PHILIP RHODES 47 FT YAWL 1947 - SOLD



Specification

INFANTA

PHILIP RHODES 47 FT YAWL 1947

Designer	Philip Rhodes	Length waterline	32 ft 0 in / 9.76 m	Engine	Beta 38 Diesel
Builder	Kretzer Boat Works, City Island, New York	Beam	64 ft 4 in / 19.6 m	Location	United Kingdom
Date	1947	Draft	6 ft 9 in / 2.06 m	Price	Sold
Length overall	50 ft 10 in / 15.5 m	Displacement	14 Tonnes		
Length deck	46 ft 11 in / 14.3 m	Construction	Carvel - mahogany on oak with laminated frames		

These details are provisional and may be amended

Specification

BROKER'S COMMENTS

It has been said that Philip Rhodes designs were moderate in all respects except for their beauty and performance - INFANTA is a perfect example of this with strongly curving sheer and with overhangs that are not extreme. She is more striking to the eye than many vessels that appear to try a lot harder. Under current ownership INFANTA won hearts at the British Classic Yacht Club Regatta taking the \'Je Ne Sais Quoi' Award (2008) and later in the year, at the Transat Classique Lagasse she took the Trophee de l'elegance - a vessel that has not purely good looks, INFANTA finished a very creditable 7th in the race across the Atlantic and is now proving the perfect cruising boat among the islands. Most recently she took 1st prize in the Vintage class at the Antigua Classic Yacht Regatta and came second in the Concours d'Elegance. INFANTA is perhaps the perfect size; more than able to cross oceans (and be the belle of the ball when she arrives!) but also perfectly manageable for a crew of two in the Solent.

© Sandeman Yacht Company Limited 2026. A member of the ABYA.

PHILIP RHODES 47 FT YAWL 1947

Specification

HISTORY

Launched in 1947 only a little is known about INFANTA prior to the 1980s, when she was acquired in a very dilapidated state; The then new owner undertaking major work including new keel bolts, floors, reframing with laminated frames, refastening, rebuilding the forward coach-roof, new hull ceiling and cabin sole.

In 1991 she came into the joint ownership of a family with the Pease Classic Charter Company Inc. in the USA during which time further refurbishment added to the status of this fine yacht. She was sailed and raced enthusiastically out of Chatham often with a crew of youngsters many of whom still hold her in fond memory. In 2005 family circumstances ended the arrangement with Pease Boat Yard.

The present owners, acquiring INFANTA in 2006, shipped her to the UK and undertook the extensive refit and renewal throughout the winter of 2007 / 08. This distinctive, navy blue hulled, stylish American racing yawl has been sailed with great pride under the British Classic Yacht Club Commodore's burgee.

Among the original photographs of her launch in 1947 was a more recent letter to the then owners from one Bill Hudgins. The current owners traced this back to Edgartown in Martha's Vineyard, Massachusetts and Bill turned out to be the son of Houlder Hudgins who had INFANTA built originally; Bill appearing in the launch photos as a small boy. This new historic contact lay behind the inspiration to sail INFANTA to the Carribean in 2008, where she competed in the St Maarten and Antigua Classic Regattas. In June 2009 she sailed north to New York, through the city into Long Island Sound. Having been been the flagship at the India Horbor Yacht Club, Greenwich, Connecticut when Houlder Hudgins was Commodore in 1953, she was given a great reception on her return and Bill Hudgins reunited with INFANTA for the first time in many decades. En route to Martha's Vineyard INFANTA visited Newport RI and Bill Hudgins, now 72, sailed aboard her from his home town and the Edgartown Yacht Club. In August 2009, INFANTA returned to the UK via Halifax Nova Scotia and Vigo in Spain.

Race honours and prizes include:
1993: Best of Sail Restoration Award: Museum of Yachting, Newport, RI
1993: First Place: Sails around the Cape (new course record)
1993: First Place Class "G": Nantucket - Hyannis Figawi Race
Past Winner: Newport Classic Yacht Regatta
2000: First Place: Nantucket - Hyannis Figawi Race
2000: Best of Racing Class: Nantucket - Hyannis Figawi Race
2001: First Place: Nantucket - Hyannis Figawi Race
2008: 'Je Ne Sais Quoi' Award - British Classic Yacht Club Regatta
2008: Transat Classique Lagasse - Trophee de l'elegance
2009: St Maarten Classic Regatta - 1st in class
2009: Antigua Classic Week - 1st in her vintage class
2009: Taittinger Regatta - 5th in class
2009: NHS Cowes Regatta – 1st overall

Infanta is MCA coded Category 2 for charter and attained full ISAF compliance to compete in Le Transat Classique.

