



YACHT CLUB ITALIANO



MELGES 24
INTERNATIONAL MELGES 24 CLASS ASSOCIATION



GENOVA . ITALY

2022 MELGES 24

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP

OCT. 22-29, 2022



Among the experiences a sailor should not miss is racing in Genoa and in particular at the Yacht Club Italiano, a club that made the history of sailing worldwide.

The chance offered to all Melges24 competitors to participate in the 2022 European Championship at the YCI is a rare and unmissable opportunity.

The central position in the Mediterranean, the ease of access to the location thanks to a complete motorway system and the many airports close to the city, make Genoa a great location for an event destined to relaunch the Melges24 Class in Europe.

The proximity to the French border will stimulate the entire western sector of the continent, favoring the return of many sailors on the best one-design ever.

The city is a port of entry from the United States and this will help those wishing to participate from overseas.

By choosing to run the event in October, all teams will have the opportunity to improve their preparation during the normal racing season. The main event will be a target that will support the activity during the previous months.

Genoa is an interesting location for competitors and families who will be able to experience a cuisine rich in dishes that have conquered the world. Olive oil, vegetables and aromatic herbs are the basis of the local cuisine, simple and balanced, whose most famous specialties are pesto and focaccia.

Pointing the bow towards Genoa is therefore the imperative, living an unforgettable experience is the only advice.

