

Fast sailtrip to North Africa

1 - Porto Cristo- Saidia

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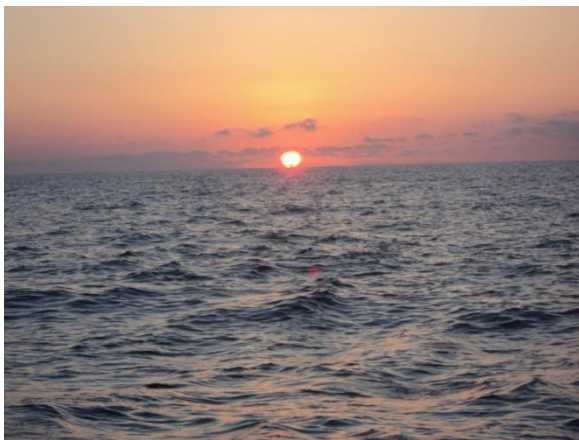
From Saturday 30.8.2014 1600 to Tuesday 2.9.2014 0930

400nm, 63 hours

After the shaky night with northerly winds we left Fernando in Ibiza. Desafortunamently very sea sick.



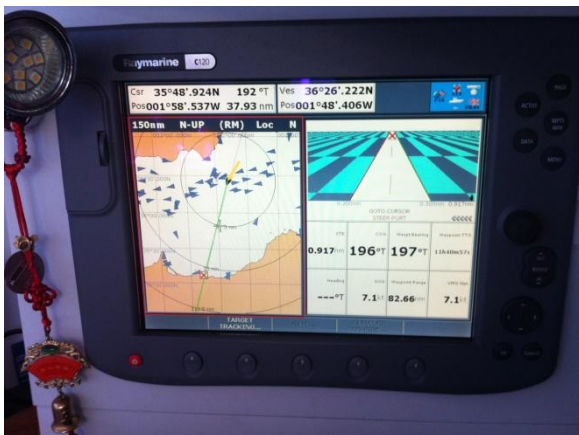
Reaching Carbonera after a lovely day we decided to go ahead strait to Saidia.



nice sunset



during hours a black passenger



Heavy traffic in the Alboran sea



Marina Saidia 10 Euro/day

Capitanerie, Police, Custom and Drug Police came on board, with some Swiss chocolate no problem



Nice little new town, good restaurants, lovely sailors and very cheap diesel only 1 Euro a liter!!!

2 - Saidia-Melilla

Wednesday 3.9.2014

35nm



Leaving the harbor with brand new entry! Not on the charts and plotters!!!



Morocco fisherman



Chafarinas island under Spanish Army no Anchoring allowed



Marina Melilla 7.80 Euro a/day



Beach of the busy town



One week big Fiesta, in the afternoon all business closed, for dancing, eating and drinking!!



Rolf receiving a Fino



or choosing the dinner

3 - Melilla – Tomas Mestre (Mar Menor)

Thursday 4.9.2014 to Friday 5.9 2014

190 nm



Back to the heavy traffic



Code Zero at work

A group of pilot whales (4 to 5 meters) past over, one only one meter ahead of the bow, during 45 minutes we had a two dozen of dolphins dancing around Schnufao, later a ballet of 5 big dolphins and on the end of the day a white 8 to 10 meter long whale (Beluga???) passed 10m from Schnufaos hull to the South.



A big bummm and no more Code Zero, after 10 minutes ready again with the new spare halyard!



Near Cartagena a strange fast Sailboat 11knots speed, Schnufao only 6 knots, past us with a crew of women, it's the ACS Volvo Ocean 65, Samanta Davis us skipper.



Lovely anchorage in front of Mar Menor



every 2 hours the bridge is open for 10 minutes



Schnufao in Marina Tomas Mestre 30 Euro



Rolf washing T-shirts and underwear

4 – Tomas Mestre- Alicante

Saturday 6.9.2014

30 nm



What a surprise the whole Volvo Ocean 65 fleet in Alicante ready for 4.Octobre for round the world



What a spectacle!!!!

Chinese crew at work





Rolf at the fancy Volvo Ocean Bar



Alicante at Night

5 – Alicante to Porto Moreira

Sunday 7.9.2014

36 nm

We past Benidorm, what a shame, in 40 years from a lovely fisher village to a terrified Copacabana!!!



