

Contessa Contessa 26



YEAR 1971 | £7,995 | VAT PAID

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Summary

Manufacturer: Contessa

Price: £7,995

Location: Newcastle

Year: 1971

ID no.: 14142

DIMENSIONS

- **LOA:** 26' 3" (8.00m)
- **Beam:** 7' 6" (2.28m)
- **Draft:** 4' 0" (1.22m)
- **Keel:** Long keel

ACCOMMODATION

- **Berths:** 4
- **Cabins:** 1
- **Heads:** 1
- **Shower:** 1

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- **Water Tank:** 33 Litres
- **Black Tank Size:** 50 Litres

MACHINERY

- **Engine Make:** Yanmar 1GM10
- **Horsepower:** 9
- **Drive Type:** Shaft drive

OTHERS

- **Aircon:**
- **Heating:** No



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Broker Remarks

Aquarelle is a superb example of the popular Contessa 26. David Sadler was in fine form the day the plans for this boat materialised and the model has enjoyed a cult following both as a long range cruiser and club racer. This yacht had an extensive refit between 2009 and 2011 when the extensive navigation package was upgraded along with the standing rigging.



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This Contessa named Aquarelle is a very attractive vessel, with classic lines, renowned sailing qualities and a decent level of comfort below decks. Aquarelle also has a self draining cockpit making her more attractive over other Contessa 26's, negating the need of a cockpit cover. She was ashore for the winter and antifouled prior to her launch in April 2017 ready for season.

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Accommodation

Below decks is accessed via the companionway. The steps into the cabin incorporate the engine bay cover. The main saloon features seating port and starboard which double as berths. The headroom, though low is an ample 5'8". The saloon sole is attractive teak and holly faced marine ply. Forward of saloon bulkhead is a V-berth and a heads compartment with Lavac Popular sea toilet.

Galley:

This is situated at the end of the portside settee. This features an Origo two burner spirit fueled hob and good storage in units below and behind. There is a sink incorporated into the chart table opposite with hand pump fresh water supply.

Chart table:

This is situated at the end of the portside settee and is ready for use.

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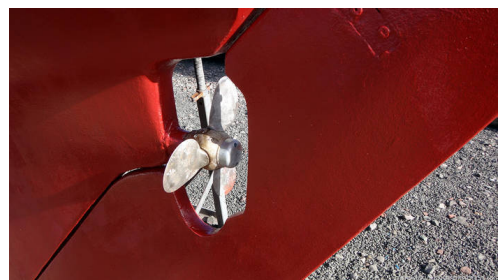
Mechanical and Rigging:

The vessel is powered by a reliable and economical Yanmar 1GM10 inboard diesel engine. This sea water cooled model was installed in 1986 and has provided years of good service. Regularly maintained unit with most recent service in November 2015 prior to lift out for the winter.

Reduction gear box driving stainless steel shaft and a Darglow Featherstream, 3 bladed feathering propeller. This increases bite when manoeuvring in tight areas and minimises drag when under sail.

Bank of 2, 12V (110amph) batteries fitted with isolator. These are recharged via the engine alternator and topped up by the solar charger.

Construction:



Aquarelle is a very good example of the very popular Contessa 26. The yacht was built by Jeremy Rogers in Lymington to a David Sadler design and launched in 1971. The hull is constructed from a heavy layup of GRP and has a long keel with 1.22 Tonne iron keel shoe. This makes the yacht very stable and lovely to handle in a seaway. Topsides in smart navy blue with gold cove line stripe and white boot top. Under water areas finished in red antifoul with coatings applied prior to relaunch in February ready for the season. Hull was epoxied as a preventative measure in 1995.

White GRP decks and coachroof with teak topped toe rails. Large cockpit with mahogany side tops and teak grate in cockpit sole. Transom hung rudder, varnished above the waterline for steering. Plentiful storage with two cockpit lockers and large locker to transom. Beaching legs should drying harbours and moorings be encountered.

Rigging and Sails:

Aquarelle is a masthead, sloop rigged with a Proctor mast and boom. Vessel is equipped with a 12mm. Winches include Lewmar 40mm and 50mm winches by Gibb. Slab reefing system. Standing rigging replaced on a regular basis as part of the maintenance programme.

Points, furling genoa by Quay Sails and

chain and 50 metres of 14mm warp

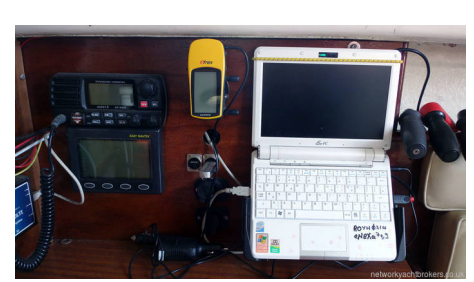
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NASA Clipper Duet speed/log
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Tack Tick Wind speed/direction
Standard Horizon GX-150E DSC VHF plus
remote Mic
Garmin eTrex-H GPS
eeePC Plotter at chart table with cockpit
repeater
Autohelm TP1000 autopilot with remote control
NASA Navtex
Comar AIS receiver
Masthead LED Tricolour and Anchor
navigation lights
Searchlight
Horn
Sprayhood
Fenders and warps
Dodgers
Manual bilge pumps (2)
Boom tent
Clock & Barometer
Boathooks (2)
Engine spare
Fire blanket
Fire extinguisher

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