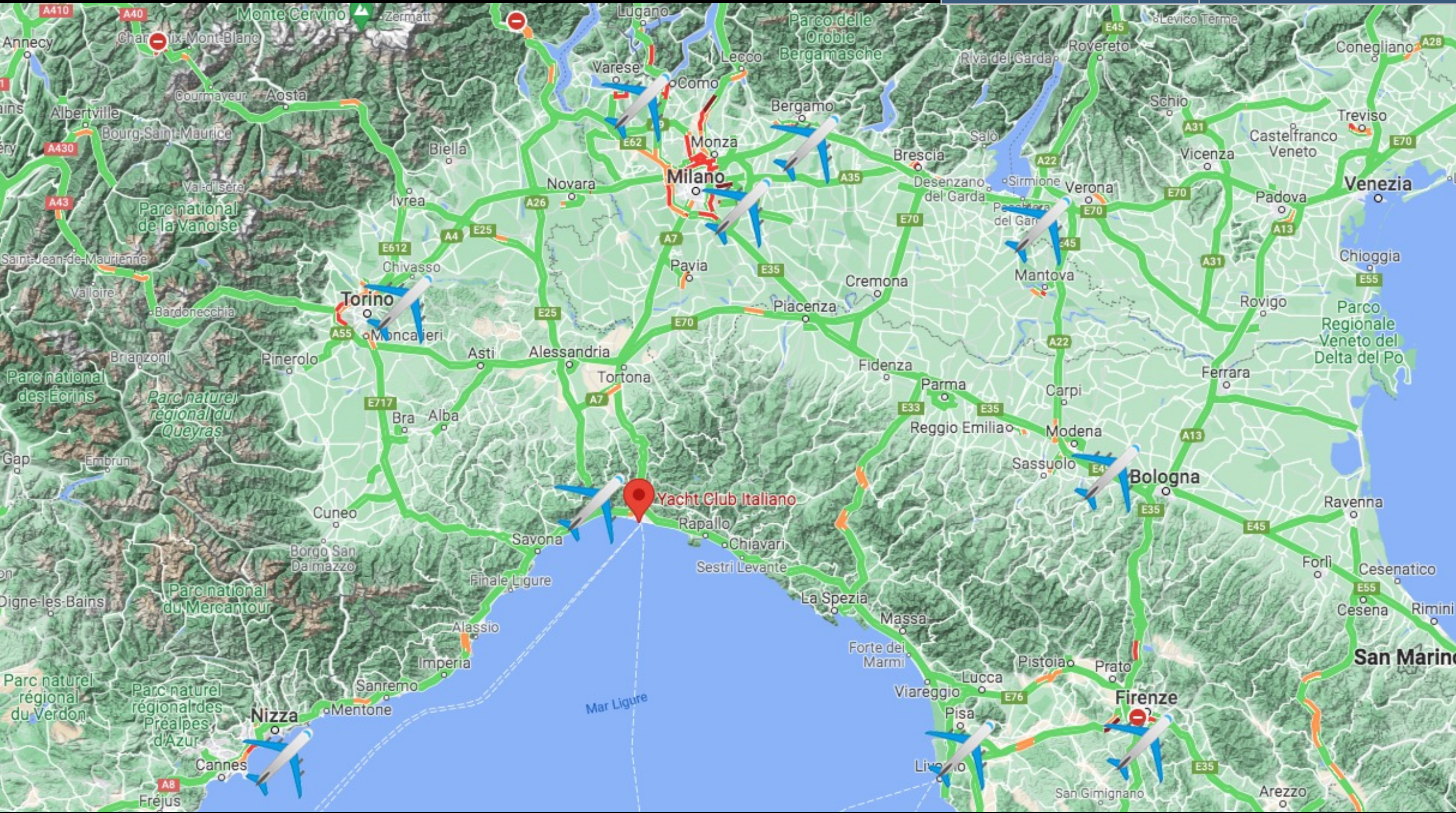
EASY TO REACH

- served by highways from different directions
- several airports within 2 hours by car
- port of arrival from the United States

AIRPORT

KM. TO YCI

GENOVA	9
MILANO LINATE	157
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A CITY BY THE SEA

AIRPORT

FERRY TERMINAL

PORTO ANTICO AQUARIUM

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EXHIBITION DISTRICT



GENOVA, HISTORIC CENTRE

THE 113 HECTARES HISTORIC CENTRE OF GENOA IS ONE OF THE MOST EXTENDED MEDIEVAL HISTORIC CENTRE OF EUROPE AND IS THE MOST DENSELY POPULATED. THE GENOESE HISTORIC CENTRE IS A MAZE OF ALLEYS (CARUGGI) THAT UNEXPECTEDLY END UP IN SMALL SQUARES, THAT, AS WELL AS THE CHURCHES THAT DOMINATE THEM, BELONGED TO IMPORTANT NOBLE FAMILIES.

THE GENOESE SPIRIT RESIDES IN THESE ALLEYS, WHERE DIFFERENT SMELLS, FLAVOURS, LANGUAGES AND CULTURES HAVE ALWAYS BEEN MIXING TOGETHER. THE HISTORIC CENTRE, MORE OF ANY OTHER PART OF THE CITY, HAS ALWAYS BEEN A MELTING POT.



GENOVA, HISTORY AND TRADITIONS

IT'S ONLY NATURAL TO EXPECT A CITY LIKE GENOA TO HAVE A SOUL RICH IN TRADITIONS AND CELEBRATIONS. AND INDEED, ITS HISTORY BEGINS IN THE FIFTH CENTURY BC, IT WAS ONE OF THE MARITIME REPUBLICS, AND IT HAS ALWAYS ASSERTED ITS INDEPENDENCE IN DEFIANCE OF THE POWERS OF PAST TIMES. TODAY IT IS ONE OF ITALY'S MAIN PORTS, AND IN 2004 WAS PROCLAIMED EUROPEAN CAPITAL OF CULTURE. PANORAMIC TERRACES AND ANCIENT FISHERMEN VILLAGES, SMALL BEACHES AND CLIFFS, BEACH RESORTS AND GLIMPSE CAUGHT BETWEEN THE WALLS OF A BUILDING AND A CHURCH, THE PORTO ANTICO AND THE PROMENADE DESIGNED AT THE BEGINNING OF THE 20TH CENTURY. GENOA AND THE SEA HAVE A STRONG BUT PECULIAR BOND. THE SEA IS ALWAYS PRESENT IN THE HISTORY OF THE CITY AND IN THE BACKGROUND, BUT IF YOU WANT TO TOUCH THE WATER IN THE CITY CENTRE YOU WILL HAVE TO UNCOVER SMALL PASSAGES AND ALMOST SECRET BEACHES, LIKE SANTA CHIARA.

