



Event Update:
2021 Melges 24 World
Championship

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Welcome to Denmark

Velkommen.



WELCOME TO
DENMARK

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Denmark is made up of a peninsula called Jutland and over 400 islands, totaling a full stretch of coastline at 7,314km (4,545mi)!

Apart from the 68km-long (42mi) border that Jutland shares with Germany, this tiny, yet influential nation is surrounded entirely by water.

W In fact, wherever you go in Denmark, you'll soon discover the sea is never more than 52km (32mi) away!



Denmark is the world's oldest continuous monarchy and has a long tradition for democracy and political stability.

The Dane's fantastic maritime heritage dates back to the era of the Vikings, who were superb shipbuilders and sailors.

The country's deep connection to the sea is evident everywhere you go. It is this strong sailing tradition that put Denmark on the map as a nation of International and Olympic champions.



LIFE IN DENMARK IS TRULY A LIFE BY THE SEA – AND IT HAS BEEN FOR CENTURIES

A Scandinavian nation, Denmark shares strong cultural and historic ties with its overseas neighbors, Sweden and Norway. The national language, Danish, is very closely related and mutually intelligible with Swedish and Norwegian.

Most Danes are bilingual and both speak and understand most of the Scandinavian languages, as well as English.

Denmark is frequently ranked as the happiest country in the world in cross-national studies of happiness. 😊

DENMARK – A FRIENDLY HOST

DENMARK TOPS SUSTAINABLE ENERGY INDEX BY WORLD BANK

Denmark has the best framework conditions in the world when it comes to access to energy, energy efficiency, and renewable energy, states the World Bank in a new report. Denmark tops the Regulatory Indicators for Sustainable Energy (RISE) Index by the World Bank, capturing the quality of policies and regulations for energy access, renewable energy and energy efficiency. On a scale from 1-100, Denmark scores 100 in 'energy access', 94 in 'renewable energy' and 86 in 'energy efficiency'.

What's more, Copenhagen is a frontrunner when it comes to adopting sustainable solutions. The city has one of the world's most ambitious climate policies - with a goal of being the first carbon-neutral capital city by 2025!



A GLOBAL LEADER WITHIN CLIMATE POLICIES AND SUSTAINABLE ENERGY

Dates & Preliminary Program

18-26 June 2021

- Takes advantage of Denmark's typically great summer weather and long daylight hours
- Increases the probability of favorable winds
- Decreases the effects of tidal currents
- Avoids conflict with international and local race calendars
- Ensures venue availability
- Coincides with key cultural events in Denmark, such as Sankt Hans



Preliminary Program

A proposed program for Worlds might resemble this.

From Thursday, all facilities will be operational and ready to welcome arriving teams.

The official opening is proposed on Sunday, followed by races on Monday through Saturday. A mid-event “Lay Day” is proposed.

By concluding on Saturday, crews have time to finish the week with one final get-together before having a day to either enjoy Denmark or start their journey home.

Date	Race Related	Social
Friday 18 th	Registration & Inspection	
Saturday 19 th	Registration & Inspection	Social Event at the event venue
Sunday 20 th	Registration & Inspection Competitors Briefing & Tune-up Practice Race 18.00 - All boats must be in the water	18.00 - Opening Ceremony & Reception
Monday 21 st	RACE DAY 1 Daily Competitors Briefing & Racing	16.30 - Post-Race Social “wet bar” with food & drink Daily Prize Giving
Tuesday 22 nd	RACE DAY 2 Daily Competitors Briefing & Racing	16.30 - Post-Race Social “wet bar” with food & drink Daily Prize Giving
Wednesday 23 rd	RACE DAY 3 Daily Competitors Briefing & Racing	18.00 - Gala Dinner & Daily Prize Giving XX- After-Party
Thursday 24 th	LAY DAY	OPTIONAL EXCURSION TO BE PLANNED
Friday 25 th	RACE DAY 4 Daily Competitors Briefing & Racing	16.30 - Post-Race Social “wet bar” with food & drink Daily Prize Giving
Saturday 26 th	RACE DAY 5 Daily Competitors Briefing & Racing 15.00 - No starts planned	18.00 - Awards Ceremony followed by Closing Dinner
Sunday	Pack up, head home.	

