



31 ft - 1973

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5 000 EUR incl vat



General

Year : 1973

Beam : 9.84 Ft

Life Raft : No

Leasing in progress : No

Builder : Contest

Length : 32.81 Ft

Hull : Monohull

Area : , Netherlands

Engines

Model : 20GM

Power Unit. (HP) : 20

Tank : 80 L

Engine Brand : Yanmar

Engine(s) : 1

Hours : 500

Facilities

Flybridge : No

Helm : No

Electronics

Autopilot : No

Sounder : Yes

Chartplotter : No

Converter 12/220 : No

Radar : No

Pilot details : <p>true</p>

GPS : Yes

VHF : Yes

Watermaker : No

Bridge equipment

Hydrolic Gangway : No

Bath platform : No

Winter cover : No

Sprayhood : Yes

Teak cockpit : No

Furling mainsail : No

Mast : 1

Gangway : No

Davits : No

Electric windlass : No

Cockpit awning : No

Teak deck : No

Furling genoa : Yes

Spinnaker : No

Main equipment

Stern thruster : No

AC : No

Black Water : Yes

Tender : No

Bow Thruster : Yes

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

<p>Contest 31 ft now in the online auction. everyone can bid until 16 February 2026.

<h2>Contest 31 ft â#128;“ Classic Sailboat with Character and Seaworthy Performance</h2><p>The Contest 31 ft, built in 1973 by the renowned Dutch shipyard Contest Yachts, is a classic sailing yacht known for its robust construction, comfortable sailing characteristics, and timeless appearance. With a length of 10 meters, a width of 3 meters, and a draft of 1.50 meters, this vessel offers an excellent balance between stability, speed, and maneuverability. The S-shaped hull contributes to a smooth sea passage, even in rougher conditions, making this boat suitable for both inland waters and open sea.</p><h3>Contest 31 ft now in the online auction. Everyone can bid until February 16, 2026.</h3><h3>Comfortable and Functional Layout</h3><p>Inside, the Contest 31 offers a surprisingly spacious and practical layout. The headroom of 1.90 meters ensures a pleasant stay on board, even for extended periods. There are five fixed berths, divided between the saloon and the fore cabin, making the ship suitable for families or small groups. The dining area is centrally located and offers ample seating, while the galley is equipped with a stove and refrigerator, ideal for multi-day trips. A manual toilet is present, with direct discharge to open water.</p><p>The water tank has a capacity of 240 liters, and the waste tank offers space for 100 liters, contributing to comfort and autonomy during longer journeys. Although the ship does not have a built-in heating system, the interior is well-insulated and provides shelter from the elements.</p><h3>Sailing Performance and Rigging</h3><p>The Contest 31 is equipped with an aluminum mast and a complete sail plan, consisting of a mainsail, genoa, jib, and storm jib. The genoa is equipped with a roller system, which simplifies sailing under changing conditions. Lazy jacks and halyards at the mast make hoisting and lowering the sails efficient. The sails are in functional condition and suitable for both recreational and sporty use.</p><p>The steering is done via a wheel in the cockpit, with a single rudder. The boat is easily manageable, even solo or with a small crew. The autopilot contributes to comfort during longer crossings. The Contest 31 has proven itself at home on both inland waters and at sea, with previous trips to England, France, Norway, and even Canada.</p><h3>Engine and Electrical Installation</h3><p>The boat is equipped with a Yanmar 20GM inboard diesel engine from 2006, with a power of 20 hp. The engine has approximately 500 running hours and is electrically started. With a cruising speed of 10 km/h and a maximum speed of 15 km/h, the engine provides sufficient power for harbor maneuvers and motor sailing. The fuel consumption is around 1.2 liters per hour, with a tank capacity of 80 liters.</p><p>The electrical installation is extensive and includes shore power, a battery charger, alternator, inverter, voltmeter, and a solar panel. Two batteries supply power to the onboard network, with sufficient capacity for navigation, lighting, and communication equipment. The double fuse panels ensure an organized and safe power distribution.</p><h3>Navigation and Safety</h3><p>The navigation equipment is modern and functional, including AIS, GPS, depth meter, log/speedometer, wind meter, compass, and VHF radio. Navigation is done via Wi-Fi, allowing the use of a tablet, smartphone, or laptop. The fixed microphone in the cabin and handheld microphone in the cockpit ensure good communication on the water. Navigation lights, deck light, and interior lighting are present.</p><p>In terms of safety, the boat is equipped with a self-draining cockpit, lifebuoy with flare, manual bilge pump, and various life jackets. An electric anchor winch with chain and line makes anchoring easy and safe.</p><h3>Exterior Equipment and Appearance</h3><p>The exterior equipment of the Contest 31 includes a sprayhood, cockpit tent, deck covers, outdoor deck cushions, swim ladder, fenders, and lines. The guardrail provides extra safety on deck. The boat regularly attracts attention in harbors due to its classic lines and authentic appearance. The polyester hull is solidly built and reflects the quality of Dutch yacht building from the 1970s.</p><h3>Experience and Possibilities</h3><p>This Contest 31 is a

sailboat with a rich history and proven seaworthiness. The current owner has had the ship since 2016 and has made various trips with it, including to England and France. The previous owner sailed it to Canada and Norway. The boat is suitable for day trips, weekend trips, and longer vacations, and offers plenty of opportunities for adventurous sailors looking for a characterful ship with potential.</p><p>With its solid construction, functional equipment, and comfortable sailing characteristics, this Contest 31 is an attractive choice for sailing enthusiasts who value classic style and practical usability.</p></p>

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