

M/Y ANTHEYA III

MEET THE TEAM



Captain - Dominic Bamford

New Zealand / British

Languages: English (& French intermediate)

Captain Dominic (Dom) Bamford grew up in New Zealand with a natural attraction to the sea. His summer activities included competitive sailing, scuba diving and fishing. These interests lead him towards a career in yachting. Dom has now been a yacht captain for over 22 years, of which, 16 years have been spent cruising the Mediterranean on vessels ranging in size from 24m to 37m. He holds various maritime qualifications including the MCA 'Master 500' license. Dom has an extensive knowledge of the top ports, anchorages, and activities throughout the Mediterranean and will ensure charter guests enjoy their experience onboard 'in a safe, friendly and comfortable environment. He looks forward to welcoming you onboard.

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Chief Officer - Charbel Bartaa

Lebanese

Languages: English, French, Arabic

Charbel grew up near the sea, where he spent many years in their small family boat, fishing, swimming, and diving with his father. This love for the water led him to work as a lifeguard for 3 years, prior to entering the yachting industry in 2011. Over the past 14 years, his dedication, hard work, and cool head have helped him work his way up. Charbel has a vast amount of experience and has a particular passion for all kinds of watersports, including diving, jet skis and driving the tender. Even in his spare time, he loves nothing better than swimming, fishing, sailing, and playing volleyball. So, it's with genuine joy that he assists guests with the tender and watersport toys, all the time assuring their safety while they have fun on the water.



Chef - Jose Manuel Pereira Fernandez

Spanish

Previous Yachts: M/Y SEAL (28m) 4.5 yrs, M/Y UL MALHOUL (73m), M/Y BOTTI (35m), S/Y LIZARD (30m), M/Y DYNASTY (50m) 5 yrs, M/Y KENAYL II (35m), S/Y NIRVANA (50m)

Born in Asturias, in northern Spain, Jose studied at the cooking school in Gijón, in Asturias, before working in high end restaurants and hotels throughout Europe as well as onboard private and charter yachts. He lists catering for the Circuit of Speed, Mallorca, and for the Qatar Royal family in his impressive resume. Since 2011, he has worked exclusively on superyachts, where his skill level and diligence have seen him often retained year on year. Having travelled widely: sailing the Pacific, New Zealand, Arabian Gulf, Mediterranean and Balearic, Jose has developed a wide repertoire of cuisines. His favourite is Mediterranean cuisine, where the product is the main protagonist. However, he is always on the lookout for culinary inspiration and is sympathetic to any dietary needs and keen to incorporate your preference

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Chief Stewardess - Ivanka Marelic

Australian / Croatian

Languages: English, Croatian, Italian

Although Ivanka spent her childhood growing up in Australia, she originally comes from the beautiful island of Korčula in Croatia. Like it's most famous son, Marco Polo, the original "travel influencer", she too loves exploring new places. Ivanka has spent the last 15 years in the yachting and hospitality, mostly in the Aegean and Mediterranean Seas. With an impressive portfolio of superyachts, including the MQ2 (50m), MY Katina (47M), and, most recently, the MY Tacanyaso (60m), where she served the Saudi Royal Family, accompanying them to their winter residences. She is an enthusiastic, dedicated, and self-motivated person who enjoys working with people and prides herself on her high levels of client service and resourcefulness.



Deckhand / Stewardess - Brooke Yelavich

New Zealand

Languages: English



Brooke is our versatile and hands-on Deck/Stew. Having been raised around the waters of Auckland Harbour, she brings both a wealth of nautical skills and a practical, down-to-earth approach to any challenges she might face. Life by the sea has always been second nature to her, and this, combined with her hospitality experience and the skills she developed as the manager of an automotive service facility for four years, led her to yachting in 2024—a field that perfectly blends her love of the ocean with her flair for guest service. Since stepping on board, Brooke has thrown herself into all aspects of yacht life. You will find her calm under pressure, quietly organised, and always up for getting stuck in, whether it's out on the water or behind the scenes. Friendly, hardworking, and genuinely passionate about the job, Brooke has both the practical skills and a natural ease and warmth that enable her to fulfil this varied role with ease.

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Chief Engineer - Dario Esposito

Italian

Languages: English, Italian, Portuguese and basic Spanish

Dario brings a wealth of engineering expertise to *ANTHEYA III*, with a Chief Engineer Unlimited licence and over 15 years of hands-on maritime experience across cruise ships, offshore vessels, and now in the yachting sector. Starting his career at just 19, he's worked his way up through the ranks before transferring to yachting. Dario combines technical knowledge with a down-to-earth, team-oriented approach. Known for his positive attitude and team spirit, he's not one to shy away from getting stuck in on deck if needed. He's passionate about safety, reliability, and building a cohesive, capable team—making him a real asset to life on board *ANTHEYA III*.

