

Somehow I feel very comfortable and interested in sailing with these Tall Ships even if it's quite painful when the wind blows straight to your nose. Now it seemed that we had a good wind window during the whole leg.

The wind was slightly shifting at the start and many others made the same decision to take advantage from that. The only problem was how far to the west to go, to gain the best advantage. With these ships the wind angle is most important, so my plan was to stay as far to the west from the fleet as possible. There were some ships that went further to the west after I tacked to the south and at first it seemed that it would pay off, but the wind was this time at my side and it shifted enough for taking a good position to long tack to the south.

PetrM and Franci managed to take leading positions and there were not too many fast tracks in this leg. There was some oscillating wind shifts and boats just behind me had a very good tactic to take advantage from these. I decided still to take very minimal course changes and stay just windward side of these strong competitors.

When getting closer to Vejers Strand it started to appear that my conservative sailing would take me to the podium even if I was a quite worried that Rafa, Ironfist, MustangMark and Scara would have overtaken me. After Vejers it was just a majestic feeling with all sails up and straight to the finish.

Thanks to all and fair winds!
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