Social Events

The social element is essential to any major sailing event, and we are determined to deliver. We understand crews travel far and wide to race hard, but also for the camaraderie of catching up with old friends, building new bonds and seeing a new destination – whether it be with their crew, family or friends.

OFFICIAL EVENTS

An official Opening Ceremony and an Awards Ceremony will mark the start and the closure of the event. Half-way through races, a Gala Dinner will be hosted at an undisclosed location.

DAILY AFTER-SAIL GATHERINGS & AWARDS

To close each of the race days, a number of special events, as well as daily “after-sail” gatherings will be arranged with a high focus on informal socialising and a high level of convenience for the participating sailors.

“LAY DAY”

We proposed the installation of a “Lay Day” to provide teams with a free day to use as they wish. This day also gives the Race Officials an opportunity to evaluate and adjust according to conditions. The night prior to Lay Day, a mid-event dinner and after-party will be organized.

All social events will be planned and arranged in cooperation with the IM24CA.



RACE VILLAGE

We propose the addition of a race village designed to create an inviting, exciting and energetic atmosphere that can be enjoyed by sailors, families and spectators.

It will offer a sailors lounge, local sailmaker, rigger, chandleries, food market and select sponsors, among others.

Briefings, ceremonies, daily prize giving and social events will also revolve around the Race Village.



Photo: SKS



Photo: Copenhagen CMB

SPECTATORS

In order to bring spectators closer to the action, spectator boats will be made available for booking. Families of race participants will be prioritized.

Spectator boats will be driven by qualified members of the organizational team and governed by the IM24CA Spectator & Press Boat Rules.

SHIPPING

There are several major ports located across Denmark and Northern Europe, including:

- Denmark – Copenhagen, Aarhus, Aalborg
- Sweden – Gothenburg
- Germany – Hamburg
- Holland – Amsterdam



Photo: Pierrick Contin



CHARTERS

The Danish Melges 24 fleet cannot adequately support a charter program alone. We will work with regional fleets in Northern Europe to make as many charter boats available to encourage participation from abroad.

Partnering with Sailors for the Sea

NEW “CLEAN” CLASS REGULATIONS

Efforts are already underway by the Danish Melges 24 Class Association (DMCA) to partner on a national level with Sailors for the Sea, a leading conservation organization that “engages, educates, inspires and activates the sailing and boating community toward healing the ocean.”

SAILORS FOR THE SEA – CLEAN REGATTAS PROGRAM

Their Clean Regattas Program is the world’s only sustainability certification for water-based events.

The International Melges 24 Class Association and its members can rest-assured in a key guiding principle across the Organizational Authority and Event Committee’s planning efforts: *We pledge our commitment to clean waters and shores by participating in Sailors for the Sea’s Clean Regattas program.*

As previously described, Denmark is a leading nation in the fight to implement more sustainable, environmentally-friendly practices across all areas of daily living. We intend to maintain this philosophy as a key principle guiding our class initiatives.



Host Organization & Venue

Sailing Aarhus (including Aarhus Sailing Club), Hellerup Sailing Club, Melges 24 Denmark and Aarhus International Sailing Center have entered a joint venture to offer competitors the very best racing area, world-class facilities, expert organization and professional race management.

Drawing from each organization's contributing expertise, Worlds 2021 will be delivered at the highest standards.

Organizing Authority

Event Committee

An Event Committee will oversee decision-making for all planning, as well as the day-to-day management of the event. The Event Committee will base its work on a high level of cooperation with both the Danish and International Melges 24 Class Associations, as well as the chosen host sailing club. Sub-committees will be organized to support the following:

Race Management

Supplies & Materials

Safety

Facilities, Launch, Practicalities on land

Measurement & Jury Coordination

Social Events & Catering

Media, Web Page, PR, Sponsorship

Admin & Communication w. Authorities

Volunteers

Race Management

Crews from the host sailing club and Hellerup Sailing Club will work closely with the Race Officers to handle all race management activities, in partnership with the host venue. Hellerup Sailing Club is home to the largest Melges 24 fleet in Denmark and the club maintains a very active race management team. Hellerup will together with the host club have a full complement of race management boats and equipment, as well as plenty of experienced volunteer personnel.

