



# Offshore Speedster With Less Crew



40' (12.19m) 2024 J Boats J/121  
Pensacola Florida United States

## OVERVIEW

Manufacturer:	J Boats	Hull Material:	Fiberglass
Engines:	1 Yanmar	Cruise Speed:	
Engine Model:		Max Speed:	
Engine HP:	30	Cabins/Heads:	1 / 1
Beam:	13' 4"	Fuel Type:	Diesel
Max Draft:	7' 9"	Fuel:	
Water:			

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## Data Sheet

Category: Racing Sailboat  
Condition: New  
Model Year: 2024  
Beam: 13'4" (4.06m)  
Max Draft: 7' 9" (2.36m)  
LOA: 40' (12.19m)  
LWL: 36' 4" (11.07m)  
Cabins: 1  
Heads: 1

Fuel Type: Diesel  
Hull Material: Fiberglass  
Hull Finish: Gel Coat

Displacement: 12900 lbs  
Dry Weight: 12900 lbs  
Stock #: Available for Order

## Engines/Generators

### Engine 1

Yanmar  
Inboard  
30HP  
Fuel: Diesel

## Summary/Description

### Offshore Speedster With Less Crew

The [J/121](#) is a 40' offshore speedster that can be day raced or distance sailed by just 5 or fewer crew.... the best short-handed J ever.... capable of winning on any race track while also excelling in daysailing and weekend mode. Here's a boat, class, and program that redefines sailboat racing as a recreation and shared adventure with friends, reducing the focus on specialization and athletic short-course W/L racing. The [J/121](#) fulfills the growing need to simplify life and reconnect with those you really want to sail with on a boat that's pure magic to sail.

### Why a New 40 Footer?

Sailing continues to adapt to the rapidly changing demographics, technology, and social trends of an ever more hectic world. As our lives become more fast-paced so does the need to escape from the time constraints, pressures, and burdens. "Always on, always connected" is leading the drive to "get away" to a place that can nourish and recharge the soul. Nowhere is that more evident than the extraordinary growth of adventure travel, providing people a much-needed outlet through outdoor, shared experiences with others.

The challenge is trying to align 8-10 people onto the same schedule. This obstacle alone is impacting keelboat racing participation across the board in most areas. Just as technology is making it easier to sail, the over-reliance on crew is making it more complicated. Two of the positive growth areas in sailing today are one-design class racing in trailerable boats, and short-handed day racing and fun point-to-point events. The global success of the new [J/70](#) is a direct result of pent-up demand for an affordable one-design with a pre-planned circuit and easy entry. The travel and event logistics for four people are infinitely easier than that of 8-10. For those sailing larger keelboats, it's the charity pursuit races and day distance events like San Francisco's Three Bridge Fiasco that are becoming increasingly popular. And it's no surprise why. These events pack a lot of sailing fun and adventure into more acceptable, smaller doses that require less practice and time to manage.

The [J/121](#) is designed with both of these trends in mind. Imagine a fleet of high-performance, offshore-capable speedsters sprinting along point-to-point, around-the-island, and adventure-style races with half the normal crew size, with owners enjoying a "dream circuit" of events that tie into regional "classic" races that everyone aspires to sail in.

### Now is the Time

The [J/121](#) is the answer for those seeking a boat that offers compelling performance with less crew, all-around sailing versatility, low maintenance, and is fully ocean capable to be delivered on its own bottom anywhere. The [J/121](#) is a return to the shared adventure, sail-with-friends style of sailing and racing that's more memorable and meaningful than the specialized, athletic W/L racing that's succeeded mostly in establishing a pecking order that's impossible to crack. This design hits all the hot buttons for J/sailors, but also appeals to new entrants to the sport who are drawn to turnkey adventure sailing with a pre-planned event schedule and readily available event support only the J/Network can

provide. Sailing photo credits- [Paul Todd/ Outside Images](#) and [Billy Black](#)

## J/121 Awarded SAIL Best Boats

SAIL Magazine has announced the winners of SAIL's 2018 Best Boats Awards. If there's one word that sums up the Best



Boats Class of 2018, it would have to be “performance.” The boat review team at SAIL magazine determined the new [J/121](#) offshore speedster was SAIL's choice for Best Boats- Performance 30 to 40 feet. Here is Adam Cort's commentary:

“The latest in J/Boats' long line of outside-the-box designs is the new 40 foot [J/121](#), a boat specifically tailored to appeal to skippers who are 1) tired of having to round up eight to 10 people to go racing and 2) are looking for something other than the usual windward-leeward “sausage” courses that now dominate inshore racing.

To this end, the boat carries a “five-sail” rig that includes a main, jib, and removable staysail (like the IMOCA 60 class), to make shifting gears with a crew of as little as five a snap, whether sailing inshore or off soundings. (A Code 0 or A-sail—sails #4 and 5—can be flown off the boat's retractable sprit). To keep the boat on its feet, designer Al Johnstone has also included an easy-to-use water ballast system that can shift 104 gallons of water (880 lbs. worth) from side-to-side.”















