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Birdsall 17m Expedition Motor Yacht



Designed and built to cross oceans in safety and comfort, this professionally-built Birdsall Motor Yacht has just returned from another season cruising the Pacific and with summer maintenance complete she is fully equipped and ready to go again.

The round bilge hull, decks and Portuguese bridge was built by Trans Ocean Yachts from ¼ inch computer-cut steel utilising close-frame stringer-less box-sections and girders to ship-type scantlings.

The GRP composite superstructure was professionally built by Dean Grice Boat Builders and the interior fit-out was by Salthouse Marine Group in white American oak to a very high standard.

Highly regarded for her robust build and obvious aesthetic appeal, Scotsman is a serious passage-maker and a standout in her class. Powered by a single Gardner 6LXBT 250HP turbo diesel, she cruises effortlessly at 8 to 9 knots with an approximate 15L fuel burn at 8 knots giving ample range for Pacific-wide voyaging.



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The layout and accommodation is generous and functional. The large Portuguese bridge with twin helm doors; comfortable seating and excellent forward visibility is equally matched by the comfort and space offered in aft-opening saloon. The master cabin has a full queen-size walk-around with private ensuite and ample stowage for cruising while the second cabin forward provides options for four singles or a large double and twin singles. A day head and pilot berth is located midships in the lower companionway.

The saloon is warm and inviting with practical aft-facing galley and breakfast bar, L-shaped dining, generous cabinetry and storage and fabulous visibility opening onto the cockpit with convenient walk-thru to the transom.

Equipped with powerful bow thruster, new Open Ocean water maker, 6.5kVa generator, upgraded electronics, Starlink and new IVC safety equipment, everything is onboard for a speedy winter departure. A September 2023 survey is available for viewing.

Specifications:

LOA	16.80m
Beam	5.00m
Draft	1.80m
Displacement	35000KG
Launch	1996

Designer	Beau Birdsall
Builder (Hull and decks)	Trans Ocean Marine (NZ)
Superstructure	Dean Grice (professional)
Interior	Salthouse Marine Group
Model	Birdsall Expedition Motor Yacht
Construction hull	1/4 inch (7mm) computer cut steel (round bilge)
Deck/cabin top	Composite Timber/GRP
Interior	White American Oak cabinetry

Fuel	6000l – 4 x steel tanks (inspected and cleaned 2022)
Water	4000L 5 x steel tanks
Water maker	230V 2025 Open Ocean 120L/PH
Range	3000NM @ 8.0 knots (Est)
Cruise speed	8 – 9 knots (1150 – 1200 rpm)
Sprint	11 knots



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Mechanical

Engine	Gardner 6LXBT 250HP Turbo
Drive	Shaft 3" stainless steel
Gearbox	ZF IRM 350AL 3:1 reduction
Stations	Single – bridge deck
Year	1996 approx
Hours	5500 approx
Propeller	40" four-blade bronze
Thruster	Side Power 24V

Electrical

Current EWoF	Yes - current
Shore power cord	Yes
DC 12V switching	Lighting, pumps, domestic appliances
DC 24V switching	Dinghy winch, windlass, bow thruster
AC switching	Switchboard
Batteries house	AGM 260AH x 2 new 2025
Start	N120 24V x 2
Generator	Isuzu 3KC1EA-03 6.5 kVa
Generator hours	3463
Generator battery	N70 12V
Battery inverter	Victron 2000W
Battery charger	CTEC MXT14
Battery monitoring	BEP
230V outlets	yes

Electronics

Chart plotter	12" Furuno MFD – new charts NZ/Sth Pac 2025
Radar	Furuno
Depth/fish	Furuno
Autopilot control head	Simrad
Auto pilot pump	Roberston - hydraulic



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Electronics cont:

VHF Radio	Furuno FM 2610
SSB	Furuno (requires repair – receive only)
Stereo	Bose
TV	Samsung flat screen saloon TV with sound bar
Search light	Electric – new 2025
Compass	Sentral
Wipers	Yes

Communications

Internet	Starlink high performance – new 2025 Starlink Wi-Fi router installed as back-up
Modem	Huawei 4G primary Wi-Fi – new 2025
Antenna	Omni-directional 4G
AIS	Digital yacht AIT5000 with VHF splitter, NMEA & Wi-Fi
Tracking	Predict Wind data hub – up/down via Starlink/4G – new 2025



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Computer MSI Cubi Mini Windows 11 Pro– 16GB quad core
18.5” daylight screen, dedicated 250W inverter – all new 2025

Accommodation Owners stateroom midships with ensuite.
Full walk-around queen size bed.
Forward cabin. Currently set up with 4 singles but ample room to create
large double and twin singles
Single pilot/navigators berth midship lower companionway

Domestic

Refrigeration Fridges x 2, 1 x freezer – off compressor - 1 x 12V fridge
Oven LPG four burner hob, oven and grill
Microwave Panasonic
Hot water AC/genset/engine 44L cylinder
Shower/s 1 x internal enclosed and 1 x external cockpit
Toilet/s 2 x electric flush
Black water 120L monitored holding tank – new 2025
Washdown Yes x 2 H&C

Ground tackle

Windlass Muir Thor horizontal 24V
Anchor/s 50KG Delta/spare plough
Chain 100M 5/8ths – 100m spare warp/chain



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Deck

Rig	Alloy single spreader mast/boom – heavily rigged 1x19 SS
Stabiliser/s	Heavy duty flopper stoppers off mast
Sail/s	Heavy steadying sail/emergency genoa
Dinghy	3.0m rigid hull Hypalon RIB
Cradle	Yes
Dinghy crane	24V with remote
Outboard	Honda 15hp – new 2025
Cockpit squabs	Yes

Safety

Bilge pumps	4 x electric – lazarette, engine, midships, forward
Fire extinguisher/s	1 x CO2 3 x dry powder
EPIRB	GME Accusat
Lifebuoy/s	Yes x 3
Liferaft	HAF Cat 1 6 person – new 2025
Flares	Offshore – new 2025
Life jackets	x 6 SOLAS type

Fire blanket	yes x 2
First Aid	Oceania Offshore Cat 1 – new 2025
Defibrillator	AED – new 2025



Broker's notes:

Prior to departing for Tonga in May 2025, *Scotsman* underwent considerable preventive maintenance including but not limited to: Removal and crack-testing of the propeller and rudder shafts; Complete servicing of the engine including overhaul of the Gardner water pump, turbo and all hydraulic lines, hoses and belts. The commercial-grade refrigeration compressor was fully checked and tested and performed faultlessly in tropical conditions. New AGM house batteries were fitted and a new starter motor installed on the Gardner.

A new Open Ocean water maker was installed along with a new 120 litre black water holding tank with macerator pump. The onboard satellite communications equipment was upgraded to the latest spec with Starlink and the Furuno navigation system upgraded with the latest electronic charts for New Zealand and the South Pacific.



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All safety equipment required to meet the new International Voyage Certificate requirements was purchased new and remains in-date.

On her return to New Zealand, *Scotsman* was placed on the hard at Mahurangi for seasonal maintenance including anti-foul, prop speed to running surfaces and new anodes. The engine and generator have recently been serviced and the vessel is offered in turn-key condition. A September 2023 pre-purchase survey and ultrasound of the hull and topsides thickness is available to be viewed by interested parties.

The vendors' have commented that *Scotsman* performed faultlessly while offshore and proved to be economical, sea-kindly and - above all else - predictable and manageable in the full range of offshore conditions.



Cockpit:



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Gardner 6LBXT 250HP Turbo charged



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