



# Iñaki Castañer

He has 9 world titles in different categories, 12 Atlantic crossings, 10 national titles, 30 national sailing trophies as well as a successful career in the world of sailing as a manager, including: commercial management of North Sails for 12 years, commercial management of X-Yachts Spain.

Likewise, as an expert sailor, he perfectly masters the concepts of team coordination and joint effort as key processes for success, knowledge that he has shared as crew chief in Spanish America's Cup projects and in the 25 sailing teams with which he has collaborated.

**Currently Iñaki Castañer runs his own company I. Castañer Yachts Brokerage and Charter and is also representative of North Sails, world leader in the sail manufacturing sector.** He has specialized in the management of racing teams and the coordination of sailing related sports events, competing in today's most important national and international races.

**The company has the exclusive distribution of several leading brands in the industry,** Dehler, Hanse, Bali, Solaris and North Sails as well as personally selected used boats with expert criteria for its customers.

He started to sail professionally as part of the Spanish Navy aboard the Sirius III and Sirius IV in **1986** and 1987 winning 2 world sub-championships in the One Tonner class. In 1987 and 1988 he was hired by the Spanish Navy as the civilian responsible for the construction and preparation of the first Spanish Maxi in the



history of regattas, named Hispania. In 1989 he was selected by the company Tabacalera to become part of the crew representing Spain aboard of the Maxi Fortuna in the Whitbread Round the World Race.

From **1990 to 1992**, Iñaki Castañer sailed with the Bribón, mastered by HRH Juan Carlos I, winning 2 titles of the King's Sailing World Cup (Copa del Rey de Vela). In 1990 he achieved, in the role of skipper of the Danish ship Lone, the first position in the  $\frac{3}{4}$  Ton World Championship and the trophy of the King's World Cup. In 1991, 1992 and 1993, he won the  $\frac{3}{4}$  Ton World Championships and the  $\frac{1}{2}$  Ton World Championship on the "Mar Frío", in Italy.

From **1991 to 1995**, Iñaki Castañer was responsible for establishing the basis and the team of the first America's Cup Spanish teams, as the crew coordinator and manoeuvre master on board of "España 92", in 1992, and "Rioja de España" in 1995, in San Diego (USA). Since 1993, after completing the European Sailing Tour on board of the "Galicia 93", he started organising his own projects as skipper and sports director.

From **2000 to 2008**, Iñaki Castañer coordinated the construction and management of his 14 regatta boats; and between 2006 and 2009 he managed and participated together with ONO, his sponsor for 9 years, as skipper and sports director in the most important regatta circuit of the world, the MED CUP, aboard the TP 52 "ONO". Since 2009, Castañer was responsible for organising and managing British sailing teams in international circuits such as GBR Peninsula Petroleum (GP 42 and RC 44.) and Aegir (MINI MAXI). In both teams, Castañer's worked as tactician and skipper in the Match Race modality.

During seasons **2013-2014**, he obtained outstanding positions in Spain and South America's most important regattas, coming first as skipper aboard the Soto 40 Apolonia in Chile, one of the most prestigious regattas in South America held in Patagonia (Chile), and third in







Europe's ORC Championship (Valencia). He also came first aboard the Xp 38 in the Conde de Godó Trophy and Palma Sailing Trophy, and second in Copa del Rey.

**The following seasons 2015 and 2016** Iñaki has taken part in the entire Mediterranean Circuit aboard the British vessel Koyama, standing out in the ORC World Championship and the "Copa del Rey de Vela". He also participated as tactician aboard the Xp 38 "Extreme Ways" with an American crew, obtaining first place in the Conde de Godó 2015, third place at the ORC European World Championship in Greece and first place at Marmaris Race Week 2016 in Turkey. Following these lines, as tactician and project manager aboard the Baltic 47 "Klasajan" he reached first place in the Trofeo Sant Joan.

In **2017**, Iñaki Castañer was appointed official commentator for RTVE (Spanish State Television) for the America's Cup 2017. In the realm of competition, he attained multiple victories,

including 1st place in the Ruta de la Sal regatta as tactician aboard the new Baltic 61 "Klasajan"; 1st place aboard the Soto 40 "Castañer Yachts" as skipper in the Intercontinental Trophy Marbella-Ceuta, 1st. place as tactician aboard the Xp 38 "Extreme Ways" at the Marmaris Race week and further 1st place at Aegean Race Week, 1st place aboard the 6M "Maybe" at Prince of Asturias Trophy and HRH King Juan Carlos Trophy.