Specification

CONSTRUCTION

INFANTA has a large cockpit area (including a cockpit shower) and ample deck space. The cockpit is self draining with teak gratings and has 6 ft long side seating beneath deep coamings with stowage beneath. The raised after seat behind binnacle gives access to the lazarette below There are two box storage seats either side of mizzen mast.

Below she is spacious, light and airy, well laid out for cruising in comfort. The interior is finished in Butter Nut timber giving a beautiful soft glow in the lamplight. There's a butterfly hatch over the saloon.

She has seven berths; a separate "paid hand" cabin in the forepeak, a separate large owners' cabin with double bunk, and in the saloon a double bunk, a single settee berth and single pilot berth.

A step down leads into the saloon with a drop leaf dining table with central bottle storage. The settees both sides are extendable to double berths and have stowage beneath. The wood burning stove for comfort in cold conditions is against the fore bulk head. To port is a shelf with bookshelf above with leaded light cupboards for glasses and stereo either side.

Forward from the saloon is the separate head to port with under mounted washbasin in varnished walnut countertop and shower with teak grating. A large ornate mirror and stowage above and below complete.

Forward again is a separate spacious owners' cabin with a double bunk, large seating area plenty of locker space beneath with LED lighting to port. Opposite is corner seating, side board, chart table with drawer and cupboard

At the foot of the companionway is the galley (with the engine beneath). To starboard is a work surface and stainless sink. Behind is the food store and under sink cupboard with opening port above. The chart space and navigation instruments are to the side with fridge and cold store beneath. The pilot berth aft has stowage beneath. There's also a ¾ height cupboard. To port is the cooker with pan stowage beneath. A work surface is over the plate and china cupboard. There's additional food storage and an opening port above. The electrical panel is in a cupboard to the side. Doors behind the companionway reveal a large stowage space beneath the cockpit sole.

under, stowage above with LED lights below and a full length hanging cupboard. Ventilation is by a hatch over and 5 opening ports

In the forepeak is the "paid hands" cabin, separate from the other accommodation, with pipecot, its own head and accessed through the fore hatch (with light). The foc'sle also houses the chain locker, sheets and lines store.

Specification

ACCOMMODATION

INFANTA has a large cockpit area (including a cockpit shower) and ample deck space. The cockpit is self draining with teak gratings and has 6 ft long side seating beneath deep coamings with new upholstery and stowage beneath. The raised after seat behind binnacle gives access to the lazarette below. There are two box storage seats either side of mizzen mast.

Below she is spacious, light and airy, well laid out for cruising in comfort. The interior is finished in Butter Nut timber giving a beautiful soft glow in the lamplight. There's a butterfly hatch over the saloon.

She has seven berths; a separate "paid hand" cabin in the forepeak, a separate large owners' cabin with double bunk, and in the saloon a double bunk, a single settee berth and single pilot berth.

At the foot of the companionway is the galley (with the engine beneath). To starboard is a work surface and stainless sink. Behind is the food store and under sink cupboard with opening port above. The chart space and navigation instruments are to the side with fridge and cold store beneath. There's a ¾ height cupboard. To port is the cooker with pan stowage beneath. A work surface is over the plate and china cupboard. There's additional food storage and an opening port above. The electrical panel is in a cupboard to the side. Doors behind the companionway reveal a large stowage space beneath the cockpit sole.

A step down leads into the saloon with a drop leaf dining table with central bottle storage. The settees both sides are extendable to double berths and have stowage beneath. The wood burning stove for comfort in cold conditions is against the fore bulk head. To port is a shelf with bookshelf above with leaded light cupboards for glasses and stereo either side.

Forward from the saloon is the separate head to port with under mounted washbasin in varnished walnut countertop and shower with teak grating. A large ornate mirror and stowage above and below complete.

Forward again is a separate spacious owners' cabin with a double bunk, large seating area plenty of locker space beneath with LED lighting to port. Opposite is corner seating, side board, chart table with drawer and cupboard under, stowage above with LED lights below and a full length hanging cupboard. Ventilation is by a hatch over and 5 opening ports

In the forepeak is the "paid hands" cabin, separate from the other accommodation, with pipecot, its own head and accessed through the fore hatch (with light). The foc'sle also houses the chain locker, sheets and lines store.

