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When these and many other fine yacht clubs and sailing schools all select the same boat for their day-sailing, racing and training fleets, you can bet it's a very special boat. They have all selected the Ideal 18. Because it *is* a very special boat.

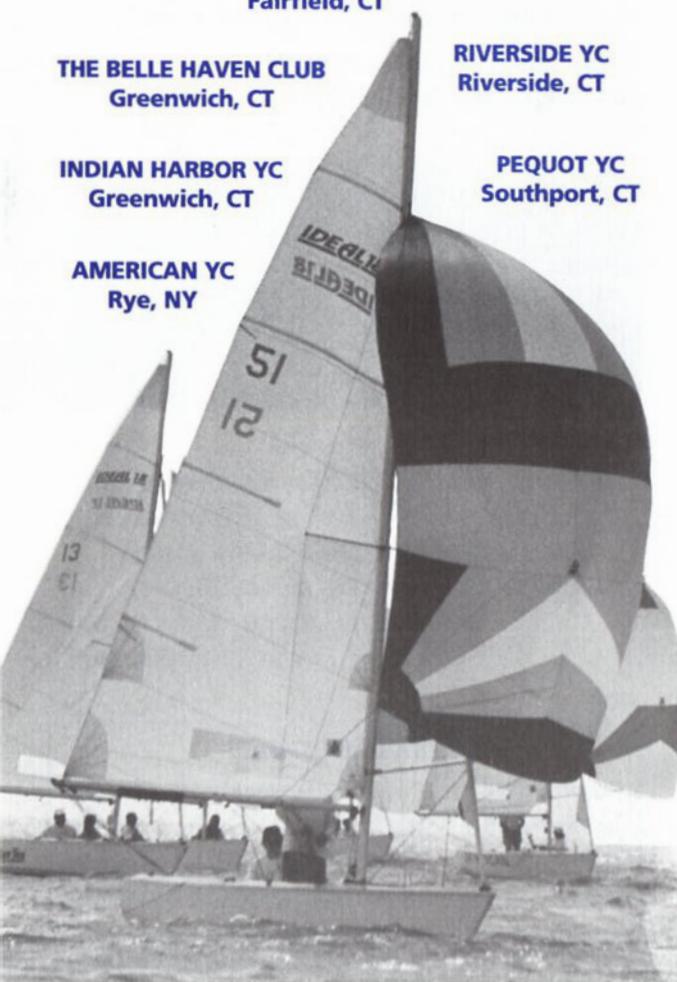
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WHAT MAKES THIS BOAT IDEAL

HULL One-piece assembly of hand-laid fiberglass with coremat coring for extra strength and impact resistance. Built-in flotation. White hull with dual blue waterline stripes standard; custom colors and anti-fouling paint optional.

HULL REINFORCEMENT Special grid bonds hull, deck, cockpit, mast step and chainplates into a super-strong unit to distribute strains and impact.

DECK Deck and cockpit are a single unit – no seams, hatches or thru-hull fittings. Molded splashrail. Non-skid side decks and foredeck. Open cuddy under foredeck for storage of spinnaker, cooler, seabags, optional 2 HP outboard.

COCKPIT 8' long molded seats with angled backs. Non-skid sole drains into twin bilge sumps with Elvstrom-style bailers. Open transom acts as a swim platform, permits easy reboarding. Central barney post anchors mainsheet block.

KEEL Modern elliptical shape provides enormous lift. 700 lbs. of lead in keel for great stability. Each keel individually formed to identical specs, then encapsulated for super-smooth, competitive racing finish.

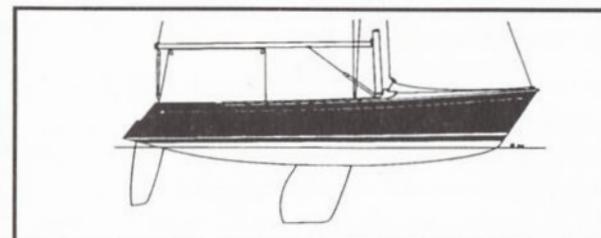
RUDDER Elliptically shaped and inboard hung; balanced and light, eliminating weather helm. Gelcoat surface finished to same high standards as hull and keel.

RIGGING Mast and boom are aircraft-grade aluminum for long life. Mast is stepped on the keel, hinged for trailering or storing, easy to raise. Fractional rig with swept spreaders, fixed headstay, upper and lower shrouds. Boom vang, out-haul, reefing system and cunningham are standard.

SAILS Class-legal main and 95% jib with sailbag are standard. Main is fully-battened, complete with cunningham, reef points, class insignia and numbers. Jib is self-tacking and roller furling, with leechline and five-position adjustable clewboard. 245 sq. ft. class spinnaker with aluminum pole is optional.

