

OVNI 56

Year 1991

470 000 € VAT incl.

This aluminum full centerboard sailing yacht, built by Alubat Shipyard to a design by Philippe Briand, features a true round-bilged hull — a rare and valuable characteristic. She has sailed around the world with a family on board for 8 years before taking on an expedition project.

Highly livable and comfortable, she is equipped with a pilothouse and a spacious cockpit, offering excellent protection and visibility.

Between 2009 and 2013, this OVNI 56 underwent a full refit in preparation for an 8-year voyage. She then changed hands in 2022 for a new expedition adventure.

Before setting off again, she returned to the Alubat yard in 2022 for a comprehensive overhaul, including new equipment installations and upgrades. She has been impeccably maintained year-round by a dedicated crew member and is presented in good condition.

With **11 berths spread across 4 cabins**, a large saloon with an additional lounge area, a well-appointed galley, **two heads**, and an expansive swim platform, she is perfectly suited for extended family cruising or a high-latitude charter project.

A must-see sailing yacht.

Engine replaced in November 2020.



Main specifications

Year : 1991

Yard : Alubat / FR

Architect : Philippe BRIAND

Lenght : 16.8 m

Beam : 5 m

Material : aluminum

Version : Bluewater cruising, from tropics to polar regions

Rigging : Cutter

Draft : 0,80/2,80 m

Keel type : Centreboard

Displacement : 18 000 kg

Ballast weight : 7 300 kg

Engine : YANMAR 4JH3-DTE 125CV (2510 hours)

Cabin(s) : 4

Berths : 11

Fuel tank : 1 200 L

Fresh water tank : 800 L

Visible : Les Sables d'Olonne



Owner's word

"I am offering for sale this exceptional 56-foot Alubat expedition sailboat — a true benchmark for sailing and adventure enthusiasts.

Designed for long-distance bluewater cruising in complete safety, this yacht was built to the highest standards, with an aluminum hull that ensures outstanding strength and durability.

This boat has taken me on unforgettable voyages, often allowing me to reach remote destinations where few others dare to go. Today, a new life project is leading me to part with this loyal companion, but I am confident it will continue to bring incredible adventures to its next owner.

The yacht has been meticulously maintained and is fully ready to sail. Over the years, it has benefited from numerous upgrades and optimizations, ensuring exceptional comfort and remarkable autonomy at sea. Whether you dream of ocean crossings or high-latitude expeditions beyond the polar circle, she is fully equipped to handle all conditions and help you explore the world with peace of mind.

If you're passionate about sailing and exploration, and are looking for a reliable, go-anywhere yacht ready for departure, this vessel is a truly outstanding choice."

Inventory

Engine & propulsion

Brand: YANMAR

Model: 4JH3-DTE year 2020

Power: 125HP

Transmission: Shaft drive

Engine hours: 2,510 hours

Propeller: 3-blade feathering propeller

Engine: Replaced with a brand-new one in November 2020

Fuel consumption: 6 L/h at 2000 RPM for 6–7 knots - range under power ~1,200 NM

Engine compartment: Very easy access

Cutlass bearing: Replaced in February 2021

Drivetrain: Overhauled in November 2020

Accommodation & living

Aluminum pilothouse (2012) with seating and work surfaces housing navigation electronics – refitted in 2022

Refleks diesel stove with hotplate and dedicated 50L fuel tank

Chart table located in the pilothouse

Forced-air heating with outlets in each forward cabin (2019)

220V HRO watermaker, 200L/h capacity; membranes replaced (2022), HRO gauge (2022), low-pressure pump (2024)

XWebasto 24V heating system (2022)

LG 220V washing machine, 8kg capacity (2016)

Interior completely renovated (2012) with white laminate and matte varnished teak

New flooring (2012): Marine plywood laminated in Espresso Pear finish

Large portside U-shaped saloon with large teak table, bookshelf, upholstery renewed in 2012

Small portside U-shaped lounge with small teak table, storage, upholstery (2012)

Spacious L-shaped galley on starboard open to the saloon with ample storage

Light grey Corian worktop with integrated dish drainer

Stainless steel Eno One gas stove/oven with two burners and gas oven

220V Brandt electric oven installed at waist height

Induction cooktop installed in 2023

152L Electrolux 220V refrigerator under worktop (2021)