Specification

RIG, SPARS AND SAILS

- Bermudan yawl rigged
- Mainmast: Sitka spruce 1998
- Main and mizzen
- standing rigging S/S replaced new 2007 (Spencers Rigging)
- running rigging replaced 2008
- Spruce spinnaker pole
- Schaefer Headsail furler 2007
- Blocks:
- Mainsheet 5 x original varnished walnut
- Staysail sheet 3 x original varnished walnut
- Jib Sheets 4 x original Spruce varnished snatch
- Mizzen sheet 3 x original oak
-Check stays - 4 x original oak and walnut

- Sails (all are serviceable and of mixed vintage)
- Mainsail, Trisail, Mizzen, Mizzen Staysail, Staysail, storm jib
- Furler sails:
1 Yankee, # 2 Yankee, # 1 Genoa (140%), # 2 Genoa (100%),
- Hank on sails:
1 Genoa, # 2 Genoa – for downwind Trades on temporary inner stay)
- Spinnakers:
1 masthead cross cut symmetric 0.9 oz
2 masthead radial cut symmetric1.5 oz

Specification

DECK EQUIPMENT AND GROUND TACKLE

- 45 lb CQR main anchor and chain
- 25 lb Danforth kedge with chain and rode
- Deal Electric Windlass – chain and rode

Winches:

Mizzen: 1 x Merriman Bros (Boston) No 2 bronze.

Covers:
- Foredeck hatch, fore hatch and saloon wing hatch – white with window panel 2008

Cockpit: 1 x Anderson S/S 40 2 speed mainsheet
Primary: 2 x Barient 32,2 speed self tail
Secondary: 2 x Barient 32, 2 speed
2 x Merriman Bros (Boston) No 4 chrome
Mainmast: 2 x Spinlock halyard jammers
2 x Lewmar 42, 2 speed self tail
1 x Merriman Bros (Boston) No 2 bronze
Main Boom: 2 x 16, 2 speed

- Staysail, Mainsail and Mizzen covers – white 2007
- Full cockpit cover – white 2008
- Full, walk under, sun waning (mainmast to mizzen) – white 2002

- Guard rails
- Teak cockpit table
- Lines fenders
- Fitted cockpit cushions
- Spruce boat hook

Specification

MECHANICAL ELECTRICAL AND TANKAGE

- The Beta 38 HP Diesel 1,500cc 7 knots at 2,700 rpm
- 3 bladed propellor
- BALMAR 621, 130 Amps twin belt alternator 2008
- 6 x 12 V, 110 AH sealed batteries – domestic 2008
- 1 x 12 V, engine starter unit 2008
- Masterlink BTM III battery monitor 2008
- ARS – 5, Voltage regulator (Smart Charge) 2007
- ProPower Q 12 V – 220 V inverter 2008
- 1 x 12 V power outlet

- Shore power supply to:
-Sterling battery charger 20 A
-3 x 220 three pin outlets
-Mains domestic water heater
- Original port, starboard running lights and stern light
- LED tricolour, and steaming light
- Spot light with cockpit socket
- Diesel 2 tanks: 1 x 120 litre, 1 x 60 litre
- 120 gallons fresh water in single tank
- Grey and black water tanks

Specification

DOMESTIC EQUIPMENT

- Hot water from engine calorific converter and / or mains shore supply
- DESSALATOR D-60 water maker (60 litres / hr) 2008
- Pressurised hot and cold water to galley mixer, heads basin / shower, cockpit shower mixer - Freshwater deck wash (cold)
- SeaFrost BD air-cooled fridge 6 cu.ft., custom built-in

- Main head – Wilcox Crittenden
- For'ard head – Jabsco manual toilet
- NEPTUNE 3000 3 burner gimballed gas cooker with oven and separate grill
- TV Aerial
- Original Soapstone wood burning stove
- Sony Stereo
- Chelsea Shipstrike Chronometer

Specification

NAVIGATION

- Original Danforth / White "Constellation" pedestal binnacle compass with light
- Raymarine E-80 chart plotter and navigation system 2008
- Comar Systems CSB 200 class B AIS transponder 2008
- B & G H 1000 instrument suite; pilot, analogue Windex, twin date display 2007
- Foruno GPS navigation GP-36 independent gps system 2007

- Garmin GA29 antenna providing gps position to VHF 2008
- ICOM M-505 VHF marine transceiver (below) – paired with ICOM HM-162E remote control VHF (cockpit) 2007
- IRIDIUM Satellite phone installation (no handset) 2008

Specification

SAFETY

- Zodiac 8 man offshore Life raft with SOLAS B Offshore pack (in date)
- Jonbuoy m.o.b. recovery system 2008

- Horseshoe buoy and line 2008
- ACR 406 MHz IPERB 2008 (registered)

Disclaimer

These particulars have been prepared from information provided by the vendors and are intended as a general guide. The purchaser should confirm details of concern to them by survey or engineers inspection. The purchaser should also ensure that the purchase contract properly reflects their concerns and specifies details on which they wish to rely.

