41 AC - 1980

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General

Length : 41.01 Ft
Draft : 5.91 Ft
Area : Cardiff,

Year : 1980
Beam : 12.24 Ft
Life Raft : No
Leasing in progress : No

Engines

Fuel : Diesel
Power Unit. (HP) : 65

Engine Brand : Perkins Sabre Diesel
Engine(s) : 1

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Facilities

Berth : 9
Flybridge : No
Sailor Cabin : 3
Helm : No

Electronics

Autopilot : Yes
GPS : Yes
VHF : Yes
Watermaker : No
Radar : Yes
Sounder : Yes
Chartplotter : Yes
Converter 12/220 : No

Bridge equipment

Hydrolic Gangway : No
Bath platform : No
Winter cover : No
Sprayhood : Yes
Teak cockpit : No
Furling mainsail : No
Gangway : No
Davits : No
Electric windlass : Yes
Cockpit awning : No
Teak deck : No
Furling genoa : No
Spinnaker : Yes

Main equipment

Stern thruster : No
AC : No
Black Water : No
Tender : No
Bow Thruster : No
Marine Generator : Yes
Hot water : No
Flaps : No
Tender Engine : No

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Household appliances

Fridge : 1
Oven : Yes
Gas stove : No
Heater : Yes
Dishwasher : No
TV : No
IceMaker : No
Freezer : Yes
Microwaves : Yes
Electric stove : No
Washing machine : No
TV antenna : No
SAT-TV : No

Various

Broker Remarks
PART EXCHANGE & FINANCE AVAILABLE

GENERAL REMARKS
Border Rival is a Rival 41 Aft Cockpit with just three owners since new, known for her solid construction, sea-kindly design, and reputation as a true blue-water yacht. The current owners have had her for nearly a decade, during which she has been upgraded extensively with new standing rigging, renewed Treadmaster, updated teak, modern Raymarine navigation systems, and much more. She comes with a full history of receipts and a detailed maintenance spreadsheet.
When last surveyed out of the water, some early signs of osmosis were noted, though without delamination. Importantly, she has been priced to reflect this and remains a very capable yacht with huge potential for continued long-distance cruising. With her combination of solid build quality, extensive inventory, and thoughtful upgrades, Border Rival represents a fantastic opportunity for anyone looking for a proven offshore design that is ready to be enjoyed and further personalised.
BROKER REMARKS
I'm not often moved to make personal remarks on a given yacht, but in the case of Border Rival I feel compelled to do so. I first encountered this boat nearly ten years ago when she was ashore in Cardiff under her previous ownership. What struck me then, as now, is how immediately attractive she is on the eye, while at the same time radiating the sturdiness and confidence of a true offshore cruiser. Step aboard and you feel straight away that this is a yacht built to take you anywhere. The Rival “keyhole” bulkhead in the saloon is an enduring hallmark of the marque, and for my money it makes the 41 AC one of the finest distance cruising layouts of its era.
Seeing her again under her present ownership, it's clear how well she has been cared for and continuously invested in. The upgrades to rigging, electronics, and interior systems show both attention and commitment, while details like the condition of the external woodwork and the thoughtful sail wardrobe underline the love and money that has gone into keeping her in good order. Of course, like any yacht of this age, there are some routine maintenance items and natural signs of wear that a new owner will expect to address in time, but these pale against the backdrop of a well-found, generously equipped yacht with a proven blue-water pedigree.
In short, Border Rival is one of those rare yachts that makes you pause. She is handsome, immensely capable, and clearly cherished. For a sailor looking for a trustworthy, ocean-ready yacht with character and substance, she is well worth serious consideration.

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Accommodation
<h2>Saloon</h2>

Large U-shaped seating to port with height adjustable table

Bench seating to starboard, with pilot berth and lee cloths

Upholstered steel mast support in saloon

Multiple lockers (alcove, cave and under-seat)

Curtains to windows, overhead skylight

Stereo/CD player with USB port and saloon speakers

Refitted fiddles and galley varnish work (2022)

LED bulbs installed in saloon and galley (2018)

<h2>Galley</h2>

Force 10 gimballed 4-burner stove with oven and grill

Stainless steel fridge and freezer with Frigoboat compressor, auto-switching to shorepower

Stainless steel sink with mixer tap, fresh and saltwater hand pumps

Crockery storage and ample lockers

<h2>Forward Cabin</h2>

Double V-berth (or two singles) with storage under

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Hanging locker, drawers, and access to bow thruster battery

Ensuite forward heads

<h2>Forward Heads</h2>

Baby Blake WC

Stainless steel basin with hot/cold mixer and shower head

Lockers and mirror

<h2>Aft Cabin</h2>

Double berth with lee cloth plus pilot berth

Multiple lockers, drawers, hanging space

Access hatches to engine sides

EPIRB storage

<h2>Aft Heads</h2>

Jabsco compact WC

Stainless steel basin with shower head mixer

Teak grating with shower sump and pump

Mirror and lockers

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Mechanical and Rigging
Hull and Construction

