

MAXI YACHT ROLEX CUP 2008



NOTICE OF RACE - INFORMATION Porto Cervo, Italy Monday 1st - Saturday 6th September

Valid as IMA Championship





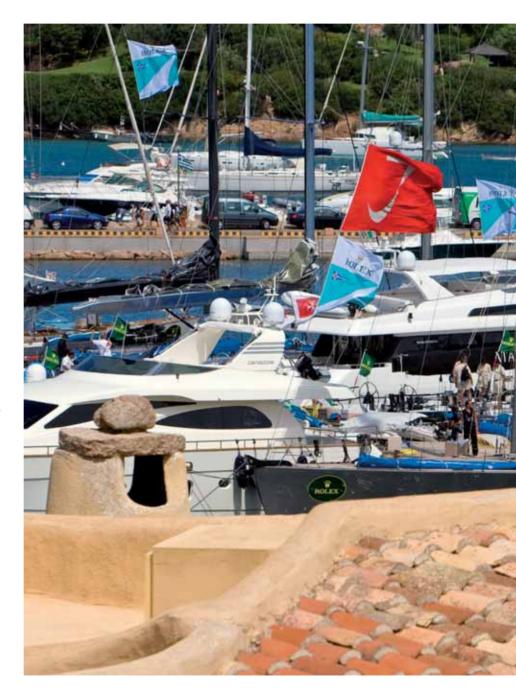


For over twenty years now the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup, organized by yhe Yacht Club Costa Smeralda and sponsored by Rolex SA, has taken place in Porto Cervo during the first week of September and 2008 will be no exception.

The YCCS is once again delighted to welcome these beautiful yachts which represent the ultimate in technology, elegance and professionalism in the world of offshore sailing. We will undoubtedly enjoy an unforgettable week of competitive sailing on courses through and around the la Maddalena archipelago.

Many thanks go to the International Maxi Association (IMA) and to Rolex for their invaluable collaboration and we look forward, as ever to welcoming numerous participants

Princess Zahra Aga Khan
President of YCCS Board of Directors







The International Maxi Association (IMA) is pleased to invite all our members, together with those Maxi Yacht owners who have not yet joined the IMA, to participate in our most illustrious annual gathering: the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup.

During the event Annual Trophies for the various IMA divisions will also be assigned. The first week of September has become a traditional appointment for all Maxis in Porto Cervo which is characterised by a spirit of healthy competition and also provides an occasion to discuss future tendencies and programmes for the class.

On behalf of all the owners I wish to thank the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda which has hosted this important international event since the outset and hope to see ever more participants in Porto Cervo this year.

Claus Peter Offen IMA President





In accordance with tradition, the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup 2008 will be held in Porto Cervo, Sardinia, Italy in the first week of September, from the 1st to the 6th.

The regatta is organised by the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda (YCCS) in conjunction with the International Maxi Association (I.M.A). The sponsor for the Regatta is Rolex SA, Geneva. The Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup 2008 has been nominated as the annual IMA Championship.

1-ORGANISING AUTHORITY AND VENUE

Yacht Club Costa Smeralda 07020 Porto Cervo (OT), Italy Tel. +39 0789 902200 Fax +39 0789 91213 http://www.yccs.it

Email: secretariat@vccs.it

The Race Headquarters for the Regatta will be located at the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda Club House in Porto Cervo Marina.

2-BOAT ELIGIBILITY

The regatta is open to the following yachts:

- IMA yachts of all divisions.
- IRC rated yachts with a LOA of 79 feet or greater.
- Classic and Spirit of Tradition yachts with a LOA of 79 feet or greater at the discretion of the Organizing Authority.
- Mini Maxi yachts with a LOA between 60 feet and 79 feet.

The fleet may be split according to the number of entries into:

Racing Division: High performance yachts racing under the IRC rule using time-on-time.

Wally Division (as defined by the IMA): Wally yachts racing under the IMAX handicap system.

Cruising Division: Yachts racing under the IRC rule using time-on-time.

Spirit of Tradition: Yachts with either an IRC, IMS or CIM rating certificate racing under a performance handicap controlled by the IMA Technical Office (A.T.O.) adjusted daily. Mini Maxi Division: Yachts racing under the IRC rule using time-on-time. In addition, a prize may be awarded to the best Mini Maxi duel scored under the IMS rule sailing time-on-distance.

Some of the divisions may be split into groups for additional prizes.

