## Cape2Rio2020 Start Day Programme 4 January 2020



10h00 Blessing of the Fleet Ceremony at Royal Cape Yacht Club.

Welcome by RCYC Commodore, Neil Gregory.

Team Introductions by the Race Chairman, Luke Scott.

City of Cape Town Official Send-off by Mayor, Dan Plato.

Blessing of the Fleet by Padre Tony Bethka.

Firing of the Ceremonial Canon.

11h00 Fleet personal farewell period at RCYC.

Once cast off, boats will muster at the entrance to the Small Craft Basin.

11h30 Fleet Departure to Quay 6 in V&A Waterfront

The VIP Spectator Boat, "SetSea" and the Media boat will depart RCYC and lead the fleet to the V&A Waterfront in Alpha Formation (one behind the other).

12h00 Public sail-past and fleet farewell at Quay 6 in the V&A Waterfront.

The Noon Gun will signal the start of the public farewell procession of the fleet and their departure for the race start in Table Bay.

13h00 Last yacht leaves the V&A Waterfront.

All yachts proceed to the Start Area in Table Bay.

13h15 VIP and Media Boats leave to view the start in Table Bay.

13h50 Race start warning signal.

14h00 Start 1 of the 16th edition of the Cape 2 Rio Yacht Race.

Spectator boats are most welcome to enjoy the start on the water, but must please keep well clear and monitor race communications on radio channel VHF06 whilst in the bay. Marshal boats have orange flags – please follow their instructions.

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