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 3800

*Leading In Excellence & Performance*

**TARTAN**  
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# Quality Design

*Blue water surrounds your Tartan 3800. No land in sight. All cares melt away as you feel her respond with authority to your hand. You reflect on the excessive care that went into the design and handcrafting of your 3800. All the reasons you chose a Tartan come together at this very moment.*

In keeping with the Tartan tradition of using top quality materials and processes, the 3800 hull is NPG/ISO gelcoated with a back-up of vinylester resin and a hand laminated sandwich core of unidirectional "E" glass and balsa. High stress components such as engine beds, mast step, shroud anchors and hull backbone are solidly laminated and structurally bonded to the hull skin with fiberglass taping for assured strength and firmness. A well-balanced composite of Baltek® balsa core and glass sandwich for stiffness are used throughout. On deck, the balsa is omitted at each hardware installation point, allowing each piece to be supported by solid glass and aluminum backing plates to ensure water tightness.

As with the entire Tartan line, access to the 3800's systems is thoughtfully designed. System access is easy through berth lift-outs and removable floor boards. Electrical wiring and hardware installation have access through removable liners and fixed access locations throughout the boat. A gasketed companionway ladder and removable panel in the bulkheads allow convenient access to the engine.



# Contemporary Comforts

*As you straighten a pillow on the settee, you run your fingers across the smooth finish of the teak cabinets. Sunlight bathes the galley making the polished fixtures come to life. The care with which the details were hand crafted is evident as you survey your roomy surroundings with satisfaction.*

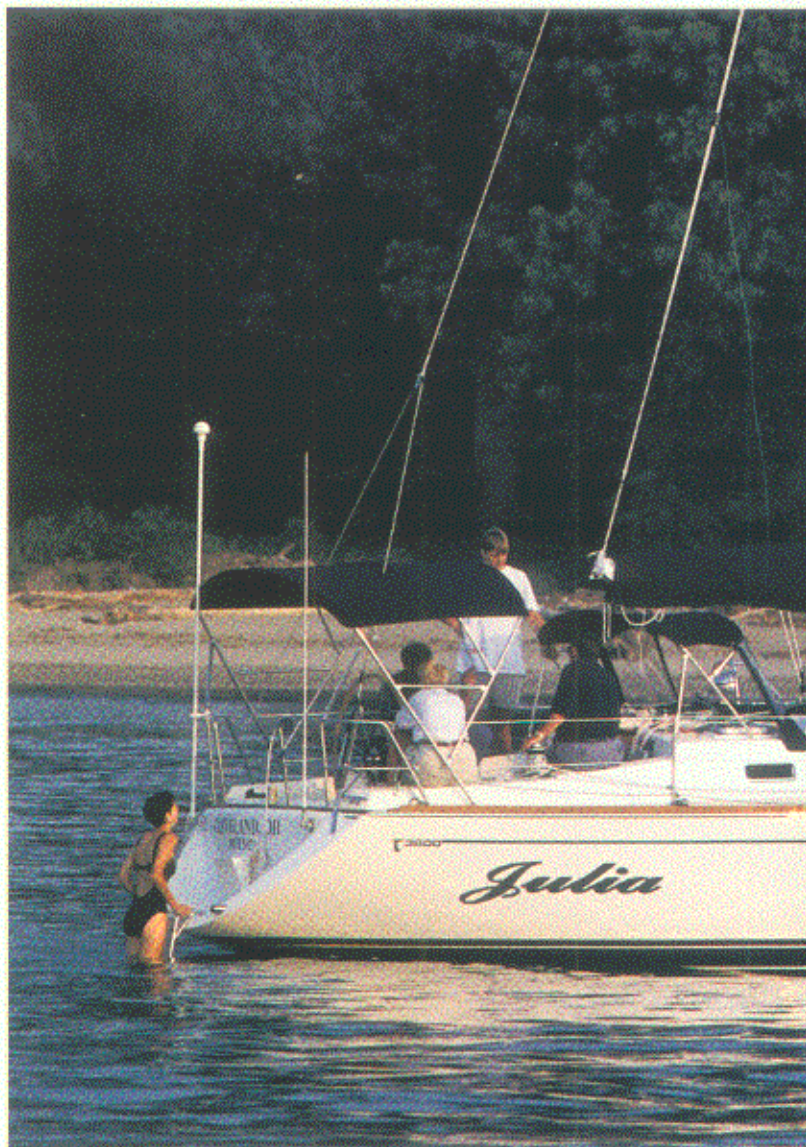


A complete array of ventilation creates a fresh feeling of openness below. Fixed with 11 standard stainless steel portlights, four sizable hatches, four chrome dorade vents and a smoked plexi-glass companionway hatch, the natural air flow makes living aboard a pleasure.