Rating certificates submitted with the entry must be current Endorsed IRC or IMS/ORC Club certificates issued by the appropriate Rating Authority. All valid rating certificates shall then be endorsed by the IMA Technical Office (A.T.O.).





3-RULES

- 3.1 The regatta will be governed by:
- International Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing 2005/2008 (RRS)
- Special Regulations governing Offshore Racing for Category 3 with life raft on board compulsory. Life rafts are items of live saving equipment. Attention is drawn to RRS 1.2 (Life saving equipment and personal buoyancy).
- IMA Class Rules and Regulations (for IMA Trophy)
- Wally Yacht Class Regulations (for Wally Division)
- IRC Rules and Regulations
- IMS/ORC Club Rules and Regulations (where appropriate for Mini Maxi Division)
- Italian competitors shall be in compliance with the Italian Sailing Federation

Rules (FIV). Other Italian Federation prescriptions do not apply.

Power assisted winches, canting keels, trim tab and water ballast are permitted.

In the event of a conflict between any of the above rules and/or regulations and the Sailing Instructions, the decision of the International Jury with the approval of the IMA representative shall prevail.

3.2 -English shall be the official language used at the Regatta and the English text of all documents shall prevail.











4- MEASUREMENT AND CONTROLS

- **4.1** Boats may be inspected and/or check measured at any reasonable time before or during the regatta.
- **4.2** Boats shall only be measured by measurers pre-approved by the IMA Technical Office (ATO).
- **4.3** -Sail dimensions shall be either by direct measurement or by sail maker declaration.

4.4 - Racing Certificates

- **4.4.1** -IRC certificates may be issued by either the RORC Rating Office: (info@rorcrating.com) or the UNCL Centre de Calcul: (irc@uncl.com).
- **4.4.2** -All IRC certificates shall be 'endorsed' by the International Maxi Association Technical Office (ATO) who may require full or partial measurement of any boat. For endorsement please apply to Mr. Peter Lawson Tel. 001 401 8844 1122 Fax 001 401 884 2726 -

Email:<u>rlawson@acgri.com</u>

or rlawson@pojac.com

- **4.4.3** -Hull and rig dimensions shall be either by direct measurement or with the approval of the ATO by declaration from the designer and/or builder.
- **4.4.4** -Noting the relatively large size and weight of the boats, desirable weighing of boats will not always be possible. For any boat that has not been weighed, weight will therefore be verified by the ATO from any other possible source.
- **4.5** -Prescriptions indicated on the above Par. 4.4, do not apply for the Spirit of Tradition Division.

5-SAILING INSTRUCTIONS

Sailing Instructions will be available for the competitors upon final registration.

6- EVENT CLASSIFICATION AND ADVERTISING

- **6.1** -The regatta is designated Category C in accordance with ISAF Advertising Code, Regulation 20, except for those boats competing in the IMA Trophy in the Cruising Division and the Spirit of Tradition Division, which will be required to comply with Category A.
- **6.2** -All participating boats are requested to hoist a sponsor's pennant, a battle flag with the logo of the event and to apply the sponsor's decal to both sides of the bow. The sponsor's flag shall be flown on the backstay of the boat from 18,00 hour on September 2nd to 1 hour after the finish of the last race of the Series. The battle flag shall be flown while moored and the decals shall be applied to both sides of the bow for the entire duration of the Regatta commencing immediately after registration until one hour after the finish of the last race.
- **6.3** -The Organising Authority may also require:
- the installation, at no cost to competitors, of on board video cameras for the official television production
- to have TV cameramen on board. They will not be part of the crew and their weight will not be included in the calculation of crew weight.
- the installation of satellite monitor equipment for the boat tracking system. not to interfere with the instrumentation and various communication equipment on board.

The Organising Authority will provide for the installation.

7- JURISDICTION

The regatta will be sailed under the jurisdiction of the Race Committee and the International Jury appointed in accordance with RRS 90 (b) and Appendix "N". All decisions of the International Jury shall be final as approved in RRS 70.4.

8- PROGRAMME

Monday 1st September

Inspections, Registrations and Briefing

Tuesday 2nd September

Race (s)

Wednesday 3rd September

Race (s)

Thursday 4th September

Race (s)

Friday 5th September

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Saturday 6th September

Race and Final Prizegiving

The Organising Authority and/or the Race Committee reserves the right to modify the above programme according to weather conditions or other unforeseen reasons.

