

BUYERS GUIDE

New to **BOATING**

HMS provides some helpful guidance for those considering buying their first boat and follows with his PBR selection of sub-50K craft to help make the process of researching the market that little bit easier.



More people than ever are looking to spend their holiday and leisure time here at home as foreign travel continues to be so dramatically interrupted by the COVID-19 epidemic. In terms of all the potential activities on offer, under the present circumstances, it's hard to imagine a pastime that ticks so many favourable boxes as boating. Likewise, surfing, paddleboarding and even wild swimming are also becoming popular choices with people seeking to take up a new leisure activity.

Owning a boat, though, regardless of how small or moderate it may be, is like owning a 'magic carpet' - for the reason it has an almost unrivalled ability to carry its owner to a world of rewarding experiences, many of which have the power to create memories to last a lifetime. Owning a boat is also all about the journey, not just the destination. So whether you set out to explore the coast just around that far headland or simply cross the bay to a beach far from the 'madding crowd', in a boat, the journey truly is as important as the destination.

The journey

But owning a boat in itself, and learning the skills involved, is, of course, a journey of sorts too, where the rewards to be found along the way are not dependent upon ever reaching a 'journey's end' as such. How so? Because like many skills in life, boating is a long-lasting and rich process of learning that never ends, even when you become proficient at it! One distinctive reason for this is that boating involves an environment that is ever-changing, never completely predictable and, even

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Grand RIBs offer a great family boat

when well known to you, rarely offers the same two days running.

Then think of this: how many people actually get the chance to look back at the island they live on from the privileged vantage point of the sea? Having this experience for the first time can change a person's whole perspective of their environment and the place they live. That new perspective is one I remember clearly.

When, over 30 years ago, my wife Michaela and I bought our first boat, a 3m inflatable with an 8hp 2-stroke outboard, from Chas Newens Marine in Putney, I admit that it opened up a whole new world for us. An incredible sense of freedom was my overriding memory of those early experiences of getting out on the water in our own boat. In our case, it was the surging, tide-charged waters of the River Thames between Richmond and the Thames Barrier. Indeed, those early experiences of owning a small boat influenced me greatly when, some years later, I helped pioneer the use of small RIBs as viable extended-cruising and exploration craft. My circumnavigation expeditions of Britain, Ireland, Scotland and its isles, as well as the many Channel crossings made, including the North Sea across to Norway and up beyond the Arctic Circle, were all done aboard craft less than 7m in length and, for the greater part, in RIBs of 4.8m or even less. To this day, I would say that the most rewarding, most enjoyable and most outstanding experiences I

have ever had in 35 years of offshore and coastal adventuring have all been aboard small but capable sub-50K craft. The saying 'the smaller the boat, the bigger the smile' carries, in my view, much truth.

Where to start

So if you are someone contemplating boat ownership, perhaps as an alternative to holidaying abroad, you can be sure,

whether in time you decide to start travelling abroad again or not, you will be adding something of real value to your bag of life experience. Of course, like everything, this is dependent upon making the right decisions and choices along the way, but remember, the journey is as important as the destination. To this end, in addition to the expert advice you'll find in this magazine and its associated social media platforms, what choice bits of advice can we provide here to help

When you have a boat in mind, always test it first



make that 'journey' all the more successful and rewarding for you? I should point out, though, that the following tips provided are not intended to form a complete last word-type guide. But they are based upon first-hand experience and should set you on the right course ...

First, take the time to research the market thoroughly with a view to making a shortlist. But do this on the basis of the key criteria you set. What prime use will it perform? This basic issue is essential to determine. Then, how many people do you intend to carry? But look at this realistically from a functional, practical standpoint, as opposed to just how many seats the boat may feature or even how many people it's rated to carry in line with its CE marking/category rating. The latter is calculated on the basis of how many people/what payload a vessel can support on flat water, in a stationary position, before being overwhelmed or becoming unstable. As far as the CAT rating process is concerned, this is not necessarily based upon a boat's ability or performance underway or at sea. It's essentially only a stability test. So remain realistic as to how many the boat is likely to be able to carry without its handling being impaired or its performance being severely affected. Also, do not think in terms of using any seats ahead of the steering console as passenger seating while fully underway.

Remember that the one aspect of any boat that has the greatest influence on its ability to deliver a comfortable ride is its hull. Some hulls

are more hard-riding than others. Some are better at deflecting the spray away more efficiently than others. A medium-vee hull will likely be better suited to inshore water sports, whereas a deep-vee hull will be more suited to traversing waves and offshore passage making. My advice would be to steer away from stepped hulls if you are new to boating. This design of hull is generally intended for high-performance use and requires an experienced helmsman/driver.

Test-drive and inspect

It's critical that once you've made your initial shortlist, you test-drive the boat properly. Some boats can look amazing on a boat show stand or in a brochure but can be a very different 'kettle of fish' when afloat and being driven at sea. When you inspect the boat, examine carefully how everything is arranged and take the time to ensure that the driving position is functional, comfortable and laid out well. Also, explore how secure and comfortable the navigator's position is, because this is where your most important and influential crewmember will no doubt be taking the ride! Be sure to try out all the seats yourself, even if you intend being the chief helmsman. Likewise, check for handholds/grab points and the overall security that each passenger seat offers.

Even if the boat is simple

in terms of its fit-out and facilities, this doesn't necessarily make it a lesser boat. But everything should be well finished. So have a good rummage around and look in all the less accessible places for any signs of cost cutting, rough edges, poor workmanship, etc.

Generally speaking, when deciding upon engine choice, it will likely be outboard power, and I can confirm that all the leading brands have an excellent reputation. Therefore, in terms of making your choice, it comes down more to price and after-sales care. However, I would say that in my experience, it's better to go for the bigger horsepower option if you are able - not because of speed, but more to do with the fact that a bigger engine gives you more power reserve and will need to be driven less hard under load. This then equates to better handling in seas and better fuel economy.

The seller and support

Everyone is familiar with the Internet being such a useful research tool. But besides doing your research online, try to get a personal recommendation with regard to not only the product but, importantly, the seller as well. The after-sales aspect of the purchase is essential, and especially so if you are new to boating. So be wary of those who may appear too salesman-like or

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try to pressure you into a quick sale. They probably don't have your best interests at heart.

In terms of extras, while it's great to buy a boat with everything you need included, at the same time I would personally always prefer to trade an extra half metre or so of hull length in exchange for a few gizmos. The latter can always be retrofitted in due course when finances allow, but you can never add to your boat's hull length, and where boats are concerned, it's true that every 50cm of hull length makes a dramatic difference to a boat's overall seakeeping and sea-kindliness, as well as the space you'll have available to you on board.

Learning the ropes

Even before you make your purchase, be sure in your own mind of the need to get adequate training. The standard essential qualification is considered by everyone to be the RYA's Powerboat Level 2 course. This will cover all the basics and ensure you have a good grounding when it comes to safe driving techniques and navigation skills, safety, essential kit, rules of the road and many other practical aspects of boatmanship. The course is very enjoyable, takes a couple of days and will really set you up with your new craft. There are lots of very competent RYA powerboat training instructors all around the UK who will also assist you and give you advice with regard to the other essential area of competency you'll need before heading out on the water: a VHF radio familiarisation course. Some boat sellers might even offer one or more of these courses as part of the 'bundle' that comes with the boat, so do remember to ask.

Launch & recovery

Be mindful that if the boat is one you intend to transport on a road trailer, matching the right vehicle to the intended payload is a legal requirement. The DOT and even the Transport Police can give official guidance on this. I will just add that the business of learning how to safely launch and recover your boat safely is very important too. So even if this aspect is not covered within your course, at the very least, until you are competent and confident about the processes involved, don't be embarrassed or proud to ask someone more experienced at the slipway or marina to help you. Make a note of the essential steps involved, right through from prepping the boat for launch to making it ready again for the road journey home. Follow the routine diligently thereafter

and never be rushed or hasty in your actions. The slipway is potentially a hazardous place where serious accidents can occur. Therefore, always give yourself time to think and be thorough.

Safety

Lastly, there is a phrase, a 'watchword', that you will need to live by when out on the water and have branded on your mind as a boater. The most important few words you will ever need to remember. They are: 'Attach the kill cord!' And no matter what you may be told or see others do, the only place it should be attached is around your leg, above the knee.

But now it's time to make your choice ... Here, then, is our special selection of sub-50K craft awaiting a socially distanced sea trial. Welcome aboard!



RECREATIONAL CRAFT DIRECTIVE (RCD)

If you are buying a boat or personal watercraft, you will need to establish whether or not it should be RCD-compliant. This is especially important if it does not have a builder's plate/CE marking.

All watercraft built since 16th June 1998 and intended for sport and leisure use may only be placed on the market or put into service within the European Union (EU) and European Economic Area (EEA) if it can be demonstrated that they comply with the Essential Requirements specified in the Recreational Craft Directive (RCD). This is called 'conformity assessment', and the term 'watercraft' includes both recreational craft and personal watercraft.

