

This was a quick trip across the English Channel. After an uneventful exit of the Solent, the first leg to Guernsey would see a 100 degree shift in TWD. This meant sailing a drawn out arc, transitioning from deep downwind to upwind. At the 1630 wx I had to adjust my course to the west, thankfully sadler was the only real threat on that side.

Now I had a great plan for Guernsey, watch football late and do the rounding inbetween, with a DC finish. The game lived up to my expectations, but when I was about to call it (0030utc) I still had 2h to go. Oops.

The good news was I had a clear path between Guernsey and the Lihou islet. (At night. In low tide. On Autopilot). I set up a safe DC rounding, afterwards it was playing with the polar hop, that would send me dangerously close to the Minquiers rocks. That required a quick early morning check, and I was safely on my way to the line.

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