



Tjalk - 1896

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General

Year : 1896

Length : 50.00 Ft

Draft : 0.00 Ft

Area : Port Medway, Kent, United Kingdom

Builder : Dutch Yacht Builders

Material : Steel

Beam : 13.00 Ft

Life Raft : No

Leasing in progress : No

Engines

Fuel : Diesel

Engine Brand : Ford 4D

Engine(s) : 1

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

Hydrolic 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 :

1896 Wide Beam Dutch Sailing Barge
— A Classic Restoration Opportunity

A rare and characterful **wide-beam Dutch sailing barge** with a fascinating history, offering an exciting opportunity for a new custodian to complete her restoration and bring her back to life.

Originally **built in Rotterdam in 1896** as a cargo vessel, she was **converted into a luxury private yacht in 1921** and later adapted for liveaboard use during the 1990s. Purchased in 2016 as a long-term project, much of the structural work is already complete — including a **full hull over-plating in 2018** by Jake Harris of South East Marine Engineering, carried out to a high standard.

This barge’s heritage is exceptional. She appears in **Lloyd’s Yacht Register (1936–1978)** and boasts a colourful ownership history, including members of the **Horniman family** and a **WWII RAF hero**. She has even raced across the Channel and once featured on a pub sign!

Much of her 1921 interior fit-out has been carefully removed, labelled and preserved, ready for reinstatement if desired. She retains many original features including:

- Solid bronze helm pedestal**
- Brass portholes and windows**
- Original mast (rare for a vessel of this age and type)**
- Ship’s bell, searchlights, and anchor mechanisms**

There’s **excellent volume below decks**, with graceful lines and the potential to create a stunning and spacious home afloat. The large forward cabin could easily transform into an open-plan saloon or dining area.

Work Still Required

- Rudder missing; leeboards require replacement or full restoration**
- Welding above gunwales, including the coachroof**
- Complete refit of electrics and water systems**
- Engine overhaul or replacement needed**
- Bilges and the engine room require cleaning and painting**

The **most expensive and difficult stage — the hull — is already completed**, making this a superb foundation for a rewarding refit or unique liveaboard conversion. A beautiful and historic barge with enormous potential — when restored, she will undoubtedly turn heads in any harbour or marina.

Offered for sale — as seen. Buyers are advised to carry out their own inspection.

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Accommodation :

The interior has been stripped back, providing a clean, blank canvas ready for refit and custom design.

Previously, the layout comprised a cockpit with helm position, a spacious saloon with desk, chart table and traditional dressers, two cabins, a galley, and a shower room with toilet and basin.

The engine is located beneath the cockpit, maintaining excellent balance and easy access.

On deck, the sizeable foredeck retains its original cargo hatch along with several smaller deck hatches, all offering charm and opportunity for restoration or tasteful replacement

Inventory :

Safety Equipment

- Fire Blanket

Navigation Equipment

- Compass - in need of overhaul
- Navigation lights - in need of overhaul or replacement

Deck Equipment

- Anchor Fishermans - with chain
- Windlass - Manual
- 2 x Mooring warps

Keel/Hull

Steel bilge keel, rounded hull, with a transom-mounted rudder (rudder missing) and Leeboards that are in poor condition.

History && Construction:

Built in 1896 as a cargo vessel, she was fitted out as a luxury yacht in 1921 and converted to a liveaboard in the 90's. She was purchased by the current owners in 2016 as a family project to restore her. The hull was completely over-plated in mild steel in 2018, and much of the 1921 fit-out has been removed piece by piece and marked and stored.

The owners are selling due to a change in circumstances means that she needs to be sold.

Title Documents:

When preparing these details, we have seen the following documentation:

- Bill of Sale in the owner's name.
- Proof of location on 31st December 2020

Marine Insurance:

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Mechanical :

Spars && Sails:

This Dutch barge sailing yacht has a Gaff masthead rig with a wooden mast and boom with stainless steel standing rigging, age unknown, with a manually adjustable backstay. All standing rigging, winches and running rigging will need to be checked and potentially replaced.

There is a mainsail, age unknown, in red canvas that will also need to be replaced as its condition is poor.

Mechanical Systems

This barge has a single Ford 4D diesel engine with a shaft drive to a 3-blade prop. The engine will require a complete overhaul or may need to be replaced.

Electrical Systems

There are

currently no electrical systems in the vessel. It will need to be fully rewired an appropriate battery and 240v electrical system installed.













