The courses selected for the races shall be either Coastal or Windward/Leeward.

Each Division may have no more than a maximum number of seven races.







9- RACING AREA AND CHARTS

The racing area will be in North Eastern Sardinian waters. The following charts are recommended: nos. 42 - 43 - 323 - 324 - 325 - 910, Italian charts of the Istituto Idrografico della Marina. Charts can be ordered directly at the:

Istituto Idrografico della Marina -

Passo dell'Osservatorio 4,

16134 Genoa, Italy

Tel: +39 010 2463528 Fax: +39 010 261400

10- ENTRIES AND ENTRY FEE

10.1 - Entries shall be made on the Entry Form available on the YCCS web site (www.yccs.it) and shall be received, completed in full, by the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda not later than July 1St 2008, accompanied by a non-refundable entry fee of 1.500 Euro per yacht.

The entry fee for IMA Members, of the Wally Division and the Mini Maxi Division is reduced to 50% (Euro 750,00).

There is no entry fee for IMA Members of Racing Division, Cruising Division and Spirit of Tradition.

10.2 - Each entry shall also be accompanied by one copy of the current rating certificate. If a boat elects to reconfigure the sail plan or change any other measurement values requiring a new rating certificate, the new certificate shall be received by the O.A. by 1200 hours (noon) on 1st September 2008.

Boats intending to change certificates should notify the IMA Technical Office of that intention so that arrangements can be made to validate the new certificate received from the RORC Rating Office in a timely manner.

All competitors in the Racing Division and Mini Maxi Division are reminded that the rating certificate are required to be endor sed by the IMA technical office

10.3 -Any boat intending to display advertising during the regatta shall state in the entry form the nature of such advertising. If a boat that already entered acquires advertising or changes her advertising, she pronptly shall inform the O.A. that may refu se the entry. The O.A. reserves the right to accept entries when more that one boat are advertising the same brand.

Boats are responsible to inform advertisers and sponsors that no activities advertising any brand advertised on competing boats will be permitted ashore within the Porto Cervo Marina Area without the consent in writing of the O.A. obtained before the start of the Regatta.

The Organising Authority reserves the right to accept entries after 1st July 2008 For late entries moorings are not guaran-

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10.4 - The entry fee can be paid by Credit Card (VISA or MASTERCARD) or by bank transfer. If the payment is made by bank transfer, a copy of the transfer confirmation is to accompany the entry form. Please send the transfer payments to:

Banca Intesa Sanpaolo SPA -

Ag.Arzachena

YACHT CLUB COSTA SMERALDA

CIN E - ABI 03069 - CAB 84901 - C/C 1000/71

IBAN: IT21E0306984901100000000071 Swift(BIC): BCITITMM

11- REGISTRATION

11.1 - Final Registration formalities shall be completed at the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda's Race Office by 12.00 (noon) hours on September 1st, 2008, unless the O.A. agrees to a later date, which it will do only in the most exceptional circumstances 11.2 - All competitors shall be in compliance with the ISAF eligibility rules

11.3 -Foreign competitors shall be in compliance with their respective National Rules.

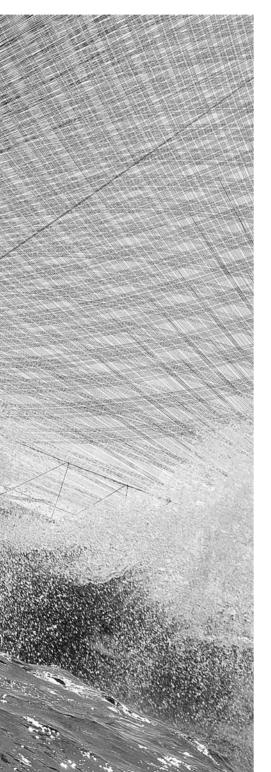












12- SCORING AND PENALTIES

The Low Point System RRS Appendix A shall apply except that one discard will be allowed if five or more races are sailed.

13- ELECTRONIC AIDS

All types of electronic equipment are permitted.

14- COMMUNICATIONS

All boats shall be equipped with a Marine VHF transceiver operating on VHF channel 72.

15-INSPECTIONS

Boats shall be at the disposal of the Measurement & Inspection Committee not later than 09.00 hours on September 1st, 2008. For boats already in Porto Cervo, inspections may be carried out on 31st August 2008.

