

AQUARIUS 23



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Family fun is more than just a dream with an Aquarius 23, it's a reality. With more leisure time for recreation, today's family seeks mobility and involvement to a degree never before obtainable . . . and this explains the sudden popularity of trailerable cruising sailboats. Why be limited to expensive motels and typical vacations? In an Aquarius 23 every weekend becomes an adventure of exploring the unknown, of life together in the spacious comfort of your home away from home.

Peter Barrett, famed naval architect, designed the Aquarius 23 with the family in mind, by emphasizing spaciousness, stability and ease of handling. Check the features below and compare them with other trailerable boats. The Aquarius 23 provides more comfort, stability and quality than any boat in its class. Whether you're exploring a secluded lagoon or camping "aboard" in the privacy of the forest, choose the Aquarius 23 . . . and let the FUN shine in!



MOBILITY

Your Aquarius 23 is effortlessly rigged and launched in minutes. The spade rudder is easily removed and its shallow draft (13") lets you beach the boat for shore fun. Explore hidden coves and rivers not accessible by other trailerable boats. Your Aquarius 23 sits low on the trailer allowing easy access while camping. Don't restrict yourself to crowded harbors and expensive moorings. Enjoy the mobility of an Aquarius 23 . . . it's the smoothest sailer on land or sea!



QUALITY

In an age of mass production and inhuman assembly lines high quality construction is a rarity . . . but then your Aquarius 23 is a rare boat! Superb quality of construction and fittings is an Aquarius trademark. Compare the quality of the sailing hardware, the stainless steel and anodized aluminum fittings with those of other boats. The wood interior bulkheads, the extra heavy mat, cloth and woven roving laminations are done by hand insuring increased strength. The deck has additional wood lamination between the fiberglass and polyester resin for increased rigidity and insulation. Coastal Recreation Inc., a growing concern for quality.

SAFETY FEATURES

The Aquarius 23 was designed for the handling and safety of first-time sailing families. The unique skiff keel and heavy centerboard arrangement provides 815 pounds of ballast and makes the boat completely self-righting and stable with the centerboard either up or down. The high freeboard, self-bailing cockpit and built-in ballast assure you of dry-sailing and complete safety.





SPACIOUS INTERIOR

Either in the water, or on the trailer at a campsite you have a spacious cabin with comfort and features usually found only on a luxury yacht. The pop-top design offers standing head room in the activity portion of the cabin, including the galley. The berths will sleep up to five six-footers *without converting the dinette*. There is a completely enclosed head area on each boat so you don't have to awaken your mates or clear the cabin to use it.

The housewife's dreams of a luxurious, spacious cabin are completely satisfied in the Aquarius 23. The efficient galley, dinette arrangement and ample locker space are all tastefully designed for comfort. Wooden bulkheads and large windows add to the warmth and beauty in each of the three interior designs.

Another plus in owning and sailing an Aquarius is the fun and camaraderie of an organized sailing association. The National Aquarius Sailing Association has over one thousand members in local fleets (there's one in *your* area) who enjoy national and local cruises and regattas. N.A.S.A. emphasizes family outings and learning workshops to help all become more accomplished sailors. There are even races to master the finer points of sailing! Enjoy the fun and safety of learning with others. Sail the Aquarius 23.

WARRANTY PROGRAM

As seen above, the Aquarius 23 offers comfort, stability, speed and trailerability found in no other sailboat. This is no surprise since Peter Barrett is her designer, and Coastal Recreation Inc. is her manufacturer. The performance of the Aquarius 23 is unparalleled in any comparably priced boat. Compare the specifications on the next page and you'll agree that Aquarius 23 fills the void for family oriented fun. Each Aquarius is backed by a one year warranty and full customer service program that is one of the finest available. Our interest in you *begins* when you buy your Aquarius. See our dealer in your area or call or write for more specific information. We've made the Aquarius 23 just for you . . . to be the smoothest sailer on land or sea. Join the move to Aquarius, and let the FUN shine in.



UNDERWAY IN 30 MINUTES

Your Aquarius 23 is designed for easy trailering and launching. The Aquarius 23 is easily rigged, launched and underway in less than 30 minutes. By following these three easy steps you can launch her anywhere you can pull a trailer. The Aquarius Owner's Guide provides a detailed how-to-do-it approach complete with photographs and illustrations. The Owner's Guide is distributed with all new boats.



1. Upon arrival at the launch site, raise the mast (or wait until launched if you prefer) and check all rigging. (13 minutes)



2. Back the trailer into the water, gently apply brakes and your Aquarius 23 floats off the trailer. (7 minutes)



3. Rig your boom, sails, lower the centerboard and set the rudder. You are now ready for an exciting sail. (8 minutes)

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The Aquarius 23 is the boat that makes fun a family affair. It's safe, roomy, easy to trailer and smooth to sail. And it's loaded with features you wouldn't expect to find on any other sailboat its size.