PHILIP RHODES 47 FT YAWL 1947

Specification

GALLERY




SANDEMAN
YACHT COMPANY


SANDEMAN


SANDEMAN


SANDEMAN


Infanta
SANDEMAN
YACHT COMPANY


SANDEMAN
YACHT COMPANY


Infanta
British Classic Yacht Club
SANDEMAN




SANDEMAN
YACHT COMPANY


SANDEMAN




SANDEMAN
YACHT COMPANY


Infanta




SANDEMAN
YACHT COMPANY


SANDEMAN
YACHT COMPANY


Raymarine
SANDEMAN

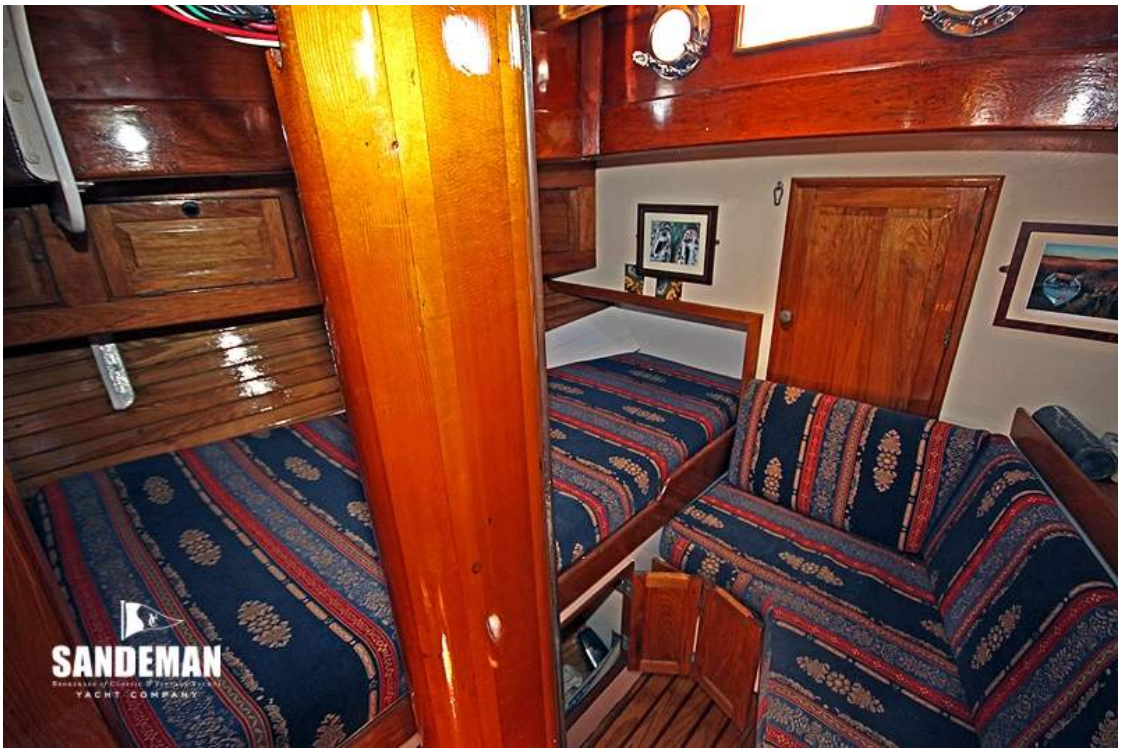

SANDEMAN
YACHT COMPANY


SANDEMAN


SANDEMAN
YACHT COMPANY


SANDEMAN
YACHT COMPANY


SANDEMAN
YACHT COMPANY


SANDEMAN
YACHT COMPANY


SANDEMAN
YACHT COMPANY


SANDEMAN
YACHT COMPANY


SANDEMAN
YACHT COMPANY


SANDEMAN
YACHT COMPANY


SANDEMAN
YACHT COMPANY



