

Vagabond for your expeditions!

Vagabond's team is specialized in polar expedition support, and contributes to each project's logistics. The long-flight bird Vagabond, a real polar studio, has had a total refit in 2000. She has been specially built and prepared to sail through arctic floating ices, and she has done many polar expeditions before.

Eric Brossier prepared Vagabond as an operating floating base camp open to everyone. He welcomes professional or amateur projects, individual or collective, scientific, cultural, artistic, sports, media... Film maker or geologist, oceanographer, musician or diver, artist or anyone passionately fond of Polar Regions, welcome onboard!

Expeditions

Summer 2000

3 months expedition in Iceland and Greenland: Vagabond escorted the Paimpol-Rekjavik regatta from 18 to 30th of June, and did logistic support for geologists of the French Polar Institute, on the East coast of Greenland in August.

Summer 2001

Continuation of the geological program with the Polar Institute on the East coast of Greenland (Blosseville), and support of Canadian climbing and French sea kayak expeditions.

Vagabond succeeded the first Arctic circumnavigation:

Summer 2002

North-East Passage! Vagabond was the first yacht to sail the Russian Arctic route without wintering and without ice-breaker (the crew received 4 awards for this achievement), and the first foreign yacht to pass since soviet period.

Winter 2002-2003

Wintering in Petropavlosk, Kamchatka, North Pacific Ocean.

Spring 2003

Kuril Islands, Japan, with a major stop in Nagoya (birthplace of the captain!), Kamchatka, Bering Island and Chukotka.

Summer 2003

Back to France sailing the Northwest Passage: Bering Strait, Alaska, Canadian Arctic and South Greenland. For the first time, a yacht sailed the 2 famous passages one after the other.

Outline specifications

Length 15.30 m (47 ft)

Breadth 4.20 m (14 ft)

Draft 1.20 m (4 ft)

Self-sufficiency one wintering
Diesel tank 4 500 litres

Sloop rigging
Mainsail, jib, staysail

Engines
2 x 62 HP
Dinghy 6 HP

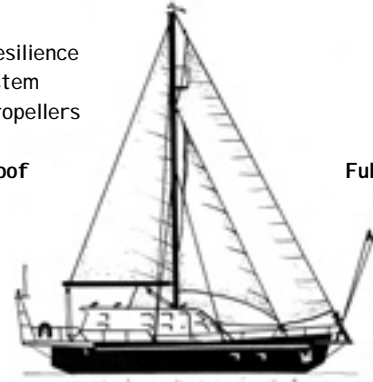
Hull
Steel high resilience
Reinforced stem
Protected propellers

Generator
10 KWA

Panoramic roof
in aluminium

Full displacement
25 to 30 tons

Teak deck



Progress

Ice poles
Crow's nest
Projectors
Ice axe and spikes for mooring

Navigation
Trailing log
2 GPS (fixed and handheld)
Weather forecast software
Electronic charts
Radar, Sonar
Automatic pilot

Communication

1 fixed VHF radio
3 handheld VHF radios
SSB transmitter
Satellite phone
Inmarsat fax and email (satellite)

Security
Emergency beacon
COSPAS - SARSAT
8 survival suits
Class 1 (Ocean) equipment

Comfort

Central heating
Insulation 40 mm
Water tank 800 litres
Deep freezer, freezer, oven
Guitar & good books

Accommodation
10 people
(16 people maximum if shelter
less than 5 miles away)
including 2 crew members

Diving compressor
2 cold water diving gear
Sea kayak 2 seats
Ski and mountaineering gear

Plans...

- Vagabond exhibited at 2003 Paris Boat Show
- Douarnenez 2004
- Scientific expedition & wintering in Spitzberg
- Film expedition in the Canadian Arctic

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Qty Annual subscription:15 €

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Tee-shirt Vagabond15 €

Tee-shirt long sleeves "Vagabond's Friends"20 €

Book « A la grâce d'un coup de mer » (French)
from France Pinczon du Sel (Géorama).....19 €

Book « Vagabond au Groenland » (French)
from Eric Brossier (Géorama).....34 €

Commemorative envelops of the expeditions.....6 to20 €

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Polar yacht,
travelling base camp for

- scientific expedition
- sport adventure
(kayak, climbing, ski...)
- film or documentary
shooting
- artistic project
- specific quest...

**Association
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to support and share your
projects!

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