



## Classic sailing yacht Weatherbird back on the market

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The classic 31 metre sailing yacht Weatherbird, which once hosted some of the world's most notable artists and writers on board, has re-entered the market after being sold in 2020. She is now listed for sale by Richard Callendar at Northrop & Johnson.





Weatherbird was built with an oak hull and teak superstructure and delivered in 1931 by French yard Chantier Navals de Normandie. Her classic lines were devised by Henri Rambaud while Victor Orloff developed the yacht's naval architecture.

The two-masted schooner that once hosted luminaries such as F. Scott Fitzgerald, Coco Chanel, Ernest Hemingway and Pablo Picasso now accommodates up to eight guests and five crew members. In 1934, artist Fernand Léger took up residence and used her as a floating studio, creating a series of watercolour paintings of the yacht.

Although she has benefited from several refits over the last 90 years, including a mechanical overhaul in 2021, traditional styling is still seen throughout her interior.

An elegant aesthetic is aided by dark, rich woodwork, while the main saloon features U-shaped seating and lots of windows providing natural light. The comfortable seating surrounds a fold-out piano in the centre of the room accompanied by a drinks bar with an Art Deco motif to transport guests back to the 1930s.



The cabin layout meanwhile comprises a master cabin with a double berth, a double cabin and two cabins, each with two single bunks. Elsewhere, the yacht's meticulously maintained exterior spaces offer numerous seating and lounging areas.

Under power, a single 200hp Mercedes engine provides a top speed of nine knots with a range of 1,000 nautical miles.

Weatherbird is asking €3,800,000.

