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## WINDS OF CHANGE

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**Peter's WIND'S OF CHANGE QUOTATIONS Pg. 2**

“You should return to your home port before or when the wind speed exceeds the temperature.”  
Anonymous

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“Wind and sails were made for each other.”  
Anonymous

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“I often sail with clever, knowledgeable folk who have one look at the sky at dawn and say: ‘Hmm, I don’t like the look of this sky at all. We shall have more wind than we want today.’ The ominous signs which seem so obvious to them are usually invisible to me, so I go below and tap the glass and wonder whether they are right. But as often as not they are wrong.”  
Humphrey Barton

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“For one thing, I was no longer alone; a man is never alone with the wind – and the boat made three.”  
Hilaire Belloc

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“Up that rigging, you monkeys. Break out those sails and let them fill with the wind to carry us all to freedom.”  
Capt. Blood ( played by Erol Flynn)

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“The thrill of sailing and putting out in a boat cannot be expressed in words. It is the feeling of power and the awe of making the wind do your work . . . or putting your strength to the severest test of man and rigging. It is the aesthetic appeal of a beautiful hull and a bleached sail. And it is the quiet noise of water sloshing against the prow as you rest in your berth in the forecastle, absorbing a lifetime of memories.”  
Alan Brown

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“Give me a spirit that on this life’s rough sea, loves t’ have his sails filled with a lusty wind.”  
George Chapman

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**Peter's WIND'S OF CHANGE QUOTATIONS** Pg. 3

“A sailor is an artist whose medium is the wind.” Webb Chiles

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“Head winds are sore vexations & the more passengers, the sorer.” Ralph Waldo Emerson

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“It is remarkable how quickly a good and favorable wind can sweep away the maddening frustrations of shore living.” Ernest K. Gann

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“The wind and waves are always on the side of the ablest navigator.” Edmund Gibbon  
or Edward Gibson The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire

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“O mighty God, grant weather, wind and tide,  
Till on my country coast our anchor fall.” Barnabe Googe 1563

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“Thought is the wind, knowledge the sail, and mankind the vessel.” August Hare

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“I find the great thing in this world is not so much where we stand, as in what direction we are moving: to reach the port of heaven, we must sail sometimes with the wind and sometimes against it - but we must sail, and not drift, nor lie at anchor.” Oliver Wendell Holmes 1858  
The Autocrat of the Breakfast Table

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“It was with a happy heart that the good Odysseus spread his sail to catch the wind and used his seamanship to keep his boat straight with the steering-oar.” Homer

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“The human heart is like a ship on a stormy sea driven about by winds blowing from all four corners of heaven.” Martin Luther

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“One cannot change the direction of the wind. They can, however, trim their sails.”  
“Mike Reed”

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**Peter's WIND'S OF CHANGE QUOTATIONS Pg. 4**

“Overhead, the white sails stretched their arms to catch the night wind. They were my sails – my wings – and they had brought me to the sea of my boyhood dreams.”  
Williams Robinson

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“If a man does not know to what port he is steering, no wind is favorable to him.”  
Seneca

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“To know the laws that govern the winds, and to know that you know them, will give you an easy mind on your voyage round the world; otherwise, you may tremble at the appearance of every cloud.”  
Joshua Slocum  
Sailing Alone Around the World

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“Twenty years from now, you will be more disappointed by the things you did not do than by the things you did do. So, throw off the bowlines. Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover.”  
Mark Twain

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“The pessimist complains about the wind; the optimist expects it to change; the realist adjusts the sails.”  
William Arthur Ward

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