INTERVIEW WITH JUAN PABLO

What was the most surprising thing about working as a sailing instructor in the United States?

What stood out the most was the opportunity to work in a new environment, with different cultures and learning methods. It motivated me to adapt and find new ways to teach sailing.

How was the experience of teaching sailing in an environment different from your own country?

Teaching in a different environment made me more aware of cultural and climatic differences. Additionally, it forced me to adapt my methodology and be more flexible.

What challenges did you face and how did you overcome them during this summer?

The challenges were adapting to the new wind and weather conditions, and effectively communicating with students in English. I overcame them with patience, preparation, and by improving my English skills.

How has this experience influenced your career or personal development?

This experience has given me a more global perspective on teaching sailing and allowed me to grow as an instructor. It also helped me improve my communication and problem-solving skills.

What was the most rewarding part of working with students in the United States?

The most rewarding part was seeing the students progress from knowing nothing to sailing confidently. Additionally, the satisfaction of helping them discover a new passion was very special.

Would you recommend this experience to other instructors? Why?

Yes, I would recommend this experience. It pushes you out of your comfort zone, helps you improve your skills, and broadens your vision of the sport and teaching.

How would you describe your experience with the Work and Sail service? What aspects of the program did you find most valuable or remarkable?

My experience with Work and Sail has been positive. The program makes it much easier to handle the paperwork to work abroad, and the support throughout the process was excellent. The most valuable part was the opportunity to connect with other instructors and learn from their experiences.