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Finesse 24

£9,950 GBP

United Kingdom

Classic clinker built, lifting keel cruiser

Manufacturer/Model	Finesse 24
Name	WATCH THE WIND
Designer	Alan Platt
Year	1977
Category	Sail
New or used	Used
Status	Available
Price	£9,950 GBP
Price comment	Classic clinker built, lifting keel cruiser
Lying	Argyll, United Kingdom

Specifications

Length overall	7.30 m
Length waterline	6.50 m
Beam	2.50 m
Draft	2.10 m
Displacement	3,048 kg
Hull	Clinker built Iroko on Rock Elm frames
Keel	Lifting keel

Propulsion

Engine	Perkins 103-10 marine diesel engine, installed 2002 23hp 3 cylinder, naturally aspirated indirectly cooled. Mechanical reversing marine gearbox
Fuel	Diesel
Fuel capacity	40 litres

Accommodation

Drinking water capacity	40 litres
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Description

In the 1970's and early 1980's when the development of GRP as a boat building material saw the collapse of many wooden boat builders Alan Platt continued to build the **Finesse 24's** and 21's in a production type manner. The shed housed two boats under construction at any one time with a small team of highly skilled craftsmen using the best possible materials.

Ideally suited to estuary sailing the **Finesse 24** is configured with short bilge keels and large galvanised centreboard. WATCH THE WIND benefits from having a small doghouse fitted over the companionway providing more shelter in the cockpit. Refitted in the current ownership during 2015/16 WATCH THE WIND offers a great opportunity to acquire a very handsome traditionally built cruiser with a comprehensive inventory which includes highlights such as:

Perkins 103-10 marine diesel engine, installed 2002.

Iroko tiller, fitted new in 2015.

Doghouse roof mounted solar panel with charge controller installed 2016.

Plastic freshwater and diesel tanks.

Raymarine i40 Bi-Data depth/speed instrument fitted 2016.

Raymarine a7 MFD with Navionics cartography fitted 2016.

Icom 323DSCVHF fitted 2016.

Thetford gas cooker, two burner and grill fitted 2015.

Eberspacher diesel fired blown air heating system installed 2016.

Owen Sails mainsail and genoa fitted new for the 2016 season.

Cockpit cover fitted new in 2017.

Inflatable dinghy.

Yamaha 4hp 4-stroke outboard.

A pretty little boat which will turn heads in any harbour WATCH THE WIND is an ideal short handed cruising yacht for those who appreciate the quality of a classic clinker built yacht. Winter afloat and available for viewing by prior arrangement.

OWNER COMMENT:

A move abroad to Spain has meant we have taken the tough decision to part with our much loved 'Watch The Wind' who has given us some fantastic memories of sailing on the west coast of Scotland. She may be getting on a bit but the phrase, "there is some life in the old girl yet" still very much applies following a complete refit carried out ashore 5 years ago when we bought her.

'Watch The Wind' is a wooden clinker built boat with Rock Elm frames and Iroko planking in thick. Built in 1977 she is

a 4 berth boat arranged with a double berth forward and a saloon with seating which can convert to two additional berths and a galley. Toilet space is forward on the port side. The engine compartment is under the cockpit floor. Following a journey down the Caledonian Canal in the summer of 2015 we took her out of the water for a complete refit which took us 12 months to complete. During this refit the hull as well as coachworks were taken back to the original wood, fixed glass port lights were removed, renovated and replaced, a new dog house roof plus forward hatch, new paintwork below the water line, re-varnished all the rest of the woodwork and new deck paint. The engine was over hauled and has been serviced annually thereafter. At the same time a new radio (ICOM 323 DSC VHF), new Raymarine a7 MFD plotter and Raymarine i40 tridata depth/speed instruments installed alongside the existing compass plus the introduction of a solar panel on the dog house roof to trickle charge the batteries.

CONSTRUCTION

Hull Construction:

Clinker planked wooden hull.
Iroko planking on Rock Elm frames
Iroko wood keel, stern post and stem posts.
Copper fastenings to secure planks
Hull stripped back to bare timber in 2015/16
Varnished Iroko topstrake
Green gloss painted topsides with white boot top
Red antifouling below waterline

Deck & Superstructure Construction:

Plywood deck.
Sheathed finish to deck, coated in cream non-slip deck paint.
Coachroof of iroko construction with plywood top
Coachroof stepped just aft of mast step
Coachroof sides extending aft to form cockpit coamings
All bright work stripped back to bare timber in 2015/16
Varnished finish to coachroof sides with top finished in non-slip deck paint
Iroko built doghouse with glass windows, new doghouse roof fitted in 2015/16.
Iroko bowsprit

Keel & Rudder:

Shallow Iroko bilge keels
Galvanised steel dropping centreplate, raised and lowered with captive wire winch.
Transom hung laminated timber rudder

MACHINERY

Engine & gearbox:

Perkins 103-10 marine diesel engine, installed 2002
23hp
3 cylinder, naturally aspirated indirectly cooled.
Mechanical reversing marine gearbox

Maintenance & Performance:

Engine serviced spring 2021
Running hours estimated at less than 500 hours
Cruising speed under engine 5kts

Propulsion & Steering:

Stainless steel shaft
Greaser fed stuffing gland
Three blade bronze fixed propellor
Transom hung rudder
Iroko tiller, fitted new in 2015
Spare tiller aboard.

ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS

Voltage systems:

12VDC onboard power system

Battery Banks:

Battery Bank 1 – 1x 12VDC, lead acid

Battery Bank 2 – 1x 12VDC, lead acid

Alternator:

Single engine mounted 12VDC alternator

Solar Panel:

Doghouse roof mounted panel (2016)

Charge regulator for panel (2016)

PLUMBING

Fresh Water:

Manually pumped cold water only system

Manually pumped faucet in galley.

Bilge Pumps:

Manual bilge pump

Electric bilge pump – manual and auto switching

TANKAGE

Fuel:

Single diesel tank

Plastic construction

Approximate capacity 40ltrs

Fresh Water:

Single fresh water tank.

Plastic construction

Approximate capacity 40ltrs

NAVIGATION & COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT

On Deck:

Depth/Speed – Raymarine I40 Bi-Data (2016)

Plotter – Raymarine a7 MFD with Navionics cartography (2016)

Magnetic compass

Communications Equipment:

DSCVHF – Icom 323DSCVHF (2016)

DOMESTIC EQUIPMENT

Galley:

Galley Stove – Thetford gas cooker, two burner and grill. (2015)

Stainless steel sink with draining board

Manually pumped faucet

Heads:

Manual marine toilet

Heating:

Eberspacher diesel fired blown air heating system (2016)

Single outlet in saloon

Thermostatic cabin controller

Lighting:

Bulkhead mounted lighting throughout interior

ACCOMMODATION

Summary of Accommodation:

Double V-berth in forepeak

Heads forward to port

Linear galley to starboard

Saloon to port.

Description of Accommodation from Forward:

Forward Cabin:

Double V-berth occupying full cabin.
Two shelves beneath foredeck at forward end of bunk.
Bookshelve above forward end of bunk overhead.
Large opening deck hatch
Varnished hardwood stringers at mattress level.
Hull sides finished in white gloss

Heads:

Located immediately aft of forward cabin.
Double doors closing off compartment from forward cabin and saloon.
Manual marine toilet mounted outboard to port.
Hanging locker outboard to starboard

Galley:

Linear galley running length of main cabin to starboard
Worktop forward with top loading larder locker beneath
Stainless steel sink with draining board inset to worktop centrally
Gimbal mounted gas cooker aft
Selection of lockers beneath worktop
Condiments shelf outboard of worktop

Saloon:

Forward and aft facing bench seats located to port
Thwart ship fixed saloon table.
Table drops down to create double berth
Shelve running the length of the saloon outboard.
Bookshelf above aft settee back rest.

DECK EQUIPMENT

Rig:

Deck stepped, single spreader masthead sloop rig.
Gold anodised alloy mast and spars
Stainless steel standing rigging
Rotostay furling gear on forestay for genoa
Slab reefing mainsail
Block and tackle kicker
Mainsheet rigged to stainless steel horse at aft end of cockpit

Winches:

Primary Winches – 2x single speed winches.

Sails:

Mainsail – Tan Dacron. Slab reefing. Owen Sails 2016
Genoa – Tan Dacron. Roller reefing. Owen Sails 2016

Canvas Work:

Mainsail Cover – 2016
Cockpit cover - 2017

Anchoring & Mooring:

Bower Anchor – CQR anchor on chain and warp rode
Anchor Windlass – Simpson Lawrence Hy-Speed manual windlass
Kedge anchor
Mooring warps – selection
Fenders - selection

Tender:

Yamaha 240T inflatable dinghy
Yamaha 4hp, 4-stroke outboard

General:

Iroko bowsprit projecting forward from stemhead
Double stainless steel bow roller mounted on forward end of bowsprit

Chain bobstay to secure bowsprit
Stainless steel mooring cleat mounted on aft end of bowsprit
Iroko samson post located centrally at aft end of bowsprit, securing bowsprit.
Stainless steel pulpit and pushpit rails
Deck mounted stanchions supporting double tiered guardwires
Hardwood grabrail running aft from coachroof step on port and starboard sides
Doghouse
Primary winches mounted outboard of cockpit coamings
Bench seating on port and starboard sides of cockpit
Storage lockers within seat bases
Access to engine space by lifting cockpit sole.

SAFETY EQUIPMENT:

General note on safety equipment: Any safety equipment such as liferafts, Epirbs, fire extinguishers and flares etc. are usually personal to the current owner(s) and if being left on-board as part of the sale of a used vessel may require routine servicing, replacement, or changing to meet a new owners specific needs.

Navigation Lights:

Masthead Tri-colour
Steaming light
Low level running lights

Life saving:

Horseshoe buoy
MOB throwing line
Inshore flare pack

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