The 3800's well distributed 12'5" beam grants spacious accommodations within and allows for 6'5" of headroom at the centerline. Featuring a private double stateroom forward and one aft (6'6" in length), seven can comfortably sleep aboard. All berths have cedar-lined hanging lockers, while the forecabin has a six drawer bureau. Thoughtful in convenience, the forward stateroom has its own wash basin and vanity, while the head located aft to port provides a separate shower stall and oversized wet locker.

Traditional in layout, the main cabin centers around a midship drop-leaf table and both a U-shaped and conventional settee. Fabricated with contoured foam cushions, all are fashioned with quality, modern upholstery selections. The cabinetry is fully finished in teak hardwood and provides service access to hardware and wiring through removable panels.



The well equipped galley is comfortable to work in and favors ample stowage of provisions. The double sink is close to centerline for excellent drainage and the ice box is deep and spacious with both top and frontal openings.

In its own niche to port, the navigator has a generous chart table facing forward with both tube chart storage and a set of drawers. Accounting for electronic installation, entry to the main electrical systems and wiring is also accessed from the nav station.



*Classic in style and performance the Tartan 3800 handles with exceptional ease. Take her out in winds of 15-25 knots and waves of 5 to 7 foot. With a full batten main and genoa, she'll take off hitting 7-8 knots and burst through waves with authority. Standing in her cockpit, you remain dry as you enjoy her responsiveness. With her standard 6'10" elliptical fin or optional 5'4" beavertail keel, she provides over 127° of positive stability. Even under the 38 HP diesel which drives a 16" fixed blade prop, she glides through the water effortlessly.*

**" I could easily picture myself sailing around the world in this handsome boat"**

*- Bill Lee/Cruising World 1995 Boat of the Year*

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**LOA**

38'0" (11.6M)

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**LWL**

31'0" (9.5M)

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**BEAM**

12'5" (3.8M)

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**DRAFT**

Fin 6'10" (2.1M)

Beavertail 5'4" (1.6M)

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**DISPLACEMENT**

Fin 16,000 lbs (7,258 kg)

Beavertail 16,500 lbs (7,484 kg)

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**BALLAST**

Fin 6,500 lbs (2,950 kg)

Beavertail 7,000 lbs (3,175 kg)

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**AUXILIARY**

37 HP Diesel

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**BERTHS**

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**FUEL**

38 Gallons (144L)

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**WATER**

80 Gallons (303L)

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# Traditional Beauty

*The wind tugs gently at the sails as you rest your hand a little more firmly on the stately helm. Gazing aft out across her graceful lines, you listen as she moves effortlessly on her journey. She has captured you as easily as she captures the breeze.*

The Tartan 3800's attractive design is sure to captivate even the most righteous sailor. Observe the carefully shaped hull and classic sheer line. The 3800 is a strong, solid vessel with a surprising moderate displacement (16,000 lbs).

On deck, the traditional cabin house couples graciously with the comfortable cockpit and broad sidedecks. From the forward anchor locker to the wide-scooped swim platform, all fittings are strategically placed and of superior quality. Equipped with a keel-stepped aluminum tapered mast with double spreaders, her standard rigging is elegantly simple.

Fixed with a 40" stainless steel wheel, the cockpit is easily managed and allows for plenty of enjoyment for the family, crew or single couple. All lines lead aft and wrap around strategically positioned Harken winches and sheet stoppers. Generous in storage, lockers are found both port and starboard, and are properly sealed to provide security and seaworthiness.

Adding to her charm are the stylish yet significant exterior accents. The tall standard teak toerails are essential to her hull-to-deck joint, while aiding in the safety of the non-skid footing. The recessed custom chocks and rollers provide for easy attachment of spring and mooring lines. Recognized for her traditional feel, the Tartan 3800 is a yacht that exemplifies quality construction and classic beauty topped with exceptional performance.

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*Strength through craft & conviction.*

The Tartan name has remained a strong and reputable brand for over 35 years primarily due to the product and design philosophy instilled by its founders. Now under the design leadership of renowned designer Tim Jackett, the entire Tartan line maintains its tradition of strong and well mannered performance yachts. Crafted with the very best materials and processes, each Tartan employs sound construction and innovative accommodations that ensure comfort in all conditions.



Each component is well thought-out and hand built by skilled craftsmen leaving no detail overlooked; from the integrity of the hand laminated hull, the glassing of all structural timbers and bulkheads while in the mold, to fully finishing all cabinetry with backs and trim that are plugged and hand finished. All of these details are brought together into designs that share the graceful aesthetics and contemporary lines inherent to their predecessors and the Tartan name. Owning a Tartan is pride in ownership. The investment in quality affords a sense of security and confidence, and is easily offset by the exceptional value enjoyed later on.

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