During the 2018 Hempel World Sailing Championships, Hellerup contributed over 26 crew to support on-water race management.

Sailing Aarhus

Hellerup Sailing Club
(Hellerup Sejlklub)

Danish Sailing Union
(Dansk Sejlunion)

Danish Melges 24 Class
Association (DMCA)

Host Venue

Host Sailing Club

Key Sailing & Sporting
Authorities in Denmark

EVENT FACILITIES
Aarhus International
Sailing Center

TOILETS & BATH

REGATTA OFFICES

**TRAILER STORAGE
& PARKING**

**SUFFICIENT MOORING
FOR ALL BOATS**

TOILETS & BATH

**LAUNCHING &
OUTHAULING.
FUEL DOCK.**

Træskibsforeningen
i Aarhus

Aarhus
Træbådshavn

Aalekvasen Anna

Leogang ApS

Parkering
Langelinieparken...

Langelinieparken

Bådelaugget Krogen

Fiskerivej

Offentligt toilet

Aarhus Havbane

Jette Tilkjops Pl.

Børnelægen Aarhus

Jensens Blvd

Dagmar Petersens Gade

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On-shore Facilities

The area surrounding the Aarhus International Sailing Center and Aarhus Sailing Club, recently underwent significant expansion of its facilities, services and event spaces to support the 2018 World Sailing Championships.

It offers modern facilities incl. changing rooms, parking, launch area(s) and club houses. A chandlery, boat repair shop and several dining options are on site too. There's a playground, new floating piers and areas for swimming and watersports. It has an event space make it the perfect option for hosting major sailing events.

PARKING & TRAILER STORAGE

There is adequate space for more than 250 boats and at least 250 cars and trailers. It is within short walking distance of the venue.

LAUNCHING & OUTHAULING

The area designated for launching and outhauling is considered sufficient, but additional areas with portable crane can be established for Worlds to match participation.

REGATTA OFFICES

The onsite facilities will be used as Race Office, and are also fully equipped to accommodate committee, jury, media etc. There is also room for temporary offices, if additional work space is required.

SPECTATING / STADIUM STYLE RACING

Depending on weather conditions, closer in-shore, stadium racing may be a possibility.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Aarhus harbour offers superb, newly constructed event spaces with lawn area for tents and open-air events, as well as a restaurant.

