



LA PLAISANCE CLASSIQUE D'AUJOURD'HUI

# Meaban



*Meaban* is a pocket and trailerable classic cruiser, with accommodation for 3 or 4. The centreboard is designed in order to pivot under the cockpit sole, avoiding a cumbersome centreboard case in the middle of the cabin. This allows both a large cockpit for day cruising as well as minimum but very practical accommodations with a small galley, many lockers, a toilet between fore berths, a sliding chart table and a foldable dinner table.

A well for the outboard engine is built aft of the self-draining cockpit, with the motor handle at helmsman reach. The propeller is just ahead of rudder for good manoeuvrability. A 4 strokes - 4 to 6 HP - motor may be installed and is completely hidden under the aft deck.

To be trailerable, the boat needs to be light, keeping a minimum ballast for stability. That why *Meaban* is built on an "egg box" structure, with longitudinal and transverse bulkheads made of 10 mm marine grade plywood. The bottom planking is a developed plywood panel. The side planking is cold moulded with 4 mm vertical strips of plywood over longitudinal stringers. The planking is lightly sheathed. Alternatively, *Meaban* may be strip planked.

*Meaban* is proposed with a gaff sloop rig but a bermudian rig is also possible if preferred.



Several *Meaban* are already sailing and many other are under construction by home builders.. The boat performs very well and gives full satisfaction to owners, both in term of speed and sea-keeping.

*Meaban* is a modern boat, considering construction techniques and ability to be trailered. But, as for all my designs, I wanted to draw a true classic, beautiful and

suited to another way of sailing, away from modern marinas. For instance, the low draught makes *Meaban* an excellent boat for visiting small drying harbours. Legs are provided to that purpose and a stowage place is arranged under the cockpit.



A comprehensive plan package is proposed to home builders as well as a kit of plywood parts cut on NC machine which allows a dramatic decrease of building time. Alternatively, it is possible to buy full size patterns.



*Meaban* is professionally built by Grand-Lague boatbuilder (near Saint Malo), who is also marketing the kit.

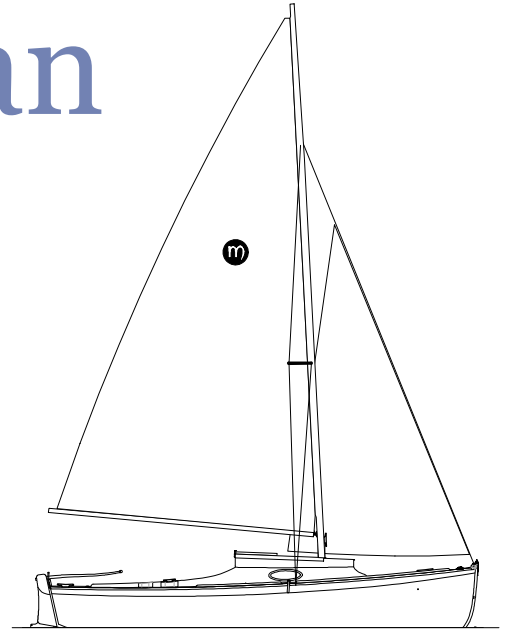
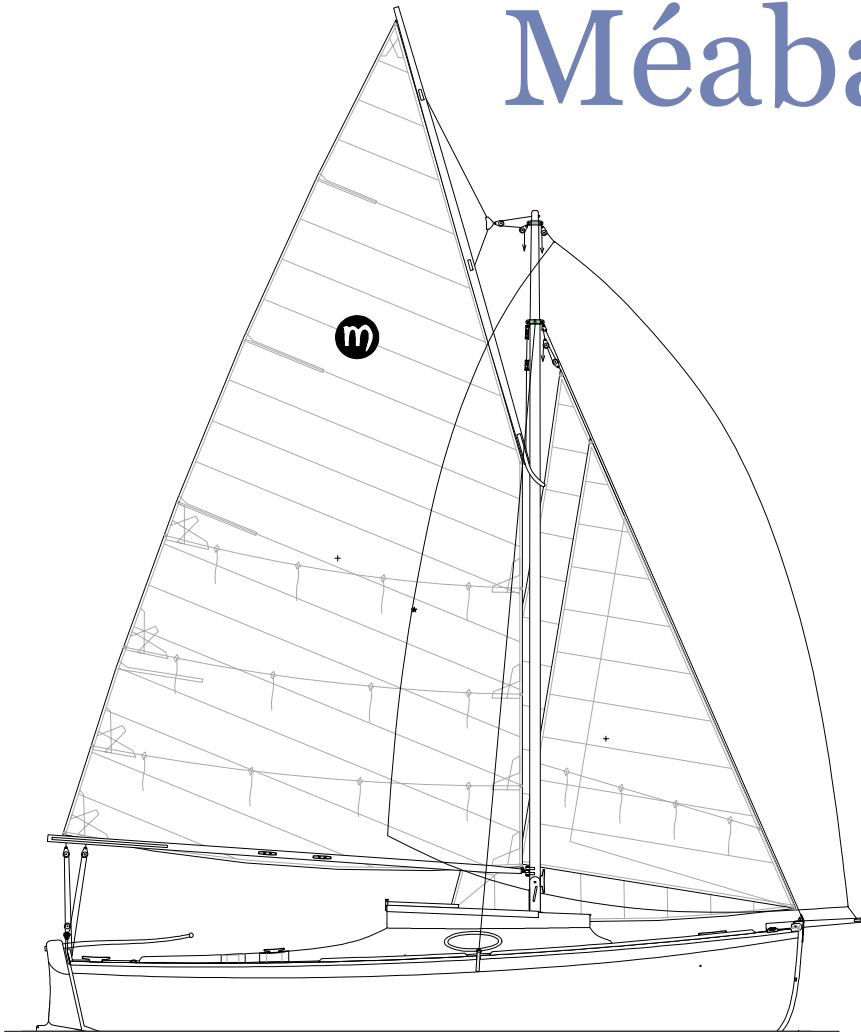
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Hull length	6.82 m
Waterline length	6.33 m
Breadth	2.30 m
Draught, centerboard up	0.47 m
Draught, centerboard down	1.45 m
Sail area	28 m <sup>2</sup>
Light weight (ISO)	1175 kg
Ballast	315 kg
Design category	C / D
Crew number	5 / 7