Directive 2013/53/EU is intended to harmonise construction standards for watercraft and regulate exhaust and noise emissions.

The RCD applies to the design and manufacture of watercraft between 2.5 and 24 m in hull length whatever the means of propulsion; it does not cover operation. All watercraft within the scope of the Directive are assessed for compliance with the Essential Requirements and, depending on their design and construction, are allocated to one of four design categories based on wind force and significant wave height. (Though CAT B is intended for offshore craft, it is both quite complex and costly for manufacturers to gain, so CAT C tends to be the most common rating for most leisure craft. CAT C, though, is assigned to inshore: for boats operating in coastal waters and large bays and lakes with winds up to force 6, up to 27 knots and significant seas 7ft high. CAT D, on the other hand, relates to inland or sheltered coastal waters: for boats in small lakes and rivers with winds to force 4 and significant wave heights up to 18in).

The presence of a CE mark is an indication that the watercraft conforms to the Essential Requirements and allows it to be sold anywhere in the EU. A watercraft built elsewhere in the world that is intended to be placed on the market or put into service in the Community must also comply with the Essential Requirements of the RCD.

Generally, the manufacturer is responsible for the compliance of a product and its CE marking. So beware - the entire system is largely self-regulating! However, all operators involved in the supply chain, including importers and distributors, have a duty to check the RCD status of a product and should not supply it within the EU or the EEA if there is any reason to doubt that it is compliant. Under certain circumstances, the Directive places obligations on private importers that are the same as those of the manufacturer.

PBR's 40 under £50k selection



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Waydoo Flyer ONE eFoil surfboard

Newly promoted to the UK market and the world of hydrofoil surf sports is the US-made Waydoo electric hydrofoil ('eFoil') 'flying surfboard'.

Water sports enthusiasts can now experience the thrilling sensation of flying out on the water! Its makers claim that the board presents a unique opportunity for adventure seekers from all walks of life to explore oceans, lakes and rivers like never before.

The Flyer ONE features a first-class, powerful electric propulsion system that can reach a top speed of 25mph (42km/h). In addition, its high-efficiency PowerFlight battery rapidly recharges in just two hours and can provide an impressive 55-85 minutes of ride time. Using the hand-held Bluetooth Jet ONE controller, riders have full control over their speed

and can choose between a variety of kneeling, sitting and standing positions.

Features

The board's Jet ONE controller means riders can select between 24 speed options, including beginner, intermediate and advanced proficiency modes. Speed, gear and battery information is easily visible on the hand-held Bluetooth controller's anti-glare screen display, and riders can easily view all of their riding data on the Waydoo app using the integrated GPS tracking function. Importantly, FlightFreeze means that once the trigger is released, Waydoo's proprietary safety feature will automatically stop the propeller when a rider falls, thus ensuring their safety.

Another key function is Speed Lock Mode. Designed

with younger or amateur riders in mind, this ensures comfort and safety by limiting high speeds. In addition, the accessory list details an inflator accessory that can transform a rider's experience by offering increased stability and lowering the chance of the rider falling into the water.

Price

The Waydoo Flyer ONE is priced at **USD 3,795**, with limited quantities being offered at a **20% discount** off the **regular USD 4,795 retail price**. Readers can order via **Kickstarter** and thus take advantage of the exclusive **PBR discount**:

<https://www.kickstarter.com/projects/waydootech/waydoo-flyer-one-innovative-efoil-redefining-watersports?ref=7r1zd5>

Contact: www.waydootech.com

Axopar 22 Spyder

The Axopar 22 Spyder is the company's latest edition to its world-beating range of leisure craft.

Officially to be launched at this year's Cannes Boat Show in September, the 22 is clearly all about delivering the Axopar experience to a whole new audience and allowing this highly proven and desirable design to now be within the grasp of many more people. Thus providing a genuine entry-level model with the range. Think Axopar 'condensed' and you pretty much have the spirit of what this craft is all about. One which would appear to make a very definite reply to any would be Axopar 'imitations' appearing on the market. In another words, this is the real deal and comes with all the kudos and

pedigree of its larger, seagoing cousins.

Features

The stylish Axopar 22 Spyder is designed to be a true driver's boat. The company state this 'turnkey' model offers first-in-class handling, seaworthiness and safety, combined with the efficiency and comfort its bigger 28ft and 37ft siblings are renowned for. By creating a weight-optimised boat, with a displacement of 1,200kg and a 2,23m beam, Axopar believe they can offer this craft without compromising on the stiffness and integrity of the hull. The Spyder's construction makeup is formed upon Axopar's split-mold technology, which although is more complex and more time-consuming to manufacture,

nonetheless, maximises hull-width for improved stability while still retaining the unique Axopar 'look' at this new size level. Features include, helm and navigator's seats, a lazerette with optional port and starboard extensions to provide a generous degree of passenger seating and storage. A deep deck with high gunwales for additional safety and protection from the elements.

A stylish, rearward raked helm console and screen with additional stowage within, plus an extra-large forepeak compartment for anchor and other items. The full transom also has two swim platforms either side of the outboard cutaway for reboarding. Optional/custom features include a toilet compartment.

SPECIFICATION:

Length: 7,2 m / 23ft 20in
Beam: 2,23 m / 7ft 4in
Draft: 0,8 m / 2ft 8in
Weight (approx.): 1200 kg / 2650 lbs
Fuel Capacity: 230 l / 60 gal
Fresh water: * 42 l / 11 gal
Waste water: * 25 l / 6 gal
Battery, start: 80 Ah
Battery, service: * 120 Ah
Construction: GRP
Classification: C-inshore
Max. speed (approx.): + 40 kn
Outboard engines: 115 - 175 hp
Passengers: C:7 (Optional *)

PRICE:

€49,000 (approx £45k) 'turn-key ready' at the factory and inclusive of a Mercury F115hp outboard and 19% VAT.

€49,000

with Mercury 115
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The functional deck arrangement allows for fishing, family days out and coastal adventures.



£39,000

Special PBR price for boat in stock

Oceanmaster 630WA

The Norwegian-built Oceanmaster 630WA, supplied by Fine Design Marine in Poole, is a 21ft centre console family dayboat that features a very practical console cabin, forward sun deck and dining area for eight persons.

Fitted with the manufacturer's recommended Mercury 115hp 4-stroke outboard, at only 900kg, she's a fast, stable boat suitable for water sports and exhilarating coastal excursions.

Features

The functional deck arrangement allows for fishing, family days out and coastal adventures. She has a beam of 8.5ft, giving an enviable degree of deck space over other boats in her class, and has comfortable seating for eight adults. A deep, high-sided cockpit plus high freeboard and deep-V

hull afford passengers a stable, dry ride. Other key features of the 630WA include a forward dining area that easily converts to a large sun deck, fully adjustable twin helm bolster seats, integrated fender holders, reversible aft bench seat, chemical WC in the console cuddy cabin, which also offers considerable storage, zero-maintenance teak-effect decking, a console cover and a full mooring pack. Further optional items available include an integrated drinks chiller, marine BBQ, freshwater transom shower plus a bimini top. The new Oceanmaster 630WA offers great versatility and practicality with creature comforts the whole family can enjoy.

Added extras included within special PBR offer price:

- Hydraulic steering
- Zero-maintenance teak-effect deck
- Picnic table with 4 cup holders

- Forward sun deck, table and seating for 8
- Supersport high-back adjustable seats with flip-up bolster
- Oceanmaster logo embroidered on seats
- Light green tinted windshield
- Chemical WC in cabin
- LED navigation lights
- Integrated fender holders
- Teak steps on bathing ladder
- Reversible backrest on aft seat
- Ocean blue upholstery with contrast stitching
- Console cover

Further optional items available include an integrated drinks chiller, marine BBQ, freshwater transom shower plus a bimini top.

SPECIFICATION:

Length: 6.30m
Width/beam: 2.50m
Draught: 28cm
Engine type: Outboard
Min/Max HP: 90-150 hp
Recommended engine size: 115hp
Weight: 800kg
Material: GRP
Seats: 8
CE category: C

PRICE:

Price with 115hp Mercury outboard and options below (recommended engine size) £42,999 (inc. VAT). (Currently one boat left in stock at special PBR offer price of £39,000.)

Contact: www.finedesign-marine.co.uk



Normal RRP: £62,340.00 inc VAT
**PBR Special discounted package price:
 £44,000.00 inc VAT**

Humber Leisure Pro 6.3m

Humber have the longest pedigree of any RIB builder in the UK.

Known the world over for their deep-vee, offshore hulls, Humber's are true sea boats. Humber's Leisure Pro is based on the same high-performance multi-chine deep-vee hull design as their best-selling Ocean Pro model range. The hull, along with its subsequent variations, is known to be one of the best performing, most able, sea-keeping hull in its class. It's also a very respected design and was chosen specifically by PBR to undertake the Gore-Tex Arctic Offshore Challenge. The Leisure Pro is about combining functionality and seakeeping with styling suited to the needs of the modern family boater.

