



MEET THE CREW OF



## LEROY JOHNSON

### CAPTAIN / SOUTH AFRICAN

Languages: English, Afrikaans

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With over 15 years in the yachting industry, Captain Leroy has developed a wealth of experience navigating the world's most sought-after destinations. From the Mediterranean to the Caribbean and beyond, he has captained and managed operations on some of the industry's most prestigious yachts, including M/Y BABA'S (56m), M/Y LADY KATHRYN V V (60m), and M/Y UNBRIDLED (58m). Whether leading transatlantic crossings, overseeing shipyard projects, or ensuring seamless charter and owner experiences, Leroy is known for his hands-on leadership, meticulous attention to safety, and ability to foster a positive, team-oriented environment onboard.

Leroy's passion for the sea extends beyond his professional life. An avid surfer, sailor, and spearfisherman, he thrives in the water and enjoys discovering new coastlines. He also has a keen interest in psychology, self-development, and investing, always looking for ways to grow both personally and professionally. His leadership style is approachable and dynamic, balancing professionalism with a genuine love for adventure.

With a proven track record in yacht operations, strong problem-solving skills, and a commitment to excellence, Leroy ensures that every journey onboard AXIOMA - whether for guests, owners, or crew - is executed with precision, care, and a true appreciation for life on the water.



### ALBERTO AFFER HEAD CHEF / ITALIAN

Languages: Italian, English, French, Spanish, Portuguese, German

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With a warm smile and a lifelong passion for food, Chef Alberto brings over 30 years of culinary experience to AXIOMA. Originally from Italy, Alberto's love for cooking has taken him all over the world - from Michelin-starred restaurants and luxury hotels to luxurious superyachts on the seas.

Alberto has led galleys on yachts such as M/Y GENESIS (80m), M/Y GALATICA SUPERNOVA, and M/Y ANDREAS L (60m), always creating unforgettable dining experiences for guests with a wide range of tastes and dietary needs. His style is rooted in fresh Mediterranean flavors, but he loves to mix in inspiration from Asia, South America, and beyond. Whether it's a refined multi-course dinner or a relaxed, healthy lunch on deck, Alberto believes every meal should be both delicious and memorable.

Guests quickly notice his attention to detail, from beautifully presented plates to the warm, welcoming atmosphere he brings to every service. He's always happy to personalise menus and enjoys chatting with guests about their favourite dishes, flavours, or dietary preferences.

Off-duty, Alberto loves discovering new ingredients, experimenting with healthy recipes, and staying up to date with the latest culinary techniques. Fluent in six languages, he's as comfortable sharing stories with international guests as he is plating a perfect dessert.

Friendly, creative, and dedicated to excellence, Chef Alberto is here to make every meal onboard AXIOMA a true highlight of your holiday.



### ADAM HOROMPOLI SOUS CHEF / HUNGARIAN

Languages: Hungarian, English

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Adam loves combining his two favorite things - cooking and travel. He's always excited to explore new cultures through food, discovering unique ingredients and flavours that he loves to bring back to the AXIOMA's menu. One of his favourite ways to get inspired is by visiting local markets, where he finds fresh ideas and a real taste of the places he visits.

Adam is a passionate and approachable chef who brings warmth, creativity, and a genuine love for food to the galley of AXIOMA. Originally from Budapest, he has worked in kitchens both on land and at sea, with recent roles on the 160m Project Blue and 86m Project Sofa, where he cooked up delicious international meals and catered to a variety of dietary needs with care and creativity.

Before joining the yachting world, Adam led the kitchens at well-loved Hungarian spots like *Fruccola* and *Cseho Restaurant*, where he enjoyed creating fresh, flavourful menus and working closely with his team.

Easygoing and enthusiastic, Adam loves sharing his passion for food. When he's not in the galley, he is all about staying active and enjoying the outdoors. Whether he's hiking, biking, or getting lost in a good book, Adam's always up for a new adventure.



### JOSEFINE LUNDBERG CHIEF STEWARDESS / SWEDISH

Languages: Swedish, English

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Josefine has over five years of experience in yachting, alongside a strong background in luxury hospitality and private aviation. She's worked on some amazing yachts including M/Y CORAL OCEAN (73m), M/Y RISING SUN (138m), M/Y BIG EAGLE (52m), and /Y BOLD (85m) confidently leading service teams and creating smooth, memorable experiences for guests.

