



# MERLIN

47' (14.33m) 2004 Beneteau  
Newburyport Massachusetts United States



## OVERVIEW

**\$169,000**

Manufacturer:	<i>Beneteau</i>		
Engines:	1 Yanmar	Hull Material:	Fiberglass
Engine Model:	4JH3-TE	Cruise Speed:	6.5 MPH
Engine HP:	75	Max Speed:	MPH
Beam:	14' 2"	Cabins/Heads:	2 / 2
Max Draft:	6' 11"	Fuel Type:	Diesel
Water:	200 G (757.08 L)	Fuel:	56 G (211.98 L)



## Data Sheet

Category: Cruisers

Condition: Used

Model Year: 2004

Beam: 14'2" (4.32m)

Max Draft: 6' 11" (2.11m)

LOA: 46' 11" (14.30m)

LWL: 43' 10" (13.36m)

Cabins: 2

Single Berths: 5

Double Berths: 1

Heads: 2

MPH

Cruise Speed: 6.5 MPH

Fuel Type: Diesel

Hull Material: Fiberglass

Displacement: 24277 Dry Weight: 24277  
lbs

Fuel Tank: 56 gal (211.98 liters)

Fresh Water: 200 gal (757.08 liters)

Holding Tank: 44 gal (166.56 liters)

HIN/IMO: BEY79170C404

In Stock: Yes

## Engines/Generators

### Engine 1

Yanmar

4JH3-TE

Inboard

75HP

55.93KW

Fuel: Diesel

Hours: 4300

Year: 2004

## Summary/Description

This 2004 Beneteau 473 combines luxury, and comfort with performance and bluewater strength.

Designed by the well-known Groupe Finot and built by Beneteau in South Carolina, MERLIN's elegant lines are complimented by an extraordinarily spacious interior. When **MERLIN**'s current owners purchased her in 2013 they made several upgrades in their first year in anticipation of living aboard for an extended time. She is more than "fit up" with creature comforts and equipped to live off the grid in comfort indefinitely (Kyocera solar panels, Air Breeze wind generator & Spectra Cape Horn Extreme water-maker). She is powered by a Yanmar 4JH3-TE 75 hp turbo with 4,300 hours, and equipped with twin helm wheels, a Neil Pryde in-mast furling mainsail and genoa, a North Sails 3DL staysail, a Sunbrella dodger, connector & bimini with Phifertex side curtains. Below decks, she comfortably sleeps 6+, has 2 heads (one with an enclosed shower), and a cabin converted to a storage/workspace. The Main Salon is open and beautifully appointed with custom upholstery for the settees, a convertible teak dinette, smart TV, CD/DVD with USB connection, and plenty of storage. The Galley has double stainless steel sinks, a microwave, a Force 10 3 burner stove w oven, a Frigoboat refrigeration system, and ample storage. After 9 years of living aboard, and a lifetime of cruising adventures, the current owners are ready for a little Terra Firma. **MERLIN has been professionally maintained, is in MINT condition, is turnkey, and sail-ready.**

**Go to specs for more info or call NOW to schedule a private showing!!!**

## Information & Features

### 2004 Yanmar 4JH3-TE (Engine 1)

Type: **Inboard**

Drive Type: **Direct Drive**

Propeller Material:

## Bronze

Fuel Type: **Diesel**

Hours: **4300**

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Power: **75 hp**

Propeller Type: **3 Blade**

Rope Cutter: **true**

## Dimensions

LOA: **46 ft 11 in**

LWL: **43 ft 10 in**

Beam: **14 ft 2 in**

Max Draft: **6 ft 11 in**

## Weights

Dry Weight: **24,277 lb**

Ballast: **7,275 lb**

Displacement: **24,277 lb**

## Speed

Cruising Speed: **6.5 mph**

## Tanks

Fuel: **1 x 56 gal Plastic** Fresh Water: **4 x 50 gal Plastic** Holding: **2 x 22 gal Plastic**

## Accommodations

Single Berths: **5**

Double Berths: **1**

Cabins: **2**

Heads: **2**

## Other

Warranty: **None**

Hull Shape: **Monohull**

Designer: **Finot / Conq**

## Covers

- Bimini Top
- Mainsail Cover

## Electrical Equipment

- Shore Power Inlet
- Generator
- Inverter

## Electronics

- Depthsounder
- Radar
- Log-Speedometer
- Radar Detector
- Wind Speed and Direction
- Navigation Center
- Plotter

- Autopilot
- Radio
- Compass
- GPS
- Cockpit Speakers
- VHF

## Inside Equipment

- Bow Thruster
- Electric Bilge Pump
- Oven
- Manual Bilge Pump
- Microwave Oven
- Marine Head
- Electric Head

- Hot Water
- Refrigerator
- Fresh Water Maker
- Battery Charger

## Outside Equipment/Extras

- Cockpit Shower
- Davit(s)
- Radar Reflector
- Solar Panel
- Cockpit Cushions
- Cockpit Table
- Swimming Ladder

## Rigging

- Steering Wheel
- Electric Winch
- Spinnaker Pole

## Sails

- Spinnaker
- Furling Mainsail
- Genoa
- Asymmetric Spinnaker

- Furling Genoa

## Owner's Remarks

We will be returning to the US to start a new life on Terra Ferma as CLODs (*Cruisers Living on Dirt*). We

bought 'Merlin' in November 2013 in the USVI. In anticipation of living aboard we undertook many improvements and upgrades in the first year.