Features

The 6.3m model's layout is conventional and includes a wide seat cushion to the raised forward anchor locker as well as to the front of the helm console. Two sit-astride jockey seats positioned side by side are provided for helmsman and navigator as well as a luxury sculptured wrap around

three-person rear bench seat design with padded head/backrests. With bespoke options available across all sizes, Humber's leisure range is customisable, stylish, functional and seamanlike and is aimed at offering value for money.

SPECIFICATION:

Length Overall: 6.3m
Width/Beam: 2.34m
Weight: 820kg
Persons Capacity: 11
Max HP: 200hp (220kg)
Recommended Engine: 140hp
Deadrise 'V' @ transom: 22 degrees
Tube Diameter: 0.48m tapering to bow
Number Of Chambers: 5
Max. Load Capacity: 1215kg
Tube Material: Hypalon
CE Category: C
Warranty: 5 years

PRICE:

Normal RRP: £62,340 inc VAT
PBR Special discounted package price: £44,000 inc VAT

Additional features to the 6.3m model include:

- Tapered Hypalon inflation collar
- Boarding tread/seat wear patch
- Dual profile helm console with wrap round windscreen, over the top grab rail & integrated forward facing seat
- Bay Star hydraulic steering with deluxe padded wheel
- Helm jockey seating featuring sculptured seat & back support x 2 off
- Upholstered and co-ordinated fitted bow cushion seating
- Sculptured full width moulded wraparound rear seating
- Bow storage locker compartment
- Fuel tank 100L under deck reinforced stainless steel, water/fuel separator and console mounted fuel gauge
- Anti-slip floor covering
- Integrated aft deck and inner hull drainage system, self-draining deck rear semi-automatic bilge pump
- Bay Star hydraulic steering
- Suzuki DF140ATX Outboard motor, full installation and outboard motor security lock



Atlantis 20 Centre Console

The Atlantis 20 centre console is the company's mid-range model. Its extra length provides additional performance and the boat's full-height transom affords good internal security.

Designed and built for strength of construction, this is a highly versatile craft benefiting from exceptional deck space. It's also capable of performance offshore cruising, fishing, diving and water sports. The deep-vee hull provides a smooth entry and ride, while the large reverse chines, like other craft in the range, assist in maintaining a dry ride. The Atlantis 20CC has been in production for over 20 years and enjoys a reputation throughout its home waters of the Channel Islands for its ability to handle the demanding sea states common to this area.

Features

Features include a large uncluttered deck area that allows quick and easy access throughout the boat. A high 80cm freeboard and bathing platform allows easy water access. Once again, this model is designed for easy towing, storage and single-handed launch and recovery.

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 6m
Beam: 2.25m
Draught: 0.50m
Weight: 800kg
RCD CAT: C (5 persons)
Power range: 90-150 hp

£22,500

ex. Vat - with Mercury 115

Price

Standard boat ready for engine: £12,500 (ex. VAT)
Optional road trailer: £2,900 (ex. VAT)
Recommended package: Atlantis 20CC with Mercury F115: £22,500 (ex. VAT)

Contact: www.atlantismarine.biz

Contact: www.humberribs.co.uk / www.ribworld.co.uk

Atlantis 16 Centre Console

The Atlantis 16 centre console, designed and built to an extra-high-strength lay-up, is a highly versatile craft, capable of coastal cruising, fishing, diving and water sports.

The deep-vee hull provides a smooth entry and ride, while the large reverse chines help maintain a dry ride. Its makers state that the Atlantis 16CC benefits from exceptional seakeeping and handling capabilities and is capable of providing a high degree of confidence and predictable handling.

Features

The vessel's layout allows for a multitude of practical waterborne functions. Plus, a high 70cm freeboard provides maximum safety with easy water access via the transom platform. Atlantis claim that this craft is an ideal, low-cost, entry-level trailerable craft that makes for ease of

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£17,400

ex. Vat - with
Mercury 100

operation as well as straightforward launch and recovery by just one person.

Price

Standard boat ready for engine: £8,500 (ex. VAT)

Optional road trailer: £2,500 (ex. VAT)

Recommended package: Atlantis 16CC with
Mercury F100: £17,400 (ex. VAT)

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 5m

Beam: 2m

Draught: 0.40m

Weight: 600kg

RCD Cat: C (4 persons)

Power range: 70-115 hp

Atlantis 26 Centre Console

The Atlantis 26 centre console is the flagship of the Atlantis range, with an RCD CAT B rating and long-range tank capacity for serious offshore cruising, fishing, diving and water sports in comfort.

Built with strength and functionality in mind, the 26CC is capable of fulfilling a number of waterborne roles both inshore and offshore.

Features

A high 95cm freeboard and full-height transom provide maximum safety with easy water access via a large bathing platform. Large clear deck areas allow quick and easy access throughout the boat. There is a toilet and storage compartment inside the centre console. The deep-vee hull provides a smooth entry and ride, while the large reverse chines maintain a dry ride. The

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£41,250

Special PBR price
with Mercury 225

Atlantis 26CC is known to PBR for its exceptional seakeeping and handling capabilities.

Price

Standard boat ready for engine: £25,000 (ex. VAT)

Special PBR package: Atlantis 26CC with Mercury
V6 225hp: £41,250 (ex. VAT)

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 7.90m

Beam: 2.55m

Draught: 0.85m

Weight: 1700kg

RCD CAT: B/C (8 persons)

Power range: 175-400 hp

Honwave Inflatables

With three key inflatable designs to choose from and eight engines, Honwave's aim is to provide a package for every occasion with prices starting from £1,283.

Constructed using high-quality PVC fabric, the boats are robust but light and portable (from 27kg) and can carry up to seven people. Similarly lightweight are the propelling outboard engines, which are easily part-disassembled for in-car transportation along with the Honwave.

Features

Two slatted flat-floor models provide entry to the Honwave line-up, starting with a 2m-long inflatable that accommodates two and can be paired with either a 2.3hp or 4hp engine. The 2.5m model increases capacity to three passengers, making it an ideal small-family craft for inland waterways and lakes. In more testing waters, the aluminium-decked Honwaves' larger buoyancy tubes and air keel deliver a smoother, stable ride. Four lengths



Prices start at
£1,283
inc. VAT

are available – 2.5m, 3m, 3.5m and 4m – and can carry between three and seven people, powered by any outboard up to the BF20, which delivers impressive performance yet remains portable (46.5kg).

The Air V-Floor Honwaves' V-shaped hulls offer greater agility and a softer ride with less vibration. Four sizes, between 2.4m and 3.8m, can carry up to five occupants, who can enjoy the propulsion of any engine up to a BF20. Summer savings up to £350 are available on Honwave and outboard packages.

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 2–3.95 m
BOA: 1.44–1.89 m
Min/Max HP: 2.3–20 hp
Weight (with engine): 40.5–99.5 kg
Max. persons: 2–7

PRICE

From **£1,283** (inc. VAT)

Contact: www.honda.co.uk

Maxima 490

This particular line of boats has been produced very much with cruising inland waterways in mind.

The Maxima 490 combines form and function, making it a great prospect for the first-time buyer after a turnkey package. Priced with a Honda BF20, the 490 can be on the water from £9,789 this summer.

Features

A wide choice of hull colours teams well with tasteful aesthetic touches on the exterior, including the surrounding rope fender and waterline, as well as stainless steel trim. On board, there's space for six in cushioned-seating zones, while stainless steel steering and throttle controls add a quality feel to the interior, where you'll find storage lockers too. A long options list offers plenty of scope for personalisation, with both visual and



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technological upgrades being available, including a Teakline floor and charging facilities. Making good on the Dutch-built boat's hull, designed for stability and an easy cut-through, is a Honda BF20 engine. Advanced features such as a reverse gear and electric start bring user-friendly functionality, which is backed up by a programmed fuel injection system and rubber mountings that make for smoother going.

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 4.90m
BOA: 1.90m
Max. HP: 40hp
Weight: 375kg
Max. persons: 6
CE CAT: C/D

PRICE

From **£9,789** (inc. VAT)

Contact: www.honda.co.uk

Maxima 730

A minimalist low-slung aesthetic wraps around a highly customisable boat ideally suited for a range of activities in coastal and inland waters.

A craft complemented by proven 4-stroke technology in the shape of the BF100 Honda outboard.

Features

Available in multiple colours, the 7.1m hull can carry up to 10 people who can sit at the bow, behind the steering console or towards the stern on the wide raised aft deck. The latter can be used for sunbathing and provides easy access down to the swimming deck via a ladder and steps. Big storage compartments, preparation for cooking and sink installations, and a closed toilet space mean long trips can be enjoyed in comfort. The 4-cylinder BF100 outboard engine benefits from Honda's BLAST and VTEC engine management systems that work to improve low RPM acceleration, top-end performance and fuel economy. Keeping things



quiet, the 1.5L engine is encased in a housing where the outboard can also be power-adjusted for trim and tilt. A substantial extras list includes a bow thruster, an enlarged fuel tank and a full lighting package.

