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For the first time, there is a new Dragonfly trimaran available for visit and sea trials in Canada. This is an exciting milestone since the announcement by Quorning Aps in the Fall of 2022. The demonstrator is a beautiful DF28 Touring well equipped for sailing in Canada.

Trailable, fast and with complete accomodations, it is the perfect sailboat to spend more time at your favourite locations and less time in transit.

It is currently kept in Nanaimo, BC, and it will be available from August 1st, 2024.

In the meantime, make sure to follow us on our social media platform and newsletter.

We are planning to create a lot of content to share with you the amazing advantages of owning a trimaran, specififcally a Dragongly. If you have any questions, please email us and we will happy to share it with other enthousiastic owner...!

TIPS

Have you ever wondered what it is like to sail a trimaran in the strong breeze or how to organize the living space in a trimaran?

SEA TRIAL

For our first a commissioning trip, we decided to validate the cruising confort with a quick 150 nautical mile trip to Princess Louisa Inlet. Check page 2 for more

FAQ

The What, who, when, why, where and how. We will answer to the 5 most asked we get during sailboat show.



It is always exciting when you sail a Dragonfly. You know it will reward you with a great time on the water and comfort during the night. Here are our five favourite tips we learned this year.

Tip #1 Many monohull owners are concerned about the space difference between a trimaran's main hull and a monohull. A trimaran actually has more functional space. It is also easier to keep tidy as everything wet, salty, doesn't get often used or falls in the category of toys can be stored in the amas. This allows the main hull to be free of sups, fishing rods, extra fuel tanks, extra sails, wetsuits, etc.

Tip #2 Use the shallow depth of the Dragonfly to set a stern anchor in less than a few minutes. Make sure the centreboard and rudder are all the way up. Bring the engine up, but keep the propeller in the water. After setting the bow anchor, ease the mooring line and reverse with the line under slight tension to help you reverse where you want. Your crew can walk off the DF from the stern starboard ama, far from the outboard.

Tip #3 Lift the anchor from the starboard crossbeam. It is much easier to pull the anchor up ergonomically as you are not leaving over. It is also easier to clean it without hitting the boat. The helm can also better see the mooring line, which helps reduce communication. We all know the helm and bow person can't hear each other as soon as an anchor is involved on all boats...!

Tip #4 Don't limit your way of thinking on a trimaran in terms of trip planning. They are so incredibly comfortable and fun to sail. They give you energy back when you are on them. Think big and go where you always wanted to go. It is a safe platform to explore your comfort zone. There is so much to see.

Tip #5 When the Dragonfly is folded, the main hull is lifted, and the amas are deeper in the water. This helps the DF to not catch in the wind and also increases traction in the water. The two amas become like two extra centerboards in the water. It is effortless to approach a slip. If you are familiar with a monohull or catamaran, make sure you don't overreact with the throttle. Trimarans are less than half the weight of a monohull. They don't carry momentum. You don't need to catch them with all your weight at the dock. The docking approach should be nice, slow and easy.



OUR FIRST SEA TRIAL

It's a moment that I've been eagerly waiting since my first sea trial of a Dragonfly in 2022. During my visit at the factory, I had the chance to try all the models with Jens, the owner, and his son. It was amazing to see the quality of the production and Jens' great attention to detail on my first visit. The feeling on the water exceeded all my expectations as a sailor. I never thought it was possible to have such a high-performance and easy-to-navigate platform. Dragonfly can be helmed with your fingertips and match the wind speed without an experienced crew.

It's only the speed of the wind on the face that makes you realize how fast going you are going. The sailboat remains flat in all sailing angles. Since the feeling is very good, it is very easy to sail. Every sailor's dream. Suddenly, all destinations seem possible regardless of the wind. This is exactly what I was looking forward to explore as a dealer.

Here is the summary of our first overnight to Jededia Islands, a 25 NM crossing. In a 10-knot breeze on a 28' keelboat, it would have taken almost 5 hours, or a full afternoon to reach our destination. Luckily, we were on a DF28 ready to make our lives great.

The wind in the early afternoon was 3-5 knots. In DF, it's the perfect wind for trolling and salmon fishing..! On one side of the boat, there were the "nappers" on the port trampoline, on the starboard trampoline, it was the fishermen spot who were discussing the best depth and bait. At my position as captain, I looked at the contrast with fascination while snacking.

It was a great experience to be for once on a sailboat and not just think about when the breeze will come to us. After catching three salmons, the wind gradually increased to a nice 8-12 knots. The crossing took about 3h, just in time for supper...!

We really wanted to keep sailing with this beautiful breeze, but part of us was eager to explore this island and test our anchoring method. We had taken three SUPs with us, but we all wanted to see if we would be able to do a stern-to-ground anchor on our first attempt without assistance which we did in less than 10 minutes because of our draft of 16".

Like any full day in nature, it is always followed by an early night to sleep. Accustomed to sleeping in the V-berth, I gave it a shot with my 6'6". Each bed has a window nearby so there's no need to pull the short straw to get the best bed. There is good ventilation and all beds are over 6'6'.

Our plan of action for the next day was to get up at sunset and enjoy the morning breeze. Unfortunately, we all slept too well and missed the first rays of sunshine. With the breeze set in, we're all off to our favorite tasks. The fisherman started fishing, the eldest took the opportunity to do SUP, while on my side, I focused on coffee, the most important thing in my eyes.

The sailboat may only be 28' long, but with its 21' width, we feel our personal bubble well respected. It is a user-friendly and ergonomic sailboat. Jens has thought of everything.

Being all satisfied with our activities, we set sail 4 hours later than planned... Rigidity is optional when you know that you can get to port twice as fast as usual. With a nice northwest breeze for the rest of the morning, we headed for the Ballenas Islands.

After 2h30 of sailing, we dropped anchor to practice once again. Some took the opportunity to go fishing, while others took the opportunity to take a morning nap with the net by their side. For those who are used to naps in the cockpit, I warn you, napping on the trampoline is much more comfortable.

It was difficult to convince ourselves to set off, but we knew that the breeze was going to get closer to zero knots by mid-afternoon. So we took advantage of the light breeze for the last few nautical miles.

Once we arrived at port, we all had a twinge of sadness. We didn't want to go back to our daily tasks, but at least we came back to shore with lots of energy and beautiful memories. The Dragonfly is the perfect sailboat for busy workers who want to recharge their energy quickly or for retirees who would like to visit further with ease.



Anchorage at Jedediah island



There is never a dull moment on a fun sailboat



On our way averaging 8 knots



The trampolines are great to blow up a SUP or napping



Because it's about simple pleasure



Because sailing is also about exploring pristine spots