16- TROPHIES AND PRIZES

- The Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup and Rolex watches to the overall winner of each Division
- IMA Trophy and Special trophies to the winners of the IMA Championship
- IMS Trophy for the best Mini Maxi scored in IMS.
- Additional special trophies to the winner of each finalised group.

17- MOORINGS

- 17.1 The entry fee includes mooring fees from 08.00 hours on September 1st to 09.00 hours on September, 7th 2008, at Porto Cervo Marina or Port East provided that the completed entry form and entry fee are received by the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda before 1st July 2008.
- **17.2** No moorings are guaranteed for late entries.
- 17.3 The cost of electricity, water consumption and telephone charges as well as mooring fees for late entries and/or additional periods, must be paid directly to the Marina Office by the participants.
- **17.4-** To reserve moorings prior and afterthe dates indicated in par.17.1 and for tenders please apply directly to the Marina Office:

Tel.+39/0789/905111

Fax +39/0789/91153.

Early booking is recommended.

18- PRESS OFFICE

Media representatives wishing to cover the event are requested to contact:

YCCS Press Office

Yacht Club Costa Smeralda 07020 Porto Cervo (SS) - Italy Tel. +39 0789 902200 Fax +39 0789 91257

Email: pressoffice@yccs.it

19- INSURANCE

It is the responsibility of the owner to provide insurance for the yacht covering eventual damage to persons or property.

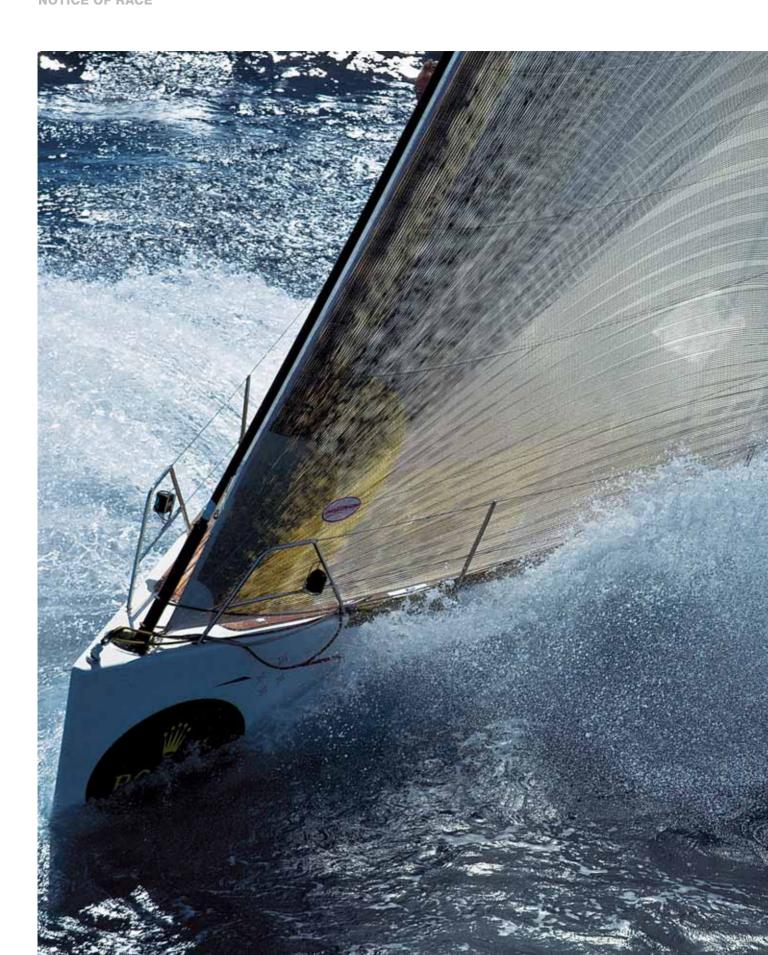
20- DISCLAIMER

Competitors agree to be bound by the International Sailing Federation Racing Rules of Sailing (RRS) 2005/2008, by the Sailing Instructions and the Notice of Race. Competitors agree to take any and all responsibility for the nautical qualities of their boat, the rigging, the crew's ability and the safety equipment. Competitors also agree to take any and all responsibility for damages caused to third persons or their belongings, to themselves or to their belongings, ashore and at sea as a consequence of their participation in the regatta, relieving of any responsibility Rolex S.A., the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda and all persons













involved in the organization under whatever qualification and to accept full responsibility for the behaviour and dress of the boat's crew, representatives and guests.