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 7.10m
BOA: 2.50m
Max. HP: 150hp
Weight/payload: 980kg
Max. persons: 10
CE CAT: C

PRICE

From **£30,749** (inc. VAT)

Prices start from
£30,749
 inc. VAT

Contact: www.honda.co.uk

Ranieri H19 CC

Part of the 4XC family, the H19 CC (centre console) combines the typical soft-riding Ranieri hull and Italian design flare with Honda power.

New for 2019, the H19 CC model integrates a wrap-around aft bench with step-through access on and off the craft plus deep-set walkways. The H19 model, like the rest of the range, is

designed as a family-orientated sports craft well suited to inshore waters.

Features

The Ranieri features a broad bow with C-shaped seating and an infill for a sunlounger. With plenty of accessible deck space that allows seven aboard, a reversible helm seat, easy-access grab rails, navigation lights and a boarding ladder, it's as practical as it is stylish.

Optional extras making for an altogether more enjoyable and better experience include a shower, an electric anchor and a stereo.

Powered by a BF40, one of the lightest engines in class, the H19 CC will show plenty of get up and go while remaining economical in its fuel use. This means that the vessel's 90L fuel serves the H19 well, and economy is further achieved by means of the ECOmo (Economy Control Motor), which feeds the 3-cylinder outboard a leaner fuel mixture on steady throttle loads.

Furthermore, 'Trolling Control' technology provides extra precision during slow-speed manoeuvres, allowing the driver to adjust engine speeds in small 50rpm increments.

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 5.55m
BOA: 2.18m
Min/Max HP: 40-100 hp
Weight: 520kg (boat only)
Fuel capacity: 90L
Max. persons: 7
CE CAT: C

PRICE

From **£25,657** (inc. VAT)

Prices start from
£25,657
 inc. VAT



Contact: www.honda.co.uk

Ranieri H20 SD

The smallest of Ranieri's Sun Deck models makes good use of its beam-forward design with a generous sunbathing area at the bow, which in turn is contained by elevated guard rails to ensure passengers on the foredeck remain safe underway at moderate speeds.

Owning a boat, regardless of how small or moderate it may be, is like owning a 'magic carpet'

...



Typical Price from
£45,000
inc VAT

Features

Aft of the cockpit is a C-shaped seating arrangement, while the frontal layout offers space to sleep two in the cuddy cabin or use the covered bow space as a large storage compartment. Standard equipment for this turnkey package

sees it fully rigged and water-ready from the dealer; however, those hoping to add amenities such as a fridge, TV and luxury cabin package can look to the optional equipment catalogue. Coupled to a BF150 outboard, the boat's sharp-cut hull provides performance and a sea-

kindly ride. Engine-wise too, this larger-capacity inline-four outboard features a dual air intake system that helps facilitate the VTEC kick at high revs and ensure that the 2.4L delivers maximum performance.

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 6.05m
BOA: 2.42m
Weight: 880kg (boat only)
Min/Max HP: 115-200 hp
Fuel capacity: 150L
Max. persons: 7
CE CAT: C

PRICE

Typically from around
£45,000 (inc VAT)

Contact: www.honda.co.uk

Takacat LX 300

The LX 300 is the flagship of the Takacat range and has proved a popular choice both as a tender and as a versatile small dayboat.

Takacat tell us that their innovative design has been appreciated now by literally thousands of people over the years. It's a little boat, too, that boasts many innovative features.

Features

The open bow provides a functional landing platform at the beach or

ramp while also allowing easy re-entry from the water if snorkelling, swimming or in a safety situation. At the stern, the open removable tube transom offers great portability and instant deck scuppering - a great advantage when being towed or being used in rough or wet conditions. Significantly, this package will fold up and fit in the back of a family-sized car boot, which eliminates the need for a trailer.

SPECIFICATIONS

Overall length: 3m
Width: 1.55m
Tube diameter: 0.48m
Total weight: 30kg
Engine range: 2.5-8 hp
Max. HP: 10hp
Capacity: 4 people (367kg)

PRICE

RRP £2,750
(inc. VAT and Suzuki 6hp)



£2,750
inc. VAT and Suzuki 6hp

Contact: www.ribsmarine.co.uk

... how many people get the chance to look back at the island they live on from the sea?



Prices start from **£16,999** inc VAT

Highfield Coaster 53 with BF50

The Coaster 53 RIB has been designed specifically to work with the Honda BF50 as an entry-level package.

The hull's medium-V shape makes the most of the 3-cylinder's 50hp output, allowing the RIB to reach speeds of up to 30mph.

Features

Supplied with a centre console, driving bolster, optional Targa bar

and rear bench, the RIB is ready for action out on the water, where the aluminium hull provides assured, yet agile, handling. As a result of a pre-rigging strategy across Europe with Honda, Highfield can offer this high-quality RIB and engine package for as little as £16,999 thanks to Honda's summer savings. The hull's aluminium construction offers benefits in terms of weight savings, ease of maintenance and durability too. The Coaster 53

represents an attractive, proven-quality, first RIB - one that has the potential to draw people into a lifelong RIB addiction.

Even before you make your purchase, be sure in your own mind of the need to get adequate training.

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 5.35m
BOA: 2.53m
Weight: 398.5kg (boat only)
Min/Max HP: 40-80 hp
Fuel capacity: 25L
Max. persons: 12
CE CAT: C

PRICE

From £16,999 (inc. VAT)

Contact: www.honda.co.uk

River Boat 420 XR

Like its 'siblings', the 290 and 350, the River 420 XR is designed to be a safe, stable craft - a boat well suited too to family boating and general waterborne fun.

Thanks to the River's particular hull construction and sporty design, the XR model gives its occupants an admirably comfortable ride, which is enhanced by its inbuilt seat and steering console design layout.

Features

Available in many colour options,



the River 420 is known for its high degree of stability both at rest and underway - even at full speed. All River boats are DNV approved as a supplement to the mandatory CE marking. Boats rated high by DNV-GL and

420 are classified in Category C. These craft are also very durable, low-maintenance boats that have been designed specifically for first-time buyers and those families wishing to make their first boating purchase.

SPECIFICATIONS

Length: 4.2m
Weight: 195kg (approx., ex. motor)
Beam: 1.8m
Max. persons: 5
Max. HP: 30hp / 29kW
Power range: 10-30 hp
Max. load: 560kg
Hull type: Hybrid between catamaran and 17° V bottom
CE CAT: C

PRICE

RRP **£9,500** (inc. VAT) with Mercury F20 ELPT 7 including trailer

£9,500 inc. VAT - with Mercury 20 & trailer

Contact: www.ribsmarine.co.uk

Silver Boats

X- and Y- Ranges

Finnish company Silver Boats produce three different models. The X-range is a full-aluminium hull and deck design; the Y-range consists of an aluminium hull and glass-fibre (GRP) deck; and finally the Z-range is constructed fully in GRP.

The AluFibre Y-range models are considered quite unique in their class and respected for being very robust in terms of their aluminium hull and GRP construction. The Y-range is the original Silver Boat, which began life in Finland back in 1991. The boats have proved themselves ideal for day trips, leisure rides and fun times out on the water with the family.

Features

Silver boats are made and

designed for use in testing conditions. If the idea of running your boat up on the beach and not having to worry about rocks, stones or sand appeals, then these are the answer. All the decks are self-draining, and the hull sides are filled with foam to provide even greater buoyancy. The smallest of the Silver range is the Silver Fox, which is 4.9m long, while the largest model in the range at present is the Silver Eagle, which is 6.4m in length. The majority of clients buying Silver boats are in fact first-time boat owners, and the company is experienced in servicing this sector of the market.

Feature bonus

Silver Boats UK provide a free RYA Powerboat Level 2 course with every boat sold.



FREE RYA POWERBOAT
LEVEL 2 COURSE

Basic sizes and prices of the Y-range:

- Fox Avant** – 4.9m – 40hp outboard: £23,000
 - Fox BR** – 4.9m – 50hp outboard: £26,000
 - Wolf BR** – 5.1m – 50hp outboard: £29,000
 - Hawk BR** – 5.7m – 60hp outboard: £33,000
 - Shark BR** – 6.1m – 80hp outboard: £38,000
 - Eagle BR** – 6.4m – 115hp outboard: £48,000
- (All prices are ex. VAT)

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Contact: www.silverboatsuk.co.uk

Nordkapp

Avant 605

The Scandinavian-built Nordkapp Avant 605 is a boat, according to its makers, that reflects the company's passion for design and quality.

From the angular windscreen to the ergonomically designed helm seats, this family dayboat shows a welcome degree of style. Family boating necessitates a good amount of storage, and the A605 boasts just that. The stern locker houses the cockpit canopy along with enough space for waterskis, diving equipment and all the things you need for a good day out on the water. The locker in the console has space for all the boat's removable cushions, along with the cockpit cover, and there's even a toilet in here. The A605's cockpit is spacious and airy, but when the weather changes, owners can put the canopy up to transform the cockpit into a proper wheelhouse. This latter attribute is, of course, a big plus when it comes to boating here in the UK.



