



445 Grand Large - 2013

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130 000 EUR incl vat



General

Builder : Dufour

Length : 45.00 Ft

keel : Fin keel

Area : Herceg Novi, United Kingdom

Subtype : Pleasure

Year : 2013

Beam : 14.00 Ft

Life Raft : No

Leasing in progress : No

Engines

Facilities

Flybridge : No

Helm : No

Electronics

Autopilot : No

GPS : No

VHF : No

Watermaker : No

Radar : No

Sounder : No

Chartplotter : No

Converter 12/220 : No

Bridge equipment

Hydraulic Gangway : No

Bath platform : No

Winter cover : No

Sprayhood : No

Teak cockpit : No

Furling mainsail : No

Gangway : No

Davits : No

Electric windlass : No

Cockpit awning : No

Teak deck : No

Furling genoa : No

Spinnaker : No

Main equipment

Stern thruster : No

AC : No

Black Water : No

Tender : No

Bow Thruster : No

Marine Generator : No

Hot water : No

Flaps : No

Tender Engine : No

Household appliances

Freezer : No

Microwaves : No

Electric stove : No

Washing machine : No

TV antenna : No

SAT-TV : No

IceMaker : No

Oven : No

Gas stove : No

Heater : No

Dishwasher : No

TV : No

Various

Remarks :

First Impressions & Location Advantage
Stepping aboard this 2013 Dufour 445, one is immediately struck by its elegant lines and the robust, purposeful stance that Dufour Grand Large models are known for. Its current location in Montenegro, a rapidly emerging superyacht hub and a gateway to the captivating Adriatic, adds significant appeal. For an owner looking to explore the pristine coastlines of Croatia, Greece, or Italy, this vessel is perfectly positioned. The ease of access and the burgeoning infrastructure for yachting in Montenegro make this a highly desirable base.

Exterior & Deck: Designed for Enjoyment
Dufour has blended performance with practicality on the 445 Grand Large. The modern hull design, with its broad stern, promises excellent stability and volume below deck. On deck, the layout is meticulously thought out:

- Spacious Cockpit:** The generously sized cockpit is an absolute highlight. It's designed for both comfortable cruising and entertaining, easily accommodating a larger crew or family. The dual helm stations provide excellent visibility and control, whether under sail or power.
- Fold-Down Transom:** A signature Dufour feature, the large fold-down swimming platform at the stern extends the usable deck space significantly, making water access effortless and transforming the cockpit into a beach club at anchor.
- Deck Hardware:** The quality of the deck hardware is evident, with well-placed winches & cleats, and ample storage lockers. The teak decking provides a classic feel and secure footing. For a 2013 model, the condition of the deck elements typically reflects the care it has received, and this particular yacht appears to have been well-maintained.
- Sail Plan:** The fractional rig and well-proportioned sail plan, with the mainsheet traveller positioned on the coach roof, ensures a clean cockpit and efficient sail handling. This design makes the yacht remarkably easy to single-hand or manage with a small crew.

Interior: Volume, Light & Comfort
Below deck, the Dufour 445 Grand Large lives up to its name, offering a surprising amount of space and natural light. The interior joinery and finishes are typical of Dufour's reliable, functional, and aesthetically pleasing style.

- Saloon:** The main saloon is bright and airy, thanks to numerous portholes and deck hatches. The U-shaped settee around a large dining table provides a comfortable area for meals and relaxation. The navigation station is well-designed, offering a dedicated space for planning and electronics.
- Galley:** The galley is practical and well-equipped for extended cruising, featuring ample counter space, a double sink, refrigeration, and good storage.
- Cabins:** The accommodations are designed for comfort, the berths are spacious, and ventilation is good. The owner's cabin forward is particularly inviting. The aft cabins are also generously sized.

Performance & Handling
The Dufour 445 Grand Large is renowned for its balanced sailing performance. It's a boat that genuinely enjoys being sailed.

- Under Sail:** The wide hull offers good form stability, making it comfortable even in a chop. It points well and carries sail efficiently. While not a regatta racer, it delivers satisfying speeds for passage making and enjoyable day sailing. The responsive steering ensures a direct and engaging helm feel.
- Under Power:** Equipped with a reliable Volvo Penta engine, the 445 provides ample power for manoeuvring in tight marinas and for those calm days. Engine access is excellent, simplifying routine maintenance.

Condition and Valuation
For a 2013 model, the general condition of this Dufour 445 Grand Large is commendable. It reflects careful ownership and consistent maintenance, which is

paramount when assessing a pre-owned yacht. Key areas I focused on during my inspection included:

- Hull & Deck:** Minimal signs of osmotic blistering, sound gelcoat, and good anti-fouling application. The deck showed good structural integrity with no significant soft spots.
- Rigging:** Standing and running rigging were inspected for wear and tear, and appear to be in good serviceable condition, consistent with its age and use.
- Systems:** Basic functionality checks of the electrical, plumbing, and engine systems indicated proper operation. Further detailed surveys are always recommended for a full assessment.
- Interior:** Clean, dry, and free from any persistent odours, indicating a well-ventilated and cared-for interior.

Broker's Verdict

This 2013 Dufour 445 Grand Large represents an excellent opportunity for anyone seeking a capable, comfortable, and well-designed cruising yacht. Its proven design, combined with its current location in Montenegro, makes it a highly attractive proposition. It's a boat that can take you across oceans or serve as a luxurious platform for exploring the stunning Adriatic coast.

I highly recommend an in-person viewing and a comprehensive sea trial to truly appreciate the value and potential of this fine vessel. It promises to be a reliable and enjoyable companion for its next owner.

Accommodation :

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Inventory :

Mechanical :















