# ARCHIPEL 36 **EVERYDAY EXPLORATION**



The Archipel shipyard launches its first model: the Archipel 36. Designed for coastal cruising, this versatile sailing yacht offers the perfect balance between the pleasure of sailing and reliable performance. With a remarkably spacious interior and high-efficiency auxiliary propulsion, the Archipel 36 ensures comfort and capability both under sail and under power.

## Lover of detours and stopovers A coastal cruiser at heart

The 11-meter-long, 3.75-meter-wide monohull, designed by the architectural firm Gildas Plessis & Associés (GPYD), is crafted to maximize enjoyment and time spent on the water.

Its sharp scow hull, inspired by Class40 designs, is fast and highly versatile. It delivers sailing performance well beyond traditional hulls for this type of program: excellent longitudinal balance, minimal heel deformation, fine and taut water entries when sailing upwind, and outstanding downwind capacity under spinnaker or J1.

Powered by a 50 to 75 hp engine, the Archipel 36 offers a cruising speed of 8 knots with good acoustic comfort, ideal when conditions or navigation plans call for motoring.

Thanks to its grounding ability and moderate 1.40 m draft, it allows access to the most secluded anchorages.

While sailing, the elevated helm station provides panoramic views of the entire boat. All sail handling is centralized here, freeing up the aft living area.

The cockpit opens onto a large bathing platform designed to facilitate water access and ensure safe boarding and disembarking. An optional removable platform can fully enclose the aft area while underway.

The Archipel 36 is easy to handle and secure—an ideal vessel for coastal cruising and cabotage, whether sailing with family or a small crew.

## A true living space on the water.

Accessible via a low step, almost flush with the deck, the wheelhouse gives the lines an elegant yet sporty look. Combined with the generous volumes of the sharp scow bow hull, it provides the Archipel 36 with remarkable habitability for a monohull of this size.

Its interior design is simple and functional, without compromising on comfort. The raised saloon, featuring an interior watch station, benefits from a panoramic 180° view through large glazed surfaces.

The galley, arranged lengthwise, ensures safe use underway thanks to the support of the bench, while facilitating movement forward.

The owner's cabin fully utilizes the volume offered by the hull, creating a bright space enhanced by four large portlights that offer views of the horizon.

At the aft, a double cabin provides comfort and privacy. Each cabin has its own bathroom. With the optional convertible saloon, the boat offers up to six berths.

In a more open layout version, the second bathroom and the guest cabin bulkhead are removed to enlarge the main living area, creating a seamless flow between interior and exterior living spaces.



### Sustainable construction

The Archipel 36 stands out with a plywood hull reinforced with glass and basalt fibers combined with bio-based epoxy resin. This technical choice combines lightness, performance, and durability. It is part of a comprehensive eco-design approach.

We carefully select our materials and manufacturing processes, prioritizing robustness and longevity. Our goal is to minimize the environmental impact throughout the entire lifecycle of the boat.

## **Technical Specifications**

Length: **11 m** Beam: **3.75 m** 

Draft (single keel): 1.40 m Number of cabins: 2 Number of berths: 6 Engine power: 50 to 75 hp

Upwind sail area: **74 m<sup>2</sup>** (Main sail **42 m<sup>2</sup>** + Genoa **32 m<sup>2</sup>**)

Asymmetric spinnaker: 60 to 90 m<sup>2</sup>

# Meet us at the Grand Pavois to discover the Archipel 36 in greater detail.

We will be attending the show in La Rochelle from September 23 to 28, 2025, and would be delighted to meet you there!

Please feel free to contact us for more information:

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## **Archipel**

## High-performance motorsailer!

ARCHIPEL designs hybrid sail and motor cruising boats, easy to handle and thoughtfully crafted as true living spaces on the water.

We aim to give everyone the freedom to experience the sea at their own pace without compromising on comfort or the thrill of sailing.

Committed to more sustainable boating, we pay close attention to the materials we use and our manufacturing processes, with durability as a guiding principle.

## Born from a meeting between two enthusiasts.

Nicolas and Renan met in 2021 during an Atlantic crossing aboard their respective sailboats. One is an engineer and project manager in the yachting industry; the other, also an engineer by training, now works as a cabinetmaker and interior joiner. Both have been sailing since childhood.

Driven by their shared passion and enriched by their experience at sea, they joined forces with naval architecture firm Gildas Plessis & Associés (GPYD), specialists in composite wood boatbuilding.

Their goal: to design a hybrid cruising monohull — halfway between a pure sailboat and a motor yacht. A true living space on the water, with no compromise on sailing performance or sensations.

## Our observation: on cruising sailboats, the sails often stay in their covers.

Anyone who's been cruising on a sailboat knows the dilemma: Should we start the engine or not?

When the wind drops, we're often tempted to turn it on - to reach our destination faster, simplify the trip, or avoid complex maneuvers and physical effort.

But why is this a dilemma?

Because we sail for the sense of freedom it gives us — especially when sailing in silence, under wind power alone.

Unfortunately, on most cruising sailboats, turning on the engine significantly reduces that pleasure. Hulls aren't designed for efficient motoring, and sound insulation is often poor. And yet, during coastal cruising, motor use can add up to three hours a day.\* That's why we aim to offer a sailboat with a versatile hull and enhanced propulsion, combining the best of both worlds: the joy of sailing and the comfort of efficient motoring.

<sup>\*</sup> Data gathered from professional sailboat charter companies.

## Making the motorsailer desirable

A "Fifty" is a hybrid sailboat halfway between a pure sailboat and a motor yacht. This concept was widely developed and popularized in the past, with iconic models like the Nauticat 33, of which over 1,500 units were sold.

These boats are known for their spacious interiors and large pilothouses, offering excellent comfort. However, they generally lack sailing performance, making them less appealing to sailors who crave the sensations of sailing under wind power.

With the Archipel 36, we aim to revive interest in the hybrid sailboat - a concept we believe is particularly well suited to coastal cruising.

The Archipel 36 is designed as a true living space on the water, ideal for both sailing and enjoying time at anchor.

Built with lightweight, sustainable materials, it features an optimized, high-performance hull and offers maximum interior space within a deliberately compact monohull.

Our goal: to reduce operating and maintenance costs a real alternative to catamarans.

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