Josefine is known for her calm, organised approach and genuine enthusiasm for her work - whether she's planning themed dinners, training junior stews, or building out service SOPs and checklists. She's also spent time as a flight attendant on private jets, where she fine-tuned her service skills and ability to adapt quickly under pressure.

Outside of work, Josefine has a passion for travel, food, and discovering new cultures. She loves exploring local restaurants, trying out wine pairings, creating beautiful table settings, and mixing cocktails. She also enjoys hiking, beach days, photography, and staying active through yoga and gym sessions.



### MARTA DIGIROLAMO 2ND STEWARDESS / ITALIAN

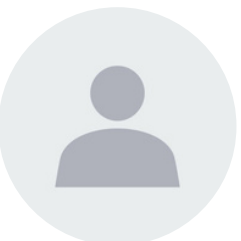
Languages: Italian, English, Spanish, French

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Marta is a warm, enthusiastic stewardess from Italy and a proud member of the AXIOMA crew. With four years of experience in the yachting industry, she's worked on a number of standout vessels including M/Y SARASTAR (60m), M/Y PENELOPE (48m), and M/Y X5 (40m), developing a strong skill set in guest service, hospitality, and event planning.

For Marta, yachting is more than just a job - it's something she genuinely loves. She's passionate about creating a calm, welcoming atmosphere where guests can feel completely at home. Known for her cheerful personality and can-do attitude, she's always ready to lend a hand, support her team, and make every moment onboard special.

When she's not working, Marta loves being out in nature, taking long walks, and discovering new cities - especially the hidden gems with rich local stories. She's also a pro at organising themed evenings and, rumor has it, makes an unforgettable Margarita!



### JESSICA HATTLE STEWARDESS / SOUTH AFRICAN

Languages: English, Afrikaans

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Jessica is a cheerful, kind-hearted stewardess who brings a sunny attitude and a fantastic team spirit to life onboard AXIOMA. Originally from South Africa, she's always had a passion for hospitality and adventure—which makes yachting the perfect fit!

Since starting her yachting journey, Jessica has worked on M/Y BARON TRENCK (44m) and M/Y BABA'S (56m), gaining experience in everything from deep cleaning and laundry to guest service and even helping out on deck! She's quick to adapt, always ready to learn, and happy to lend a hand wherever it's needed.

Before joining the industry, she helped run a boutique guest house back home which gave her a solid foundation in five-star service. Outside of work, Jessica loves diving, exploring new places, and soaking up time in nature.



### TAMSIN ANDERSON STEWARDESS / SOUTH AFRICAN

Languages: English, Afrikaans

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Tasmin is a warm, energetic stewardess with a positive attitude and a real love for life at sea. She's worked on M/Y AHS (66m) and M/Y FLAMINGO (28m), where she confidently managed housekeeping, laundry, service, light cooking, and assisted with deck duties like fender work and docking. Tasmin also has experience caring for young children, having worked as an au pair for two girls aged 2 and 5 - organising school runs, meals, activities, and outings. This caring nature and calm approach make her especially guest- and family-friendly onboard.

Outside of work, Tasmin is always up for an adventure. She enjoys hiking, fishing, snorkelling, running, and swimming - and rarely goes anywhere without her drone or camera. She loves exploring new cities, finding hidden beaches, and winding down with a bit of pottery painting or stargazing.



### DONNE MÖLLER STEWARDESS / SOUTH AFRICAN

Languages: English, Afrikaans

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Our lovely stewardess Donné comes all the way from Cape Town, South Africa, bringing with her a bubbly personality, a strong work ethic, and a warm, can-do attitude. AXIOMA is her first permanent role in yachting, where she has quickly proven herself to be a reliable, enthusiastic, and dedicated member of the interior team.

With a solid background in high-end hospitality and experience in temporary yacht roles such as M/Y FOUNTAINHEAD (87M) , Donné brings confidence and care to everything she does - from housekeeping and laundry to provisioning and guest service.

Outside of her stewardess duties, Donné is most at peace when she's surrounded by nature. Whether she's hiking to find the perfect photo spot, snorkeling or free diving along the coast, or painting scenes that inspire her, she's always finding new ways to stay creative and connected to the world around her.



