM: DEPARTURE FROM THE PORT
12H: DEPARTURE SAINT-FLORENT - SAINT-FLORENT
19H -20H: AWARD OF PRIZES OF HONOR DOCK OF SAINT-FLORENT
20H - 23H: DINNER, CITADEL OF SAINT-FLORENT

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