

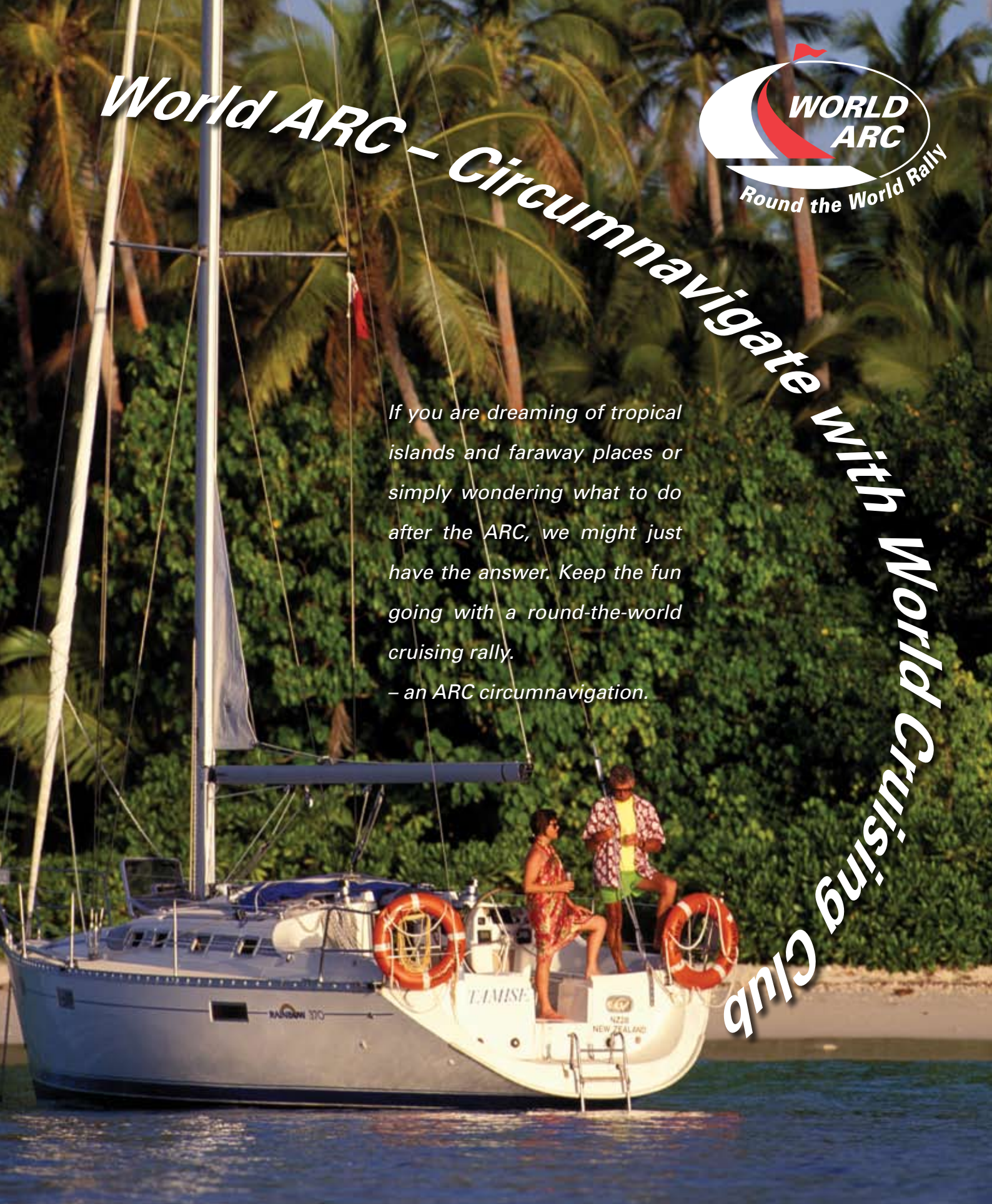
World ARC – Circumnavigate



If you are dreaming of tropical islands and faraway places or simply wondering what to do after the ARC, we might just have the answer. Keep the fun going with a round-the-world cruising rally.

– an ARC circumnavigation.

With World Cruising Club



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About World ARC

Starting from St.Lucia in January 2010, World ARC will offer all the fun of the ARC, but take you on an adventure from the Caribbean, across the World's great oceans on a circumnavigation of the globe.

Drawing on all our experience gained from organizing the very first round-the-world cruising rally – Europa'92 - and five subsequent rallies, including the inaugural World ARC 2008/9, you will be in very capable hands. World ARC has been carefully planned using the most up-to-date routing information and the skills acquired over 20 years of running ocean sailing events.

Our detailed itinerary will enable participants to plan crew changes and boat maintenance. During the rally, the World Cruising Team will be in each port to look after participants ashore, whilst a safety and communications net will operate on each ocean stage. Weather and routing advice will be provided, and a World ARC website will track yacht positions and display news, yacht logs and images to enable your family and friends to share your great adventure.

