

The Visitation of the ARA Libertad September 28 - October 3, 2007

FACT SHEET

Event: The Visitation of the ARA Libertad

Date: Friday, September 28⁻Wednesday, October 3, 2007

Place: Seaport World Trade Center, East Apron

Timeline: Friday, September 28, 2007

ARA Libertad arrives at

World Trade Center, *East Apron*: 09:00 am

Saturday, September 29, 2007

Public Visiting Hours: 12:00 pm-06:00 pm

Sunday, September 30, 2007

Public Visiting Hours 12:00 pm-06:00 pm

Monday, October 1, 2007

Public Visiting Hours 12:00 pm-07:00 pm

Tuesday, October 2, 2007

Public Visiting Hours 12:00 pm-06:00 pm

Wednesday, October 3, 2007

Ship departs 09:00 am

Ship Description:

Since 1884, the Argentine Navy has consistently trained its officers under sail. *ARA Libertad*, the country's sail training vessel, was designed much like a windjammer, with a clipper bow and a figurehead representing an effigy of Liberty in a long flowing robe and a cruiser stern bearing the crest with the arms of Argentina.

ARA Libertad is not only one of the longest sailing ships in the world, but one of the fastest. As a popular goodwill ambassador, she has made annual voyages to numerous American and European ports.





In 1966, *ARA Libertad* set a record (of 8 days and 12 hours) crossing the North Atlantic between Cape Race, Canada, and the English Channel - a record that still stands. During the same passage, she also set the 124-hour run record for a sail training ship for which she was awarded the *Boston Beanpot Trophy*.

Libertad last visited Boston in 2001. This fall Boston will welcome an old friend.

About Sail Boston /

Sail Massachusetts: It is Sail Boston and Sail Massachusetts' mission to develop maritime tourism opportunities in Boston and Massachusetts' coastal communities for the benefit of visitors, businesses and the Commonwealth's diverse population.

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