Competitors are to be acquainted with ISAF RRS Part 1 Fundamental Rule 4:

"The responsibility for a boat's decision to participate in a race or to continue racing is hers alone".

In any case, competitors agree that the Yacht Club Costa Smeralda, the sponsors and their agents, have no responsibility for loss of life or injury to members or others, or for the loss or damage to any vessel or property.

As part of the registration process, each individual participating crew member will be required to sign a declaration accepting this disclaimer of liability.

21- MEDIA RIGHTS

Competitors grant Rolex S.A. and the Organizing Authority, the unrestricted right and permission to use the name and the image for any text, photograph or video footage of either themselves or the boat they are sailing during the event to be published or broadcast in any media whatsoever (including but not limited to Press and TV advertisements or Internet), for either editorial or advertising purposes or to be used in press information; in this respect, competitors' names and any biographical material of themselves may also be used or reproduced in any way known.







As part of the registration process, each individual participating crew member will be required to sign a declaration accepting this waiver of rights.

22- SOCIAL EVENTS

The preliminary social programme for the event is as follows:

Monday 1st September

IMA Welcome Reception

Tuesday 2nd September

After race refreshments

Wednesday 3rd September

YCCS Dinner

Thursday 4th September

Rolex Crew Party

Friday 5th September

Rolex Gala Dinner

Saturday 6th September

Prize Giving

INFORMATION

For further information please check the event web site:

www.yccs.it

USM

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USM is the official furniture supplier of the media centres at Rolex sponsored international yachting events.

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- 1980 Bumblebee (AUS)
- 1981 Kialoa IV (USA)
- 1983 Kialoa IV (USA)
- 1985 Boomerang (USA)
- Doomorang (00/1
- 1987 Kialoa IV (USA)
- 1989 Longobarda (ITA)
- 1991 Matador (USA)
- 1995 Rrose Selavy (ITA)
- 1997 Morning Glory (GER)
- 1999 Savonara (USA) ILC Class
 - Sayonara (USA) IMS Class
- 2000 Genie of the Lamp (GER) Cruising Division
 - Magic Carpet (UK) Cruising Light Division
 - Rrose Selavy (ITA) IMS Division
 - Aldabra (UK) Heavy Division
- 2001 Edimetra (ITA) Racing Division
 - Vae Victis (ITA) Wally Division
 - Virtuelle (ITA) Cruiser Division
 - Unfurled (USA) Cruiser over 30 m. Division
- 2002 Alexia (ARG) Racing Division
 - Magic Carpet (UK) Wally Division
 - Viriella (ITA) Cruising Division
 - Adela (USA) Classic Cruiser Division
- 2003 Idea SAI (ITA) IMS Division
 - Alfa Romeo (NZL) IRC Division
 - Wallyno (ITA) Wally Division
 - Whitefin (ITA) Spirit of Tradition
- 2004 Pyewacket (USA) Racing Division
 - Alexia (ARG) Wally Division
 - Mister A (ITA) Cruising Division

- 2003 Idea SAI (ITA) IMS Division
 - Alfa Romeo (NZL) IRC Division
 - Wallyno (ITA) Wally Division
 - Whitefin (ITA) Spirit of Tradition
- 2004 Pyewacket (USA) Racing Division
 - Alexia (ARG) Wally Division
 - Mister A (ITA) Cruising Division
- 2005 Black Dragon (UK) Racing Division
 - Allsmoke (UK) Cruising Division
 - Y3K (GER) Wally Division
 - Adela (USA) Spirit of Tradition
- 2006 Alfa Romeo (NZL) Racing Division
 - Roma (ITA) Cruising Division
 - Atalanta II (ITA) Mini Maxi
 - Magic Carpet (UK) Wally Division
 - Hetairos (USA) Spirit of Tradition
- 2007 J One (FRA) Wally Division
 - Ranger (USA) Cruising Division
 - Atalanta II (ITA) Mini Maxi Division
 - Morning Glory (GER) Racing Division









GENERAL INFORMATION Boatyard Services

In Olbia:

Cantieri Costa Smeralda S.p.A.

Via dei Lidi

Inizio Zona Industriale

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In Porto Cervo:

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ACCOMMODATION

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Fax +39 0789 91374

www.swsportocervo.com

Email: sws@swsportocervo.com

IMMOBILMARE s.n.c.

