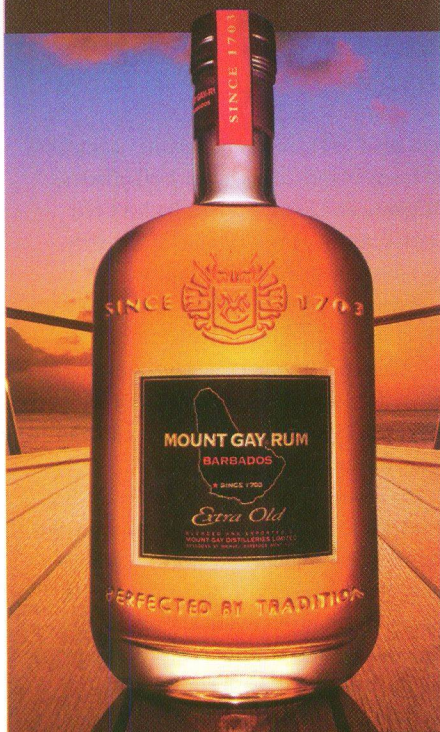



WINNING
AWARDS
FOR OVER
300 YEARS



SINCE  1703
MOUNT GAY RUM
BARBADOS

THE RUM THAT
INVENTED RUM

WWW.SAILINGSPOKENHERE.COM

© 2011 Mount Gay Distilleries Ltd., Mount Gay® Barbados Rum, 43% Alc./Vol., Imported by Remy Cointreau USA, Inc., New York, NY. Eclipse Design®. BE CONFIDENT. DRINK RESPONSIBLY.

SHORELINE



UPDATE: SHE SAILS ON AFTER KNOCKDOWN

JEANNE SOCRATES' ATTEMPT TO BECOME the first woman to sail nonstop solo around the world from North America in a monohull (see "Flying Solo: Socrates Is En Route," Shoreline, February 2011) was thwarted after a knockdown on January 5, 2011, about 200 miles west of Cape Horn. She'd left Victoria, British Columbia, on October 25, 2010, aboard her Najad 380, *Nereida*.

Conditions at the time of the knockdown, she says, were "not too extreme," with northwest winds blowing at 40 knots and five-meter seas. "A larger-than-usual wave must have caused it," she says. The knockdown broke the boom, pole, staysail furler, windscreen, and hatchboard and damaged the windvane rudder and electronics. Down below was wet chaos. She alerted the Maritime Rescue Coordination Center in Chile as well as the U.K. High Seas Commission in New Zealand, but she stressed that she'd suffered no personal injuries. She declined a tow after discovering that the engine and most instruments worked. She motor-

sailed under genoa for Cape Horn, then headed to Ushuaia, Argentina, for repairs.

On March 12, 2011, the irrepressible Socrates set sail again, this time bound for Cape Town, South Africa, which had been the starting point for her previous attempt at a solo circumnavigation in 2007. She expects to arrive there in April, after a brief

stop at the Falkland Islands en route. Although she won't set the record she'd intended, Socrates, 67, believes that once she reaches Cape Town, she'll be the oldest woman to have circumnavigated solo via the Horn.

As for a nonstop voyage, there may be one in her future. Although she feels "disappointed and frustrated," she says she wants to try again. "I don't give up easily," she says. As is well-known to those familiar with Jeanne's story (see "Shipwreck, Recovery, Inspiration," Sailor Profile, December 2010), that's an understatement. Follow Socrates' progress on her website (www.svnerida.com).

Aloft, single-hander Jeanne Socrates repairs shrouds in Ushuaia, Argentina.

L.M.C.

COURTESY OF JEANNE SOCRATES