The roomy interior has made the Aquarius 23 the most popular new trailerable cruising sailboat available. She features five berths, an efficient galley and dinette, loads of locker space and three tastefully appointed motifs. There is also a completely enclosed head, a feature usually found on yachts of much greater size and expense. For safety and performance, check the following features:

- A.** A true centerboard that retracts completely so you can beach the boat and do some exploring.
- B.** A skiff keel with ballast assures excellent stability and makes the Aquarius self-righting even with the centerboard fully retracted.
- C.** A removable spade rudder for increased responsiveness and easier handling.
- D.** A large cockpit with comfortable backrests and lots of room for six adults.
- E.** Extra freeboard provides an additional margin of safety and keeps the cockpit dry in foul weather.

The Aquarius 23 is also available in fixed-keel model. See your dealer or write directly for more detailed information.

(Note: Photographs in this brochure may show optional equipment.)

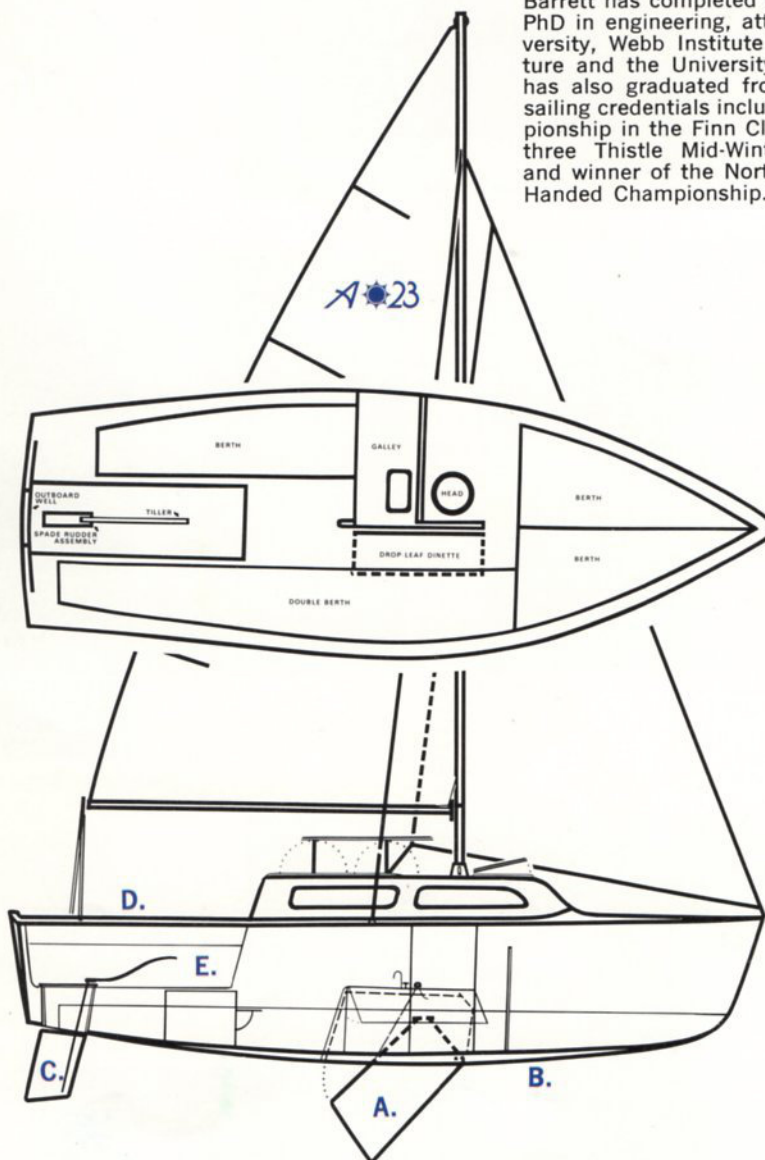
SPECIFICATIONS

Length Overall	22'8"
Length at Waterline	21'2"
Beam	7'11"
Draft	13"
Draft (Centerboard Down)	4'7"
Cabin Height	4'11"
Headroom (Hatch up)	5'11"
Displacement	2,280 lbs.
Ballast (Total)	815 lbs.
Retractable keel	165 lbs.
Working Sail Area	248 Sq. ft.
Main	143 Sq. ft.
Jib	105 Sq. ft.
Genoa (150%)	145 Sq. ft.
Spinnaker	276 Sq. ft.



PETER BARRETT

Peter Barrett and his wife, Laurie, are the parents of three young children. He is intimately familiar with boating safety and handling requirements for young families, and designed the Aquarius 23 accordingly. Barrett has completed course work for his PhD in engineering, attended Cornell University, Webb Institute of Naval Architecture and the University of Wisconsin. He has also graduated from law school. His sailing credentials include a national championship in the Finn Class, the 470 Class, three Thistle Mid-Winter Championships and winner of the North American Single-Handed Championship.



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