



## ● SKIPPER:

**FABIEN DELAHAYE**

39 YEARS OLD - SAILOR - LARMOR-PLAGE



Photo © JM Liot

### TRACK RECORD IN BRIEF

- 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Transat Québec Saint-Malo
- 3<sup>rd</sup> The Transat CIC 2024
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Transat Jacques Vabre 2023
- 3<sup>rd</sup> CIC Normandy Channel Race 2023
- 5<sup>th</sup> Solitaire du Figaro 2021
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Transat Jacques Vabre 2019
- Winner of the Volvo Ocean Race 2017-18
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Transat AG2R 2014
- Winner Transat Jacques Vabre 2013
- Winner of the Tour de France à la Voile & 2012 French ocean racing crewed champion
- 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Solitaire du Figaro & French Solo Ocean Racing Champion 2011
- Winner of the Transat AG2R 2010

**6<sup>th</sup> participation in the CIC Normandy Channel Race**

## ● CO-SKIPPER:

**BENJAMIN SCHWARTZ**

37 YEARS OLD - SAILOR - LARMOR-PLAGE



Photo © Agence Effets Mer

### TRACK RECORD IN BRIEF

- 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Transat Québec Saint-Malo
- 2023: participation in The Ocean Race
- 4<sup>th</sup> in The Ocean Race Europe 2021
- Double-handed European Offshore Champion 2020
- 2019 : Record for the Ushant-Ecuador leg in 4 days, 20 hours and 7 minutes during the Jules Verne Trophy attempt
- French ocean racing champion as a rookie in 2019
- 6<sup>th</sup> in the «Solitaire du Figaro» (1<sup>st</sup> rookie)
- Member of the victorious Dongfeng Race Team in the 2018 Volvo Ocean Race

**1<sup>st</sup> participation in the CIC Normandy Channel Race**

## ● SKIPPER'S MOTIVATION

*Fabien DELAHAYE: It's a particular pleasure to be taking part in this home race, especially as I learnt to sail in Ouistreham and have been a member of the Normandy sailing club since I was a child. The double-handed format is very interesting, as it allows a real sharing of experience. What makes this race unique is the diversity of its course, between the English Channel, the Celtic Sea and the English and French coasts. It's a long course punctuated by short legs, offering numerous transitions that add tension and a strategic dimension. This complete and varied challenge demands both technique and endurance. For my partner LEGALLAIS, this is also a special event, as they have been partners in this race for several years. A Normandy race, for a Normandy partner and a Normandy skipper: it's a real symbol for us'.*

*Benjamin SCHWARTZ: It's my first time taking part in the CIC Normandy Channel Race. It's a very interesting course, with areas that we know well and where we've already sailed a lot, whether in the Figaro or on other boats. Between Normandy, the English coast and the English Channel, the course promises to be really complex, with a duration similar to that of a leg of the Solitaire, but this time double-handed. There's going to be a lot of manoeuvring and manoeuvring close to the coast. We'll be in intense competition mode, never giving up a metre, never saving ourselves. It really is an ocean race, but with all the technical aspects of coastal sailing.*

**199**

**TYPE: LIFT V2**

**NAVAL ARCHITECT: MARC LOMBARD YACHT DESIGN**

**SHIPYARD: V1D2**

**YEAR: 2023**



Photo © JM Liot