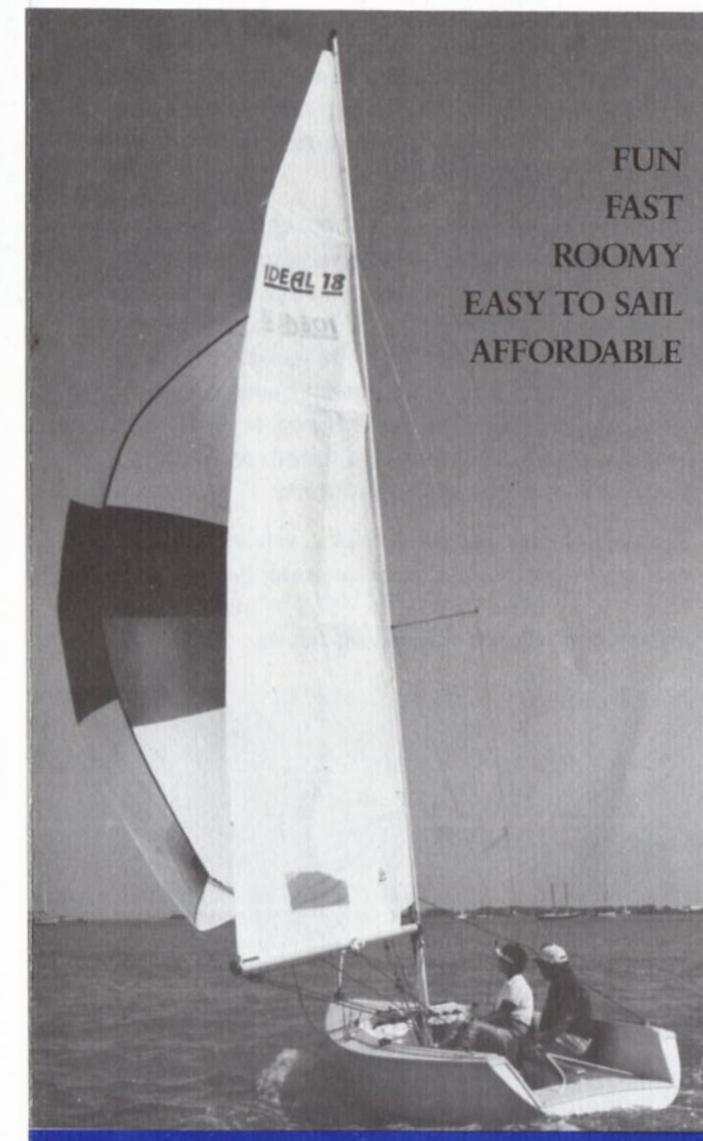
HARDWARE Harken equipped. Deck and cockpit fittings mounted with stainless steel hardware. Running rigging is Dacron and Spectra, cut to length and fitted for each application.

TRAILER Optional custom trailer is available; suitable for ramp or hoist launching. Towing weight is only 1,900 pounds, easily towed by most family vehicles.



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Bruce Kirby's
IDEAL 18
a superb keelboat



FUN

FAST

ROOMY

EASY TO SAIL

AFFORDABLE

THE IDEAL BOAT

The Ideal 18 is everything you've ever wanted in a daysailer... and a whole lot more.

It's just the right *size*. Plenty of room for friends, yet easy to rig and sail all by yourself. The fully-battened main is easy to set, and the roller-furling jib is self-tacking.

It's *fast*, even in light air. And downwind, the 245 sq. ft. spinnaker will give you an exciting ride. If the wind pipes up, tuck a reef in the main, roll up the jib a bit (right from the cockpit), and discover how steady and secure she feels in a seaway.

The Ideal 18 is also a *simple* boat. Everything about it is easy – trailering, launching, rigging, adjusting sails under way, setting and trimming the spinnaker – whatever you want to do.

And she's *comfortable*. The 8' cockpit has plenty of room for four adults... or active youngsters. Full-length molded bench seats have angled backs. The cuddy under the foredeck will hold a cooler, extra clothes or foul weather gear, life jackets, even a 2 HP outboard. And the transom makes a great swimming platform on hot summer days. With an Ideal 18 you, your family and friends will enjoy some outstanding days on the water.

She's also a very *forgiving* boat... safe and secure, with a 700 pound lead keel for stability. Which makes it a perfect trainer for folks of any age just learning how much fun sailing can be.



A SENSATIONAL ONE-DESIGN RACING BOAT

The Ideal 18 is a fast-growing class with an active owners' association and a busy schedule of racing events.

One-design racing under strict class rules adds another whole dimension to your Ideal 18. You can race against other local boats, trailer your boat to regattas in other locations, even compete in invitational events including Summer North American and Mid-Winter Championships every year. Ideal 18's are raced "as delivered," with no hull or keel fairing or other modifications permitted. With all boats on the line being equal, every skipper knows he or she has an equal chance to win using skill and tactics.

The class newsletter, *THE IDEALIST*, keeps our growing family of owners informed about helpful rigging and sailing tips, fleet news, new members, upcoming events and results of regattas already held. Racing is just one more way to have fun with your Ideal 18.

HIGH QUALITY... AND VALUE

Quality in a boat starts with the designer – and the Ideal 18 was designed by Bruce Kirby, who created the Laser, Sonar and America's Cup contenders CANADA I and II. The Ideal 18's are built by Ontario Yachts, a premier builder of small and mid-size fiberglass sailboats. They combine top-quality materials and equipment with modern construction methods, plus an absolute dedication to the strict principles of one-design racing.

Pound for pound and dollar for dollar, the Ideal 18 is an excellent value from the day you buy it. The boat will provide you with years of sailing fun and camaraderie on and off the water. And if the day ever comes when you want to sell it, you will be pleasantly surprised at how well it has maintained its worth. That's true value.

To see and sail an Ideal 18, just call us at 800-IDEAL 18. We'll be happy to arrange it.



“Here is a boat that is aimed at simplicity and safety with a dash of performance that you would expect from a Kirby design. You did good, Bruce.”

ROBERT H. PERRY, Yacht Designer
SAILING Feb. 1992

SPECIFICATIONS

Length Overall	17'11"	Displacement	1,240 lbs.
Length Waterline	14' 4"	Ballast (lead keel)	700 lbs.
Draft	3'3"	Sail Area (main/jib)	168 sq. ft.
Beam	6'2"	Spinnaker Area	245 sq. ft.