GRP hull and deck mouldings

Epoxy coated with 5 coats of Gelshield 200 (2002)

Long fin keel with full skeg, internal ballast

Bronze through-hull fittings with Blakes tapered seacocks

Treadmaster deck covering, renewed with additional panelling, gunnel capping and rubbing strake belting (2018)

Deck fittings renewed, including winch pads, block pads, jackstaff, dorade boxes, grabrails, cockpit slates, teak hatch frame and sole grating (2018)

Hatch repair (2018)

Companionway varnish and refinishing (2018)

Wash, cut and polish (2017)

Repair of unwanted hull fitting holes (2017)

Antifoul and service of seacocks (2017)

<h2>Engine and Systems</h2>

Perkins/Sabre M65 65hp diesel (2000), replacing original Perkins 4.108

Hurth HBW 250-2R reversing gearbox

Maxprop three-bladed feathering propeller via Aqua Drive coupling

Sleipner SP75T bow thruster (4.4Kw / 75kg thrust)

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70 gallons stainless steel fuel tank with gauge

New zinc anode, engine waterpipe, and steering arm cleaned (2016)

Cold water pump replaced (2016)

Engine services: 2017, 2020, 2022, 2024

Stern gland packing, gearbox and control levers checked (2018)

New Jabsco water pump (2023)

Fresh water pump refit & diesel drain tap (2022)

Manual bilge pump serviced, impeller replaced (2020)

Mechanical bilge pump engine mounted fitted/refitted (2020, 2022) - serviced in 2024

Engine coolant replaced (2022)

Bow toilet seacock tightened, stern toilet outlet pipe leak repaired, bilge pump and steering tested (2024)

New engine soundproofing kit available

<h2>Rigging and Sails</h2>

Sloop rig, deck-stepped alloy mast and boom with twin spinnaker poles plus jockey pole

Mast air draught 18m incl. VHF aerial

Separate trysail track

Stainless steel standing rigging (replaced 2018, with new Selden cheeks)

Guardwires replaced (2018)

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Winches serviced (2018)

Sprayhood & boom cover washed, reproofed and repaired (2018, 2022, 2024)

Dodgers washed, reproofed, stitched and repaired (2018)

Ratsey & Lapthorne mainsail with slab reefing (3 reefs)

Ratsey & Lapthorne roller genoa

Reckmann furling system

Ratsey & Lapthorne spinnaker, working jib, trysail, storm jib, ghoster, cruising chute

Crusader heavy weather staysail

Storm jib washed and serviced (2020)

Mainsail and roller genoa winter serviced (2022)

Winches: 2 x Lewmar 45ST, 2 x Lewmar 42ST, multiple Lewmar 40ST, 30ST, 16ST across mast, mainsheet and traveller

<h2>Cockpit and Deck</h2>

Spacious aft cockpit

Whitlock Mamba wheel steering with emergency tiller

Raymarine ST8001 autopilot with SBG course computer (linked to steering)

Aries servo-paddle windvane self-steering

Cockpit sprayhood, dodgers and mainsail cover

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Cockpit teak fittings and varnished binnacle base (2022)

Mooring warps and fenders (new lines 2022)

Substantial stainless steel double roller stemhead fitting

Pulpit, pushpit and guardrails in stainless steel

Teak toe rails, rubbing strake and cockpit grating

Multiple cleats, fairleads and U-bolts for secure mooring and rigging

Binnacle compass (Sestrel)

Inventory
<h2>Navigation Equipment and Electronics</h2>

Raymarine Quantum radar (2018)

Raymarine Axiom 9 chartplotter (2019, at chart table)

Garmin 4012 chartplotter (cockpit)

Raymarine i50 Tridata and i50 Wind instruments (2017, with repeater at chart table)

Mast rewiring and new depth, speed, wind transducers fitted (2017)

Mast LEDs installed (2018)

Alternator and low-voltage battery alarm (2018)

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HDRi regulator fitted to wind generator (2018)

Axiom chart plotter installation (2019)

Saloon conduits rewired, redundant wiring removed, depth transducer cable tidied, autohelm drive motor serviced (2020)

New sockets, galvanic isolator, anode fitted (2020)

Icom IC-M505 DSC VHF

Yaesu FRG-100 long-range receiver

EPIRB: Smartfind G5 (registered)

<h2>Safety and Miscellaneous</h2>

Lifebuoys x2 with lights and danbuoy

Echomax radar reflector (mast mounted)

Manual bilge pump in cockpit

Engine-driven Jabsco bilge pump

Plastimo bilge blower (2020)

Fire extinguishers renewed (2024), fire blanket, smoke alarm

Jackstays, harness points, MOB recovery kit

Aquasignal Series 40 tricolour/anchor light (2016)

Smoke alarms, carbon monoxide monitor (2016)

Zodiac inflatable tender with removable floor

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