

 International Exchange

MORGENSTER: THE HAGUE (NL) - LONDON (GB) - AMSTERDAM (NL)

20 July - 03 August 2020

The Hague (NL) - London (GB) - Amsterdam (NL)

15-25: € 995,00

26-28 : € 1.620,00

Sailing beyond Sustainable Horizons. Erasmus+ International Exchange for young people aged 15-25 from: The Netherlands, Spain, France, UK and Sweden. Join the international group of trainees who want to try sailing on a Tall Ship and help the environment while learning about each other's cultures. Steer the ship, navigate, fish for microplastic in the North Sea, visit The Hague, London and Amsterdam; look for dolphins in the sea, play games, sing, laugh and enjoy the unforgettable adventure! Open to Windseekers aged 15-25 (26-28 at request via info@windseeker.org). Additional fees may apply due to the necessity of becoming a member of partner organisation of your country (up to EUR 50).



STEPHANIE (42) FRANCE

*"I LEARNED THAT IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO FIND A
NEW PASSION IN LIFE."*





ABOUT THE JOURNEY

Set course beyond the known horizon and sail past your comfort zone. Embark on an international journey with sustainability theme. Take charge of your own learning process and discover the whole new way of learning by doing. Be the part of a team of like-minded people and together be a part of a global movement against climate change.

Sail a 100-year old Tall Ship with all that it entails. The experienced crew will teach you everything you need to know while gradually giving you more responsible tasks. The Ship is not only your home, but also a great classroom/playground where you'll get to try so many new things! Steering such a large vessel is a very powerful feeling, while the view from the mast is not easy to forget! Let your adventurous spirit free and enjoy the many life lessons offered by sailing.

Live sustainable lifestyle which is a must on board. Conserve limited fresh water, carefully separate trash and sail using the power of the wind as much as possible. Join a marine biologist in plastic research of the oceans: collect, analyze and describe samples. Organise local climate actions such as a beach cleanup, an educational happening or an awareness lecture. Share experiences and ideas with your peers from other countries and go back home full of inspiration for more sustainable life.

Meet people from different cultures and backgrounds. On board you will spend 24 hours a day together, speaking English, getting confused by and explaining cultural differences, trying new food and taking in your similarities and differences. The mentors will encourage you to set personal learning goals at the beginning of the project. All of them are valid and important. At the end you will reflect on your experience and receive a YouthPass certificate of skills and competences.

PORTS

The Hague is the seat of government in the Netherlands and the third-largest city of the Netherlands, after Amsterdam and Rotterdam. King Willem-Alexander of the Netherlands plans to live at Huis ten Bosch and works at Noordeinde Palace in The Hague, together with Queen Máxima. Most foreign embassies in the Netherlands and 150 international organisations are located in the city. This is one of the major cities hosting the United Nations, along with New York, Geneva, Vienna and Addis Ababa.

London is a centre for business, finance, the arts and tourism. As such, the city has something to offer for everyone. But visiting London by ship makes the experience extra special. Go see a play in West End, explore Soho, or take a tourist bus for a sightseeing ride. Go to Hyde Park, close to Buckingham Palace, if the city bustle is a bit much after an ocean voyage. And work on your cultural karma by visiting a few of the many museums. London is so big you'll need to revisit to see it all!

With more bicycles than people, cycling is an integral part of Amsterdam's DNA. Hop on and see the city like the locals do! Winding waterways, idyllic bridges and historic buildings – one of the most memorable ways to truly see Amsterdam is from the canals. Amsterdam has a full cultural agenda showcasing the very best festivals, nightlife, exhibitions & events, plus there is enough practical tourist info, hotel, museum, excursion & attraction listings, you won't miss a thing!



SPONSORSHIP AND COSTS

Co-financed by the Erasmus+ Program of the European Union. The youngster price (age 15-25) is EUR 995,- per trainee, instead of the normal price of EUR 1,620.

Windseekers from France, the Netherlands and Sweden need to become members of their countries' Sail Training Associations for a small fee (usually up to EUR 30).

Participants of this journey can enter the Windseeker Dinghy Programme for free. Learn how to raise money for your own journey at: windseeker.org/dinghy

The cost of your travel to- and from the ports will be reimbursed up to a certain amount (based on the country of origin and tickets costs, according to the rules of the Erasmus+ Program).

The reimbursement will take place several months after the journey.



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LIFE ON BOARD

Wake up and smell the coffee. Step out on deck and breathe in the chilly morning breeze. Look out over the horizon, can you see the land yet? Or maybe a pod of dolphins have decided to pay a visit?

No day, no hour on board is the same. You relax, talk, joke and sing shanties one minute, only to be climbing the masts and pulling the lines in the next one.

Then everything calms down again. You go down to the galley to help with lunch. The Ship's heeling turns carrying a pot of soup into a true adventure. You all laugh while navigating this obstacle course.

Wind seems to be shifting. Time to trim the sails. Together, as a team. Apple in mouth, zipping up your jacket, you move forward. Pull the sheet just a bit tighter. The sails are perfect now and the Ship takes up some speed. What an exhilarating feeling!

Time for a hot shower and a well-deserved nap. You fall asleep lulled by the sound of waves hitting the hull. Your next watch starts at midnight. You can't wait to watch the starry sky with a cup of hot tea in your hands.

And tomorrow will be a completely new day. A new day, with new horizons. Jump on one of our Tall Ships for a unique sailing adventure!

KEY POINTS

- Dates: 20 July 2020 - 3 August 2020
- For Windseekers 15-25 years, age 26-28 at request
- Participating countries: open for Windseekers from The Netherlands, Spain, France, UK and Sweden
- Windseekers joining: maximum of 35
- No sailing experience required!
- Official language on board: English and Dutch
- Price includes: accommodation and meals, excludes drinks at the bar
- Price excludes transportation costs to-and from the ports. Our travel counsellor can advise you and book your transfers
- Windseekers need to have a health insurance and a travel insurance
- Need to take with you on board: sleeping bags and towels
- Windseekers from the Netherlands need to become member of STAN
- French Windseekers need to become member of Les Amis des Grands Voiliers

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