



## Volunteer Sailing Crew Recruitment and Training for our 2020 Season

Pilgrim of Brixham is a 125 year old restored heritage sailing trawler and a member of the UK National Historic Fleet. She is charity owned and operated out of Brixham, Devon and we need volunteer crew for our 2020 season.

### What's Involved?

- Assisting our professional skipper with sailing the boat. This involves deckwork—rigging, raising and lowering of sails, anchoring & mooring, stowing and maintaining gear, safety procedures, helming the boat etc.
- Looking after guests, telling them about the boat and its history, local geography, marine wildlife and making them feel at home! (not all at sea!)
- Assisting the crew with hospitality, catering and cleaning tasks.
- In addition (optional)—it helps if you can sing sea shanties, find wood for a beach barbecue, dress up in historical costumes and take photos and videos!

### How do I benefit?

- It's a lot of fun, you get to sail along the Devon and Cornwall coast, out to the Scilly Isles and across to Brittany and the Channel Islands.
- You'll make new friends, learn new skills and get lots of fresh air and exercise. You become a valued member of the Pilgrim Volunteer Team.
- Being a Pilgrim volunteer adds a new dimension to your life. If you're looking for work, employers tell us they value things like teamwork, commitment, timekeeping, experience of mixed aged groups, social skills, customer service work and evidence of facing up to personal challenges. If you're looking for something else to complement work or retirement then sailing as crew on a 125 year old boat takes some beating!



### What's the deal?

- None of our volunteers are paid. We provide free meals and on-board accommodation when crewing. Students and the unemployed also get this while training. Employed people and seniors have to make a modest contribution while training.
- We provide training with our professional Skipper and through experienced volunteers. In return we expect a commitment to achieve our training goals and to reach the standard required to go on the crew list.

### Do I need any sailing experience?

- Sailing experience is not required but is always welcome.
- Volunteers need to be fit and agile and certain medical conditions may preclude involvement as crew. There are plenty of other volunteering opportunities available though.
- Attitude is important. Volunteers need to have a positive 'can do' mindset and need to be able to take instruction and react accordingly.

### How do I get involved?

Read the [Volunteer Sailing Crew Overview](#) which is available on this link. If you are interested to come and explore getting involved you need to book onto one of our half day briefings [here](#).

They are on Sunday 6th October or Sunday 20th October 2019 at 1pm in Brixham.