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It is our great pleasure to invite all J/24 sailors close and far afield to join us this coming October to the J/24 European Championship in the unique and charming Principality of Monaco.

This regatta will be unique in many ways. For those of you who have never been to Monaco, our Principality, wedged between France and Italy, will enchant you. You will discover a magical country with a unique character. Small enough to give you a village atmosphere, yet big enough to host some unique events from the Formula One Grand Prix to the Monte-Carlo Rolex Masters or even the Yacht Club de Monaco's very own classic yacht regatta, the Monaco Classic Week, which brings back centuries of traditional yachting to life ashore and afloat. All this while surrounded by super yachts, fast cars and unique sights.

It is an honour for us to host, once again, the J/24 European Championship, 20 years after the Monaco edition in October 1993."

Bernard d'Alessandri, Yacht Club de Monaco's Secretary General

So what can you expect from the Monaco J/24 Europeans?

From the unique atmosphere of our "Port Hercules" harbour where you will find a mixture of traditional fishing boats mingling with the largest super yachts. Your will be mooring your J/24's amongst some of the most exclusive super yachts in the world in a harbour where moorings are near impossible to obtain! No to mention the warm welcome of the Yacht Club de Monaco where you will immediately feel at home.



For this high profile event, the Yacht Club de Monaco has assembled a very strong race committee to ensure smooth, fair and professional race management. Heading the Race Committee will be John Coveney a key international race officer with excellent experience of the southern coast line of France and an unquestionable knowledge of its mistral, levante and tramontane!



Whilst talking of the bay of Monaco, this is your race area. Right outside the harbour, you will find open waters so the race area will be on your door step. No tide, little current, mainly just plain deep water! No sand banks or shallow parts to avoid or escape too! Just one large expanse of water in which the race committee will lay the course. Miss the windward mark and your next stop is Corsica!

In simple terms, the race area is a 2.5 nautical miles radius circle just outside the harbour. From dock to start line in less than 10 minutes!!

From the social events hosted by the Yacht Club de Monaco to those who will explore the Principality further afield by maybe dancing in the Rascasse with its live band, or visiting the local brewery, eating the Provencal delicacies from the Condamine market, gambling at the world famous Casino or visiting the internationally reputed Oceanographic Museum on the cliff edge, there are plenty of activities to do while not out on the water racing.

By the time you come to leave Monaco at the end of the regatta, you will be able to recount amongst other memories that you towed your J/24 down the start finish line of a formula one race track. How is that for your next piece of bar talk? Benvegnüu a Monaco!

So don't hesitate, put this date in your diary: 5th to 12th October 2013

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Interested? E-mail Charles at the Yacht Club de Monaco at: commu3@ycm.org





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