

Julio Ruiz Gómez

Master Mariner Unlimited



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Spanish | Non-smoker |
No tattoos
Available immediately
Location: Spain
ENG1 valid until May 2028

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Certifications

STCW (updated 2021)
HELM (including BRM)
Medical Care Onboard Ships
Shipboard Safety Officer
Ship Security Officer
ECDIS (Kongsberg)
DP Kongsberg Operator
Advanced NAPA Software.
Hyperbaric Chamber Operator
Helicopter Landing Officer
Diploma in Superyacht Ops.
Basic Polar Waters
Cyber Security Awareness
Fast Rescue Boats

Watersports Experience

PW Jet Ski Instructor (RYA)
Open Water Diver (PADI)
Sailing Instructor
Kitesurfing
Windsurfing
Wing Foiling

Master Mariner with over 11 years' experience on a 126m explorer yacht, operating in remote itineraries, including Antarctica.

Strong background in deck leadership, expedition logistics, guest-focused operations including hands-on watersports, and safety management.

I have led teams of up to 25 deck crew in demanding environments, maintaining high standards and smooth operations. I value long-term working relationships and take responsibility seriously. Under pressure, I maintain a calm and analytical approach to decision-making.

Now looking for a long-term position on an active yacht where I can take on greater responsibility and contribute to a well-run programme.

Core Strengths

- Relieve captain for short periods.
- Excellent organizational and planning skills
- Build, lead, and develop a cohesive and efficient deck team.
- Strong background in charter and private operations.
- Direct owner and guest interaction at senior level.
- High standards across deck operations and safety.
- Hands-on approach to guest activities and watersports.
- Two extensive shipyard periods liaising with contractors.
- Fit and active since I was professional sailor.
- Controlled and analytical decision-making under pressure.
- Structured planning of complex operations and logistics.

Employment History

Residential & Commercial Development Project

Jun 2025 - July 2026 (1 year)

Chief Officer

Mar 2020 – Jun 2025 (5 years 2 months)

M/YOctopus – 126m

Charter Explorer Yacht

First Officer (Senior Bridge Officer)

Aug 2015 – Mar 2020 (4 years 7 months)

M/YOctopus – 126m

Private Explorer Yacht

Second Officer

Jun 2014 – Jul 2015 (11 months)

M/YOctopus – 126m

Private Explorer Yacht

Second Officer

Dec 2013 – Jun 2014 (7 months)

M/YNaia – 73m

Charter Yacht

Second Officer

Jan 2011 – Feb 2013 (2 years 1 month)

M/YArcticP – 87.5m

Private Explorer Yacht

Junior Deck Officer

Jan 2009 – Mar 2010 (1 year 3 months)

Celebrity Constellation – 294m

Cruise Ship

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Professional Sailing

I have been connected to the sea since I was 9, and through sailing in the Olympic Laser class I developed the discipline, work ethic and long-term commitment that continue to define how I operate professionally today.

Personal Interests

I enjoy an active lifestyle, staying fit and healthy, and spending time travelling with my family.

Cruising Area Experience

Extensive worldwide cruising experience across remote regions for both owner and guest programmes.

Europe

Mediterranean, Baltic Sea, Norway

North America

Canada, USA, Caribbean

Africa

South Africa, Mozambique, Seychelles

Asia

Maldives, Indonesia, Thailand

Polar Regions

Antarctic Peninsula, South Georgia

Australia & Oceania

Australia, French Polynesia, New Zealand

Key Passages

Suez Canal, Panama Canal

Experience History

Chief Officer

- Relieved Captains in their absence, earning full trust for vessel command and manoeuvring.
- Successfully executed a 45-day overland expedition for the owner and 15 guests, managing the importation of 10 vehicles, route planning, and international border clearances.
- Coordinated complex deck operations and high-end guest activities, including diving, fishing, and advanced watersports (e-toys, windsurfing, kitesurfing, wing foiling).
- Led and mentored a 25-person deck department (Bridge Officers, Bosuns, Deckhands, Carpenters, Dive Master, Videographer).
- Established individual goals and held regular 1:1 performance reviews, building a high-performing team.
- Managed deck purchasing, inventory control, planned maintenance, shipyard specifications, and budget forecasting.
- Ensured strict compliance with ISM, ISPS, and onboard operational procedures.
- Medical officer onboard.

First Officer

- Served as Senior Bridge Officer and designated ISM Officer, completing a major reorganisation of the Safety Management System and crew training.
- Acted as Ship Security Officer, overseeing ISPS compliance, crew security drills, and onboard protocols.
- Participated in DP and research operations, supporting ROV, AUV, and submarine launch and recovery.

Safety Officer

- Organised engaging and effective safety training and emergency drills for all crew.
- Maintained all Life-Saving Appliances (LSA) and Fire-Fighting Appliances (FFA).
- Coordinated global contractor servicing and annual certifications for safety equipment.

Navigation Officer

- Assisted the Master with itinerary design, building deep expertise in passage planning for remote regions.

Tender Officer

- Served as primary owner's tender driver, providing high-level service during guest transfers and watersports.
- Oversaw maintenance for a fleet of 11 jet skis and 6 tenders (jet and propeller driven).
- Trained deck crew in advanced tender handling and SOP's

Commercial Bridge Officer

- Built a strong foundation in bridge watchkeeping, safety procedures, and large-vessel operations aboard a 294m cruise ship, launching a commercial maritime career