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THE TALL SHIPS
IN SZCZECIN



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Six months!

That is how long is left until the largest and most highly anticipated event of 2021. The countdown to the fourth Szczecin finale of The Tall Ships Races 2021 has just begun. Expect regular monthly news about our preparations for this event. Here is the first of our 6 "Regatta Newsletters".



Route

This year's regatta starts on **27 June** in Klaipeda, Lithuania, from where the ships embark on their great journey three days later. **The first stage of the race ends in the Finnish port of Turku**, where the crews rest from 5 to 8 July. They then take part in a friendship race from Turku to Tallinn. The Estonian port is the next stop on their route, as well as the starting point for the next stage of the competition. Leaving Tallin on 18 July, they head to the port in Mariehamn – the capital of the Åland Islands. From there, on 25 July, the crews begin the third stage of the event by setting out for Szczecin, where they will moor after competing for more than a month.

About the regatta

The Tall Ships Races are organised by Sail Training International – a non-profit organisation. The main idea behind the regatta is to **open more cities to sailing enthusiasts**, with the competition, marine-themed games and activities and parties in pubs and in the streets to attract locals and visitors alike, to visit specifically to witness the regatta. The event is a unique opportunity to learn more about the traditions and life aboard sailing ships, modern and old, which are currently experiencing a revival. If you need **more wind in your sails**, then you can sing sea shanties and listen to maritime stories before enjoying the parades of ships bidding farewell to the port that hosted them.

The history of the Szczecin finale

Szczecin first hosted the finale of The Tall Ships Races in 2007. Just 14 years ago the event introduced a new racing tradition to our city, thanks to which we are for **the fourth time** hosting the largest sailing ships in the world. The history of the Szczecin finale dates back to **2007**. After several years of preparation, Szczecin invited the sailing ships and their crews to take part in the finale of the series of races, which took place along the Aarhus - Kotka - Stockholm - Szczecin route. A total of 90 vessels moored at the Chrobry Embankment and Łasztownia. The ships returned to Szczecin in **2013**, and the finale was another success. The city was once again the most highly anticipated port among the young sailors who competed in the races and the friendship stage on the Aarhus - Helsinki - Riga - Szczecin route. More than 100 vessels moored at the Chrobry Embankment. The year **2017** saw yet another great celebration, this time attended by some 7000 sailors from 18 countries, including Oman, Brazil, Germany, the Netherlands, the Czech Republic, Portugal and Great Britain. After an exhausting regatta along the Halmstad - Kotka - Turku - Klaipeda route, Szczecin was visited by 91 sailing ships.

The world's largest sailing ships are to visit the capital of West Pomerania for the fourth time now. This enormous event is scheduled to take place between **31 July and 3 August**. The organisers estimate that during previous editions, a total of 2 million locals and visitors participated in the activities. They visited the Chrobry Embankment, Łasztownia, the boulevards, the coast, Grodzka Island and all the other locations where additional events were taking place.



**Plan your visit to Szczecin today,
and celebrate the largest
sailing event with us.
See you on the Oder!**

Vessels

The ships are the stars of the show. They are why people from all across Poland visit the banks of the Oder. Those strolling along the Szczecin wharves can enjoy the sight of majestic vessels which fear no wind or water. Half a year before the finals, we already know that Szczecin will be visited by 41 vessels. Among those are 5 A-class sailing ships. There are still two months to go before the deadline.



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Roald Amundsen GERMANY
Pogoria POLAND
Fryderyk Chopin POLAND
Shtandart RUSSIA
Tre Kronor Af Stockholm SWEDEN

B -----

Skonnerten Jylland DENMARK
Generał Zaruski POLAND
Bonawentura POLAND
Belle Poule FRANCE
Betty DENMARK

Atyla VANUATU

Valborg FINLAND

Albanus FINLAND

Rupel BELGIUM

Johann Smidt GERMANY

Krasotka RUSSIA

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Regina-Germania GERMANY

Esprit GERMANY

Belfer III POLAND

Akela RUSSIA

Spaniel LITHUANIA

Dar Szczecina POLAND

Helena FINLAND

Belfer II POLAND

Alexandra RUSSIA

Belfer POLAND

Farurej POLAND

Smuga Cienia POLAND

Zenobe Gramme BELGIUM

ST IV ESTONIA

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Urania NETHERLANDS

Tornado POLAND

Tuulelind ESTONIA

Patricia BELGIUM

Henrika FINLAND

Bies POLAND

Linda ESTONIA

Theia FINLAND

Vesta ESTONIA

Santana ÅLAND ISLANDS

Tara DENMARK

The entire city to celebrate

The finals of the Tall Ships Races is certainly one of the most colourful and joyous events we organise, with thousands of visitors arriving in Szczecin for every edition. The Chrobry Embankment and Łasztownia become filled to the brim with visitors who can never seem to get their fill of the beautiful sailing ships, while also enjoying the accompanying events.

This year's **festivities go beyond the River Oder**. The finale will be celebrated in several parts of the city. The smaller stages are going to host concerts, workshops and other activities, while the **regatta stage in Jasne Błonia** will offer interactive fun. Finale participants receive an event programme, listing the wide variety of activities and sure to be of interest to everyone in the city.





It's going to be safe

The key issue in the organisation of this year's tall ships' races is to ensure the **safety of the participants**. This year's finals are going to differ slightly from those in the past. As we must avoid creating crowds of thousands in one place, **there will be no mass concerts in a single location**. However we are going to try to compensate for this! All the changes are dictated by a single factor – safety. Out of concern for the health and comfort of our guests, we are organising the tall ships' races to include a number of preventive measures. **Disinfectants** will be available on-site for the finals, while the accompanying events will take place in accordance with all the relevant regulations. Everything is being done to ensure that every participant feels safe.





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