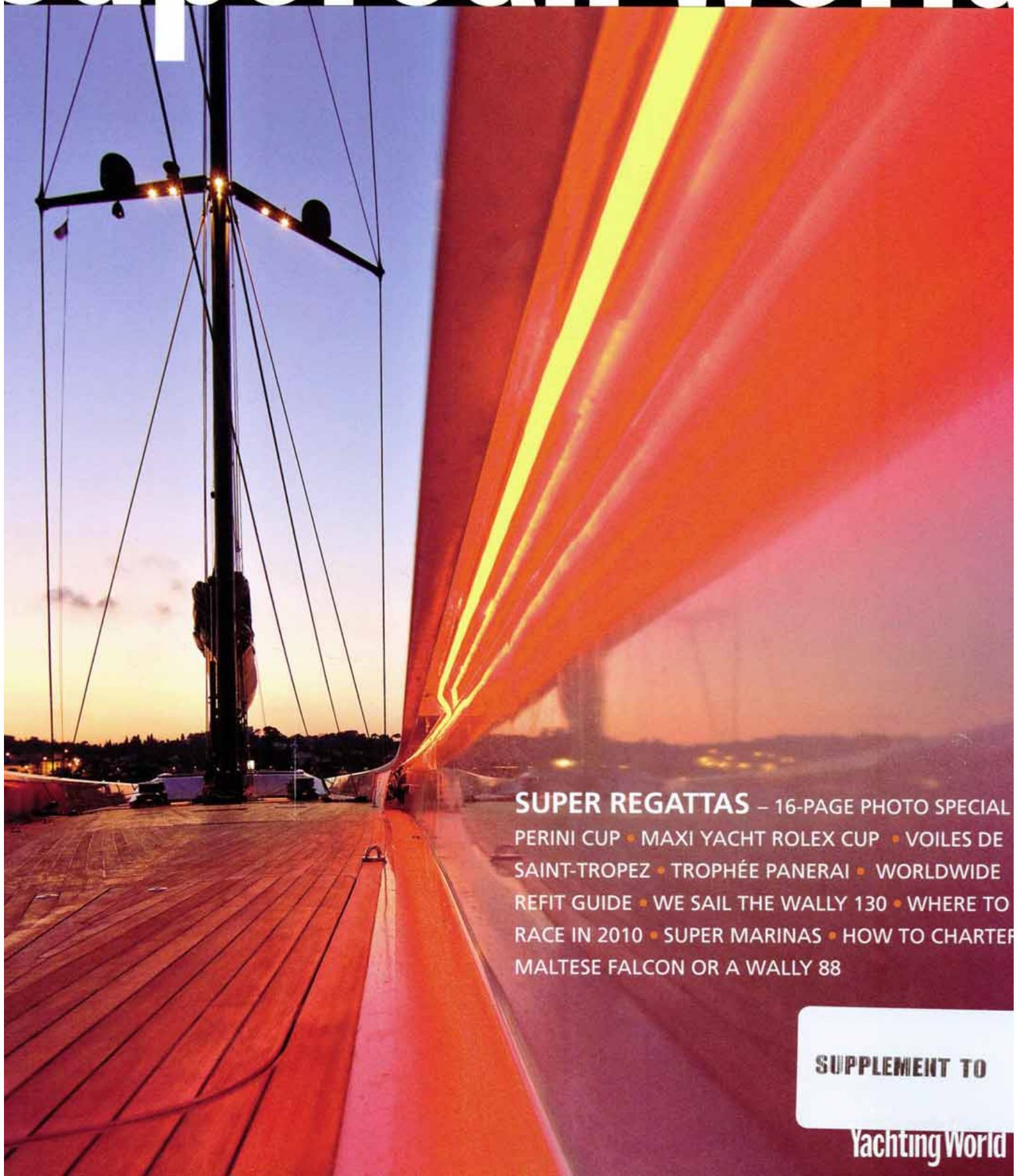


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This is the quintessential big boat Mediterranean regatta, staged off the spectacular Costa Smeralda coastline and bringing together an eclectic fleet of yachts from the hottest mini-maxis to the Wally fleet and the J Class. This year wind and sea state made for some testing conditions and provided photographers with a field day.

The closest tussle was between Neville Crichton's reconfigured *Alfa Romeo* which was trying to out-perform Nicklas Zenntrom's all-conquering *Ran* in the Mini-Maxi Racing class and in the Mini-Maxi Racing/Cruising division was attempting the double by beating Hap Fauth sailing *Bella Mente*, another reconfigured 71-footer/22m. ▶▶

Two views of the 148ft/45m *Saudade* show the manpower needed to change headsails and hoist downwind sails in weather that really tested the big yachts. Moving sails this big around a yacht needs the assistance of most of the 30 or so hands