100L freezer (2023)

Double stainless steel sinks with water-saving Hansgrohe mixer tap

Weber gas barbecue (2018) mounted on the aft rail

Deck renovated and painted in 2013

Cockpit with U-shaped slatted teak bench with cushions (modified in 2012)

Removable cockpit tables in honeycomb core covered with wood/aluminum, X-shaped aluminum tube legs

Removable teak benches with backs at companionway allowing seating all around the table

All plexiglass seals and deck panel joints renewed (2022/2023)

Double glazing on all openings

Isotemp Indel Webasto 75L hot water tank (220V-750W + engine and generator heating), heating element replaced in 2022

Jabsco PAR-MAX 5 pressurized water pump, 18.2 L/min + Jabsco hydrophore

16mm PER freshwater piping system (2013)

Gas locker in aft swim platform locker – holds 4 bottles (13kg and 9kg)

Shower on aft swim platform (2012)

Aluminum bathing ladder (2012)

Oceanair Skyscreen mosquito nets / blinds (x9) on opening panels

24V fans (x6)

Cabins:

Aft starboard double cabin with 3 lockers, wardrobe, and cupboards – 3 opening ports

Center portside double cabin with 4 lockers, cupboards – 1 opening port

Center starboard cabin with double berth + single child's berth, 2 lockers, wardrobe, cupboards – 1 opening port

Forward cabin with double berth + single upper adult berth, 2 lockers, wardrobe, 2 cupboards – 1 opening port

Forward head with shower, laminated shower stall with glass door, sink

Bedding replaced in 3 cabins (2025), box springs

Aft head with laminated shower stall, glass door, sink, and compact Jabsco toilet

Workshop:

Workbench with vice, storage, 220V power outlets

Tanks:

New integrated aluminum fuel tanks (2013) – 1200L capacity with plexiglass inspection hatches

Integrated aluminum water tanks (2013) – 800L capacity, food-grade paint with plexiglass inspection hatches

Black water tanks

Safety

SEA SAFE offshore life raft for 10 persons (2022), serviced for 2025

Whaly 310 rigid dinghy with Yamaha 9.9 HP 4-stroke outboard (2022)

Yamaha 15 HP E15CMH dinghy engine (2000)

6 inflatable life jackets serviced (2022), 5 equipped with AIS MOB transmitters

2 flare guns

EPIRB (2022)

5 Ursuit dry suits

Offshore safety equipment to be completed and inspected according to local regulations

Forward crash box (anchor locker), watertight

Aft crash box (gas locker and fender storage), watertight (2012)

Removable auxiliary navigation light powered from windlass control panel

LED navigation lights

Electric bilge pumps: Rule 2000 (x2) and manual Plastimo 1038C

4mm stainless steel lifelines (2012)

3 fire extinguishers

Deck & handling

Lofrans Falkon 1500W 24V electric windlass (2012), motor replaced 2018

Primary anchor: Rocna 40kg + 100m 12mm chain (2012), galvanically reconditioned 2017

Secondary anchor: Delta 25kg (2012) + 30m + 10m 12mm chain

3-position telescopic aluminum tiller (2012)

Suspended rudders, modified 2012; bushings and O-rings replaced 2014; Jefa bellows 2022

Steel lifting keel (1300kg) treated with Metagrip (Inversalu type for steel)

Keel lifting system upgrade: New blocks, larger Lewmar winch and electric crank (2022)

550mm MaxProp bronze feathering propeller

40mm stainless steel shaft (2014) with 2 hydrolube bearings

PSS shaft seal stuffing box (2012)

Disc shaft brake with motorcycle caliper

Teleflex Marine engine controls (2012)

Marco 24V 35 L/min fuel transfer pump for engine/generator priming and refilling (2012)

Rudder modification by Philippe Briand (2013)

Stainless steel mast granny bars (2012)

Large aluminum mooring cleats and towing bitt (2012)

Welded and extended aluminum bow sprit with cheeks (2012)

Aft anchor roller (2012)

Aluminum boom gallows on aft arch

Steel keel completely removed, sandblasted and fully repainted (01/2021)

