

PRESS RELEASE

BARCOLANA SOLARIS ADRIATIC CUP: REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR THE THIRD EDITION, TAKING PLACE IN TRIESTE ON 8–9 OCTOBER 2026

Trieste, 21 July 2026 – Registration is now open on the official Barcolana website for the third edition of the **Barcolana Solaris Adriatic Cup**, the event dedicated to the Solaris fleet organised by the **Società Velica di Barcola e Grignano** and **Yacht Club Portopiccino**, taking place on **8 and 9 October** in the Gulf of Trieste.

Following the success of the first two editions, **Solaris Yachts** and **Barcolana** are renewing their partnership by offering Solaris owners and their crews two days of high-level racing in a highly competitive setting, complemented by opportunities to meet, connect and share their passion for sailing.

The event will begin on **Wednesday 7 October** with the opening of the Race Village in Portopiccino, crew registration and the **Owners Opening Cocktail**.

On **Thursday 8 October**, following the **Skippers' Briefing** at Yacht Club Portopiccino, the Solaris fleet will take to the water for the opening race, an **inshore race** off Portopiccino.

On **Friday 9 October**, competitors will contest the **coastal race** on the official **Barcolana course**, with the starting line positioned between the headquarters of the **Società Velica di Barcola e Grignano** and **Miramare Castle**. The race will offer a unique preview of the main event, allowing Solaris owners to compete over the very same course that will host the **58th edition of the world's largest sailing race** just two days later. The day will conclude with the **Prizegiving Ceremony** and the **Crew Party**.

Boats will compete in **compensated time** and will be divided into three **Groups** according to their **LOA (Length Overall)**: **Group A**, from 36 to 47.99 feet; **Group B**, from 48 to 57.99 feet; and **Group O**, from 58 feet upwards.

Prizes will be awarded to the top three finishers in each Group, as well as to the top three boats in the classification of the race sailed on the official Barcolana course.

*"The Solaris Adriatic Cup was created to celebrate the deep bond between Solaris Yachts, the Adriatic Sea and Friuli Venezia Giulia, the region where our shipyard has always nurtured and promoted an extraordinary tradition of craftsmanship," said **Federico Gambini, Vice President of Solaris Yachts**. "Being part of the Barcolana programme means standing alongside an event that perfectly embodies the culture of sailing and the maritime vocation of this region. Through this regatta, we want to offer Solaris owners an opportunity to meet and compete, while at the same time showcasing the excellence of our shipyard and the wealth of expertise that makes this area truly unique."*

*"This year we are once again confirming a highly technical format: a day dedicated to Windward-Leeward racing off Portopiccino, one of the most technical and tactical disciplines in offshore yacht racing, followed by the race on the official Barcolana course," said **Dean Bassi, Vice President of the Società Velica di Barcola e Grignano**. "During Friday's race, even the smaller yachts will have the opportunity to compete for victory within their respective Groups. We look forward to welcoming Solaris owners to Trieste, where they will enjoy an outstanding racecourse and plenty of entertainment ashore."*

*"The Barcolana Solaris Adriatic Cup has become a permanent fixture on the Barcolana calendar," said **Mitja Gialuz, President of the Società Velica di Barcola e Grignano.** "We are delighted to renew, for the third consecutive year, our partnership with a shipyard that represents excellence not only in Friuli Venezia Giulia but throughout the Italian yachting industry, and which shares Barcolana's commitment to promoting the culture of the sea and sailing. It is a partnership that has grown stronger with each edition, allowing us to continue showcasing our region through an event that brings together competition, passion and the unmistakable festive spirit of Barcolana."*

Registration is now open on the official Barcolana website, on the dedicated [Barcolana Solaris Adriatic Cup page](#).

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