The season culminated with the victory of the 6M World Championship in Vancouver, Canada, aboard the 6m "Bribón" with HRH King Don Juan Carlos.

**In 2018 Iñaki got the 1st. place ay king's cup on board the international 6M Bribón.** Another 1st. placed on board the Swan 65 Six Jaguar in the Swan Cup 2018 playing the role of tactician and sports director. Participated on board the SWAN 54 "Intrigue" as a tactician and sports director in the Palma Vela Trophy, 2nd place in the Conde de





Godó Trophy aboard the X 41 "Mihaja". 2nd place aboard the Baltic 61 "Klajasan" in the San Joan Trophy and 3rd. classified on board the boat Xp 44 "X Patriate" with American flag in the regatta around Ibiza 2018. It is important to unite his participation as project manager and tactician in the Maxis World Championship in Porto Cervo on board the Swan 65 "Six Jaguar".

In this year **2019** it is worth mentioning his participation as a tactician and sport director in the St. Maarten Heineken Trophy aboard the «X-Patriate» where he got a 3rd. place, with an entire American crew. Also win a 2nd place in the City of Malaga Trophy, aboard of Dehler 36 "Aquilón" and a first place aboard Baltic 61 Klajasan in the San Joan Regatta. First place in the 6 M World Championship on board of Bribón de Y.M. King Don Juan Carlos in waters of Finland, and a third place on board the Swan 65 "Six Jaguar" boat at the MAXIS World Cup Porto Cervo in Italy.

**2020:** First classified in the Vuelta a Andalucía Regatta on board the boat J99 JIPI.

**2021:** First classified in the European Championship with the 6M. BRIBÓN. Second place in the San Joan Trophy aboard the Baltic 61. KLAJASAN. Third classified in the Copa del Rey Tp 52. AIFOS. And third place in the Giraglia 2021 sailing in Ex Oficio. X 40.

**2022- 2023:** During the year 2022 and 2023 Iñaki Castañer alternates his time as CEO of the company I. Castañer Yachts, official distributor of Solaris, Hanse and Moody boats, and starts up the Urbania project as sporting director, participating in the ORC Rolex Circuit World Championship, achieving first place in the Palma Vela Trophy and Vuelta Ibiza Regatta and showing itself to be one of the most competitive teams and with the greatest projection in the Spanish professional sailing regatta circuit.





**PRESENT: 2024**

During the 2024 season he completed the Atlantic Crossing on board CNB 66, owned by a client of I. Castañer-Yachts, achieving a third place in the Loro Piana Giraglia 2024 regatta on board Swan 56 Intrigue and also a third place in the Solaris Cup regatta on board a Solaris 58 "Poseidón" owned by a Chilean client.

He organized the 2024 season as sports and tactical director on board the Tp 52 Urbania, achieving a first place in the Palma Vela Trophy, as well as a first place in the Mediterranean Championship, also first place in the French Regatta Les Voiles de Saint-Tropez and third place in Conde de Godó in Barcelona.

Currently, outside the regatta season, he manages his company I. Castañer Yachts, specialized in the purchase and sale of sailing boats.



## Featured Competitions

5th place - Regata Vuelta al Mundo, 1989, 90, Whitbread  
 5th place - Copa América, 1992. San Diego. USA  
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 World Champion 3/4 Ton, 1990, 91, 92, 93, 94  
 World Champion 1/2 Ton, 1992  
 Winner Semana Náutica del Puerto Santa María, 1992  
 1th place - Copa del Rey, 1990  
 1th place - Copa del Rey, 1992  
 1th place - Copa del Rey, 1994  
 1th place - Trofeo de la Reina, 1994  
 1th place - Copa del Rey 1999  
 Overall winner Trophy Juan de Borbón years 1995, 97, 98, 99  
 Overall winner Trophy Ciudad de Melilla, 1998, 99, 2000

### 2001-2010

2nd place- Copa de Rey, 2000  
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 1th place - Trofeo de la Reina, 2005  
 Ganador Semana Náutica del Puerto Santa María 1992, 03, 04, 05, 06