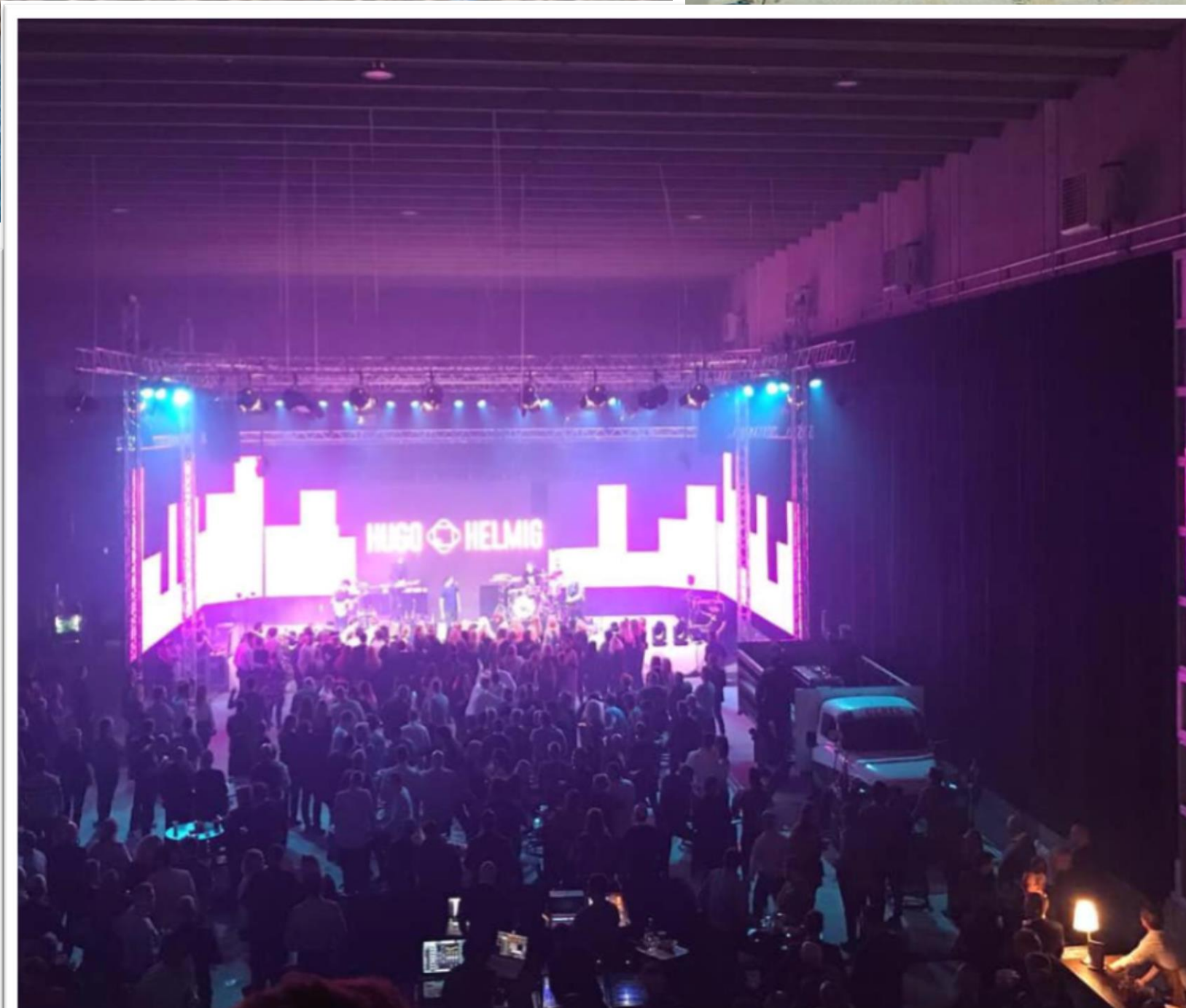
COMPETITORS' NEEDS

Plenty of toilets, showers and changing facilities are available throughout the event site.

Several chandleries, boat repair facilities and sailmakers are within walking distance. Secure storage is also available.

MOORINGS

There is sufficient space in the harbor for dockage of more than 250 boats, as well as those used by the race committee, organizers, jury, spectators, media, coaches, etc. In-port fueling is nearby at the primary launching area.



Race Area



LOCATION

The race area will be located Northeast of the harbour.

DISTANCE

The distance to the race area from the harbour will be under 30 minutes.

COURSES

All courses will be laid out and planned according to the International Melges 24 Class Association’s standards and recommendations.

VIEWING FACILITIES

The venue is close to the race area proposed for use, as are nearby lawn areas and beach coastlines. Visitors will have access to view the racing area from shore.

