

Proud new owners of a High Seas 63

It is always interesting to come to an understanding of individual's personal choices, especially when it comes to their leisure time and how they choose to spend it. Brian and Noni are the proud new owners of a 63 High Seas, when asked about their new boat they were happy to share their story.

Interview with Brian and Noni, High Seas 63 owners.

Have you owned boats previously and if so what were they?

"Our first boat was a Roberts 29' sailboat which we sailed up and down the lower Murray Lakes and the Coorong for about four years.

Whilst on holidays in the Whitsunday's we fell in love with the pristine water and breathtaking views, so we bought some property on Hamilton Island. Although we soon realised that something was missing, we needed to have our own boat to properly enjoy all that the Islands had to offer.



We did our due diligence and decided on having a Perry 45' power cat built, this was a beautiful boat but after 12 months we had our sights set on other uses for our boat; we wanted to spend more time onboard and travel to far off places with the peace of mind that all safety aspects were covered, also we needed more day to day living space. This extra space was particularly important when our friends and family visited. We had seen the High Seas 63' advertised; it appealed to us and appeared to be the best option for our needs. We decided to have our first look at the High Seas 63, at Sanctuary Cove Boat Show 08."

What made you decide to purchase your new boat, what stood out on the High Seas 63?

"We were immediately impressed with the quality of finishes and the layout of the boat, we collected all of the information that we could and went away to think about it. After two weeks we went for a sea trial, our only concern being was how the two of us would handle a 70-tonn luxury trawler on our own. We spent a day on the boat with Allan and Victoria Barnett, during this time

Allan explained and demonstrated all of the features of the boat. After the thorough run down of the High Seas we became aware of all its safety features, equipment and quality. We could never have wished for more and we were pleased with the fact the two of us could handle the boat with ease. We then went back for a night visit at the Marina and decided then and there it was what we wanted and agreed to precede with the purchase.

For Noni the main features that stood out were the spacious living areas, large saloon and galley area on the same level, and a wheelhouse easily accessible from the galley for when we are doing long distance travel. The staterooms have very easy to make beds and the accessibility to the guest areas is practical and convenient. The Flybridge is a great entertaining area, I love the room, there is even space for the exercise bike and somewhere to hang the washing without the boat looking like a Chinese laundry.

For Brian the main features are the ease of access to all the equipment in the unbelievably well designed and built engine



room. The quality of all of the electrical and mechanical equipment supplied with the boat is unbeatable. Also the ease with which you can manoeuvre this seventy-ton vessel impresses me on a regular basis. The boat feels very safe and secure even in heavy seas, as we have already experienced."

Are you happy so far with the after service?

"Allan Barnett accompanied us on our first voyage from Coomera to Hamilton Island. During the three-day two-night non-stop voyage, Allan taught us enough about the boat that we both felt extremely happy and confident with our new boat.

We are happy with the economy and speed of the boat, both of which exceeded what we were told we might get by the manufacturer.

We have named the ship Jack Matson after Brian's grandfather, who spent his life at sea from the age of thirteen until retirement, both in the merchant navy and as a seaman.


After sales service and availability of Allan Barnett for general help and information have been outstanding."

What do you plan on doing with your new boat?

"We plan to move around the islands of the Whitsunday's until the end of October, then we will commence a leisurely trip down the east coast to the Hawkesbury and Sydney area for the summer months. We are looking forward to the prospect of New Years Eve on Sydney Harbour."

High Seas 63 Information

The High Seas 63's hull, superstructure and fit-out are constructed at the commercial Bridport facility in Tasmania, built to stringent USL 2B Survey standards. The three-cabin layout accommodates up to six in the superb comfort. The well-appointed Wheelhouse has panoramic views from the helm and sits in a high position surrounded by the Portuguese Bridge. The combined Saloon and Galley is a spacious air-conditioned cabin complete with media and entertainment systems for all the home comforts. Most importantly, the extra 5 feet increases the available deck space for entertaining, relaxing with a book or for an al fresco dining experience. The High Seas 63 goes beyond the ordinary

cruising vessel to be quite unique to the recreational vessel market. It is designed for those who demand more of their motor yacht when at sea or at anchor. 

GENERAL

LENGTH OVERALL: 62'9" / 19.20 m
 LENGTH ON DECK: 9'6" / 17.25 m
 LENGTH AT WATERLINE: 55'6" / 16m
 BEAM: 18' 0" / 5.49 m
 DRAFT: 5'6" / 1.68 m
 DISPLACEMENT: 68 TONNES
 DIESEL: 10,500 LITRES
 FRESH WATER: 900 LITRES
 BLACK WATER: 600 LITRES

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