### ELLIE O'CONNOR STEW-SPA& BEAUTY THERAPIST / BRITISH

Languages: English

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Ellie is a Spa Stewardess with over 12 years of experience in the spa and beauty industry. She's recently brought her calming touch and luxury treatment expertise to M/Y LAUNCHPAD (115m), M/Y CORAL OCEAN (73m), M/Y TRIUMPH (65m), and M/Y SUNRAYS (85m) offering everything from bespoke massages and facials to holistic wellness treatments and beauty services.

Ellie is passionate about making guests feel their best and brings a warm, professional energy to every environment she works in. She's also happy to step in with housekeeping and guest service when needed, always keen to support the team. With training in top brands like ESPA and Elemis, and experience managing spa stock and schedules, she keeps things running smoothly behind the scenes too.

Outside of work, Ellie loves to travel, keep active, and stay current with the latest trends in wellness and skincare.



### MIRIAM WAGENER STEW-PILATES INSTRUCTOR / GERMAN

Languages: German, English, Spanish

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Miriam brings a warm, friendly energy to M/Y AXIOMA. With over six years in the yachting industry, she's gained valuable experience onboard some impressive yachts, including M/Y AMADEA (106m), M/Y CLOUDBREAK (75m), and M/Y FOUNTAINHEAD (87m). Her main focus is ensuring guests look and feel their best, with meticulous laundry care and a smooth, well-organised wardrobe service.

Alongside her primary duties, Miriam is a certified Pilates instructor and loves offering gentle, personalised sessions to help guests unwind and stay active during their time onboard. With a background in physiotherapy, she's also trained in a range of massage techniques, which she's happy to offer on request for those in need of a little extra relaxation.

When she's not onboard, Miriam enjoys travelling, yoga, Latin dancing, and is currently remotely studying international business communication with a focus on tourism and management.



### JACOB WEIDEMAN CHIEF OFFICER (ROTATION) / SOUTH AFRICAN

Languages: English, Afrikaans

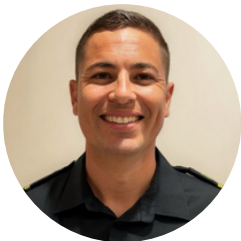
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Jacob who goes by "Japie", is a seasoned professional with 17 years of expertise in the yachting industry and who has worked on renowned yachts like m/y SUNRAYS (86m), m/y DB9 (52m), m/y AVIVA (94m), m/y ECSTASEA (86m), and m/y FELIX (74m) to name a few.

Hailing from a small town in South Africa, Japie has navigated his career on yachts spanning from 35m high speed yachts to 107m behemoths, developing versatility and dedication. Along the way, he has gained a wealth of experience in charter and discovered the secret to smooth sailing: a good sense of humour.

Japie is passionate about creating unforgettable experiences for guests, and he looks forward to ensuring every charter onboard AXIOMA is a memorable journey filled with exceptional moments.

In his spare time Japie enjoys golf, SCUBA diving, and DIY home renovations.



### JARRYD MULLER CHIEF OFFICER (ROTATION) / SOUTH AFRICAN

Languages: English

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Jarryd is a confident, approachable Chief Officer who brings over a decade of hands-on experience and a deep love for the ocean to his role onboard AXIOMA. Growing up along the picturesque coastline of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa, his passion for the sea began early – spending weekends and holidays sailing with his family. At just 19, Jarryd crossed the Atlantic Ocean, a bold adventure that set the course for his maritime career.

Since then, he's steadily worked his way up the ranks, starting as a Junior Deckhand and earning his place as Chief Officer through hard work, determination, and a love for life at sea. His previous experience includes time on M/Y TRANQUILITY (91m), M/Y SUNRAYS (85m), M/Y ULYSSES (116m), and M/Y ICON (68m).

Jarryd is a huge fan of motorsport, rugby, and football. In his downtime, you'll find him cycling through the bush, tackling a woodwork project, or looking for his next outdoor adventure.



### ST JOHN STEEL SECOND OFFICER / ZIMBABWEAN

Languages: English

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Originally from Zimbabwe, St John brings over 15 years of experience in the superyacht industry and a genuine passion for life at sea. With a background rooted in a love for boats, bikes, and cars, he's always been drawn to the mechanics behind how things work - making his journey in yachting a natural fit.