Local Weather & Sea Conditions

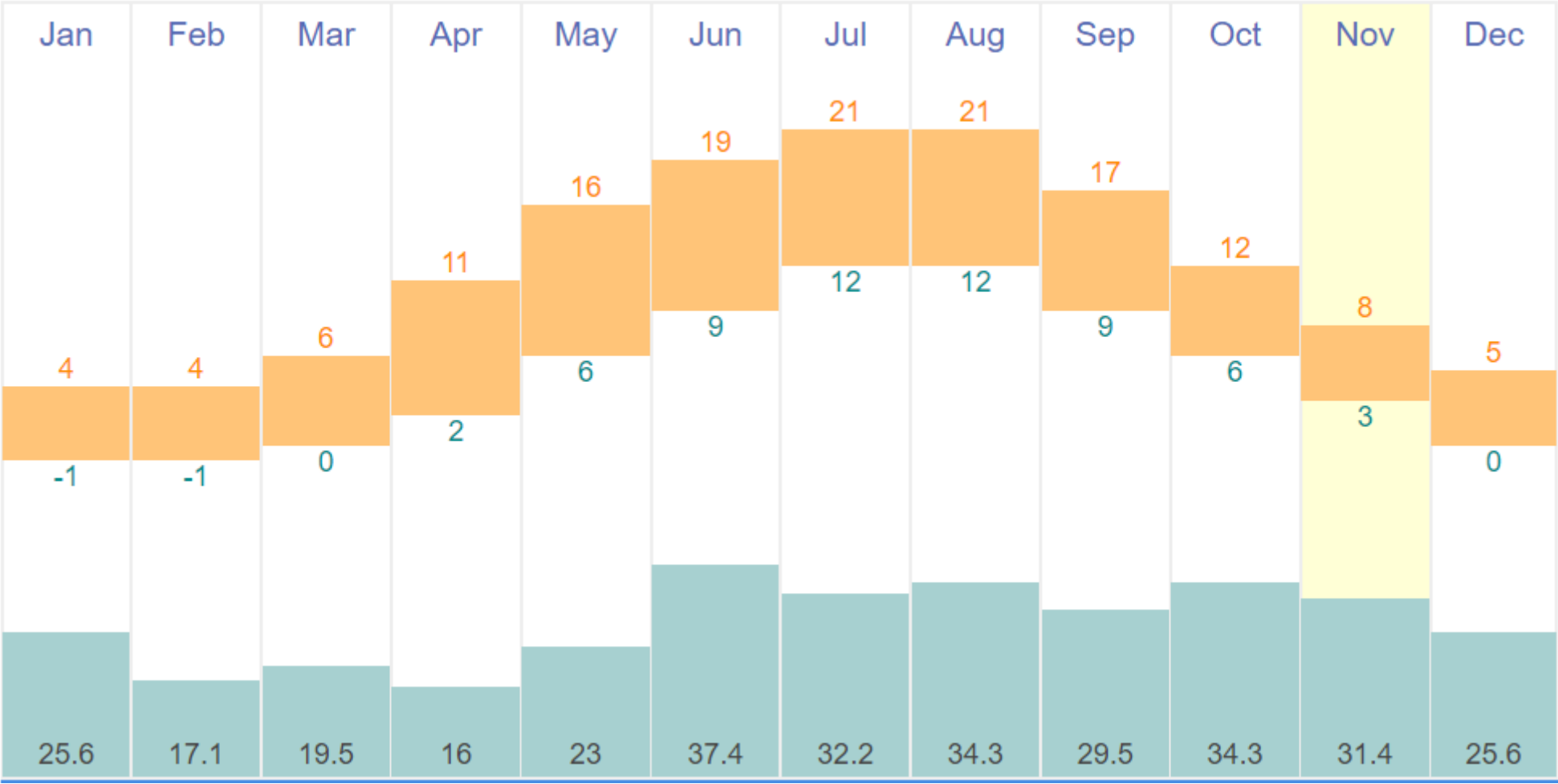
The race area is located just North of Aarhus. The 30 years of historical weather statistics from the Danish Meteorological Institute (DMI) show the average wind for the summer months as West, South-West, with an average strength of 5-6 m/s (10-12 knots).

The race area is not under any tidal influences. The same can be said about currents where only a weak current running close to shore can be measured after prolonged periods with heavy winds.

Under the normal westerly wind directions, flat waters can be expected. With the wind in the South-western to Eastern directions the waves will have a possibility to build up as (if) the wind strength increases.

In case of extreme high pressure over the area, racing will be conducted under the influence of sea breeze, which will build up during the day. This condition is very unusual for the proposed period.

