



COVEY ISLAND BOATWORKS

*Custom Yachts
for the World since 1979*



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Building your dream: what we provide

Superior materials and craftsmanship ...

Customers choose Covey Island for its unique blend of traditional craftsmanship and proven modern building methods. These methods (see: 'Wood-Epoxy Boats Covey Island Style', Wooden Boat Magazine, Nov. '94) provide unbeatable strength and the low maintenance that today's owner expects. We use the industries best materials: epoxy resins, CoreCell®, Xynole®, E-glass, carbon fibre and Kevlar® - and of course suitable lumber. We proudly carry on the traditions that once made Nova Scotia home of the second largest commercial sailing fleet in the world and home of the biggest and fastest sailing vessels ever built.

Well-known and experienced designers ...

We have built designs by many of the industries most respected naval architects: Ted Brewer, Dave Gerr, L. Francis Herreshoff, Nigel Irens, Spencer Lincoln, Sparkman & Stephens: to mention a few. More important, we have built for a long list of fine customers. We remain in contact with all our vessels and maintain a close friendship with many owners. Such variety gives us a depth of experience very few yards offer. A proper job by a reputable designer and experienced builder will guarantee the lasting value of your investment.

Proven strength and durability ...

When "Tree of Life" and two other yachts were struck by a 95 mile an hour tornado off the Florida coast, one yacht was lost, one wrecked, while the "Tree" survived undamaged. Other owners have written with tales of Covey Island boats carrying them safely through severe and frightening conditions. Ours are strong, durable vessels built to take what the sea can hand out and last. Thomas Marine Surveyors, Palm Bay, Florida states that after years cruising "Chantey II", our 48 foot William Hand Jr. ketch, was "an exceptionally well-built vessel of an outstanding design..... in Bristol condition."



The best of both worlds

Covey Island customers want more than strength, durability and low maintenance. By combining lovely woods with the highest quality craftsmanship we create levels of comfort and beauty not seen for years aboard cruising boats. "Restless I is built like a piece of fine furniture. The workmanship is unbelievable," J. Kilgour, Toronto. Composite wood/epoxy eliminates traditional wooden boat maintenance, offers one of the highest strength to weight ratios and provides excellent thermal and acoustic insulation. Covey Island boats are beautiful, warm and quiet with no sweating or lingering solvent aromas. We deliver the best of both worlds: the advantages of modern materials and advances in design and building technologies combined with the beauty and comfort of traditional materials and joinery.

An unbeatable value

By purchasing directly from an established and respected builder, with no dealers or middlemen, all your investment goes into the boat - not into international dealer and sales networks. This, combined with highly competitive labour and overhead costs, as well as efficient and proven production processes, give Covey Island customers tremendous buying power. Our value is truly unbeatable.

Word of mouth

Over two thirds of all the boats we have built resulted from referrals. We think this says a great deal. Our boats and our customers are our best advertising. Liz Fellner, owner of "Chantey II" wrote to say, "We continuously receive compliments about the boat - with such comments as 'It must be a Covey Island boat'."

Let us build your dream to last

Send us the details of the boat you would like to build. According to John Gardner, of Magog, Quebec, "the process of designing and building the boat ("Annie J", a 38 foot Spencer Lincoln ketch) was worth the price of admission." This 'process' that John so enjoyed is what we do. We take great pride in the boats we build. We look forward to hearing from you...

...and turning your dream into reality.