IN A COUPLE OF MINUTES AWAY FROM THE CITY CENTRE, ONE PRECIOUS TREASURE FOLLOWS THE OTHER AND YOU CAN FIND MANY CORNERS OF PEACE AND BEAUTY. SILENT OASIS WHERE TIME SEEMS TO HAVE STOPPED CAN BE RAPIDLY REACHED IN A COMFORTABLE WAY THANKS TO THE PUBLIC TRANSPORT, BY TRAIN, BY FERRY, OR, IF YOU PREFER, BY BIKE.



GENOVA, SURROUNDINGS

THERE ARE MANY THINGS TO DO AND SEE IN THE NEIGHBORHOODS OF GENOA:

MEDIEVAL VILLAGES, PARKS, TREKKING ROADS ON MOUNTAINS, AMAZING VILLAGES LIKE CAMOGLI, PORTOFINO, LE CINQUE TERRE.

FROM MANY SMALL PORTS ON THE COAST YOU CAN SAIL TO THE WHALE AND DOLPHIN SANCTUARY, A PROTECTED SEA AREA WHERE YOU CAN OBSERVE THESE BEAUTIFUL SEA MAMMALS, SAFEGUARDED AND RESPECTED IN THEIR NATURAL HABITAT.

AN OTHER GREAT EXPERIENCE IS CLOSE TO THE VENUE, THE ACQUARIO DI GENOVA, A FASCINATING JOURNEY THROUGH THE LARGEST EXHIBITION OF BIODIVERSITY AND ECOSYSTEMS IN EUROPE



YACHT CLUB ITALIANO, THE VENUE

Yacht Club Italiano, founded in Genoa in 1879, is the oldest sailing club in Italy and one of the oldest in the Mediterranean. Since its inaugural race on 8th August 1880 (177 yachts racing in the Gulf of La Spezia), YCI has made sailing a popular sport through national and international events as well as training the younger generations.

The head office of the Yacht Club Italiano at the Duca degli Abruzzi marina in Genoa was designed by the architect Marquis Giuseppe Crosa di Vergagni and inaugurated on 17th February 1929, to coincide with the Club's fiftieth anniversary, in the presence of the Princes of Piedmont.

During the Second World War, it was partially destroyed after being bombed on 5 separate occasions, and rebuilt in 1948-49. It was inaugurated on 8th March 1953.

