

A large three-masted sailing ship, the STS Brig Roald Amundsen, is shown at sea. The ship is dark-colored with white sails fully deployed. It is leaning slightly to the right. The name 'ROALD AMUNDSEN' is visible on the hull. The background is a clear blue sky and a dark blue sea with white-capped waves.

**TRAINEE
GUIDE**

STS BRIG
**ROALD
AMUNDSEN**



DISCOVER. BEYOND THE HORIZON.

»» .. You will be part of the team. Immersed in a world apart from your life on land or at shore. From day one.

**YOU'RE
MEMBER
OF THE
CREW**

»» ... active sailing, and preferably like the sailors in the 18th and 19th century? The STS ROALD AMUNDSEN is the place to live the experience! Our brig offers all the flair, not only due to her wooden planks, her yardarms (those horizontal timbers with square sails attached) or ropes. We make everyone part of the crew: hands-on experience from day one. Never sailed before, never heard of baggywrinkles, topgallants, braces or do not feel like an ol' salt yet? No need to shy away, we'll show you. That's one of our ways to teach, keeping up and handing down traditional seamanship: with SailTraining anybody and everybody can learn it.

Our experienced regular crew is trained to show you the ropes, helping you to discover this world at your own pace - and they will teach you the safety rules as well.

Your sailing trip will end much too soon, the Brig will call at destination port - and as she goes alongside quay, only a tender swell reminds you of the seven seas ...

.. fortunately your SailTraining voyage has not begun yet. We're looking forward to welcome you aboard!



LEARNING THE ROPES

» .. Working a traditional rig never fails to enthuse. Many unforgettable moments under billowing sails are yours.



.. cast off!

The helmsman swirls the wheel to maneuver the Brig out of port whilst the lookout is to notice every navigation mark or small sailing vessel. 850 square meters of sails are at hand to catch the wind. Coil the moorings, lash the fenders, brace the yards whilst land fades to a distance - set the course and the sails! .. but no dismay: our regular crew helps you in whatever situation. Yes, they're ready to explain over and over where that specific 'WhatWasTheNameAgain' rope is belayed, whether starboard is left or front and why the big tanker on the horizon is three or seven points to port. They share their passion. If you are interested, you are welcome to learn about navigation and our equipment not at all 18th century - and have a go at the ancient art of sighting celestial objects above the horizon as well. You might help lubricating the not-so-small-in-size engine or recording the weather situation and learn how to interpret an isobaric contour chart or get a go on how to splice a mooring. But, most prominent: the regular crew will take you up the rigging to work. Sail a Windjammer!

... and finally we really ARE off sailing. Day and night.

We are running the ship in three watches with a watch bill similar to merchant ships: the crew divides into three groups, each team taking their watch twice a day for four hours and tending to maintenance and quarters in off-watch time. The standing watch navigates the ship through the seas, takes care of helming her, keeps a good and sharp lookout, trims the sails - making sure ship and shipmates are safe and sound. And having their turn to relax, enjoy the seas or a chat or a leisure read or simply catch a catnap.

Simultaneously to the sailing routine in watches, a galley team takes care of the meals - everyone takes a turn to help. Idem in the daily routines of keeping things shipshape for yourself and your shipmates in the living quarters and elsewhere during the cleaning routine from the ship's bell to the bottom of the sanitary facilities. You will equally become part of the team caring for the ship - if you feel inclined, we'll introduce you also into tarring and splicing and all the rest of it.

We are sailing and yes, this sometimes spells hard work. Every hand is needed and you will be part of it in a whoooooosh - many hands make light work. Tired by wind, swell, work and many new impressions you will be heading for your bunk. It is yours for the whole journey even whilst you share the cabin with three or five other shipmates. Alas, due to loads of fresh air and the tender swell everyone will fall asleep soon. No need to worry about setting an alarm, the standing watch will wake you for your next turn and hand over the ship to you and your team, honouring the traditional ceremony.

Adventure ahead: discover. Beyond the horizon. The open Seas. Star-studded skies. Follow the fish around the Brig in case Captain feels inclined to call for a stop to splash about (weather permitting). Discover the world ashore when heading for excursions in stopover ports. Every day a new discovery.

» .. a real hands-on experience - impressive.



YOUR DAY ABOARD

» .. stay curious and do not stop asking. Windjammer? We'll show you. Yes, all of it.

For the rest: just be yourself and ready to team up.

The ship will do the rest for you, it naturally makes you part of the crew.

**WHAT
TO BRING
ALONG**

... when preparing, please pack a duffel bag (not a suitcase, they're too complicated to stow away aboard). Do not forget to bring your current valid passport. Dress Style? As comfortable as possible. Clothing-wise, remember to pack some warm layers as well - for the windchill and the cool nights. A cagoule or windbreaker and rain pants, scarf, maybe gaiter and for sure high-protective sunglasses are on top of the list. Bring along comfortable hiking boots (preferably a slightly marked heel) well protecting your feet: you will appreciate when working up in the rigging and our deck does not mind being walked on with size-fourteen clodhoppers.

Accessories? A small torch light and pocketknife might come in handy, high-spf sunscreen is strongly recommended. Some odd band-aid for minor scratches is useful - and please bring your own medication in case any of your medical condition requires - obviously, we do have a full grown first-aid-kit and everything for worse situations on board. In case you bring a camera or any electronic device please prepare that we're equipped with 220V AC central-european plugs - but be reminded that there can be an odd voltage glitch (veryvery rare though) hence we feel obliged to remind you that you plug in under own responsibility.

And by the way, one of our safety rules whilst under sail is: no alcoholic beverages. And yes, we mean: absolutely none.



BRIG ROALD AMUNDSEN

spared Length | 49,80 m

Beam | 7,20 m

Draft | 4,20 m

Canvas | 850 m² (18 sails)

Rig | Brig

Crew | 48 (incl. 17 Regulars)

Homeport | Eckernförde
[Germany]

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QUESTIONS ?

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