His career has taken him across the globe, allowing him to explore new cultures, meet people from all walks of life, and thrive in the ever-changing and fast-paced world of yachting. St John has held roles on a variety of yachts including M/Y KAMALAYA (55m), M/Y SEA WOLF X (40m), and the CASA/PLAYA fleet (30m Wally), where he spent over four years as Fleet Captain.

Friendly, grounded, and always happy to share his knowledge, St John enjoys motorsport, golf, and cycling in his downtime - and is always up for his next big adventure.



### BENJAMIN "BEN" ZINN BOSUN / SOUTH AFRICAN

Languages: English, Afrikaans, German

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Ben is a dynamic and driven deckhand who brings four years of solid experience and an infectious enthusiasm for all things ocean-related to AXIOMA. Originally from Kommetjie, South Africa, he grew up in the surf and saltwater, which sparked a lifelong love for the sea.

With two Atlantic crossings and one equatorial crossing under his belt, Ben is currently working toward his OOW 3000 GT CoC, aiming to complete it by 2026. Prior to joining AXIOMA, he served as Lead Deckhand on M/Y HOLDIN' MY OWN (55m) and Deckhand on M/Y AUDACES (45m).

He's a certified Rescue Diver and qualified Drone Pilot, recently winning his second consecutive industry photo/video competition for his creative drone storytelling. A passionate surfer, diver, and kitesurfer, Ben finds real joy in sharing his love for the ocean - both in action and through creative storytelling.



### OSEAN BOOYZEN LEAD DECKHAND-JETSKI INSTRUCTOR / SOUTH AFRICAN

Languages: English

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Osean is an easygoing, cheerful deckhand who brings great energy, solid skills, and a real passion for the ocean to the team onboard AXIOMA. Hailing from South Africa, he's spent the last two years on M/Y VOLPINI II (58m) and M/Y BABA'S (56m), where he threw himself into everything from tender runs and water sports to teak scrubbing, polishing, and shipyard maintenance.

With qualifications like RYA PBL2, Jet Ski Instructor, AEC1, and PADI Rescue Diver, Osean is super comfortable around the water and always happy to get involved. He's hands-on, dependable, and brings a positive energy to the deck crew every day.

Before life at sea, he worked in plumbing and team management, so he's no stranger to problem-solving and working hard. Off duty, you'll find him diving, adventuring outdoors, or just soaking up the sunshine. Friendly, fun, and always ready to help, Osean's a great guy to have onboard!



**ETHAN GOMM** DECKHAND / BRITISH

Languages: English

Ethan is a cheerful, hands-on deckhand with a love for adventure, a creative eye, and a real passion for the yachting lifestyle. Before AXIOMA, Ethan gained experience on yachts like M/Y ARTISAN (63m), M/Y SYNTHESIS (74m), and M/Y SANCTUARY (43m).

A qualified drone pilot and trained photographer, Ethan brings a creative edge to life onboard and even has a background in mixology from bartending at an award-winning cocktail bar. Outside of work, he's happiest in the water or outdoors - diving, hiking, biking, and capturing every adventure along the way.



**FREDDIE PHILLIPS** DECKHAND / BRITISH

Languages: English

Hailing from the south of England, Freddie has always had a passion for watersports - even though he grew up a few hours from the coast. From sailing to wakeboarding, his love for the ocean started young and has only grown stronger with time.

A naturally active person, Freddie also enjoys rugby, football, water polo, and athletics, which reflects his team-oriented mindset and drive to stay sharp both mentally and physically. He's quick to learn, easy to get along with, and always ready to pitch in - whether supporting his fellow crew mates or helping create an exceptional guest experience.

Friendly, adaptable, and genuinely passionate about what he does, Freddie brings a positive, can-do attitude that makes him a valued member of the AXIOMA crew.



**JOHNATHAN MATTHEW** CHASE BOAT CAPTAIN / SOUTH AFRICAN

Languages: English, Afrikaans, Zulu

Jonathan was born in Durban, South Africa, where the ocean has always been a big part of his life. From fishing and spearfishing to simply being out on the water, it's where he feels most at home - so working on yachts is a natural fit. His friendly, easygoing personality and love for adventure make him a great addition to the team onboard AXIOMA.