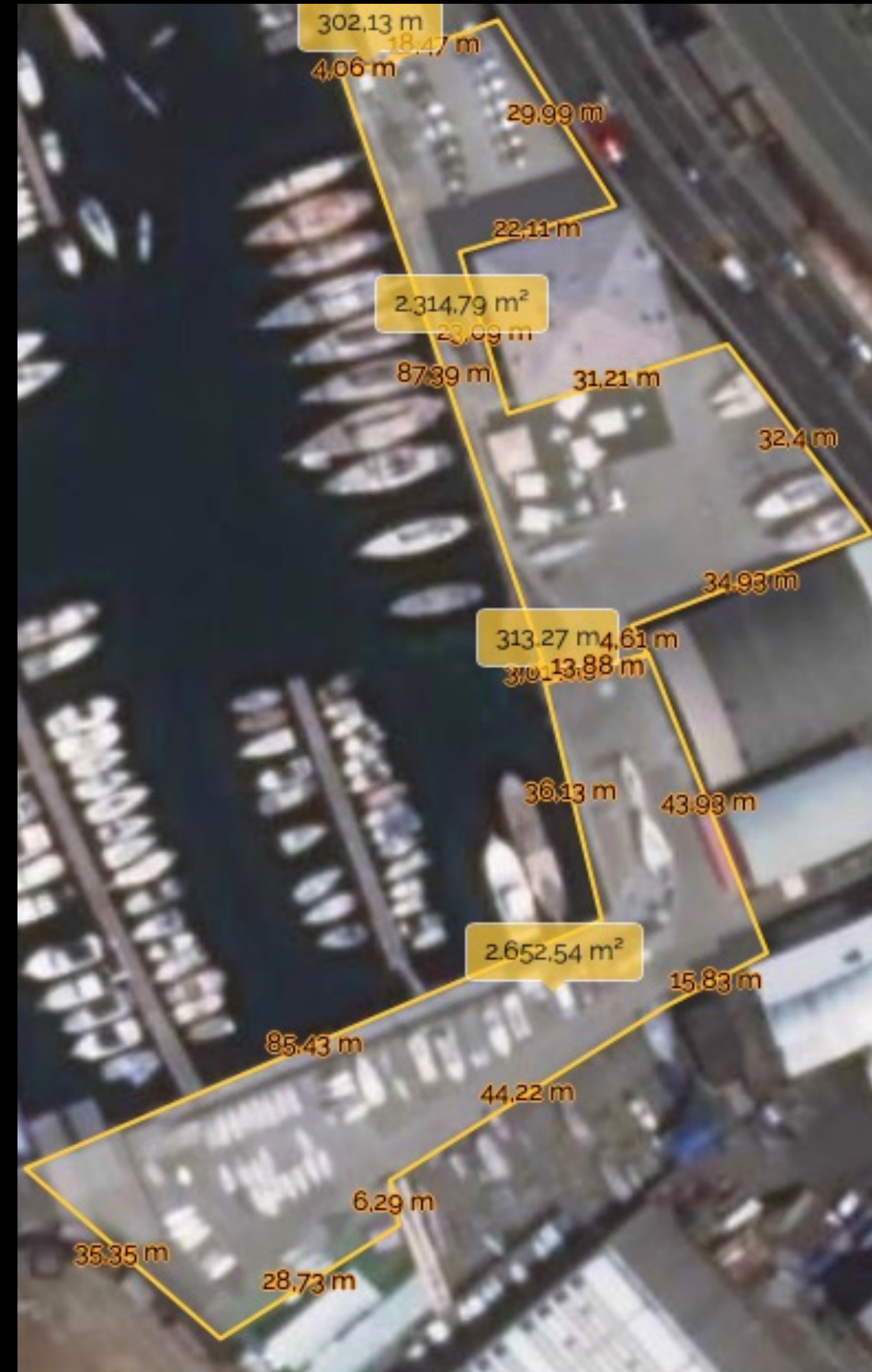


YCI, A PRESTIGIOUS LOCATION FOR MELGES 24



YCI, LOGISTICS

- large spaces for cars and trailers
- Indoor areas for boats, sails and equipment measurement controls
- Floating docks dedicated to the Melges24 and coach ribs
- Race offices close to the moorings