Rigging & sails

All running rigging replaced (2022/2023): halyards, preventer, dinghy tackle, keel tackle in Dyneema

Standing rigging completely renewed (2022)

Welded aluminum chainplates with stainless steel inserts (2012)

183 m² TechniVoile gennaker with sock

Profurl furlers C480 and C420 (2022)

Tahiti Sails Yankee 66 m² (2018)

Magnusson Yankee 66 m² as backup

Hydranet staysail (2022) + Magnusson staysail 27 m² as backup

Francespar mast, 3 sets of spreaders, sandblasted (2012)

Frederiksen mainsail track and cars

New boom (2024)

Double Dyneema topping lift (2022)

Two raw aluminum spinnaker poles, sandblasted 2012, Francespar fittings

Andersen spinnaker carriages, Harken and Barbarossa hooks

New halyard bags at mast base

Hydranet mainsail on Ronstan cars (2022) + Magnusson mainsail 55m² with one reef and three reef points, revised with new headboard 01/2021 (average condition, backup sail)

Lazy bag (2012), serviced 2025

Mainsheet track located forward of pilothouse

Lewmar 48ST 2-speed mast base winches (x2), refurbished 2012

Lewmar 65ST 2-speed keel winch

Lewmar 43ST 2-speed mast winch (x1), refurbished 2012

Lewmar 46ST 2-speed deck winches (x2) for mainsheet and car, refurbished 2012

Lewmar 66ST 2-speed cockpit winches (x2), refurbished 2012

Lewmar 52ST 2-speed cockpit winches (x2), refurbished 2012

Genoa and staysail sheet tracks

Deck hardware from Spinlock, Antal, and Barbarossa replaced or refurbished in 2012 and 2023

Sails serviced annually since 2022

Electrical

Cummins Onan 11 kVA 50Hz generator in sound shield (2012), 4,400h, full service 2020 including pump

Solar panels: 2 x 180W (2012) + 2 x 200W (2014)

Victron 400Ah 24V lithium batteries installed by Pochon (2022)

Quattro charger/inverter (2024)

Blue Solar MPPT 40A solar charge controller

12V 55A Hitachi alternator

24V alternator (2024)

Electric leak tester for engine and generator wiring in aft lazarette

12V wiring (2013), bipolar with battery combiner for generator and engine batteries

HO7RNF marine-grade wiring (for exterior and harsh environments)

24V and 12V electrical leak testers with LED indicators (2023)

LED deck floodlights

Schneider Electric ammeter on electrical panel

Alfatronix DD24-12 14A 24V to 12V converter for electronics + two Victron converters (2022)

Shore power inlet

LED interior and exterior lighting

Electronics

Marine PC and marine display from Digital Yacht, TZ navigation/Splitter (2022) (visible from helm) - pilothouse

SEA AI (2022)

Autopilot serviced by Lecomble & Schmitt (2022)

VHF/Depth sounder and wind sensor (2024)

Digital Yacht AIT2000 Class B AIS transponder (PC connected)

Iridium Motorola 9555 satellite phone connected to PC with Skyfile interface for weather/email

B&G Triton navigation computer

B&G Triton multifunction displays (x2) in pilothouse

Furuno M1623 radar (pilothouse) – serviced 2022

2 portable VHF radios

Furuno GP39 GPS (2017) in pilothouse

Simrad AP24 autopilot remote control (pilothouse)

Simrad AC42 autopilot computer with L&S actuator

B&G 608 wind sensor (2024)

Airmar DST200 depth/speed sensor

Dedicated VHF and GPS AIS antennas mounted on arch

Glomex RA201 antenna splitter (VHF/AM-FM)

2 Silva 102 B/H course compasses on pilothouse bulkhead

Miscellaneous

Hull treated with Meta Inversalu zinc-silicate coating (2013)

Thermal insulation (2013): hull completely emptied and sprayed with 60mm foam

Insulation above waterline: AL777/10 BAYSYSTEMS

Lead ballast 6000 kg, inspected 2017 (watertight bolted inspection hatches)

Hull thickness: 10mm at bottom, then 8mm and 6mm, 4mm deck

Aluminum aft arch with davits and solar panel supports

Seacocks replaced in 2022

Plastic quarter-turn seacock valves (2022)

