

Richard Roscoe 33



Year: 1968
 Location: Plymouth
 LOA: 33' 0" (10.06m)
 Beam: 8' 6" (2.59m)
 Draft: 5' 1" (1.52m)
 Remarks:

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Mechanical and Rigging

Construction:

Designed & built by Richard Pascoe in 1968
Cold moulded using mahogany
Deck marine ply covered in heavyweight sheathing
Traditional Long keel with lead ballast

Mechanics:

Perkins Parama 30hp diesel engine
Single lever morse control
Shaft driven
Three blade fixed pitch bronze propeller

Electrics:

2 x 12V batteries with coupling switch
240V shorepower system

Tankage:

Fuel capacity in three separate tanks 100 litres in stainless steel tanks
Fresh water capacity 60 litres in two stainless steel tanks

Rigging:

Aluminium anodised gold Proctor spars
Stainless steel standing rigging
Single spreader rig
Single line reefing mainsail
Harken furling genoa system
Masthead sloop
Rod kicker
Spinnaker pole
Whisker pole

Sails:

Sails by Ratsey & Lapthorn
Fully battened mainsail
Spare unbattened mainsail
Trysail
Heavy & lightweight genoa
Working Jib
Storm jib

Inventory

Navigation Aids:

In The Cockpit;
Raymarine ST60 multi
Autohelm compass
Autohelm VMG wind
Autohelm wind
Raymarine tiller pilot autohelm
Steering compass

At The Chart Table;

Autohelm multi
Sailor VHF radio
Handheld Garmin with connection to ships batteries

Ground Tackle:

25kg CQR anchor
Spare Bruce anchor
Lewmar electric anchor windlass
Chain & Warp
Bow roller

Deck Gear:

Harken #45 two speed, self-tailing genoa sheet winch
2 x Harken #40 two speed, self-tailing, spinnaker sheet winches
2 x Harken #32 two speed, self-tailing, halyard winches
8 x Spinlock rope clutches
Stainless steel pulpit pushpit & stanchions
Adjustable genoa cars and track
Lewmar mainsheet traveller

Safety Equipment:

All Safety equipment listed is included in the sale but the vendor offers no warranties
The purchaser must service the safety equipment and ensure that it is appropriate for his purposes

Horseshoe lifebuoy
Danbuoy
Manual bilge pump
Electric bilge pump
Navigation lights
Radar reflector
Fire extinguishers

Equipment:

Inflatable dinghy
Mercury four stroke outboard engine
Canvas sprayhood
Canvas stackpack
Various fenders & warps
Boathook
Motoring cone & anchor ball
Ships clock & barometer

Accommodation

Sleeps 6 in 2 cabins
Forward berth with a double V berth
Port & starboard settee berths
Settee berths can be converted to double using plywood fittings and purpose made cushions
Aft port & starboard quarter berths
Forward heads with jabsco sea water toilet
Galley amidships to port with a 2 burner gas hob & grill, stainless steel sink with pressurised water
Forward facing chart table to starboard
Ample stowage throughout
Upholstery in blue alcantara material (recovered in 2016)
Saloon table stowed on forward desk head

Remarks :

Owners Remarks:

This vessel was built in 1968 by Richard Roscoe of Poole a naval architect and craftsman boat builder.

It was built of cold moulded mahogany, three layers copper pinned and glued, making an extremely strong monocoque hull.

He sailed in the Fastnet, then sold to a couple from Menai, they raced her for many years, in the nineties they sold it to Mr and Mrs Shirley of Anglesey, the boat had been overhauled with new mast sails and rigging.

The Shirley's fitted a 30hp Perkins Parama and three blade prop. They didn't intend to race and wanted the ability to run home if the conditions deteriorated in the Irish Sea.

I saw the boat for sale in 2010. I travelled to Y Felinelli near to Bangor in North Wales. Mrs Shirley had broken her hip and Mr Shirley had suffered a stroke. Solitaire had been under cover for three years. Because of their age and Mr Shirley's continuing ill health they had decided to sell. They loved the boat and wanted to see her back in the water.

My son and I couldn't believe that such a beautiful yacht hadn't been snapped up. I offered the asking price, became the fourth owner.

Mrs Shirley told me that Solitaire would always look after me, just leave go of the tiller and she will turn into wind.

Mr Shirley said that, you never own this yacht, you just have the honour of being her custodian for a while.

My first voyage was in Menai through the Swellies, but all went well and I made that journey many times.

For four years I sailed to Portpatrick in Scotland and sailed around the Hebrides and the coast of Northern Ireland with family and friends. I often single handed from Wales to Scotland and back.

I have been caught in a force eight in the Irish Sea, doing 14 knots down big breakers, Solitaire was designed for the Fastnet and has always kept me safe.

She has very little freeboard, but never takes a drop. She sails closer to the wind than any boat I know.

Why am I selling, two years ago I met a lady in Plymouth, I married her and live in Plymouth, she loves the boat, but is no sailor, a sunny day with just the working jib up and a glass of wine is perfect. Me, Give me a wind with genoa and main doing seven knots heeling at thirty degrees.

This is a sailors boat, not a caravan, she needs to feel the sea again.

Richard Roscoe has won the Fastnet in a self built catamaran and is a legend in Fastnet history, he died this year aged 84.

I am happy to answer any questions that a prospective purchaser may have.

The yacht has its own trailer/cradle here in Plymouth.

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