

Yachts on the Northern Sea Route (2)

Having left the ice for the clear water of the Bering Strait, the yachts "Aivengo" and "Yakutsk" headed for the port of Providenie. Having reached it, their crews left for the port of registration - Tiksi - at which this lengthy voyage began.

The expedition along the eastern sector of the Northern Sea Route was organized by the Yakutskstroi trust, the "Yakutskgeologiya" association, the "Poisk" club and other sponsors.

Originally, the sailors' navigation charts indicated the Novosibirskie Islands as their final destination, where the intention was to continue the search for traces of the lost polar expedition of Eduard Toll. However, the dangerous ice in the eastern sector of the Arctic prevented the realization of this plan.

"So as not to interrupt the planned voyage" - explained the leader of the excursion, Egidius Lozoraitis, "we have decided to use the alternate variant - complete the passage from the Bering Strait to the Bay of Providenie."

In itself, a polar voyage by yacht can be considered unique. However, the participants are not merely guided by sporting considerations. The yachtsmen are planning to do some filming for future television films highlighting the working days of polar station crews.

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