Special PBR Package
£41,750 inc. VAT

Features

The Nordkapp Avant 605 has sufficient space for two families to enjoy a day on the water but is also manageable for first-time boaters. Other features include Silvertex premium upholstery, a GRP hull, a waterski pole, full mooring kit and chair covers.

Optional extras included

- Mercury 115 Pro XS outboard
- Hydraulic steering

- Antifouling
- Cockpit table
- SeaDek marine flooring
- Garmin GPS plotter/sounder
- Fusion stereo with 4 speakers
- Cockpit cover
- Cockpit canopy

Price

OTW full RRP: £46,495 (inc. VAT)

Special PBR package price:
£41,750 (inc. VAT)

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 6.06m
BOA: 2.20m
Min. HP: 90hp
Max. HP: 150hp
Payload: 760kg
Weight (boat only): 800kg
Max. persons: 7
CE CAT: C

Contact: www.willsmarine.co.uk



This boat offers comfort, with good ergonomics and functionality.

£39,222

inc. VAT - with Mercury 115

Quicksilver Activ 605 Open

The Activ 605 Open is an uncomplicated craft of well-proven design that has the ability to take up to seven people out for a full day of fun on the water.

The boat offers comfort, good ergonomics and functionality and features a deck area well suited

to socialising, relaxing afloat and fishing too.

Features

A high degree of on-board safety is maximised by the Activ's high freeboard and uncluttered deck access fore and aft. This means that both children and those perhaps

who are a little frail are going to be kept safe on board. For those who wish to swim from the boat, a pivoting backrest provides smooth access to the large swim platforms. An integrated swim ladder is also provided. A bimini cover and a double-sized helm console also feature in the specifications.

SPECIFICATIONS

Length: 6.6m
Width: 2.55m
Height: 2.10m
Weight: 1084kg
Max. payload: 8 persons

PRICE

RRP £39,222 (inc. VAT) with Mercury F115 ELPT CT

Contact: www.ribsmarine.co.uk

Zodiac Open 5.5

Zodiac is an iconic name within the boating industry and this

SPECIFICATIONS

Length: 5.4m
Beam: 2.54m
Tube diameter: 0.575m
Max. persons: (CAT C) 12
Max. payload: (CAT C) 1410kg
Max. HP: 130hp
Fuel tank: 100L

PRICE

RRP £36,400 (inc. VAT) with Mercury F115 ELPT

particular model is, just as one would expect of a RIB, a very versatile design.

In terms of its fit-out, the builder's attention to detail is notable too. The Open 5.5m benefits from being easily transportable and well suited to home/garage storage even with its tubes inflated. Coastal exploring, fishing, waterskiing, wakeboarding, sunbathing, etc. are all within the scope of this medium-sized RIB. The deck layout allows for plenty of social seating space as well as affording a good working area for sports fishing.



£36,400

inc. VAT with Mercury 115

Features

The Open 5.5 optimises its storage under the deck. Accessible via its tilting console, this feature offers a generous amount of space for items such as waterskis, fishing tackle, diving kit and other items.

Though primarily designed for coastal leisure use, when the conditions do pick up and the seas become choppy, the Open 5.5's deep-V hull helps to provide comfort and seakeeping through the waves.

Contact: www.ribsmarine.co.uk

Atlantic 720 Day Cruiser

The Atlantic 720 Day Cruiser is built in Augustow in north-eastern Poland by Atlantic Marine, who pride themselves on producing handmade, high-quality boats for the leisure market.

The 720 Day Cruiser is well suited to those new to boating and benefits from a large open teak cockpit space with a generous amount of seating, which includes a swivel pilot seat plus a twin forward-facing co-pilot seat that reverses to the cockpit area. There is also a good-sized, functional cockpit sunbathing area with cushion infills.

Features

Access to the teak-embellished foredeck is via the hinged console screen. The foredeck



also benefits from an anchor locker fitted with an electric windlass. The vessel's cuddy cabin, accessed through the port-side door, offers a large convertible forward double berth, which, when not converted to a berth, can be used as a large seating area with a chemical head stored under the cockpit floor. An opaque cuddy door offers privacy once inside the cabin.

The special package price offered includes a fitted Mercury 150hp outboard, known for its combined performance and economy.

Price

Standard price £59,764 (inclusive of Mercury 150hp plus VAT)
Special PBR offer, inclusive of a full day's RYA training for two and VAT: £49,950

SPECIAL PBR OFFER
 Inclusive of a full day's RYA training for two and VAT
£49,950

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 7.47m
Beam: 2.45m
Draught: 1m
Fuel tank: 207L
Power: Mercury 150hp outboard

ADDITIONAL OPTIONS

- Bimini cover
- Stern deck cushions
- Electric anchor windlass
- LED deck lights
- Stereo FM/CD/USB
- Cockpit refrigerator
- Cockpit sink
- Teak package

Contact: www.gibbsboatsales.co.uk

Ring 25 Sports Boat

This modern version of the classic Ring powerboat, holder of many line honours and one of the UK's truly iconic designs, delivers the performance, manoeuvrability and exceptional rough-water handling of the Ring race pedigree, within a family sports boat.

The spacious cockpit and twin-berth cuddy cabin can be bespoke built to each customer's requirements, so while the Ring 25 is a genuine high-performance craft suited to water sports, she has the capacity for overnighting as well.



Features

This deep-vee craft's essential features include her Mercury V6 225 power plant, high-back helm race seats, a rear socially orientated bench seat/lazarette, an aft storage locker with sunbed, and of course her two-berth cabin for overnighting and/or storage.

Also included in the special PBR package:

- Half-day performance boat driver training
- 2 life jackets

Price

£49,995 (inc. VAT) turnkey/on the water

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA (inc. engine): 7.7m
BOA: 2.35m
Min. HP: 150hp
Max. HP: 450hp
Max. persons: 6
CE CAT: C

£49,995
 inc. VAT - with Mercury 225

Contact: www.ringpowercraft.co.uk



SPECIAL PBR OFFER
£49,999 inc. VAT

Seakart 335

Recently reviewed in Issue 161 of PBR, the Seakart 335 is a hybrid craft combining the design attributes of a jet ski with the safety and comfort of a RIB.

Designed for family water sports, the Seakart can also serve effectively as a tender to a larger vessel.

At 3.5m long and 2m wide, with a choice of two 4-stroke Yamaha jet engines, (110bhp or 180bhp), the Seakart, depending on the choice of power, is capable of producing top speeds of 45mph and 65mph, respectively. With this degree of power, she is also more than capable of towing a waterskier.

Features

Although the Seakart 335 is compact, it is designed to be both ergonomic and spacious. It comfortably seats five people, with three seated across the stern and another two slightly forward of amidships. The Seakart benefits too from being uncomplicated and easy to operate and has the ability to deliver power and control in equal measure. This means that anyone unfamiliar with boating will more readily feel at home behind the wheel of this powerful hybrid craft, and with a dry weight of 430kg it's easily towable behind most vehicles to store at home.

Contact: www.searific.co.uk

Features included in the PBR special offer specification

- Seakart Deluxe 110bhp – white livery with mirrors and RIDE system (electronic accelerator, brake and reverse)
- Grey nose and console, and grey Seakart logo on the tubes
- Grey seats with red piping detail
- Grey teak-style decking with red piping detail in footwells and on bathing platform
- LED light on board (under console)
- Fusion BB300 Black Box stereo with NRX-300 remote control music system with 4 subwoofer speakers
- Grey bespoke boat waterproof cover for towing and storage
- Trailer inc. 2 ratchet straps

Price

NB: **Limited stock available** at this special offer price. Searific will also throw in a bottle of champagne for the buyer of this boat. **Special package especially for PBR Issue 163, only £49,999** (inc. VAT) (**Normal RRP £51,714**) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D2RAskEblps>

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 3.5m
Beam: 2m
Engine options: 110hp (45mph) and 180hp (65mph)
Max. persons: 5
CE CAT: C



£34,999
 inc VAT
 with Mercury 115

Zodiac 580 Medline

This boat has been produced with family boating in mind and offers a good deal of flexibility in terms of its use thanks to its deck layout and internal design.

The deck area, for instance, can be transformed into a big sunbathing area. Its loungers are spacious and easy to set up, and the rear area of the craft is designed to be both safe and comfortable, offering plenty of room for sunbathing, dining or swimming.

Part of a new generation of Zodiac boats, the Zodiac 580 Medline has the stability and durability to enhance performance in a variety of coastal sea states. The RIB's inherent fendering characteristics also mean that coming alongside is a naturally more forgiving experience than that of a hard-sided boat. Exclusive to Zodiac is the fact that the tube is entirely removable and can be taken apart and folded to allow for transportation, storage, maintenance and repair. As for the boat's power plant, the Mercury 115hp 4-stroke

outboard engine is both compact and lightweight and delivers excellent fuel efficiency, especially at cruising speeds.

