

BON CONGE - ELCO



Builder: [ELCO](#)

LOA: 42' 0" (12.80 m)

Year Built: 1928

Beam: 11' 0" (3.63 m)

Model: Flat Top

Min Draft: 11' 3" (3.42 m)

Price: \$90,000 USD Subject to change.

Cruising Speed: 6 Knots (6.90 MPH)

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Location: NA, United States

Max Speed: 8 Knots (9.21 MPH)

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OVERVIEW

I've always held the belief that true beauty should be treasured, celebrated, and safeguarded at all costs. Growing up in an era where classic yachts and vintage automobiles were esteemed as gems, I cultivated a passion for collecting these exquisite artifacts. The moment the breathtaking BON CONGE comes into sight, a wave of excitement rushes through you. It's evident that you're witnessing an extraordinary piece of American maritime history. Your heart quickens as your eyes take in her graceful lines and pristine condition. You're entranced as she elegantly approaches her mooring, watching closely as her lines are fastened to the polished bronze cleats. It's no wonder she has earned 16 distinguished trophies at various exclusive classic yacht exhibitions. As you walk along the 42 feet of dock space she occupies, you realize that this exceptional yacht must be yours. To your delight, you spot a small sign indicating whom to contact for the chance to make her yours. With a blend of excitement and anticipation, you retrieve your phone and, with slightly shaky hands, dial the number. You ask eagerly, "Is BON CONGE still available for viewing?" This is your opportunity to take the first step toward owning this magnificent yacht by exploring this listing. While some might argue my description doesn't fully capture her grandeur, I invite you to delve into the details and reach out to arrange a personal visit. However, if you're not a true enthusiast, this listing might not be for you. BON CONGE is ready to bring happiness to another family for many years to come, and she awaits her next proud owner in the current boat location. Don't miss your chance to explore yacht sales in the current boat location and consider this exceptional yacht for sale.

SPECIFICATIONS

Basic Information

Category:
Motor yachts

Year Built:
1928

Model Year:
1928

Country:
United States

Dimensions

LOA:
42' 0" (12.80 m)

Beam:
11' 0" (3.63 m)

Min Draft:
11' 3" (3.42 m)

Speed, Capacities and Weight

Cruise Speed:
6 Knots (6.90 MPH)

Water Capacity:
150 Gallons

Max Speed:
8 Knots (9.21 MPH)

Fuel Capacity:
1 Gallons

Accommodations

Sleeps:
2

Total Heads:
2

Hull and Deck Information

Hull Material:

Fiberglass and Plastic Yachts

Hull Designer:

N/A

Deck Material:

Fiberglass

Interior Designer:

N/A

Hull Configuration:

N/A

Engine Information

Engines:

1

Engine Type:

Inboard

Manufacturer:

John Deere

Fuel Type:

Diesel

GALLERY







DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Walk Through

Exploring one of the most exquisite examples of maritime heritage, BON CONGE, is an experience that soothes your nerves while filling your heart with joy. As you draw near, her stunning, elegant lines welcome you. Commissioned in late 1927 from the renowned ELCO Shipbuilders, BON CONGE stands as a tribute to American maritime legacy. ELCO made its initial impact at the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition in Chicago, where fifty-five 36-foot launches, powered by battery-driven electric motors, transported over a million passengers. This pioneering company was ahead of its era, and by 1900, electric-powered leisure boats surpassed those with steam and explosive engines. By 1910, gasoline engines took over the market, prompting ELCO to transition to motor boats.

During the First World War, ELCO constructed hundreds of submarine chasers for the British Admiralty and the US Navy. In the interwar period, they introduced successful cabin cruisers and, during the Second World War, established the ELCO Naval Division in Bayonne, New Jersey, producing nearly 400 PT boats for the U.S. Navy. The most famous of these was PT-109, commanded by future president John F. Kennedy.

BON CONGE, which translates to "A Good Day Off," has been meticulously restored to her former splendor after nearly 16 years of dedicated research and restoration. Her owners scoured boat graveyards and archives, recreating parts that were no longer available. The yacht boasts numerous vintage features, including a 110v electric fan in the wheelhouse and a stove top toaster and mixer in the galley, all complemented by a modern engine room power plant.

The restoration of BON CONGE is a heartfelt endeavor, with bronze fittings

either replaced or crafted to match the original specifications. Her decks, which appear to be wooden planks with a canvas overlay, are actually handcrafted fiberglass planking with intricate canvas detailing. Designed as a beautiful yet robust gentleman's yacht capable of 9 knots, BON CONGE draws admiration in any harbor. Her sleek, elegant lines and solid seaworthiness transport you to an era when craftsmanship was of utmost importance.

Upon entering her pilothouse, you can descend five steps to the owner's en-suite, which features a tiled floor and shower. The master stateroom, initially designed with two outboard berths, has been redesigned for optimal comfort. A day bed with a charming upholstered backrest can be converted into a double berth. The master stateroom also includes a TV concealed behind a panel, climate control, and a handcrafted long dresser.

The pilot house is bright and spacious, with large windows and a cozy L-shaped settee that can be converted for extra sleeping space. The helm is equipped with concealed navigation instruments and a bow thruster. The dining saloon features a glass-fronted China cabinet and a British Racing Green U-shaped settee with a varnished table. The galley, painted white with mahogany highlights, is fitted with an original propane stove and ample storage.

The engine room, heavily soundproofed, has been modernized with new plumbing, wiring, and a state-of-the-art fire suppression system. It houses a new John Deere 230 hp Diesel Turbo engine and an 8kw Kobota genset diesel. BON CONGE's hull is carvel planked with mahogany topsides, and her decks are custom fiberglass crafted to resemble canvas-covered decking.

BON CONGE is now in search of a new caretaker. She has been lovingly maintained and has earned numerous accolades at classic yacht exhibitions. Her current owners hope her future owners will treasure her as they have. If you can welcome her into your family and provide the care she deserves, BON CONGE is ready to continue creating joyful memories.

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