

SHAKESPEARE



Shakespeare is a 69'6" traditional stern narrowboat built in 1990 by Les Allen and fitted out by Water Travel Ltd. She had a full back to metal repaint in April 2021, and was blacked again in March 2024.

The open well deck is bigger than most at 5'3" with two fixed benches (portside storage and starboard side diesel tank), and the galvanised steel 900L water tank is housed below.

Steps lead down, through glazed forward doors, into the 14'1" saloon. The quality of the ash tongue and groove and oak panelled hull sides becomes instantly apparent. Here there is a sofa (room for a sofa bed if required), Morso Squirrel diesel stove, Cello 12v smart TV, and a range of cupboards for storage.

Two stools sit at a breakfast bar before heading into the 8'9" galley. Under laminate worktops sit a range of cupboards, a stainless steel sink, Thetford Caprice MKIII 4 burner gas hob, oven & grill, and a 12v Fridgemaster fridge with icebox.

The 5'11" off corridor bathroom follows, with a shower over bath, ceramic wash basin over a cupboard, and a Thetford cassette loo.

Next is the 11'11" bedroom, with a fixed 6'3" x 4'0" double berth (storage under), a large double wardrobe, and side hatches either side with steps and roof access, which bring in additional light and fresh air.

The 5'10" engine room follows with a Russell Newbery DM2 engine taking pride of place. This was serviced last in January 2026.

Keeping with tradition, the aft boatmans cabin features lovely roses and castles in near pristine condition, a fold down cross bed double, a fold down table, Epping solid fuel stove, fixed bench with storage, and more cupboards.

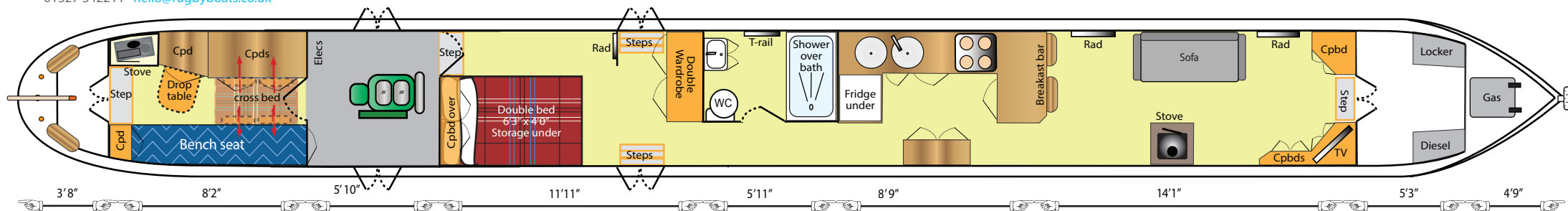
A step leads out onto the trad stern deck, with a couple of taff seats for perching whilst cruising.

She is centrally heated by a Webasto diesel fired system connected to 3 radiators and a towel rail. Hot water is provided via the engine, Webasto or immersion heater.

12v power is supplied by 4x 100ah domestics, with a separate starter, topped up by 3x 395w solar with a Victron MPPT solar charge controller. 240v power is supplied by a Durite 1500w inverter, or landline hookup. A Sterling battery charger and galvanic isolator are also installed.

Lighting on board is LED throughout.

She comes with all the relevant navigation equipment to just turn the key and go!



MAIN DETAILS

Style: Trad • **Length:** 69' 6" • **Berths:** 2 + 2 + room for sofabed • **Hull Builder:** Les Allen • **Fit out:** Water Travel Ltd
Steel thicknesses: 12 / 6 / 5 • **Year:** 1990 • **Reg No:** CRT 48384 • **HIN:** N / A • **Boat Safety:** To be confirmed

DIMENSIONS

Forward deck:	4' 9"
Well deck:	5' 3"
Saloon:	14' 1"
Galley:	8' 9"
Bathroom:	5' 11"
Bedroom:	11' 11"
Engine Room:	5' 10"
Back cabin:	8' 2"
Stern deck:	3' 8"
Internal headroom:	6' 3"
Draught:	2' 3" approx

PROPULSION

Engine:	Russell Newbery DM2
Hours:	Not recorded
Transmission:	Newage PRM 160VR2
Fuel tank:	Integral approx 270 litres
Weedhatch:	Quick release under stern deck
Bowthruster:	Pole on roof

CABIN FIT OUT AND FURNISHINGS

Insulation:	Polystyrene
Ballast:	Not seen assumed paving slabs
Ceiling:	Ash T&G, ash trim.
Cabin sides:	Ash T&G, ash trim.
Hull sides:	Oak faced ply (painted ply in bedroom)
Flooring:	Carpet tiles in saloon, aft cabin and galley, vinyl tiles in galley and bathroom
Side doors:	Both sides of engine room both sides, both sides of bedroom with steps and roof access.
Windows etc:	10x opening bus style, 3x 7" sealed porthole, 2x Houdini hatches, glazed bow doors and bulkhead, 2x bullseyes
Seating:	Sofa, 2x stools, fixed bench in aft cabin.
Cooking:	Thetford Caprice MKIII four burner gas hob, oven & grill.
Fridge:	12v Fridgemaster 94 litre fridge with icebox
Washing machine:	None
Galley worktops:	Marble effect laminate
WC:	Thetford C223 cassette loo (with spare cassette)
Shower:	Shower over bath with panelled sides
Basin:	Ceramic over cupboard
Berths:	Fixed 6'3" x 4'0" double berth in bedroom, cross bed double in boatmans, room for sofabed.
Media:	32" Cello 12v smart TV

HISTORY

Blacking:	March 2024
Anodes:	Satisfactory at last blacking
Engine serviced:	January 2026
RCD Compliance:	This boat was built prior 1998, and therefore outside the scope of RCD.

HEATING & WATER SUPPLY

Tank & capacity:	Hot dip galvanised steel tank under fore deck 900 litres. Drinking water filter in galley.
Stove:	Morso Squirrel diesel stove in saloon, Epping stove in Boatman's cabin
Central heating:	Webasto 5kw Thermo Top C diesel fired boiler to 3 rads and a towel rail
Hot water:	55 litre calorifier heated by engine, Webasto & immersion heater.

POWER

Alternators:	2x output unknown
Batteries:	4x 100ah domestics & 1x 110ah starter
Lighting:	LED throughout
Inverter/charger:	Durite 1500w continuous (3000w peak) inverter & 60amp Sterling charger
Other electrical:	Galvanic Isolator, 240v & 12v sockets, USB points, Victron smart MPPT, 3x 395w solar panels, landline hookup.
Gas:	2x 13kg with changeover valve

STORAGE

Shelving:	5x saloon, 1x bathroom, 2x bedroom, 2x engine
Cupboard:	6x saloon, 5x galley, 1x bathroom, 2x bedroom, 1x engine, 5x aft cabin
Wardrobe:	2x bedroom
Drawers:	5x aft cabin
Other:	Well deck locker, under forward step, under bed, under aft bench

NAVIGATION EQUIPMENT

Anchor, pins, chains, windlasses, poles, mallets, ropes

EXTERNAL

Back to metal and full re-paint April 2021.

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