## **VSF SPORTS**



## SKIPPER:

### **PEP COSTA**

#### 26 YEARS OLD - SAILOR - LORIENT



#### TRACK RECORD IN BRIEF

- 5th Spi West Frabce 2025
- 4th Niji40 2024
- 12th Solo Maître Coq 2024
- 1st Laura Vergne 2024 Trophy
- 5th Atlantic Challenge 2023
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Pro Sailing Tour 2022
- 1st Rolex Fastnet Race 2023
- 8th Mini Transat 2019

1st participation in the CIC Normandy Channel Race

## CO-SKIPPER:

## PABLO SANTURDE DEL ARCO

#### 37 YEARS OLD - SAILOR - SANTANDER



#### TRACK RECORD IN BRIEF

- Double winner CIC Normandy Channel Race
- Winner Transat Jacques Vabre
- Double winner Les Sables Horta
- Winner Transat Quebec Saint Malo
- Winner Fastnet Race
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Route des Terres Neuves

3rd participation in the CIC Normandy Channel Race

# SKIPPER'S MOTIVATION

<u>Pep:</u> I am very happy to take the start of the CIC Normandy Channel Race aboard VSF Sports, my first ever Class40. This is a highlight for me and the VSF project: first race, new boat, and especially a top co-skipper, Pablo, with whom I am really happy to share this beautiful adventure. I like this format very much: demanding, technical, committed, but also beautiful, with a route that will take us between Normandy, the southern coasts of England, the Channel Islands and Ireland.

We know that the level will be high, but we already feel very good on board with Pablo, and we really want to make a nice race.

<u>Pablo:</u> The CIC Normandy Channel Race is a real challenge. It is always a difficult race, with navigation close to the coast and in very particular places in terms of weather. The level of the teams never stops rising, but with Pep we feel well prepared even if it will be our first double race together. We know that we can be successful and start with the ambition to make a good result

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TYPE: MUSA 40

**NAVAL ARCHITECT:** G. GUELFI

**SHIPYARD: SGDP** 

**YEAR:** 2022

