

MORNING STAR

CAPTAIN MUSTAFA SANAR

Nationality: Turkish
Date of birth: November 10th, 1972
Languages: Turkish and English

From the beautiful coastal city of Marmaris, Captain Mustafa has built his life around the sea and has been sailing for an early age. A professional captain in both commercial and private sector up to 500grt, he joined MORNING STAR in December 2021. A delightful chap. Softly spoken and charming, he likes nothing better than working with and bringing out the very best in people. He values respect, positive attitude, and reliability, having built a strong team based on mutual trust. He and his crew focus on delivering the very best quality of service to ensure your comfort and safety. Mustafa's experience not only covers sailing and water sports, but he also has a background in marine engineering. As a captain his strengths lie particularly in identifying and planning the itineraries and navigation. Finally providing high safety standards are very important to him.



Specialities: Navigation, Manoeuvring, Meteorology, Maintenance, Budgeting and accounting, Crew Training and Management



BOSUN AHMET TÜMAY

Nationality: Turkish
Date of birth: August 20th, 1988
Languages: Turkish and English

Ahmet is simply one of the nicest Bosun's you will ever get the chance to meet. In 2005, he started his 'sea life' in Bodrum and has worked his way up in various yachts. His friendly manner and eagerness to please make him a very welcome member of the team. He is energetic, bright, and always looking for ways to make the guest's experience even better. Ahmet is a hard worker, very resilient and his good sense of humour ensures that high standards of work are delivered with a smile.

Waters cruised: Greek waters, Black Sea, Turkish coasts, all of West Mediterranean, North Africa.

Certification: Yachtmaster, GMDSS ROC certificate, STCW 95, RIB Master

CHEF BAYRAM DURKAYA

Nationality: Turkish
Date of birth: March 20th, 1972
Languages: Turkish and English

Bayram is an extremely experienced and well-liked Chef who, prior to joining MORNING STAR, has more than proved himself in the industry. Having graduated from the Istanbul Academy of Culinary Arts having studied both Italian and Turkish Cuisines. He has worked in the yachting industry for over 28 years, on both private and charter yachts, being retained year on year by owners and crew. He focusses on sourcing the freshest of local ingredients and combining them to create both new and well-loved dishes to tempt you. Bayram is an extremely proficient and reliable member of the team. His wealth of experience and talent in the galley has been supplemented by achieving many certificates in both safety and sailing. Bayram is a family man and when not on board likes to spend time with them.

Previous yachts: MY MARIBELLA (47.8m), DERVIS 3 (27m), HAPPY HOUR (35m), Bleu Blanc (30m)



CHIEF STEWARDESS Fatma Aydin

Nationality: Turkish
Date of birth: January 10th, 1998
Languages: Turkish and English

With a background in civil aviation and a natural eye for detail, Fatma made the move into yachting in 2023 and hasn't looked back since. After a strong first season, she spent 2024 continuing to build her experience, confidently stepping into leadership within the interior team. Fatma's civil aviation and service background shines through in everything she does—from beautifully set tables and elegant cocktail presentation to smooth, discreet housekeeping and guest care.

She aims to create a calm, well-run environment, even when things get busy. Always upbeat, thoughtful, and quietly efficient, she brings a lovely balance of professionalism and approachability to life onboard. When she's off duty, Fatma enjoys swimming, music, and curling up with a good book

Previous yachts: M/Y LA PASSION, M/Y BLUE SEA

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STEWARDESS

Sema Gökburun

Nationality: Turkish

Date of birth: September 19th, 1995

Languages: Turkish and English

Originally from the coastal town of Marmaris, Sema brings warmth, professionalism and a sharp eye for detail. Her career began in the hospitality sector, where she quickly found her passion for high-end service. That foundation, paired with a natural flair for working with people, led her to step into the yachting industry in 2018.

Sema first joined Morning Star in 2018, where she spent three solid years onboard. Refining her interior skills and building a strong rapport with guests and crew alike. After a short stint on M/Y Joy as Second Stewardess in 2023, she has since returned to Morning Star bringing with her added experience and energy. Known for her calm presence and can-do attitude, she ensures that everything from housekeeping to guest service is carried out to a high standard. Off duty, she's a devoted animal lover with a big heart for helping stray animals.

Previous yachts: MY MORNING STAR, M/Y JOY



DECKHAND OZGUR ASKAN

Nationality: Turkish

Date of birth: July 20th, 1994

Languages: Turkish and English



Ozgur has always been passionate about the sea and sailing and after graduating in Tourism and Management, Ozgur took his first position on a 40m Catamaran, as deckhand. For the last 7 years he has continued to work on charter yachts from 37-50m. He excels at driving the tender and loves water sports of all kinds. Recently he has taken up free diving and if he isn't on the sea he can be found exploring it's depths. Ozgur

looks forward to welcoming you on board and looks forward to ensuring that you have an amazing experience on MORNING STAR.

Previous yachts: MY MORNING STAR (37m), M/S DOUBLE EAGLE (40m), MY VETRO (50m), MY DESTINY (21m), MOBYDICK (Cat 40m)

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CHIEF ENGINEER MAKİF TÜRKMEN

Nationality: Turkish

Date of birth: March 19th, 1988

Languages: Turkish and English

Both professional and ambitious, Makif has always had a passion for engineering. He graduated from Anatolia Maritime High School in 2007 and started his yachting career when he was 17 years old. He loves working on the sea and is committed to ensuring that MORNING STAR runs effortlessly and that you have a smooth and safe trip. He himself, is energetic, driven, and over the last 19 years he has proved his abilities working as both chief engineer and electrical/electronic engineer, on several yachts. Makif relishes working on MORNING STAR, alongside such a strong team. He knows that whilst he applies his energy and considerable experience, he will also continue to build on his professional skills and further his career.

Qualifications: STCW 95 Basic, Engineer Officer, RIB Master



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