Key Information

- World ARC is open to monohulls from LOA of 40ft [12.19m], and multihulls between 40ft [12.19m] and 60ft [18.29m]. Minimum crew requirement is two people onboard each yacht.
- A range of safety and communications equipment must be carried. The requirements are detailed in the Entry Regulations available from World Cruising Club.
- The entry fee includes Panama Canal transit, docking and clearance fees*
- Weather forecast*
- Position reporting and fleet radio net*
- Rally website*

*see conditions of entry for full details.



World ARC – 2010/11 Itinerary

In the Right Place at the Right Time!

The route and timing of World ARC have been carefully chosen so as to benefit from the best weather conditions by planning to be "in the right place at the right time" and, at the same time, complete a circumnavigation in fifteen months. Both the Pacific and the Indian Oceans will be crossed during the safest period and at the height of the favourable trade wind season. World ARC will avoid the Horn of Africa and the Red Sea, where the political situation and security threats make the route dangerous for yachts. The rally calls at some of the most attractive destinations in the world, many of which are only easily reached by yacht.

The Schedule

The route for World ARC is a mixture of open ocean stages that yachts sail together, independent cruising and planned meetings along the route. The itinerary has been planned to give participants sufficient time to cruise independently in some beautiful areas such as the Caribbean, Marquesas, Tuamotus, Society Islands, Tonga, Fiji, Vanuatu, Great Barrier Reef, South Africa and Brazil. Also included on the itinerary are some rarely visited islands such as the Galapagos, Suvarrow, Niue and Cocos Keeling. Time has also been allocated to allow for travel inland whilst the yachts are berthed in a safe marina, such as in Ecuador or Australia. Other places, which would have been

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Leg	Miles	Days	Start	ETA
2010				
St Lucia - San Blas Islands	1100	6-9	Wed 6 Jan	12-15 Jan
San Blas - Cristobal (Panama)	80	1		
Transit Panama Canal 21-27 Jan				
Panama - La Libertad/Salinas (Ecuador)	725	5-6	Sun 31 Jan	5-6 Feb
La Libertad - Baquerizo Moreno (Galapagos)	530	4-5	Thu 18 Feb	22-23 Feb
<i>Cruise independently to Puerto Ayora</i>	approx. 45			
Puerto Ayora (Galapagos) - Hiva Oa (Marquesas)	2980	15-22	Sun 7 Mar	22-29 Mar
<i>Cruise Marquesas and Tuamotus to Tahiti</i>	approx. 830			
Tahiti rendezvous			Wed 28 Apr	
<i>Cruise Society Islands</i>	approx. 170			
Bora Bora rendezvous			Thu 13 May	
Bora Bora - Suvarrow (Cooks)	690	4-5	Sun 16 May	20-21 May
Suvarrow-Niue-Vava'u (Tonga) (pursuit)	540	8-10	Wed 26 May	3-5 June
(72 hour stop in Niue)	230			
<i>Cruise Tonga and Fiji</i>	approx. 580			
Musket Cove rendezvous			Wed 30 June	
Musket Cove (Fiji) - Tanna (Vanuatu)	450	3-4	Sat 3 July	6-7 July
<i>Cruise Vanuatu</i>	approx. 210			
Rendezvous Port Vila (Vanuatu)			Sun 11 July	
Rendezvous Porto Santo			Sun 18 July	
Porto Santo (Vanuatu) - Cairns (Australia)	1260	7-9	Tue 20 July	27-29 July
<i>Cruise inside Great Barrier Reef to Thursday Island</i>	approx. 500			
Thursday Island rendezvous			Wed 18 Aug	
Thursday Island - Darwin	830	4-6	Thu 19 Aug	23-25 Aug
Darwin - Bali	990	5-7	Wed 1 Sept	6-8 Sept
Bali - Cocos	1110	6-8	Mon 13 Sept	19-21 Sept
Cocos-Mauritius	2350	12-18	Sun 26 Sept	8-14 Oct
Mauritius - Reunion	130	1	Sat 23 Oct	24 Oct
Reunion - Richards Bay	1370	7-10	Sat 30 Oct	6-9 Nov
<i>Cruise independently to Cape Town</i>	approx. 720			
2011				
Cape Town-St Helena-Salvador (pursuit)	1700+ 1900	20-30	Sat 8 Jan	28 Jan-7 Feb
(72 hour stop at St Helena)				
<i>Cruise Brazil</i>	approx. 350			
Rendezvous Recife			Fri 28 Feb	
(Recife Carnival 5-8 Mar)				
Recife - Grenada	2080	10-15	Thu 10 Mar	20-25 Mar
St. Lucia rendezvous			Fri 15 Apr	

difficult to include on the proposed route, can be visited by air e.g. Madagascar from Mauritius or Reunion, or New Zealand from Fiji. The two stops in Australia will provide enough time to visit the interior of that fascinating country while docked at Cairns, or to undertake maintenance work whilst in Darwin. Similarly, the long stop in South Africa, which had been dictated by weather considerations, makes it possible to visit one of the world famous nature reserves, and explore this fascinating country at a relaxed pace before spending Christmas in Cape Town.