Features

The pack that comes with this boat includes a 7in Simrad Go GPS and a Simrad RS6 VHF. Other features include an arch/roll bar, sun deck extension, ski mast,

Fusion entertainment system, shower kit with 40L tank and a picnic table. In addition, there is a full cover set with bolster seat cover and mooring awning.

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 5.80m
Internal length: 4.91m
Beam: 2.54m
Internal beam: 1.44m
Weight: 601kg
Max. persons: 12
CE design category: C
Max. power (HP/kW): 115/8

PRICE

Turnkey price: £34,999
 (inc. VAT)



Contact: <https://www.barrus.co.uk/dealer-locator/>

Walker Bay Generation 450 DLX

Walker Bay products are built using high-quality materials and components, and the company states that they pride themselves on building premium rigid inflatable boats.

The 450 DLX employs a deep-vee hull powered by a Honda BF60 outboard engine, and the specification includes a customised fuel tank that sits neatly in the bow section of the keel, moving weight forward in the boat to reduce the impact of rough chop and contribute to early planing. The 450's hull also boasts modified chines that reliably control the lift at high speed and assist in delivering a sporty, secure and dry ride.

Features

The highly specified turnkey package encompasses an impressive Raymarine Axiom electronics pack in addition to the boat's comprehensive fit-out

and storage capacity. This boat caters well for friends and family fun with its integrated ski pole, SeaDek decking, boarding ladder and Fusion BB100 entertainment system. The Generation line of luxury yacht tenders is available in three colour accent options: classic grey, carbon black and ocean blue.

Additional features

Turnkey package price also includes: ORCA CSM tubes and upholstery in white with either military grey or ocean blue accents; Honda BF60 outboard engine installed and commissioned as per the specification including all controls, cables and rigging as necessary; Raymarine i70s multifunction display; Raymarine Axiom 7 with down view transducer; Fusion BB100 entertainment system with built-in remote and XS-F65 CWB 6.5in

speakers; battery; SeaDek flooring and bow/stern steps in storm grey; Sunbrella boat cover in grey; console with passenger backrest cushion; ergonomic console with smoked windscreen; L-shaped bow bench seat/sunbed and stern high-back bench seat; integrated dry storage with push-button hydraulic stern storage hatch; electric bilge pump; built-in fuel tank; stainless steel handrails and pop-up cleats; stainless steel bow eye and double stern towing eyes; removable 360-degree white pole light; LED navigation lights; heavy-duty rub rail and hauling handles; 2 cup holders; 3 davit lifting points; retractable ski pole; Stern boarding ladder

Package also to include free RYA Level 2 Powerboat training inclusive of this package: a two-day course that covers essential skills and background knowledge, the basis of the International

Certificate of Competence. The course also includes close-quarters handling, high-speed manoeuvres, man-overboard recovery and collision regulations.

Price

£41,701 (inc. VAT)

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 4.50m
Beam: 2.14m
Tube diameter: 0.51m
Internal length: 2.81m
Internal beam: 1.06m
Chambers: 5
Max. passengers: 8
Max. load: 866kg
Weight: 287kg
Engine power: 60hp / 45kW
Max speed: 29 knots
Fuel tank: 57L



SPECIAL TRAINING PACKAGE

£41,701 inc. VAT with Honda 60
 Includes a 2-day training course

Contact: www.grosvenoryachts.com

Captur 605 Pilothouse

The Captur is designed as a fun, value-for-money family boat well suited to the variances of the UK weather.

The 605 Pilothouse model is also popular with those seeking a boat they can fish from. Its 150hp Mariner outboard engine and larger-than-average cockpit make it easy to get to the fishing ground with plenty of space then for those aboard to assemble their rods and equipment. With 3L displacement, the 4-cylinder SOHC design of the Mariner engine works less to produce more torque and horsepower - benefits that are well proven and capable of delivering exceptional durability and long-term peace of mind.

Features

The 605 SMART edition combines many benefits, including all-weather protection within its cabin, which



£44,999
inc VAT - with
Mariner 150

features seating for two; plus, an easy-to-convert cockpit seating and dining area allows its occupants to relax and eat outside. Bait and fish will stay fresh in the livewell and fish locker, with plenty of secure and lockable storage for fishing gear also provided. Then, after a day's fishing or coastal exploring, the 605 allows you to close the cabin curtains and enjoy a restful night's sleep in the double berth.

Package includes

- Pilothouse 605
- Mariner 150XL outboard engine

Smart Pack:

- Fish Pack
- Cabin Comfort Pack
- Cockpit Pack
- 12V electric winch

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 5.75m
Beam: 2.54m
Height (without canvas): 2.70m
Dry weight: 1345kg
Max. persons: 6
CE design category: C
Max. power (HP/KW): 150/110
Turnkey price: £44,999 (inc. VAT)

Contact: <https://www.barrus.co.uk/dealer-locator>

YouTube link to QS Pilothouse 605: <https://youtu.be/CMWdRcp4tV5>

Ring Harbour Rat Sport Edition

Available as a 'hard boat' or RIB in multiple formats from sports utility to luxury tender, the much-loved baby of the range offers great stability, comfort and versatility.

In addition to the generous cockpit for a boat of her size, the Harbour Rat offers all the performance and rough-water handling capability one would expect from this classic breed of powerboat.

Features

Key features pertaining to the Harbour Rat include her Mercury 115 Pro XS, side-by-side console with



two-man bolster seat, console seat and forward bench seat.

Price

£29,995 (inc. VAT) turnkey/on the water

Also Included in special PBR package:

- Half-day performance boat driver training
- 2 life jackets

SPECIAL PBR PACKAGE

£29,995 inc VAT with Mercury 115 with 1/2 day training & two lifejackets

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA (inc. engine): 5m
BOA: 1.9m
Min. HP: 50hp
Max. HP: 115hp
Max. persons: 5
CE CAT: C

Contact: www.ringpowercraft.co.uk

Fjordstar FS450

£15,524
inc VAT and Selva 50

Storage is provided in a large bow locker and under the jockey seat and rear bench

The FS450 represents a fair amount of boat for 4.5m, one that comprises a high-quality, handmade 20-degree deadrise hull with fine bow and high sheer designed to provide a soft-riding and stable ride through waves and short chop.

This boat has been featured in PBR and proven to be a very sure-footed little exploration craft, more than capable of heading out to sea with extended passages in mind.

Features

A stainless keel band is bolted in before the craft is assembled, allowing beaching without damage. Closed-cell PU foam is filled between hull and deck, adding strength and buoyancy and deadening transmitted



noise when at speed. Storage is provided in a large bow locker and under the jockey seat and rear bench, all covered with generous cushioning and high-grade covering. The boat is designed with under-deck trunking for all cabling,

providing a clear deck when moving around. The tubes are of the 'one piece' variety normally found on large high-end superyacht tenders and are made from Valmex material. The craft is paired with a Selva F50EFI outboard.

SPECIFICATIONS

Length: 4.50m
Beam: 2m
Min. power: 30hp
Max. power: 50hp
Payload: 950kg
Max. persons: 9
CE CAT: C

PRICE

OTW: £15,524 (inc. VAT and Selva F50EFI outboard)

Contact: www.specialistsmallcraft.co.uk

5.7 Open Elegance

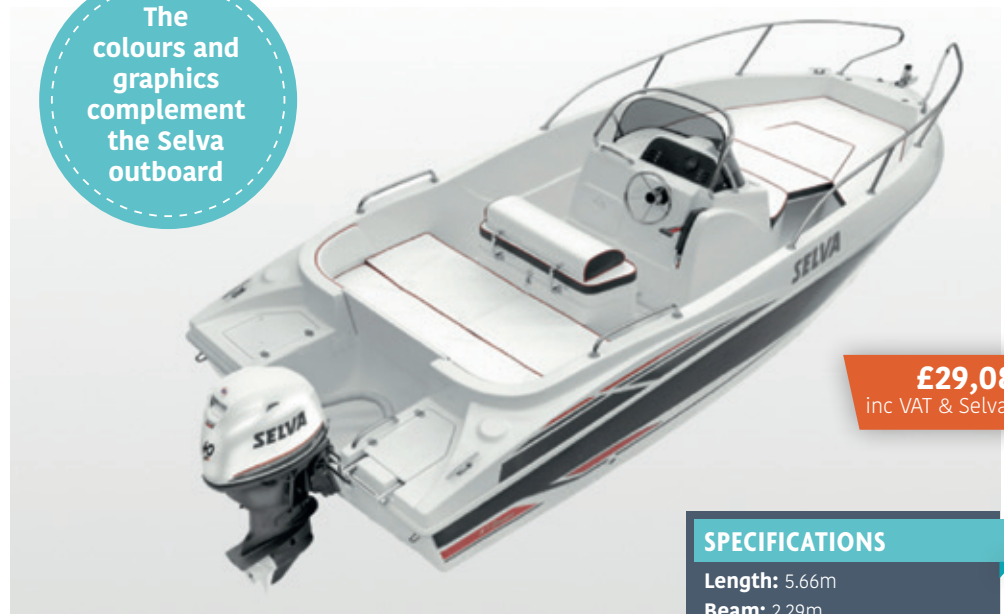
The colours and graphics complement the Selva outboard

Selva's Open Elegance range displays a healthy combination of modern ideas and forward-thinking design.

