







CAPTAIN CARIBBEAN SEASON

Eric SAINT PLANCAT

General Qualifications

1rst Class French Merchant Marine Captain. General Operator's Certificate (GMDSS). Certificate of advanced qualification in fire fighting. Certificate of competence in the use of radar. National diploma in first aid and rescue.

Eric Saint Plancat is probably the most qualified captain in his age group. Having passed with honours his Sailing Boat Skipper Certificate at the age of nine-teen, he has never ceased to accumulate diplomas and experience in the sailing domain.

During the ten last years he has worked on sailing yachts for chartering purposes as well as on cargo ships (he was First Officer on a 5000 tons cargo ship at the age of twenty three).

He has often sailed in Caribbean and Mediterranean waters, which makes him particularly at ease when sailing on "Douce France". Eric is very flexible on the itineraries as Douce France cruises at an average of 12 knots.

Here are some of the yachts where Eric worked: Captain on "Souleias" 56 ft Sloop. Captain on "Lys Noir" 80 ft Yawl. First Officer on "Friday Star" 138 ft Schooner. Captain for "Stardust", Yacht Charter Company. Captain on "Recouvrance" 140 ft Schooner.

During the summer Eric leaves the responsibility of "Douce France" to Pascal GOGER and embarks on board the tall Ship "Belem", a 58 meter square rigged three - masted bark as First Officer.

Eric worked on "L'Emigrant " for two seasons where he chartered with adolescent children, giving him precious experience in keeping children occupied.

When at his home in Saint Malo he spends most of his spare time sailing on his Classic Cutter.