His previous experience includes roles on M/Y RAY (47m), M/Y GLAVAS (55m), M/Y LEGEND (75m) and M/Y KAMALAYA (55m).

Outside of work, Jonathan enjoys hiking, surfing, snowboarding, and staying active. He's also a proud father of two, and everything he does is motivated by giving them the best future possible.



### **PETAR JOKANOVIC** CHIEF ENGINEER (ROTATION) / MONTENEGRIN

Languages: Montenegrin, English

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Petar is a friendly, down-to-earth Chief Engineer who brings over 18 years of experience and a true passion for his craft to the team onboard AXIOMA. Originally from the seaside town of Tivat, Montenegro, Petar grew up with the ocean on his doorstep and has always felt at home around boats and engineering.

After a short but inspiring time onboard M/Y AMADEA (107m), Petar was drawn to the world of superyachts and hasn't looked back. With a strong background working on chemical tankers and container ships, he's gained a huge amount of hands-on knowledge, especially when it comes to keeping mechanical and electrical systems in top condition.

Petar is approachable, supportive, and always happy to share a laugh or offer a helping hand. When he's not in the engine room, you'll find him exploring green tech, tinkering with 3D models, or enjoying quality time with his family.



### **STEVEN BENNETT** CHIEF ENGINEER (ROTATION) / BRITISH

Languages: English

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Steven is a friendly, dependable Chief Engineer with over 15 years of experience working across commercial ships and large private yachts. His previous roles include M/Y BLUE SHADOW (67m), M/Y UM ALHOUL (73m), M/Y BASH (56m), and M/Y PRINCESS AVK (47m) have given him solid experience in refits, AV/IT systems, and leading engineering teams with a calm and steady approach. Steven is hands-on, organised, and always up for a challenge, whether that's managing complex systems or stepping in to support his team. He brings a practical, solutions-focused mindset to everything he does.

Off duty, Steven enjoys playing golf, travelling, cooking up something new in the kitchen, and getting stuck into a good book.



### **DOMAGOJ SRZENTIC** SECOND ENGINEER / CROATIAN

Languages: Croatian, English

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Domagoj is a cheerful, hardworking 2nd Engineer who brings a great mix of technical skill, curiosity, and team spirit to life onboard AXIOMA. Hailing from the coastal town of Zadar, Croatia, Domagoj has always felt connected to the sea - and his career reflects that passion.

Before joining AXIOMA, he built up a solid engineering background working on LNG carriers and passenger vessels, where he gained hands-on experience with everything from steam turbines to DFDE and ME-GI propulsion systems.

He's known for his friendly, can-do attitude and enjoys being part of a supportive, close-knit crew. When he's not in the engine room, Domagoj loves being outdoors - whether it's fishing, diving, or powerlifting at the gym.



**CHRIS ROBERTS** THIRD ENGINEER / BRITISH

Languages: English

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Chris brings a great attitude, solid technical skills, and a real passion for life at sea to the crew of AXIOMA. He's worked on a variety of high-profile yachts including PROJECT X (88m) and AMARYLLIS (78m), gaining hands-on experience with everything from day-to-day maintenance to busy charter operations and yard periods.

Currently progressing through the SV 2nd Engineer program, Chris is always keen to learn and grow. He's confident with watchkeeping, tender driving, and troubleshooting onboard systems - and never shies away from getting stuck in when needed.

Outside of the engine room, Chris is all about adventure. He loves staying active, diving, flying drones, and has a background in sound engineering and music production. Down-to-earth, positive, and easy to work with, he's a great fit for the AXIOMA crew.



**MATT WHELAN** ELECTRO-TECHNICAL OFFICER / BRITISH

Languages: English

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Matt is a warm, easygoing, and highly skilled Electro-Technical Engineer who brings both technical know-how and a team-first attitude to AXIOMA. Originally from Bristol, UK, he has over four years of hands-on experience in the marine industry, specialising in everything from high-voltage systems and propulsion to AV/IT networks and smart tech integration.

With a strong background in refits, installations, and system optimisation, Matt is always ready to jump in - whether it's troubleshooting bridge equipment, fine-tuning automation systems, or keeping guest technology running without a hitch.

Outside of work, Matt is passionate about renewable energy, tech projects, and spending time outdoors. He's always up for a laugh, happy to help, and brings a calm, confident energy that makes him a valued part of the AXIOMA team.