

Las Palmas de Gran Canaria receives for the first time the mythical regatta in solo Mini Transat

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Las Palmas de Gran Canaria receive for the first time the legendary Mini Transat solo regatta with the vocation of promoting its Atlantic scale status and promoting the sport of sailing among citizens. The Mini Transat La Boulangère brings together in this edition 81 participants who left on October 1 of the French port of La Rochelle, and who began arriving at Muelle Deportivo from next Wednesday 11 October, after a few days with little wind which have delayed navigation. Next November 1 from the course to Le Marin (Martinique), to cross the Atlantic and travel more than 4,000 nautical miles solo and a board of boats 6.50 meters in length.

The reception of the test has presented at noon this Monday, October 9, at the headquarters of the Latin Vela at the Sports Pier, by the councilors of Tourism and City of Mar del Ayuntamiento de Las Palmas de Gran Canaria, Pedro Quevedo and José Eduardo Ramírez. The meeting was also attended by the director of the Port of Las Palmas, Salvador Capella and the president of the Federation of Sailing Canaria, Bernardo Salom.

The presentation of the test at the wharf Deportivo also announces the arrival of these boats to the city, where he began to make the stopover from the same afternoon, said the chairman of the Mini-Transat committee, Patrick Maurin and technical director, Jean Saucet, who is already in the city along with the rest of the organization's team. Those responsible for the Transat Transformation in the navigation of 81 boats that have already passed the archipelago of Madeira.

The crews, 55 French, 6 Spanish and 6 Italian, add to the four provenances of Germany, 4 of Switzerland, 2 of Croatia, 1 of Belgium, 1 of Ireland and 1 of the Czech Republic.

Councilor for Tourism Pedro Quevedo, who is an interinstitutional partner, in which he has participated equally, Cabildo of Gran Canaria, City Council of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria and Port of Las Palmas. He also listed the benefits of this nautical test for the city. "In addition to improving our equipment with nearly a hundred new attractions, it is an opportunity to strengthen ties with one of the first destinations in France and Europe, La Rochelle. a major promotion in the French market, something that undoubtedly benefits us. The city presents itself as the best urban nautical scale of the Middle Atlantic," he insisted.

"At the end of 2017, when the city was designated Atlantic City 2017 by the European Commission on the Atlantic Arc, Las Palmas de Gran Canaria will have hosted a total of four major international nautical events, including the ARC (coming out in November), and the already celebrated Rendez-Vous Tall Ships and Discoveries Race Los Alisios. "

During the time of stay of the boats have been programmed various activities to integrate a local population in the environment of such a unique test. Among them, the didactic visits of the schools, whose students can visit the headquarters of the organization, the fleet and meet their protagonists. Similarly, the students of the Faculty of Physical Education of the University of Las Palmas de Gran Canaria make their own visit to the venue of the test at the Muelle Deportivo, where they will receive talks from the employers and access the participating boats in the race

The concept of Tourism has enabled a point of Tourist Information set up exclusively for this test, which for the first time makes stops in the capital of Gran Canaria.

On October 28, Saturday, it is planned to hold a prologue stage, in the city of the city, initially set at 13:00 hours. Each boat can take its guests, in another activity that pretends to integrate to the regata in the city. Thus, the members of the quarry and the social mass of entities such as the Vela Latina or the Royal Club of Gran Canaria know more closely the peculiarities of these boats of 6.50 meters in length, in which sailors cross alone the Atlantic. The same 28 of October, at night, the participants in the competition will deliver the medals of the first stage La rochelle - Las Palmas de Gran Canaria.

The departure of the mini Transat from Las Palmas de Gran Canaria to Le Marin in Martinique is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on 1 November. Find out about the capital of Gran Canaria, by removing these 80 ships, shortly before facing the departure of the Atlantic Rally for cruises: CELEBRE REGATA ARC, consolidated for more than two decades in the city.

In total, Las Palmas de Gran Canaria will have hosted the end of this 2017 (year in which the city has been designated Atlantic City 2017 by the European Commission on the Atlantic Arc) a total of four major international nautical events, including those already celebrated Rendez-Vous Tall Ships and Discoveries Race Los Alisios.

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