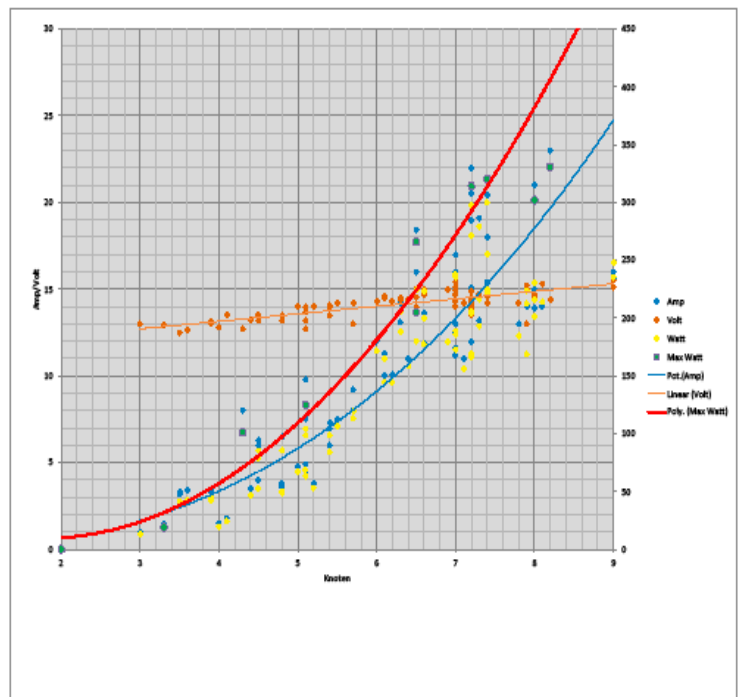
Nice little village Moreira, good Jazz and Dixie Music, after 60 Euro in Alicante we were for free in the lovely port.

6 – Porto Moraira to Formentera

Monday 8.9.2014

60 nm

The Swi-Tec Hydro Charger was the whole voyage in the water, twice we had over tension, such a good work he did. The average consumption 12 to 15 Amps/ hour easily he charged, once with the battery tension forced under 12 V he charged over 350 Watt.



No more fun at Formentera, no anchoring, only buys 30 Euro / Night

7 - Formentera to Cabrera

Tuesday 9.9.2014

95nm

Reservation by Internet No. 309302, an orange buy was left for 43 Euro for next night, if we arrive; the Meteo is head winds 3 to 4.



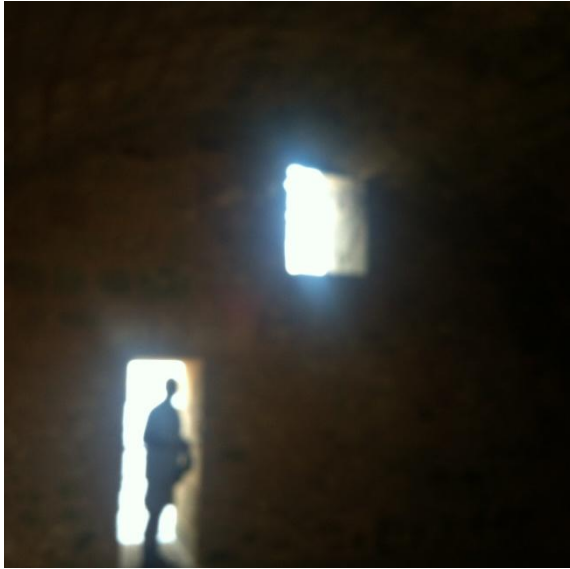
14 hours at 15 to 20 degrees, interesting life! Short 2 meter waves!!!



This bastard past at 50 meters

Finally near to 2200 in the dark with beam light and night light we couldn't find the free orange buy, so we took the yellow one the No. 10.





Rolf at the top of the Castle with the wonderful overlook of Cabrera

8 – Cabrera to Porto Cristo

Wednesday 10.9.2014

32 nm

Arriving to Porto Cristo, all sails down and engine, a thunderstorm is arriving, but he didn't reached us!!



Rolf on the way to the laundry



meanwhile the skip is cleaning the mess!

Around 900 nm in 127 hours average 7 knots with sails and engine.

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