### 2011-2015

2nd place - Trofeo de la Reina, 2006, 2014  
 2nd place - Palma Vela, 2013, ORC XSpain  
 1st place - Conde de Godó, 2013. ORC XSpain  
 1st place - Campeonato de España ORC 1, 2014  
 1st place - Soto 40 Chiloe, Chile, 2014  
 2nd place - Trofeo de la Reina, 2015  
 1st place - Trofeo Conde de Godó, 2015  
 3rd place - Europeo ORC 2015

Whitebread "Fortuna Extra Light"  
 Americas Cup "España 92"  
 Rioja de España.  
 3/4 Tone Farr 37 "Xacoveo 93"  
 1/2 Ton "Marfrio"  
 Whisky Langs "ONO"  
 Lone  
 6M "Bribón"  
 Whisky Langs  
 Whisky Langs  
 Ciudad de Melilla  
 Regata 2 Bahías  
 Whisky Langs

"Ciudad de Melilla"  
 "ONO"  
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 Whisky Langs "ONO"

"ONO"  
 Xp 38 "XSpain"  
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 Xp 44 "Koyama"  
 Soto 40 "Apolonia"  
 Xp 44 "Koyama",  
 Xp 38 "Extreme Ways"  
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## Featured Competitions

### 2016

2nd place - Trofeo Conde de Godó  
3rd place - Swan Cup  
1st place - Marmaris Week

Xp 38 "Extreme Ways"  
Swan 65 "Six Jaguar"  
Xp 38 "Extreme Ways"

### 2017

1st place - Campeonato del Mundo 6M, Canadá  
1st place - Campeonato de Europa Mar Egeo  
1st place - Trofeo Príncipe de Asturias  
1st place - Trofeo SM. Rey Juan Carlos I, Sanxenxo  
1st place - Ruta de Sal, Ibiza

6M "Bribón"  
Xp 38 "Extreme Ways"  
6M "Maybe"  
6M "Maybe"  
Baltic 61 "Klajasan"

### 2018

1st place - Copa del Rey  
1st place - Swan Cup  
2nd place - Trofeo Conde de Godó  
2nd place - Trofeo San Joan  
3rd place - Vuelta Ibiza

6M internacional "Bribón"  
Swan 65 "Six Jaguar"  
X 41 "Mihaja"  
Baltic 61 "Klajasan"  
Xp 44 "X Patriate"

### 2019

3rd place - St. Maarten Heineken Trophy  
2nd place - Trofeo Ciudad de Málaga  
1st place - Trofeo Sant Joan  
1st place - Campeonato del Mundo de 6M  
3rd place - Mundial MAXIS / Puerto Cervo

Xp 44 "X Patriate"  
Dehler 36 "Aquilón"  
Baltic 61 "Clajasan"  
6M internacional "Bribón"  
Swan 65 "Six Jaguar"

### 2020

1st place - Regata a dos Vuelta a Andalucía

J99 "Jipi"



## Featured Competitions

### 2021

1st place - Campeonato de Europa  
2nd place - Trofeo San Joan  
3rd place - Copa del Rey  
3rd place - Giraglia 2021

6M "Bribón"  
Baltic 61 "Klajasan"  
Tp 52 "Aifos"  
X40 "Ex officio"

### 2022

1st place - Palma Vela  
1st place - Trofeo Sant Joan  
2nd place - Campeonato del Mundo  
3rd place - Conde de Godo  
Maxis Rolex Cup World Championship

"Urbania"

6M "Bribón"

Swan 65 "Six Jaguar"

### 2023

1st place - Regata Vuelta Ibiza  
2nd place - Palma Vela. Larga  
2nd place - Sant Joan  
3rd place - Trofeo de la Reina  
4th place - Trofeo Conde de Godó  
Atlantic Crossing 2023. Canary Islands - Antigua

"Urbania"  
Swan 56 "Intrigue"  
Swan 70  
"Urbania"  
"Urbania"  
CNB 66

### 2024

1st place - Trofeo Palma Vela  
1st place - Campeonato Mediterraneo  
1st place - Les Voiles Saint-Tropez  
3rd place - Regata Loro Piana Giraglia  
3rd place - Solaris Cup  
3rd place - Conde de Godó de Barcelona

TP 52 "Urbania"  
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Swan 65 "Six Jaguar"  
Swan 56 "Intrigue"  
Solaris 58 "Poseidón"  
TP 52 "Urbania"

