

Caroff Mangareva 38 “La Diva”

“Pulau” (now “La Diva”) was built in Castanet-Tolosan near Toulouse in France. She is a Mangareva 38 and the first owner, Claude Poher, was a friend of Eric Taberley, one of France's most famous sailors. He named her “Tabher”, a combination of their two names. He was an engineer and sailed her across the Atlantic before selling her to three young engineers who sailed her to Singapore where she was sold to yet another French engineer. The interior was very basic with unnamed ply doors so the next owners had 34 new teak louvre doors made. They installed a new Yanmar engine in 1998. They (the fourth owners) moved on board in 1989 with their four year old son and lived on the boat for five years. They lived aboard in SE Asia, cruising Labuan and the other Malaysian islands. The fifth owner sailed the boat to Australia in 2000.