

Chris-Craft Chris Craft 17 Sportsman



Year: 1957
Location: Salcombe, Devon
LOA: 17' 0" (5.18m)
Beam: 6' 5" (1.95m)
Draft: 1' 5" (0.46m)

Remarks:

Boat purchased

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CONSTRUCTION AND MECHANICAL

Wooden Chris-Craft 17 Sportsman. Built in 1957 by Chris-Craft. HIN:# L200459

Chris - Craft was founded in 1874 by Christopher Smith in Detroit, Michigan. Specialising in luxury pleasure boats, timeless design, exquisite detailing and authentic craftsmanship are aspects which are intrinsic to Chris-Craft boats.

The Chris-Craft Sportsman was built from 1953-1959 and was one of Chris-Craft's most popular boats, it was designed as a basic entry level utility boat. The utility boats were born in the depression years but usurped the runabouts as the sportiest boats in the Chris-Craft line-up. If you are in the market for an antique and classic boat, look no further than this 1957 Chris-Craft Sportsman 17, Chris-Craft name is synonymous with classic wooden powerboats.

The hull is made out of solid mahogany planking with matched light and dark grains on both sides with the Chris Craft decal on side. The details continue on the bow with a chrome light assembly and a Chris Craft flag. Framed, curved Plexiglass windshield.

Imported from Florida in 1990, in the current ownership for 14 years (unused).

Engine:

- Chris-Craft KFL 131 hp 6 cylinder side valve petrol engine
- Last serviced 2010 and not used since
- Shaft drive with 3 bladed propeller and rudder, thought to be nickel bronze
- Morse controls and gear shift lever

Electrical:

- Battery 12v

Tankage:

- Steel Fuel tank of unknown capacity (approx 30 gallons)

INVENTORY

General Equipment:

- Trailer
- Navigation lights
- She comes as is, and with a basic but therefore original dash and no bolt on's

ACCOMMODATION

The interior is highlighted by the white steering wheel and the classic controls and gauges. The sleek styling and flowing lines of this Sportsman have automotive like feel reminiscent of the times.

Upholstery in Rosewood vinyl with white piping. Seating is offered at the stern with room for 3 and the forward seating has a space between to allow movement with seating for 2. There is ample space for storage items under the bow and alongside the seating. Access to wiring and controls is also under the dash.

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This boat will be a head turner wherever she is seen - she attracted admiring glances when she was outside our office on her trailer. She appears to be in extremely lovely all round condition and we believe she has been given a full restoration in a previous ownership, since when she has not been launched, to the best of our knowledge.

The engine is original and a runner.

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