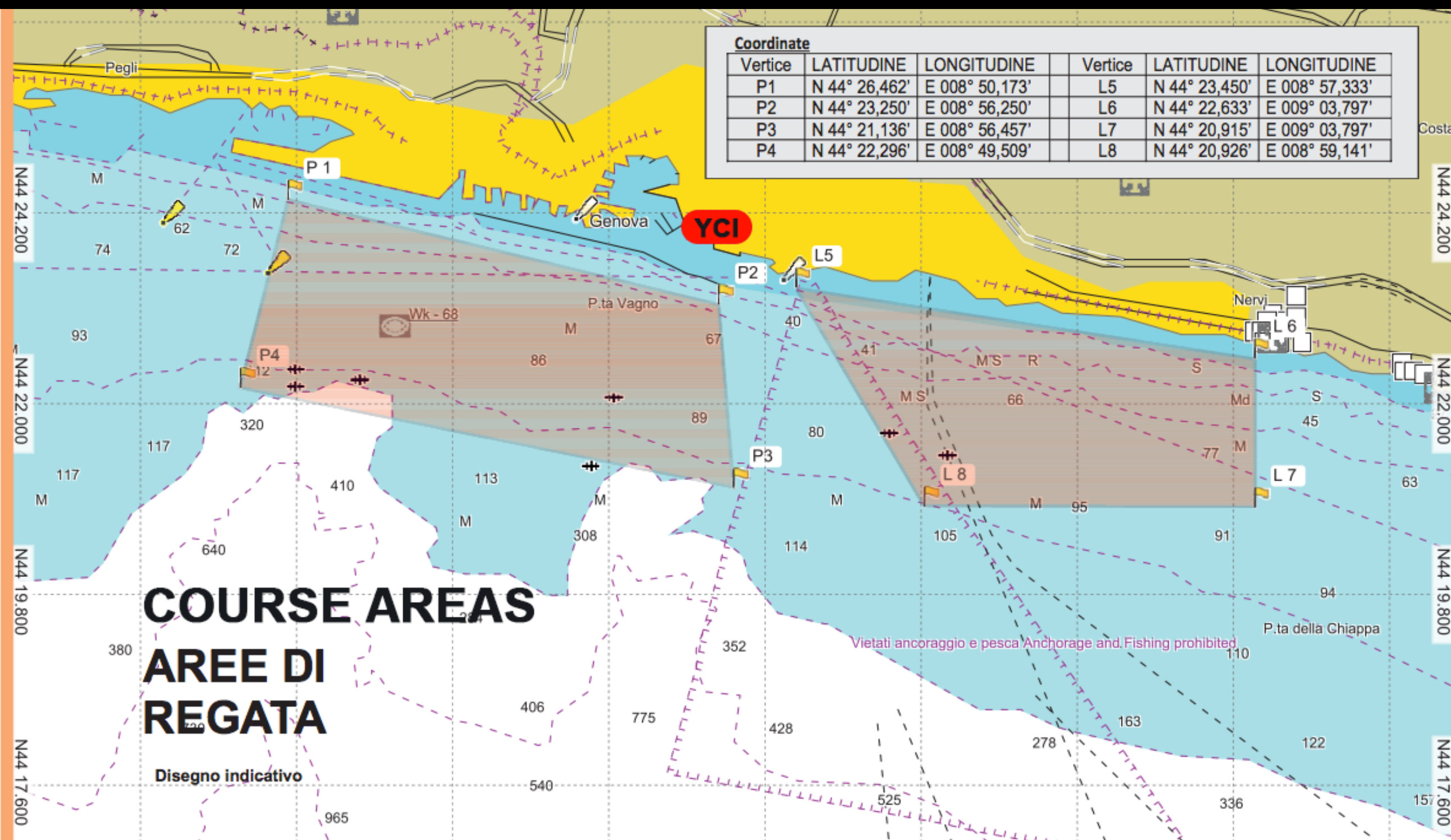


YCI, THE WATER SIDE



RACING AREAS

THE RACE COURSE WILL BE LOCATED NEAR THE HARBOR ENTRANCE AND WILL NOT REQUIRE ANY LONG TRANSFER, FAST TO REACH IN CASE OF SAFETY OR EMERGENCY ISSUES



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

DAY	DATE	EVENT
SATURDAY	OCT 22ND	CHECK-IN, REGISTRATION CREW WEIGH-IN, MEASUREM. CHECK
SUNDAY	OCT 23RD	CHECK-IN, REGISTRATION CREW WEIGH-IN, MEASUREM. CHECK
MONDAY	OCT 24TH	CHECK-IN, REGISTRATION CREW WEIGH-IN, MEASUREM. CHECK PRACTICE RACE OPENING CEREMONY
TUESDAY	OCT 25TH	RACES DAILY PRIZE GIVING
WEDNESDAY	OCT 26TH	RACES DAILY PRIZE GIVING
THURSDAY	OCT 27TH	RACES DAILY PRIZE GIVING MELGES24 DINNER
FRIDAY	OCT 28TH	RACES DAILY PRIZE GIVING
SATURDAY	OCT 29TH	RACES PRIZE GIVING CLOSING CEREMONY





SEE YOU ALL IN GENOVA



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