Preparations & Training

Good preparation is essential for a safe trip. For World ARC, there is a minimum skipper and crew training requirement, and certain safety and communications equipment must be carried. We organise a series of seminars and training courses to help skippers and crews prepare for the rally and our training partners can assist with a variety of training courses from first-aid to sea-survival.

Frequently Asked Questions

Where and when does World ARC start?

World ARC will start from Rodney Bay, St. Lucia in January 2010. However, participating yachts are able to sail to the Caribbean from Europe with World Cruising Club's annual Atlantic Rally for Cruisers (ARC) from Las Palmas de Gran Canaria in November 2009, or from the east coast of the USA with other events.

Where and when is the finish?

The rally will finish in the Caribbean with a final party in St. Lucia in March 2011. Those of you then heading home to Europe or the USA can enjoy some easy cruising north to Antigua, from where ARC Europe crosses the Atlantic in early May 2011.

What about sailing back to Europe?

Each May, following the end of Antigua Sailing Week, World Cruising Club run ARC Europe, a transatlantic rally returning to Europe via Bermuda and the Azores. World ARC boats choose this as a fun way to sail home after their time in the Caribbean.

What is the minimum size of boat and crew?

Minimum boat LOA is of 40ft [12.19m], and crew of two, including the skipper.

What passage-making speed is required?

The itinerary has been planned on an average of 5 knots with sufficient time for yachts to regroup after ocean stages, or to meet at planned rendezvous points.

How can I visit New Zealand?

Owing to seasonal winds in the South Pacific it is not possible to include New Zealand on the itinerary. However, yachts can leave the rally in Australia, and if continuing, rejoin the next World ARC.

Why is the Red Sea not included?

World Cruising Club has organised six round the world events on a variety of routes. Based on our experience and the current security situation in the Horn of Africa and the Middle East, circumnavigating via the Cape of Good Hope offers a more interesting and safer route. Yachts wishing to cruise the Mediterranean after World ARC, are advised to cruise in from the Western route, avoiding potential dangers in the Red Sea.

How much does it cost to enter?

Full details are in the World ARC information pack.

What does the entry fee include?

- Rally organisation
- WCC staff in each port
- Docking fees*
- Clearance fees*
- Panama Canal transit fee
- Social activities in each port
- Rally flag, numbers and World ARC commemorative plaque
- Daily radio net
- Daily internet position reporting
- Weather forecasts
- World ARC Rally website
- Event binder and regular newsletters

*in designated ports - see conditions of entry for full details.

Can I use my engine?

The World ARC is primarily a cruising rally, rather than a race, so boats may use their engines; results are calculated for fun and as an excuse to give away memento prizes.

What help is available with preparation for the Rally?

In addition to the comprehensive World ARC Event binder, regular information and advice is available via the World ARC website forum and at our World Cruising Club seminars. Training courses on a variety of subjects are also available through official training partners.

What Safety Equipment will I need?

The main requirements include, but are not limited to, a liferaft; EPIRB; offshore flare pack; two lifebuoys; two manual bilge pumps; emergency steering and emergency grab bag. A full list of safety equipment requirements is included in the World ARC information pack.

How does World Cruising Club keep track of a boat's position?

Participating yachts are required to have a communications system onboard capable of automatically reporting their position. The position reports will be automatically logged and displayed on the World ARC website each day. Suitable systems include Iridium trackers and Inmarsat C. Yachts must also have the ability to send and receive e-mail at sea, either via HF radio or satellite systems.

Do I need an SSB Radio?

For safety reasons, a marine HF radio transceiver is required for participation in World ARC. This enables easy communication with other yachts whilst at sea. There will also be a daily radio net run via SSB radio, by volunteer net controllers from within the fleet.

What help is available during the Rally?

World Cruising Club staff will be on hand in each port* to facilitate arrivals, docking and clearance, and to help with local knowledge and contacts. At sea, help is available via the daily SSB radio net, and via contact with the World ARC office.

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How do I enter the World ARC?

Contact World Cruising Club at the address overleaf for a World ARC Information pack.

About World Cruising Club

World Cruising Club specialises in organising cruising rallies for yachts on a worldwide basis. The best known of our events is the ARC - the Atlantic Rally for Cruisers - an annual rally for cruising yachts that has been crossing the Atlantic since 1986.

Since then, well over 3,000 boats from scores of countries have taken part in World Cruising Club events, looked after by a specialist team of personnel in every port en route. The ethos of the ARC, that is safety and fun across oceans, has been expanded into other rallies, including our previous round the world cruising rallies, as well as passage making rallies in the North Atlantic and Europe.

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