

## The Boathouse

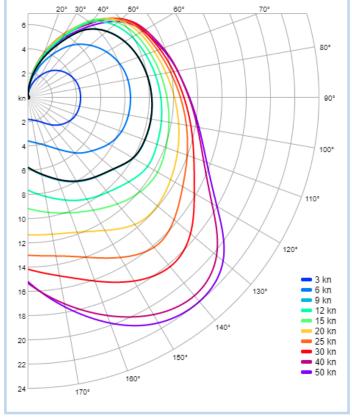


## Santa Cruz 70

## GENERAL ARRANGEMENT



POLAR DIAGRAM



ACTION PHOTO



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Back in the day, Bill Lee and Bob Smith set new standards in ULDB (ultra-light displacement boat) design winning the 1977 TransPac with their 65ft one-off 'Merlin'. Scaled down to 50ft, a production SC 50 version hit the market a year later, taking the yacht racing world by storm. 50ft was large for a production yacht especially one being built in a barn in the backwoods of Santa Cruz, but 'Hey! This is California', 'Success breeds Success' and it didn't take much for Bill and Bob to add 5ft to their original 'Merlin' to create a kingsize flyer, the SC70.

Since the first build in 1985, more than 20 have been launched and no two are ever quite the same. Over time, construction materials and design details have honed the sailing performance, but all weigh in at under 10 tonne, which for a 70 footer is 'not a lot'. SOL are very pleased to introduce you now (in 2021) to their particular version of this legendary surfing platform, featuring sustained 20kn downwind speeds.

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