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L'EQUIPE - LITTLE HARBOR

Builder: [LITTLE HARBOR](#)

Beam: 15' 0" (4.60 m)

Year Built: 1988

Min Draft: 18' 7" (5.67 m)

Model: 53 Ketch Rig

Max Draft: 36' 1" (11 m)

Price: \$375,000 USD Subject to change.

Cruising Speed: 8 Knots (9.21 MPH)

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Location: Freeport, United States

LOA: 53' 0" (16.15 m)

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OVERVIEW

Ideal for a devoted two handed team or an intimate family in pursuit of a venerable bluewater yacht that nevertheless glides along the ICW and nestles into shallow moorings, the Little Harbor 53 marries offshore pedigree with shoal water practicality. Vessels of this model rarely appear on the market, and this particular example is exceptionally refined.

SPECIFICATIONS

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Fuel Capacity:
175 Gallons

Water Capacity:
335 Gallons

Accommodations

Total Heads:
2

Hull and Deck Information

Hull Material:

Fiberglass and Plastic Yachts

Hull Designer:

Ted Hood

Deck Material:

Fiberglass

Interior Designer:

Little Harbor

Hull Configuration:

Monohull

Engine Information

Engines:

1

Engine Type:

Inboard

Manufacturer:

Yanmar

Fuel Type:

Diesel

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

Introduction

L'EQUIPE is an extraordinary Little Harbor 53 center-cockpit sailing yacht conceived by the iconic Ted Hood, where true blue-water capability meets refined onboard luxury. Her reduced rig height makes her ICW-friendly (Intercoastal Waterway), expanding cruising options while maintaining impressive offshore performance. She boasts an extensive inventory of onboard equipment and a well-documented series of recent updates, and is offered for sale at US\$ 375,000, currently located in Freeport, ME.

Key specifications and dimensions

Crafted by Little Harbor to a design by Ted Hood, this Little Harbor 53 is a ketch-rigged, center-cockpit yacht launched in 1988. She measures 53' overall (LOA) with a 42' 2" length at the waterline (LWL) and a 15' 1" beam, and displaces 49,000 lbs. Her lifting board provides a versatile draft from a shallow 5' 8" with the board raised to 11' when lowered, allowing confident transitions between sheltered anchorages and open-water passages. The hull was hand-laid in fiberglass over an Airex foam core and contains internal cast lead ballast to ensure rigidity and seakeeping, while the hand-laid fiberglass deck built on a Divinycell core is finished with a 5/8" teak overlay that marries long-lasting durability with classic, timeless elegance.

Engine, mechanical and tankage

The yacht is driven by a 2009 Yanmar diesel producing 108 HP and showing 2,228 hours (as of June 2026), providing a serene cruising pace of approximately 8 knots. Electrical autonomy is supplied by a Westerbeke 8 kW

generator with 1,156 hours (2026), while close-quarters handling is made effortless by an integrated Sidepower bow thruster paired with a three-blade Gori propeller equipped with an overdrive system. Comfort aboard is controlled by a reverse-cycle marine air conditioning and heating arrangement rated at roughly 30,000 BTUs. Extended passages are supported by molded-in fiberglass tanks holding 175 gallons of fuel and 335 gallons of fresh water, and routine maintenance at sea is simplified by a built-in oil change pump that serves both the main engine and the generator.

Recent maintenance and upgrades

In 2025 the helm was fitted with a new Garmin suite comprising radar, chartplotter and GPS with integrated AIS, while the Reckmann headsail furler received a full rebuild and the centerboard system was completely renewed, including replacement of the centerboard pennant and all sheaves. In 2022 sailing capability was enhanced with the addition of a Quantum 135% genoa, the bimini was upgraded with new protective side enclosures, and the electrical system was refreshed with a bank of eight house batteries providing 1,050 amp hours. The safety inventory was rounded out in 2025 by a brand-new life raft supplied in a practical soft valise.

Accommodations and luxury interior

Arranged for extended voyages with an emphasis on comfort and refinement, the yacht features three private staterooms and two heads, each fitted with its own stall shower, and finished throughout in premium-grade, hand-crafted teak joinerwork set against classic teak and holly cabin soles. The main saloon welcomes guests with a generous circular seating area to starboard that wraps around a bespoke teak dining table, while a convertible portside settee provides an additional berth when required; six Lexan hull ports (three per

side) flood the space with natural light, and an integrated twenty-bottle wine locker adds a touch of sophisticated entertaining capability.

Aft, the master stateroom is luxuriously appointed with oversized twin berths to port and starboard flanking a central settee, cedar-lined hanging lockers and abundant stowage, accompanied by a master head finished with marble countertops and an electric toilet fitted as an upgrade in 2018. Forward accommodation comprises two distinct guest cabins arranged with upper and lower bunks, both served by an electric guest head to ensure privacy and convenience for family or guests.

The walkthrough galley is comprehensively equipped for long passages and gracious provisioning, featuring Grunert 110V AC refrigeration and freezer compressors with a Frigoboat 12V secondary cooling unit, a separate bar refrigerator, a four-burner stainless steel Force 10 propane stove with oven, a double stainless sink and dedicated spaces for a microwave and toaster. Adjacent to the companionway, a full-sized, aft-facing navigation station incorporates a deep-storage nav desk with full electrical panel access and complete helm instrumentation, while forward the fore'c'sle has been transformed into a vast storage locker and workshop area—fully outfitted with a vise, power tools, shore power adapters and a dedicated paint locker—to keep the yacht impeccably maintained for every passage.

Rigging, sails and deck inventory

Designed for purposeful sailing, the Hood Stoway Spars ketch blends an electrically driven Stoway main mast with a manually operated Stoway mizzen, both standing on heavy-duty stainless steel rod rigging to ensure strength and precision; sail control and trim are refined by a Navtec hydraulic boom vang and hydraulic backstay, a removable inner forestay affords additional sail plan flexibility, and folding mast steps provide secure passage aloft. The sail inventory is extensive and adaptable to every condition, comprising a Stoway

main, a Quantum 135% genoa, a 95% yankee, a 100% jib, a Stoway mizzen, a fore staysail, an MPS, a spinnaker, a gennaker with sock and a storm staysail. Handling power is provided by an upgraded Barient self-tailing winch package featuring two #32 electric primaries, two #32 electric main/outhaul winches, two #28 secondaries and four #21 halyard winches. Deck gear includes a 75 lb. CQR anchor with 250' of all-chain rode managed by a Maxwell 200H anchor windlass for dependable holding and easy retrieval, while the cockpit is appointed for comfort and entertaining with a large teak table seating eight, plush cockpit cushions and a convenient deck shower; a rigid dinghy (no outboard) is carried for shore access. Protective canvas and preservation are comprehensive, with a stout dodger, a full bimini with enclosure sides, dedicated cockpit covers and full varnish protective covers extending from stem to stern.

Exclusions

Please note that the purchase does not transfer any of the owner's personal belongings; such items are expressly excluded from the sale.

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