The colours and graphics complement the Selva outboard, creating uniformity and the true meaning of the term 'package'. The 5.7m is a highly versatile craft for its size and features two main seating areas with a centre console.

Features

The forward seating area includes a table that drops down to create a large cushioned bathing area. The rear bench seating offers the best protection and comfort, while the helm has a generous leaning post/perch seat. The large console then has



£29,080
inc VAT & Selva 70

a forward opening hatch and porthole, allowing an optional toilet to be fitted, and either side there is a walkway with stainless grab rails. With a generous freeboard throughout, the boat offers safe movement

on deck. This package sees the 5.7m being paired with a Selva F70EFI outboard, thereby offering a good turn of speed and great fuel efficiency too.

SPECIFICATIONS

Length: 5.66m
Beam: 2.29m
Min. power: 40hp
Max. power: 115hp
Payload: 812kg
Max. persons: 7
CE CAT: C

PRICE

OTW: £29,080 (inc. VAT and Selva F70EFI outboard)

Contact: www.selvamarineuk.com

Yamarin

60 DC

The new Yamarin 60 DC is built specifically with family boating in mind.

Being of Scandinavian design, this brand of boat has a well-established reputation for quality and excellent build finish. Though modern in terms of overall design and choice of materials, the Yamarin also reflects the familiar lines of a classic sports boat. In this sense, the range has an air of timelessness about it. Certainly, though, the Yamarin name is synonymous with Scandinavian quality and strength of build.

Features

The 60 DC comes with sculpted seats and a raised windscreen that offer both comfort and protection from the elements. The vee hull provides a sea-kindly, safe ride, and though uncomplicated and quite basic in fit-out, the 60 DC is a very valid option in terms of a small sporting, trailerable package.

Contact: www.yamaha-motor.eu/gb/en/dealer-locator/



£40,753
inc VAT with
Yamaha 100



SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 6.06m
BOA: 2.22m
Min/Max HP: 80-115 hp
Payload: 611 kg
Max. persons: 6
CE CAT: C
Extras: Yamarin Q infotainment system

PRICE

£40,753 (inc. VAT) with Yamaha F100 FETX

Latrex

490

A deluxe console-helmed 4.9m 'Dory'-style boat, this popular hull design offers great stability and is capable of a variety of functional uses.

The standard specification includes a self-draining deck and fully lined lockers, with cavity buoyancy between the hull and deck mouldings.

Features

This particular 490 fit-out includes stainless grab rails, LED navigation lights, cleats



£15,729
inc VAT - with
Selva 50

and holders, which complement the overall quality and style of this boat. The two-tone hull colour scheme is replicated in the craft's vinyl upholstery. All cushions are removable too, so they don't risk being damaged

during fishing trips, yet are easily fitted for family trips out and quickly removable before hosing down. The large open deck area is adaptable and suitable for the carrying of hampers, water sports equipment and even dogs for days

SPECIFICATIONS

Length: 4.90m
Beam: 1.90m
Min. power: 25hp
Max. power: 60hp
Payload: 360kg
Max. persons: 5
CE CAT: C

PRICE

OTW: £15,729 (inc. Selva F50EFI outboard)

out upriver or to a remote beach. The boat comes paired with a Selva F50EFI outboard, a motor that offers a good turn of speed and fuel efficiency too at an attractive price.

Contact: www.specialistsmallcraft.co.uk

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£12,000 inc VAT



VX Cruiser HO (personal watercraft)

A personal watercraft can be the ideal 'place' to start your boating adventure.

These relatively small water jet-powered craft are compact enough to be towed behind a standard family estate and can be stored in a garage, which helps keep your boating costs to an absolute minimum. With a good degree of

storage on board and an array of accessories, modern jet skis are used for cruising, racing, fishing and water sports and can even fulfil the role of tenders to larger craft.

Features

The VX Cruiser HO sits squarely in the middle of the Yamaha PWC range. But as a premium product,

it benefits from being fitted with a powerful 1000cc-plus engine, as well as Yamaha's revolutionary RiDE control system and a host of associated modern features.

Price

£12,000 (inc. VAT)
Comes with discounted RYA PWC training

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 3.35m
BOA: 1.22m
Power: 1812cc
Max. persons: 3
CE CAT: N/A

Contact: www.yamaha-motor.eu/gb/en/dealer-locator/



YAM 380S

Inflatables are a great way to get a taste of the water, literally! All joking aside, they can make a lot of sense.

For instance, they require minimal capital outlay, are easy to transport and store, have a shallow draught, allow access to beaches and estuaries beyond the reach of other craft, etc. All these attributes are what cause some people to be total SIB diehards! The YAM brand of inflatable craft has been sold for many years now and has been responsible for helping many get into boating. Of course, an inflatable such as a YAM would also serve as an ideal tender to a larger craft too.

Features

Available with Yamaha outboards from the F9.9 to F25n, the 380S comes with a lightweight, easy-to-install/remove aluminium slatted floor and high-pressure inflatable keel. The latter is designed to help the YAM 380S grip and



£1,399 inc VAT with special PBR package

cut through the water in a similar way to a little rigid-hulled boat. Its advantage, though, is that it can be packed into a car boot, garage or lazarette after your day on the water. In this sense, it could be the ideal complement to a motorhome and provide the latter with a whole additional

dimension for travellers and campers.

Price

Boat alone: £1,399 (inc. VAT). Boat and Yamaha outboard from £3,529 (inc. VAT). Comes complete as a PBR offer with carry bag, pump and seat.

SPECIFICATIONS

- LOA:** 3.8m
- BOA:** 1.7m
- Max. HP:** F25
- Payload:** 820kg
- Max. persons:** 6
- CE Cat:** D

Contact: www.yamaha-motor.eu/gb/en/dealer-locator/

FISH inflatables

A new range of inflatables aimed at the fishing and leisure sectors, the FISH range is available with slatted floor versions in 1.8m and 2.1m lengths, and versions with solid phenolic floorboards and an air keel in 2.4m, 2.7m, 3m, 3.3m, 3.6m and 3.8m lengths.

Features

The FISH's phenolic floorboards are made from the same material as that used for lorry trailer beds and is extremely hard-wearing and water-resistant. Dedicated carrying cases are included for both the boat and the floorboards. Combining high quality and value, all models are produced in five-layer 750-850 g/sqm 1100 dtex PVC and offered in a choice of either green for the fishing sector or grey for leisure users. All models have multiple air chambers



Prices start at **£349** inc VAT

and come with the following equipment:

- 2 paddles
- Bench seat (x 2 from 2.7m)
- Pump
- High-quality carrying case
- Repair kit
- Operation manual

Price

The FISH range is well priced, starting at £349 (inc. VAT) for the FISH 180. However, an introductory price for this model is being offered to PBR readers of just £279 (inc. VAT), which also includes free delivery to most UK mainland addresses.

Contact: www.boatsmart.co.uk

BRIG Eagle 6

Large enough for the whole family, this 6m RIB was designed and built with the criteria of comfort, safety and style in mind.

Featuring all the standout hallmarks of the BRIG Eagle range, the Eagle 6 can comfortably seat eight passengers and has plenty of under-seat storage for a full day of adventure.

With its reinforced deep-V hull, extended waterline length and extra-wide ORCA Hypalon tubes, the Eagle 6 offers exceptional stability and a dry ride even at full speed and in a testing sea state.

Features

At 6m long, this handsome sports boat affords plenty of room to stretch out, while the iconic swept-back ski pole is perfect for rigging up wakeboarders, donuts and waterskiers. For those wanting to take it easy, an extended bow area accommodates a generous sun deck, while the folding rear ladder makes getting in and out of the water



SPECIAL PBR PACKAGE
£39,999 inc VAT with Suzuki 115

easy. Combining high-octane fun with maximum safety and stability, the Eagle 6 is rated by many as one of the most popular family RIBs on the market. Fuel-efficient and easy to clean and maintain, everything about this luxury 6m RIB is designed to maximise its owner's time on the water. The special package price includes a Suzuki DF115 engine, non-slip SeaDek flooring, sun deck infill with cushions, and both console

and overall covers. Electronics include a Garmin EchoMap 65 GPS, transducer and VHF radio. A Fusion stereo system and speakers complete the set up. PBR reviewed this craft when it was first launched in the UK. The article can be viewed via the link below.

Price

Special PBR package price:
£39,999 (inc. VAT)

SPECIFICATIONS

Length: 5.95m
Width: 2.40m
Height: 1.90m
Tube diameter: 51cm
Chambers: 5
Weight: 550kg
CE CAT: C
Fuel tank: 121L

Contact: www.brig.co.uk

BRIG Navigator 570H

All elements of the BRIG's design and build are carried out to military precision at the company's factory in Ukraine by a dedicated team of skilled engineers.