MTMI LW100 diving compressor (2023) (15 hours)

2-person Surge Mission kayak

Non-skid deck paint Kiwigrip 2012 on Intergard 269 primer

Stainless steel forward pulpit, 2 aluminum half pushpits aft (2012)

Engine room sound insulation: 30mm foam (2013)

Cockpit cover / bimini with teak battens between pilothouse and arch (2017)

Large sunshade awning (2017)

Hull below waterline fully repainted after complete sandblasting (01/2021)

Hull paint system: 3 coats of two-component epoxy primer Jotun Jotacote Universal N10 (01/2021)

Hull paint system: 1 coat of Jotun Vinyguard 88 tie coat (01/2021)

Hull paint system: 2 coats of long-lasting antifouling (60 months) Jotun SeaForce Active (2021 + 2023)

Antifouling applied in 2022 and 2024. Aluminum antifouling equivalent to Jotun scheduled for May 2025 before crossing

Spare parts

12V alternator

24V alternator

Starter motor

1 propeller

Maintenance parts for each engine (fuel pump / belt / filters / anodes)

Windlass motor

Autopilot motor

Autopilot solenoid valve

2 water pumps

Fuel pumps (fuel circuit)

Drainage pumps

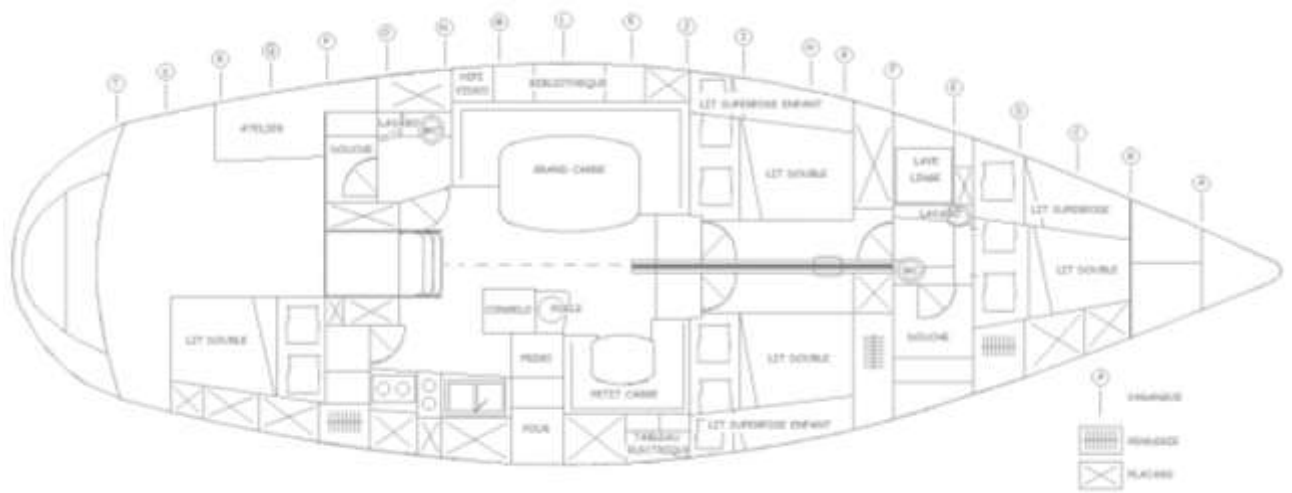
Bilge pumps

Smart Solar components

Various lithium battery parts (MPPT / relays / converters)

Mainsail cars

Stove carburetor



OVNI 56 – Alaska



OVNI 56 – Under sails



OVNI 56 – Deck from mast before adding more solar panels



OVNI 56 – Pilothouse



OVNI 56 – View from the pilothouse



OVNI 56 – Saloon





OVNI 56 – Saloon



OVNI 56 – Galley



OVNI 56 – Galley



OVNI 56 – Heads with separate shower



OVNI 56 – Starboard aft cabin



OVNI 56 – Starboard forward cabin



OVNI 56 – On port forward cabin



OVNI 56 – Forward head with separate shower



OVNI 56 – Forward head with washing machine



OVNI 56 – Forward cabin



OVNI 56 – The support and plate are on board for this arrangement







