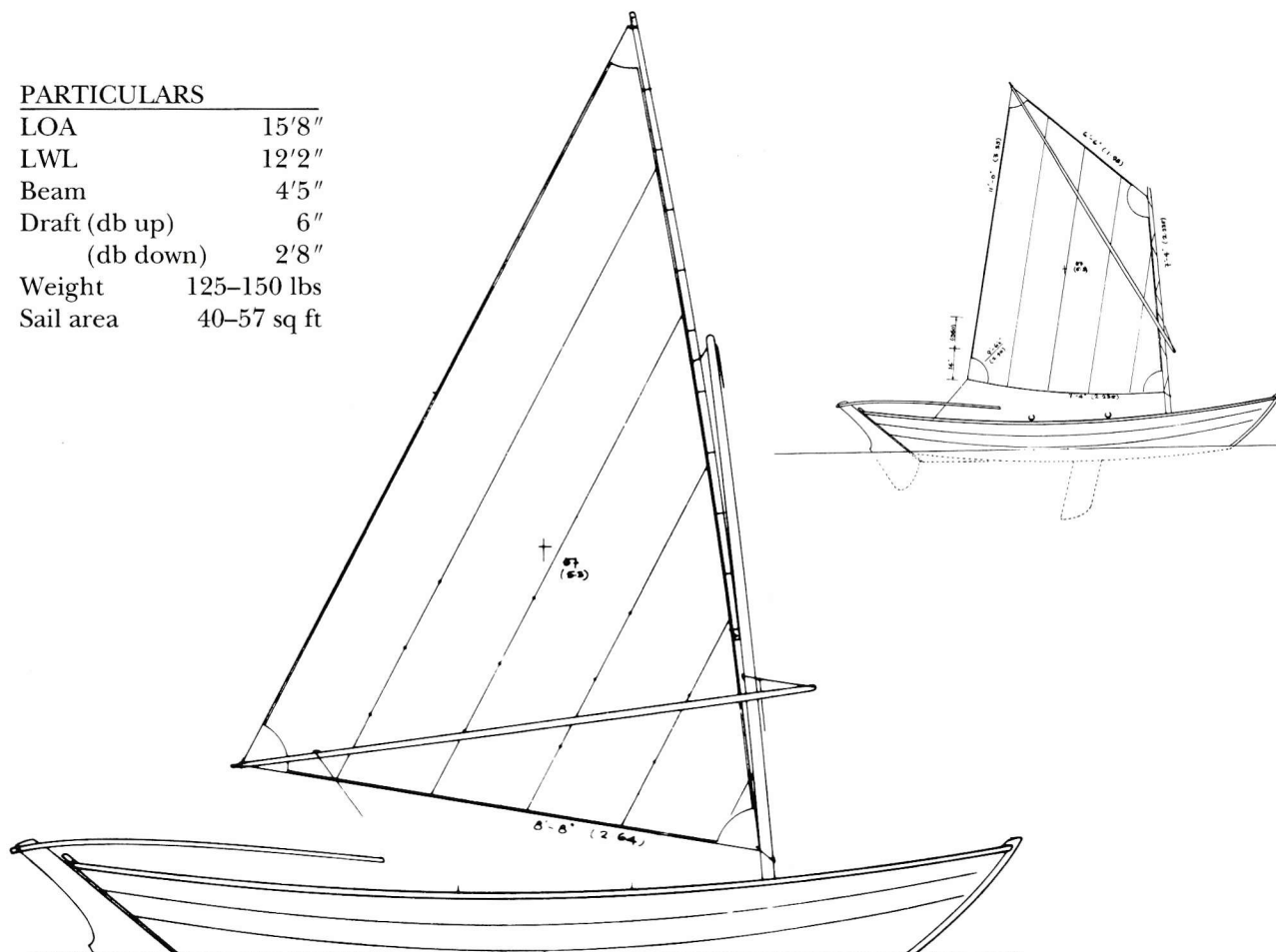


15'8" Stickleback Dory

by Iain Oughtred

PARTICULARS

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| LOA | 15'8" |
| LWL | 12'2" |
| Beam | 4'5" |
| Draft (db up) | 6" |
| (db down) | 2'8" |
| Weight | 125-150 lbs |
| Sail area | 40-57 sq ft |



The stickleback—a rather rakish anadromous fish whose life cycle involves both fresh and salt water—seems an apt choice of names for this fine design by Iain Oughtred. Here is a long and lean rowing-and-sailing machine which, at less than 16' overall, is a smaller, lighter, and handier version of his 18' John Dory (WB Plan No. 81).

Like her larger sister, this boat is a Swampscott—a very successful and shapely type among the various generic dory designs. The knuckle-sided hull gives her the performance characteristics of a round-bottomed craft, yet, at the same time, her flat bottom affords easier beaching and, in conjunction with the sawn frames, faster construction.

With the glued-seam, lapstrake-plywood construction preferred by Oughtred, his Stickleback weighs significantly less than the same boat built traditionally of solid lumber, though scantlings are provided for that option.

This dory can be finished out as either a light- or moderate-duty workboat (Swampscotts, as a breed, began as commercial fishing craft), including a built-in well for

a small outboard motor. Or she can be dressed out in a number of recreational setups that enable the builder to mix and match, including: open or partially decked rowing or sailing layouts with or without the buoyancy and dry stowage of watertight compartments; and three different sail plans (one sprit and two gunter rigs) along with either a rigid or lifting rudder and daggerboard. There are, as with all of Oughtred's work, additional minor modifications of parts and rigging indicated on the plans, allowing ample opportunity for customizing.

The building sequence for Oughtred's dories is illustrated in a step-by-step booklet using drawings for the plywood hull construction, and photographs for the numerous details involved in completion and fitting out. Full-sized patterns for the plank lands and hull structure eliminate the lofting process.

The Stickleback plans are on four sheets: lines and sail plans, construction, and full-sized patterns. Included in the plans set are a materials schedule, construction notes, and the dory-building booklet described above. WB Plan No. 86. \$80.00