As a result, the company has received multiple quality and design awards globally. As for the BRIG Navigator 570H, this is a RIB designed very much with adventure boating in mind.

Features

A reinforced deep-vee hull, extra-wide diameter tubes and a 'bluff bow' are all key features of the

570H. The RIB's stern arch/A-frame is built for wakeboarding and waterskiing, and the neat design of the splashback well incorporates a large rear water sports locker with bench seat over. The RIB has the capacity to carry eight passengers in comfort and includes a helm bench bolster seat, ORCA Hypalon tubes, a polished stainless steel A-frame and grab rails. Its power pack is the latest lightweight Suzuki DF100 4-stroke engine, a motor that provides the best power-to-weight ratio in its class. All new BRIG boats come with a five-year warranty on the hull and tubes, a five-year warranty on Suzuki



£35,992
inc VAT and
Suzuki 100

engines and a one-year warranty on fixtures, fittings and accessories. The Navigator 570H comes with BayStar hydraulic steering and the Suzuki DF100. It has teak SeaDek non-slip flooring, a sun deck, and a console and overall cover. The electronics included are a Garmin 115i VHF, EchoMap GPS/plotter and a sounder with transducer. There is also a Fusion RA70 stereo with two speakers.

SPECIFICATIONS

Length: 5.70m
Width: 2.3m
Height: 1.9m
Tube diameter: 50cm
Chambers: 5
Weight: 380kg
CE CAT: C
Fuel tank: 98L

PRICE

£35,992 (inc. VAT)

Contact: www.brig.co.uk

Sting 485 S

The Sting 485 S is the youngest sibling of the Nordkapp but holds true to the essential style and quality of the well-known Norwegian parent brand.

A key attribute of this boat is its on-board storage, which includes a large stern locker, a generously sized helm seat locker and an under-console locker. The Sting 485 S is a very manageable boat to store at home and can be easily trailered, launched and recovered by one person. A craft very much suited to the first-time buyer.

Features

The 485 S includes Silvertex premium upholstery, a GRP hull, swim ladder and swim platform, plus nav lights.

Contact: www.willsmarine.co.uk



SPECIAL PBR PRICE
£26,750
 inc VAT and Mercury 60

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 4.88m
BOA: 2.05m
Min. HP: 40hp
Max. HP: 60hp
Payload: 470kg
Weight (boat only): 500kg
Max. persons: 5
CE CAT: C

OPTIONAL EXTRAS INCLUDED

Mercury 60hp outboard
 43L fuel tank
 SeaDek marine flooring
 Garmin GPS plotter/sounder

PRICE

OTW full RRP: £26,750 (inc. VAT)
PBR special package price: £23,995

BRIG Falcon 500HL

The BRIG Falcon 500HL is a practical, well-priced, no-fuss RIB with a design emphasis on safety and stability, and an ideal choice for those seeking an introductory family leisure RIB for enjoying water sports and discovering new beaches.

The boat has a reinforced medium-V hull, wider tubes and square bow, which help provide a stable and dry ride. BRIG are often

referred to as the number one manufacturer of RIBs in the world and have been producing their growing product line for 29 years now. In recent years, the Falcon 500HL has also been a popular choice among sailing schools as a support boat/rescue craft.

Features

The 500HL comes with ORCA Hypalon tubes as standard and is

powered by a Suzuki DF 50 engine. The special PBR package includes a luxury bench seat and offset helm console, teak non-slip deck flooring, bow locker cushion and bow step plate. A stainless steel A-frame with inbuilt navigation lights as well as overall and console covers are also provided. An SBS R2 trailer comes as part of this special package too.

SPECIFICATIONS

Length: 5m
Width: 2.15m
Height: 1.85m
Tube diameter: 50cm
Chambers: 5
Weight: 185kg
CE CAT: C
Fuel tank: 43L

PRICE

PBR special package price: £19,995 (inc. VAT)



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£19,995 inc VAT - with Suzuki 50

Contact: www.brig.co.uk

Grand Golden Line 500

The Grand Golden Line 500 boasts all the luxury features found in the rest of the Golden Line range and is a craft that recently received a very favourable review in PBR.

These sports RIBs offer a high specification and are finished to a very high standard. Lots of attractive features mean this product range is very well suited to a family wanting a smart, comprehensively spec'd, ready-to-go fun boat. The Golden Line fit-out includes such features as tube-mounted stainless steel rails that enhance safety while riding up front and a spacious stern locker that has enough capacity for a wakeboard, beach kit, lunch, wetsuits, picnic hamper, etc. The twin swim platforms also house a telescopic stainless steel ladder for ease of boarding. The G500 hull design benefits from having a sharp bow or stem that allows great handling and wave-piercing ability underway, while the wide stern section gives a very stable platform at rest and aids in being quick to plane. Grand's DART hull system on the G500 includes a moulded concave shape that assists in providing a dry ride.

Features

Grand use first-rate materials throughout the build, such as ORCA Hypalon-constructed tubes, Spradling Silvertext premium upholstery and Scott Bader gelcoat. Other key items include a bow step plate, tube step ends, high-profile console with stainless steel rail, nav lights, horn, bilge pump and battery isolator, 90L fuel tank and stainless steel ski arch.

Optional extras included

- 90hp outboard engine of client's choice
- SeaDek marine flooring
- Garmin GPS plotter/sounder
- Fusion marine stereo with 2 speakers
- Keel protection
- Tube protection/wear patching
- Overall cover
- Console fly cover
- Bow sun deck kit
- Sport steering wheel

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 4.95m
BOA: 2.30m
Min. HP: 90hp
Max. HP: 115hp
Payload: 550kg
Weight (boat only): 435kg
Max. persons: 10
CE CAT: C

PRICE

OTW full RRP: £34,850 (inc. VAT)
Special PBR package price: £31,250 (inc. VAT)



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ZAR Mini LUX 12

The LUX models are the latest addition to the ZAR mini range, offer exceptional space for their length and are capable of comfortably seating five passengers on properly proportioned seats.

With an engine capacity of up to 40hp and a lightweight aluminium construction, the LUX 12 has the performance to be used for waterskiing or other water sports. The high level of standard equipment includes teak design EVA flooring, a bow cushion, bow backrest, bow step plate, keel guard, bimini holder, backrest,

luxury steering console and a reinforced hull. The LUX 12 also has four davit lifting points and is equipped with a bow locker, engine well and a flat floor to create a fully self-draining cockpit.

Features

The ZAR mini LUX 12 coupled to a Suzuki 4-stroke engine (20/30/40 hp) comes fully installed and commissioned. The fit-out includes a concealed panel mount remote control and separate ignition/kill cord. It also features a single-axle unbraked road trailer (complete



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with winch and lighting board), a battery with isolator switch, a removable plastic fuel tank, a full overall cover, plus a Garmin Striker GPS chartplotter/fish finder.

SPECIFICATIONS

Length: 3.5m
Width: 1.9m
Tube diameter: 49cm
Weight (exc. engine): 138kg
Payload: 600kg
Max. persons: 5
Min. HP: 20hp
Max. HP: 40hp

Prices

With Suzuki DF20 ATL

RRP: £12,230 (inc. VAT)
PBR special offer: £10,995 (inc. VAT)

With Suzuki DF30 ATL

RRP: £13,765 (inc. VAT)
PBR special offer: £12,375 (inc. VAT)

With Suzuki DF40 ATL

RRP: £14,460 (inc. VAT)
PBR special offer: £12,995 (inc. VAT)

Contact: www.boatsmart.co.uk

Gala Viking 500

The Gala Viking 500 is a family-orientated craft boasting many amenities that are well suited to its primary purpose as a family dayboat.

These include its large bow locker with cushion and backrest, ski arch, comfortable pilot seat and heavy-duty aluminium hull. The V500's tough, lightweight aluminium hull design includes a deep-vee hull along with Gala's patented 'Gala Tabs', which provide an extended transom and ensure that a level ride is maintained in all sea states. The hull's alloy material is also well suited to beach accessing and landing, which will be a great



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£21,500 inc VAT - with 60hp

bonus for some. The V500 also has a self-draining non-slip cockpit with rear steps built into the engine well.

Features

The Gala Viking 500 is a competitively priced, sturdy entry to the 5m RIB market possessing the following features and components: Valmex PVC tube fabric, Silvertex premium upholstery, an aluminium hull

and a high-profile helm console with stainless steel grab rail. Nav lights, a bilge pump and a battery isolator are also included, as are a ski arch and a 75L fuel tank.

Optional extras included

- 60hp outboard engine (choice)
- SeaDek marine flooring
- Garmin GPS plotter/sounder
- Fusion marine stereo with 2 speakers
- Overall cover

SPECIFICATIONS

LOA: 5m
BOA: 2.15m
Min. HP: 60hp
Max. HP: 100hp
Payload: 1100kg
Weight (boat only): 265kg
Max. persons: 9
CE CAT: C

PRICE

OTW full RRP: £23,950 (inc. VAT)
Special PBR package price: £21,500 (inc. VAT)

Contact: www.willsmarine.co.uk