Annual Weather Averages
(Aarhus)



Airport Access



Accommodation

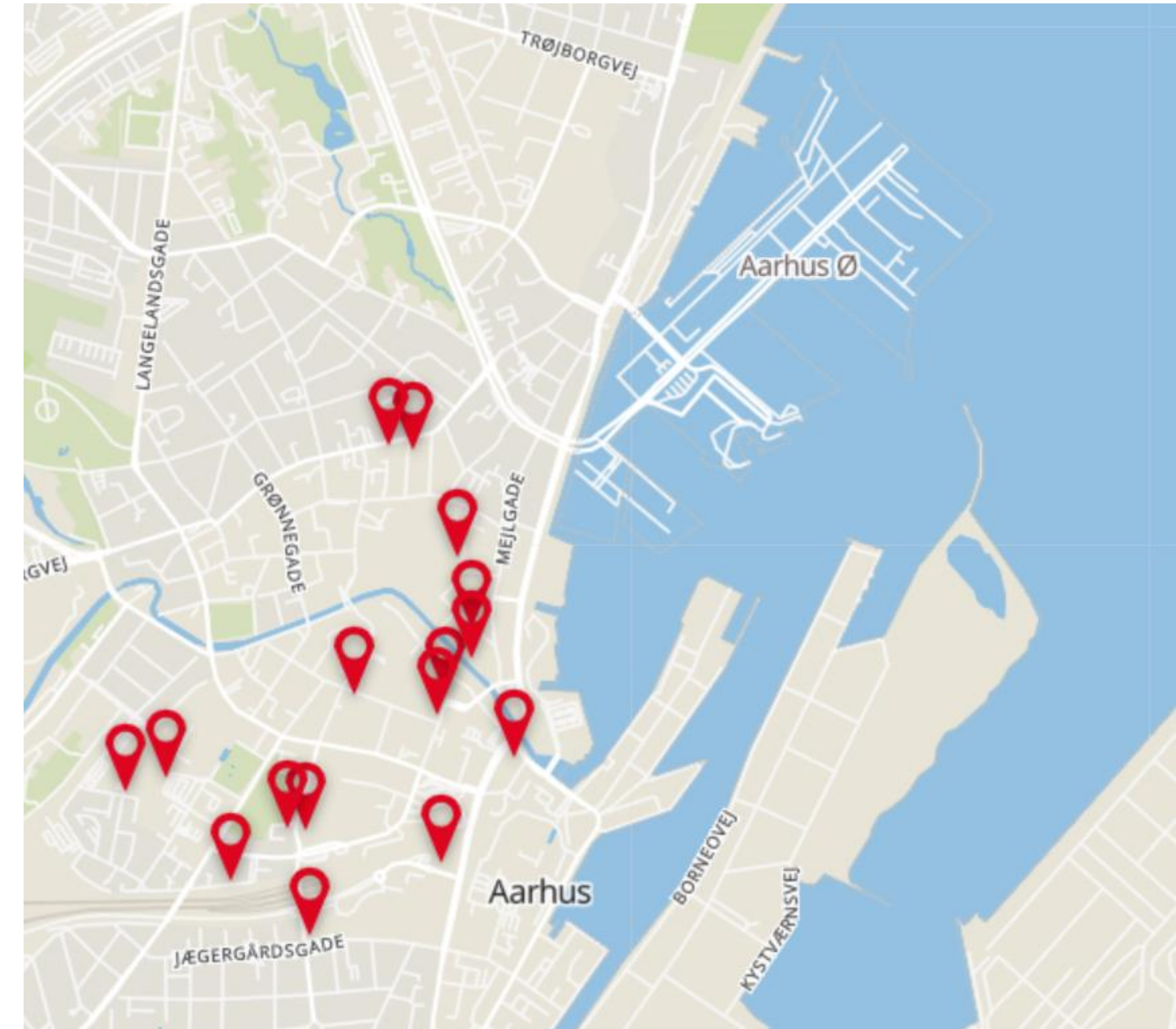
Visiting sailors have a multitude of accommodation options, ranging from camping grounds to 5-star hotels.

HOTELS WITHIN 3.5KM OF THE VENUE

Aarhus boasts a large range of hotels from big international ones to bed & breakfast, apartments, special hotels and inns.

CAMPING

Camping spaces available nearby.



**See you in Aarhus,
Denmark**

18-26 June 2021