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Fax +39 0789 91569

RESIDENCE DELL'ORSO (Poltu Quatu)

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Fax +39/0789/99196

I GIARDINI DI PORTO CERVO

(Porto Cervo)

Tel. +39/0789 906036

Fax +39 0789 906012

www.giardinidiportocervo.it

Hotels

Luxury Hotels

The following luxury hotels are available in

Costa Smeralcla if desired:

HOTEL CALA DI VOLPE:

Tel. +39 0789 976111

Fax +39 0789 976617

HOTEL PITRIZZA:

Tel. +39 0789 930111

Fax +39 0789 930611

HOTEL ROMAZZINO:

Tel. +39 0789 977111

Fax +39 0789 96258

CERVO HOTEL & CONFERENCE CEN-

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Tel. +39 0789 931111

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Hotels

HOTEL LE GINESTRE***

Tel. +39 0789 92030

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CALAVOLPE - GOLF HOTEL * * * *

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TRANSPORT

By plane:

The Olbia - Costa Smeralda airport is about

30 kms from Porto Cervo.

MERIDIANA AIRLINE

OFFICIAL AIR CARRIER

www.meridiana.it

By ferry:

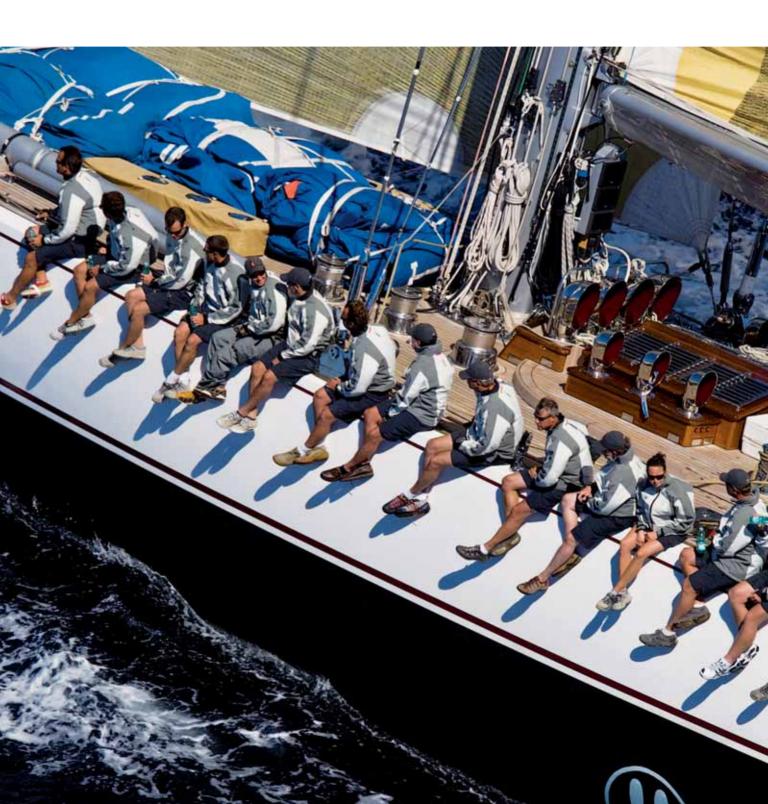
Daily ferry services are available with:

TIRRENIA from Genoa to Olbia

MOBY LINES from Genova and Livorno to

Olbia

















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As is traditional during the regatta period the YCCS Clubhouse and all related facilities are open to the participants (Owners and guests) in the Maxi Yacht Rolex Cup.

Dedicated proposals could be arranged to make your stay in Porto Cervo more comfortable. Please contact the YCCS for further information, reservations and individual proposals.

CLUBHOUSE ACCOMMODATION

24 luxury suites, each with private terrace overlooking the harbour.

THE RESTAURANT AND BAR

Restaurant on the panoramic Poolside Terrace and an indoor restaurant is also available for reserved parties. Special menus at a fixed price may be arranged for yacht crews.

The Bar, open all day, serves light snacks and cocktails. Live music every night.

SPA AND FITNESS CENTER

Fitness Club with personal trainers, cardio and isotonic equipment. Spa &

Beauty Center for body and facial treatments, sauna and steam room. Swimming Pool, Sailing School for children and adults. Internet Access is also available in the Clubhouse.

A shuttle boat links Piazza Azzurra and the YCCS directly to the centre of Porto Cervo Village.



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