

**JOINING CONFIRMATION: xx/xx/2015 INITIALS: [xx] LEG [XX]**

## **Floodtide Navigate**

The Floodtide team welcome you to Floodtide Navigate! Here is some information about life onboard Jacomina.

### **Where and when**

The route is mostly divided into weekly legs. You will join on a Sunday in [xxx] and depart on the following Saturday at a [xxx]. You will have to pay and arrange travel to the starting point and from the end point.

We will send you an exact location where we are moored etc closer to the time by email or text but please go ahead and make your travel arrangement to the location. Please also advise us of your expected arrival time so that we can be there!

We are confident that Floodtide Navigate will adhere to this itinerary but it is possible because of weather or other circumstance that we will need to depart from the schedule in which case we will endeavour to get back on track at the earliest opportunity.

### **Costs**

Although Floodtide receives some arts funding the residencies are self-funded. We will gratefully accept up to £20 or 25 Euro per day voluntary contribution towards mooring and running costs if you are in a position to give that. There is no obligation to contribute and you will be welcome to join anyway. It will not affect your stay with us. If you are looking for funding for this trip we are happy to give a formal 'residence' application and a 'Letter of Invitation'.

### **The crew**

The crew for each leg will consist of John Eacott as skipper, Lena Augustinson as mate and up to 4 participants. There is a dog onboard, Dizzy. John and Lena have lots of experience on yachts and John is an RYA Yachtmaster Instructor.

### **What you will do during your residency**

As a participant you will become the crew for the leg of the journey. You will get involved in sailing, navigating and running the boat as well as doing your own work if you want to, relaxing, exchange skills and knowledge with other crew and having fun. On location you can also take part as a musicians/ performer, with setting up the workshop or performance, or with recording audio and visuals.

Previous sailing experience is not essential although it is probably good if you have been on a boat before. Depending on the category of the leg and the weather there may be rough conditions to deal with and you may experience sea-sickness. Sailing boats also heel over

when they are underway and so you may have to get used to doing things while the boat is at an angle.

If you want to learn sailing and navigation skills you will have opportunities to learn and get involved. You will be briefed on safety and emergency drills before departure.

### **Life on board**

Each leg begins with a discussion of the route and what you want to get from the journey. Everyone will be encouraged to help with sailing and domestic duties such as cooking, cleaning, provisioning and occasional maintenance. It is up to you how much you want to get involved however and no-one will be required to take on tasks they are not comfortable with. Often we will stay overnight in a harbour with showers and other facilities. At other times we may choose to stay in more remote locations where we will need to rely on on-board facilities. We will shop, cook and eat collectively. Ideas for menu are welcome and please inform of any dietary preferences. Everyone onboard contributes to basic food supplies, a cost up to ten euro per day, to cover breakfast, lunch, dinner and snacks.

### **Watch teams**

For some journeys the crew will subdivide into 'watches' that take turns to sail the boat for a period of time, typically 4 hours while the other watch rest. Each watch will have a leader that takes charge of running the boat during that period.

### **What you need to bring**

You will need:

Sleeping bag

Deck shoes / trainers / sailing boots

A change of clothes

Underwear (and thermal underwear or long-johns)

A warm jumper and wooly hat

Waterproof clothing

A towel

Swimsuit

Toiletries and any medication if needed

Materials that you use for your work.

Please use a bag that can be rolled or folded up so that it can be stored when on board. Rigid cases and cases with wheels are not suitable as they take up lots of space.

Please do not bring too much however as storage is limited.

### **The boat**

Jacomina is a Swan 46 Mk1 sailing yacht designed by German Frers and build by Nautor in Finland in 1984. Like all Swan yachts she is comfortable, fast and very seaworthy. Jacomina

is well travelled. She has cruised and raced extensively and has crossed the Atlantic several times. She has 7 berths in 3 cabins: aft cabin, saloon and fo'c'sle as well as two heads (toilets) each with sink and shower.

In a yacht there is limited privacy and you may need to share a cabin with another crew member. When we assemble for a leg we will sort out suitable sleeping arrangements taking everyone's needs and preferences into consideration. Sometimes on passage we will 'hot bunk' which means that someone else occupies your bunk (with their own bedding) as it is the most suitable bunk for the conditions while you are busy on watch.

### **Character of the leg**

Each leg is different but are categorised under 3 general headings:

#### **Inshore**

Inland waterways which are sheltered with no significant wave height. Relatively easy access to places to moor. Inshore passages are suitable for people with little or no sailing experience.

#### **Coastal**

Coastal passages up to 20 miles from a safe haven in open water. Wave heights may be significant but it is normally possible to find shelter in a few hours. Coastal passages can be more demanding than inshore passages and are suitable for people that have some sailing experience.

#### **Offshore**

Offshore passages may be over 60 miles from a safe haven at times. Wave heights may be significant and in some cases it may take a day or more to find shelter. Offshore passages are suitable for people with sailing experience that fancy a challenge!

### **Computers and mobile phones**

During the journey you may be out of wifi and mobile phone range at times. There are also only limited opportunities to charge electronic devices. You may want to take the opportunity of this voyage to turn your computer and phone off (or not bring them) and connect with nature and a good book!

### **Contacting in an emergency**

Should anyone aboard need to be contacted in an emergency please inform Natasha Bird or Daniel Fischer who will advise how to contact the boat by radio.

### **Crew information**

For safety reasons we would like to collect some basic information about you and ask that you read the risk statement recommended by the Royal Yachting Association.

### **Contact details**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of emergency shore contact: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_

**About you**

Previous boating experience: \_\_\_\_\_  
Medical conditions: \_\_\_\_\_  
Can you swim 25 metres: \_\_\_\_\_  
Any additional information: \_\_\_\_\_

**Risk statement**

It must be recognised that sailing is by its nature an unpredictable activity and therefore inherently involves an element of risk. By taking part in Floodtide Navigate you agree and acknowledge that:

You are aware of the inherent element of risk involved in the activity and you accept responsibility exposing yourself to such inherent risk whilst taking part;

You will comply with the instructions of the Floodtide Navigate skipper particularly with regard to handling boats, wearing of life-jackets and using suitable clothing for the conditions;

You accept responsibility for any injury, damage or loss to the extent caused by your own negligence;

You will not participate while your ability is impaired by alcohol, drugs or whilst otherwise unfit to participate.

**Cancellation**

You understand that the Floodtide Navigate may have to cancel, postpone or change the voyage at any stage in the event of bad weather, equipment failure or other unforeseen circumstance.

Please complete this document and email to [info@floodtide.eu](mailto:info@floodtide.eu) within seven days of the date above.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

**FLOODTIDE NAVIGATE**

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