General Description

Triple 8, is a fast, rigid 50ft centre-pod catamaran blue water racer. It is constructed in carbon composite to the highest standard by Wahoo Composites USA. Subsequently improved to a comfortable cruiser/racer, without compromise, in New Zealand. It has a full set of top-quality racing/cruising sails from North Sails, including 3DL composite main, roller furling jib, furling code sails, carbon two-piece mast (2015) with carbon standing rig from NZ Rigging. Deck hardware, generally Ronstan with Harken winches including Fwd electric halyard winch with many uses. Mounted aft the main beam, a 2kW drum anchor winch.

With dimensions 50’ x 30’ Triple 8 is very stable, easily sailed solo or shorthanded from the generous cockpit equipped with 6 winches, helm, helm seat, instruments, plotter, motor controls and autopilot. Aft of the cockpit is a 3.5m (11’6) x 1.3m (4’3) platform which swings vertically from sea level to cockpit sole, providing easy access from water (or dinghy), to platform, to cockpit, via a stainless ladder.

Each hull, accessed by forward and aft hatch, port side Fwd has the heads and a 4kW marine generator (aux charging). Starboard Fwd has fuel storage and sail locker. Starboard aft has a 15kW electric saildrive along with 8kW lithium battery pack and associated controllers together with a 3kW Victron inverter charger. Port aft has a 15kW electric saildrive with 8kW lithium battery pack and Victron charger, along with a CJD 12V DC 60L/hr. watermaker and polyethylene tanks.

Performance

All carbon Triple 8 has an enviable race record, notably winner of the SSANZ 2011 Two Handed Coastal Series (multihull) and runner up to a 60’ tri in 2010 and 2011 NZ Coastal Classic’s. An elder sibling SO50 Rongtdjuuu, earlier won three NZ Coastal Classic’s (2001,2003,2005) while based 1250nm away (New Caledonia), testimony to Crowther blue water capabilities and SO50 hulls featuring bulbs in the bows and V section forward giving stability and keeping the bows up under load, along with light weight overall including asymmetric carbon foils and rudders developed in New Zealand.

Triple 8 achieves crewed race speeds to 27 knots and two up cruising comfortably at 12 to 15 in good conditions.

Builder/Designer
Builder: Wahoo Composites USA
Design: Crowther / Bloomfield Innovations
Construction : Carbon composite

Dimensions
Length:15.24m (50ft)
LOA (prod): 18.25m (60ft)
Beam: 10.10m (33ft)
Displacement race mode: 5000kg
Displacement cruising: 5700kg est.
Draft: Max 13’ 0” Min 3’

Propulsion
Oceanvolt 2 x SD15 saildrives: 2 x 20+HP

Energy
Oceanvolt saildrive hydro generation: 0.5kW-8kW (sailing)
Whisperpower Marine genset: 4kW
Sunbeam Solar 6 x 100W: 600W (to be replaced)

Power
House 12V DC: Odyssey PC2150M AGM battery
**House 230V AC:** Victron 3000/48 inverter/charger  
**Winches 12V DC:** Odyssey PC2150M AGM battery  
**Watermaker 12V:** Odyssey PC2150M AGM battery  
**Propulsion 48V port:** 4 x Super-B (LiFePO4) SB12V160E-ZC 8kW  
**Propulsion 48V stbd:** 4 x Super-B (LiFePO4) SB12V160E-ZC 8kW

**Accommodation**  
The unique central pod (3.5m x 4.0m) boasts full headroom to galley, dining and living areas, with undivided sleeping for up to seven but preferably 4 (2 doubles).  
- Head (port hull)  
- Basin (port hull)  
- Shower (port hull)  
- Shower (cockpit)

**Galley**  
- Gas (2 burner)  
- Sink (ss large)  
- Hot Cold fresh water  
- Fridge/freezer Dometic CD30 12/24V

**Inventory**  
- NZ Rigging Carbon Mast (2015)  
- Hall Spars Carbon prod  
- North Sails Carbon Battened 3DL Main with C-Tech carbon battens  
- North Furling Jib (UV protected)  
- North Furling A3 Gennaker  
- North A2 on Snuffer (available, not included)  
- North #4 Jib and spare  
- Screecher  
- Harken Deck gear  
- Harken Radial Winches  
- Harken Radial Electric W  
- Aramid side stays  
- Profurl tape furler  
- KZ race furlers  
- Wheel steering  
- Safety gear to Cat3  
- LED nav lights + tri  
- Removable lightweight interior  
- Squabs  
- Mainsail stackpack  
- Water tanks 4 x 50L  
- Nexus NXR, Wind, Compass  
- Raymarine esSeries MFD GPS  
- Raymarine autopilot  
- AIS Vesper B  
- VHF Icom  
- Iridium GO satellite modem/router  
- Wirie Pro wifi/4g long range modem/router  
- Anchor: Manson Boss 60lb  
- Anchor: Fortress alloy  
- Anchor winch: Lone Star drum 2kW.

**Tender**  
- RIB 2.8m Southern Pacific (new 2015),  
- Yamaha 6hp 4 stroke (new December 2018) just had 20 hour (first) service.

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