

**A 36 ft LOA super-daysailer -- a heated "sportabout"?**

**Particulars**

LOA	35 ft. - 11 in.	11 m
LWL	29 ft. 75 in.	9.1 m
Beam (max)	10 ft. - 6 in.	3.2 m
Draft	6 ft. - 6 in.	2 m
Disp	7600 lbs	3450 kg
SA	550 sq. ft.	51 sq. m.
SA/D	23	
D/LWL	127	
Aux power	10 hp Yanmar sail drive	

Our client came to us with a trail of napkin sketches and loads of consternation over the challenges presented by drawing a hull and superstructure that would deliver a comfortable heated daysailer -- a yacht for the damp, drizzly Northwest waters of the Puget Sound for a retired couple, experienced sailors, who aren't concerned with a larger yacht program. The goal: a refinement on the raised salon configuration grafted to a daysailer -- a design that performs well and carries a distinctively beautiful demeanor. After chasing ideas in circles with other architects, our client pulled the trigger with SWYD relying on our track record built upon our "outside-the-box" approach to original thinking and style.

The design features a very light displacement hull on a foundation of maximum waterline and substantial beam, yet balances overall style in the "Spirit of Tradition" genre so proudly owned by the design house. The moderately sized sail plan is suited for light winds typical to the region, a square-topped main and self-tacking jib provides easy handling on all points in all conditions. "The hull is powerful, its bold stem forcing a narrow entry combined with a slippery run in its after sections; we should be easily driven in light breeze, or in a little more pressure be capable of semi-planing speeds off-the-wind," cheers Waring.

The most notable feature of the design is the partially enclosed cockpit via all glass surround and hardtop dodger -- a centerpiece and the focus towards delivering an absolute hassle free creature-comfort experience on the water. "Stephens and Waring worked out an unconventional solution to my needs along with tuning a great sailing arrangement by bringing all lines back to the helm, arranged aft of the helmsman on a plinth over the tiller-head... everything within arms' reach and the excess line tails stowed in bins outboard of the winches to contain sailing clutter. The way I figure, just turn on the heat and go sailing!" the client exclaims.

The shelter from rain and cold that's so important to this couple is equally effective against hot, sunny conditions, shading an airy, comfortable upholstered cockpit. Sliding glass side windows allow cooling breezes to ventilate the sheltered area, or air-condition the space for ultimate luxury.

Down below, a simple day-sailing accommodation for the occasional over-night cruise: a lightly appointed galley, an enclosed head and comfortable vee-berth configuration. Keep it simple, please. The dodger is designed to integrate the spaces below with above and allows a comfortable 6 ft. 1 in. headroom clearance in the spacious companionway. If one were ever to get the feeling of "superyacht" on a day-sailer, this approach succeeds by tying the elements of the outdoors experience with a cozy "at-home" feel while sailing along or sitting on the hook -- all in a package about as small as can be to remain stylish and workable.

- High performance daysailing
- Roomy, comfortable partially enclosed cockpit
- All glass surround hardtop dodger
- Modern square headed main and jib sail plan
- Simple and easy line management and sail handling
- Lightly appointed interior for overnight accommodation
- Heated/cooled spaces for ultimate comfort
- Inboard power
- Modern hull shape and underbody
- Spirit of Tradition style and design









