

FOLLOW THE SUN



SOL CAT 18



With a hull raised defiantly to the wind you skim lightly, effortlessly over the sun-glazed water, your senses breathing vibrant life to your very core. You've become free, and stimulated as you follow the sun.

The Sol Cat 18 has evolved from the spray in your face, sun on your back kind of excitement that has put catamaran sailing right there with skiing



and motorcycling. Designed for a different breed...those seeking self-expression...those who strive for that something extra out of life. Are you ready to follow the sun?





We've experimented 3 years with 5 prototype hull designs to arrive at the Sol Cat 18. Her long, sleek symmetrical hulls with meticulously shaped dagger boards and high aspect sail ratio are a skillful blend of performance and practicality. The result is breathtaking speed while her design maintains the features and durability necessary for ocean-going excitement or off the beach fun. This versatility provides that something extra for veteran cat sailors, newcomers or the entire family.



A beam of 7' 11" will allow you to trailer her anywhere you please...so why restrict yourself to conventional harbors and waterways? Follow the sun to the unknown on the high seas or a secluded lake.

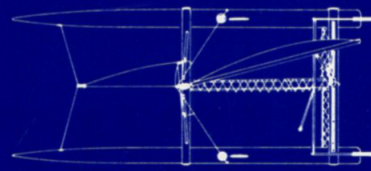
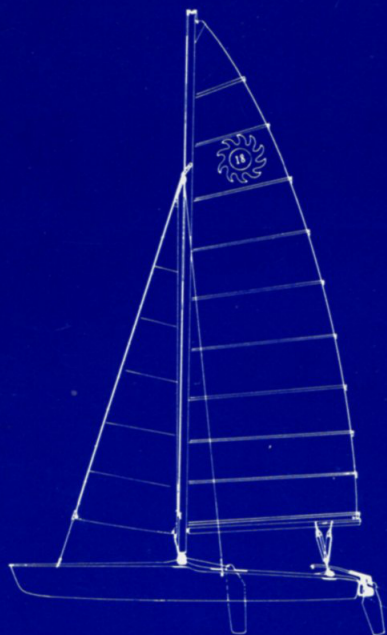


Once there, any two people can have her rigged and launched in minutes.

Our owner's association, with national newsletter and regional regattas featuring high spirited racing, beach parties and trailering sojourns, provides fun and camaraderie for the whole family.

Whether you're the competitive type or the person who retreats to the wilderness the Sol Cat is a catamaran with a little extra that will allow you to follow the sun with a style all your own.

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Specifications

Length Overall	18' 3"
Length at Waterline	18'
Beam	7' 11"
Weight	330 lbs.
Mast length	28'
Sail Area (including spars)	
Main & Jib	220 sq. ft.
Main only	175 sq. ft.
Jib only	45 sq. ft.
Draft	
Daggerboards up	4"
Daggerboards down	30"

Specifications and colors subject to change without notice.

- 1 Hull design.** Using the latest in technology, the Sol Cat gives the sailor the increased buoyancy necessary for all-around performance. This increase in buoyancy is made possible by symmetrical hull design, the utilization of dagger boards, and the sail plan being 53% aft. This increase in buoyancy allows for an extremely fine entry hull design, reduced wetted surface for increased boat speed, the elimination of pitch-poling, and the free board necessary for a safe, comfortable ride.
- 2 Mast.** The rotating mast gives the skipper maximum use of every inch of sail area. With the mast placement 53% aft the Sol Cat has increased buoyancy. Stepping the mast is easily accomplished by two people.
- 3 Sail plan.** Sol Cat's high aspect ratio enables you to develop maximum efficiency for the amount of sail area. Included with the mainsail are

ten fully tapered battens. The loose footed main allows for greater draft control through the adjustable boom batten.

- 4 Dagger boards.** The high aspect ratio boards with a carefully shaped airfoil give you a beautifully balanced boat and enables you to point closer to the wind than other catamaran designs. The housing for the dagger boards are integral with the hulls eliminating problems of cracking and leakage.

- 5 Mainsheet Traveler.** The Sol Cat uses a full roller traveler which allows for quick and easy fine tuning while underway.

- 6 Mainsheet Block.** The Sol Cat is equipped with championship racing block with self-lubricating bearings which allow for friction proof performance. When coupled with the mainsheet ratchet-block and cam cleat this gives you a 5 to 1 purchase ratio.

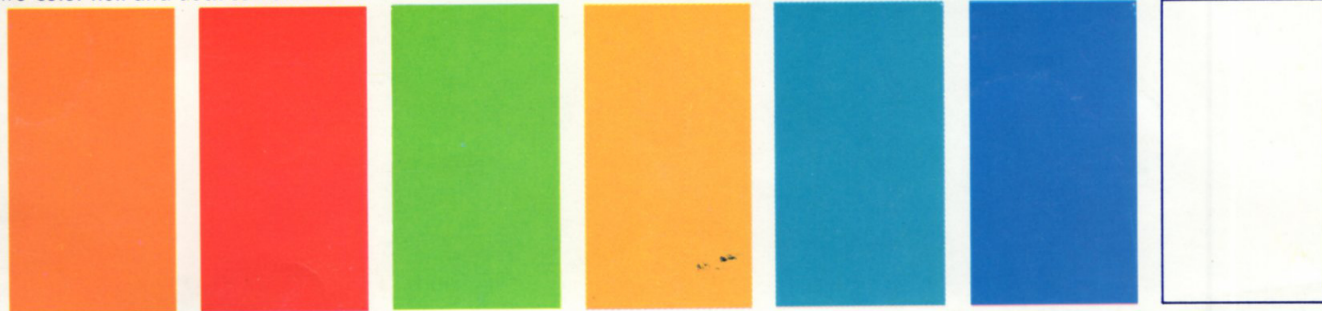
- 7 Mainsheet Ratchet-Camcleat.** The unitized ratchet-camcleat system gives the skipper tremendous holding power—when he needs it. Adjustment of the cam angle lets the cleats be moved to the most effective and comfortable angle.

- 8 Rudder System.** The anodized aluminum rudder housing provides a positive hold-down or kick-up allowing the skipper to know exact rudder position at all times. The lightweight fiberglass rudders are carefully shaped airfoils for maximum efficiency and sensitive control.

- 9 Adjustable Hiking Stick.** Made of hard-anodized aluminum, the adjustable hiking stick extends to a maximum of 74" giving you control from any position on the trampoline or trapeze.

- 10 Trampoline.** The large 6' x 7' trampoline gives the skipper and crew plenty of room to maneuver while providing maximum comfort and safety.

Two-color hull and deck combinations:



competition orange

tangerine

lime green

chrome yellow

sky blue

regatta blue

white

Available in any combination of two

Dealer name

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