

Volvo Ocean Race sets marathon challenge

START: Alicante *Spain*

October 4, 2008 (In-port race) ▲

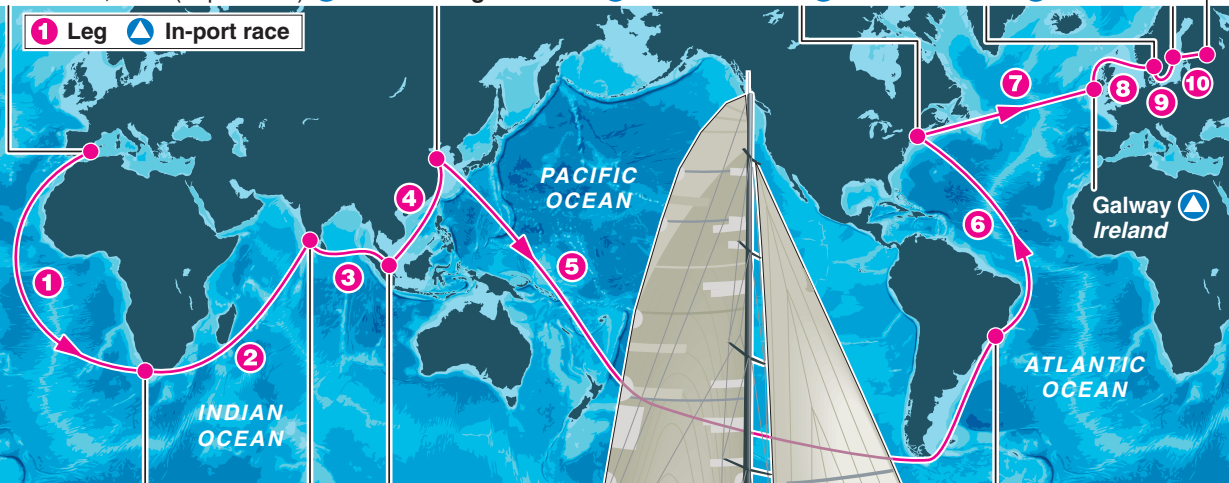
Qingdao *China* ▲

Boston
United States ▲

Goteborg
Sweden ▲

FINISH
St Petersburg *Russia*
June 27, 2009
▲ **Stockholm**

1 Leg ▲ In-port race



Cape Town
South Africa

Cochin
India

Singapore ▲

▲ **Rio de Janeiro** *Brazil*

LEG START

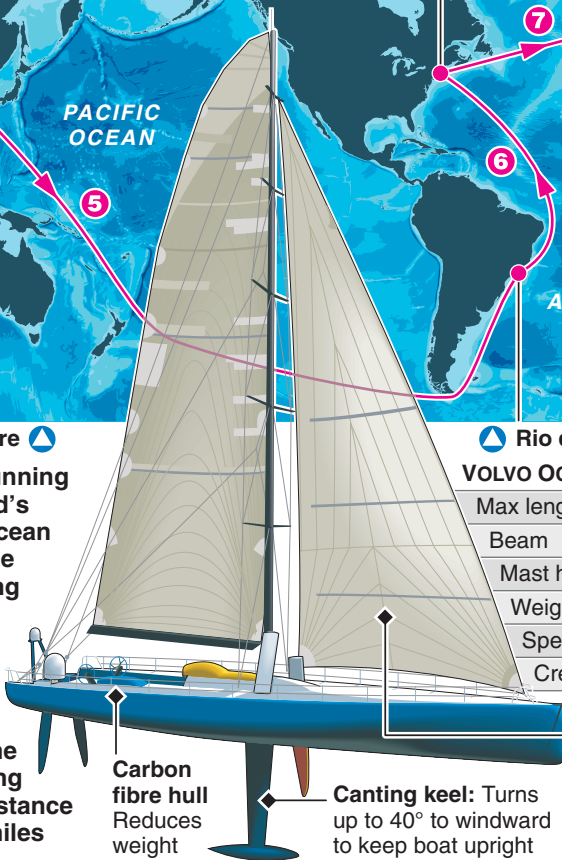
Distance (Nm)

1	October 11, 2008	6,500
2	November 15	4,450
3	December 13	1,950
4	January 18, 2009	2,500
5	February 14	12,300
6	April 11	4,900
7	May 16	2,550
8	June 6	950
9	June 14	525
10	June 25	370

The 10th running of the world's toughest ocean race will see boats sailing a totally new route, visiting Asia and Russia for the first time and covering a record distance of 39,000 miles

VOLVO OCEAN 70

Max length	21.5m
Beam	5.7m
Mast height	31.5m
Weight	14,000kg
Speed	40 knots
Crew	11-15



Carbon fibre hull
Reduces weight

Canting keel: Turns up to 40° to windward to keep boat upright

Rig: Carbon and composite material lessens weight and aids stability