In our nine years aboard, we have sailed up and down the island chain as far west as Puerto Rico and south to Grenada during hurricane season.

We have had many adventures, fabulous sailing and met wonderful friends from all walks of life and countries around the world.

We've encountered pretty robust conditions and never had to worry that we were safe and comfortable. We knew 'Merlin' could easily handle whatever came our way. She offers all the amenities and equipment for a comfortable life afloat. The storage and tankage are more than adequate for spending days on end in remote anchorages.

She has been upgraded to live off the grid in comfort indefinitely (e.g., solar panels, wind generator and water-maker). Built in 2004, she's as beautiful as ever, a tribute to the Finot Group, in design and execution of building a solid blue water cruiser.

'Merlin' has had two owners; the first owner purchased had her built at the Beneteau plant in South Carolina\* and then shipped to Washington where she was sailed in the Seattle area before making the long passage to the Caribbean in 2007.

In May of 2022 she made the offshore passage from USVI to Rhode Island, averaging about 6.5 knots over the 1,600 nautical miles.

Currently berthed in Newburyport, MA 'Merlin' is turnkey and ready to set sail on her next adventure.

## Accommodations

Headroom: 6'5"

Merlin is the three-cabin layout version:

1. Master cabin forward with ensuite head.
2. Aft port cabin with adjacent head.
3. Starboard cabin has been converted into a storage/work space (slightly different than shown).

## Interior

- Plexiglass companionway hatches with two locks; custom stainless steel security grate.
- Custom upholstery for settees in Salon.
- Salon teak table convertible to make into a berth.
- Cabin fans - Caframo fans located in all cabins.
- Custom plastic laminate fiddles at shelves in forward and aft cabins.
- Additional custom storage cabinets in Salon and Forward cabin (2016).



- Storage lockers under seats and in bilge.
- Samsung 21" flat screen smart TV (new 2014) is on the port side of the salon Pioneer stereo system DVD/CD/AM/FM/ with with USB connection; 2 speakers in the salon, 2 in the cockpit
- Aft head is complete with sink, storage and shower area with shower track, manual Jabsco Twist n Lock head. Y-valve discharge. Holding tank with macerator (not operational).
- Forward head is complete with sink, ample storage and full enclosed shower. Head is electric Jabsco Quiet Flush. Y-valve discharge. Holding tank with macerator (not operational).
- Navigation station has chart desk, immediate access to electrical panel. Storage for manuals and navigation accessories. LED nav light and red night light. BlueSea Dual USB chargers - socket mount, 1 at salon, 1 at nav station, 1 in aft cabin, 1 in cockpit. 12v socket mounts are also up in the cockpit
- Forward berth in master stateroom has custom Tempurpedic style mattress with hypoallergenic cover, 4" regular foam and 4" memory foam.

## Deck & Cockpit

- All lines are run back to the cockpit; clutches for most lines. Lewmar D2 HD clutches on mast for halyards.
- Primary winches - Lewmar self-tailing.
- Secondary winches - Lewmar self-tailing; one winch is electric.
- Anchor locker - deck hatch; anchor rode (2), fenders (6), dock lines and miscellaneous equipment. Windlass mounted inside anchor locker, protected but accessible. Washdown pump.
- Sunbrella dodger, connector and Bimini. Complete Phifertex side curtains for enclosure.
- Custom teak table with canvas cover. Storage for companionway hatches underneath.
- Two large storage lockers, port and starboard under seats.
- Two helm stations. Two deep storage lockers under seats.
- Swim platform with stainless ladder and H/C water shower.

## Tankage

- Fresh Water Tanks: 200 US gallons, in four polypropylene tanks. Manifold with selector valves.
- Fuel Tank: 55 gallons, in one polypropylene tank.
- Holding Tank: Aft - 22 Gallons polyethylene tank
- Holding Tank: Fwd - 22 Gallons polyethylene tank

## Engine Information

- Engine: Diesel, single Yanmar 4JH3-TE, turbo. 75 hp @ 3800 rpm.
- Engine hours: approx. 4,300
- Gearbox: Kanzaki KBW 21
- Propeller: PYI 3 blade Classic (new 3/2017)
- Cruising speed (fully loaded): about 6.5k depending on conditions.

## Sails & Rigging Information

2015 - Neil Pryde Mainsail

2015 - Neil Pryde Genoa

Asymmetrical Spinnaker w/sock

North Sails Caribbean

I : 58.37 ft

J : 17.06 ft

P : 47.70 ft

E : 18.21 ft


Working Sail Area : 1,076 sq ft

## Electronics

Garmin 740s Chartplotter (2014)

Garmin Radar - 18 HD (2014)

(2) 9" Zues B&G Instruments (2015) 

- W9 MFD
- W9 Navigator 
- W9 iGPS

B&G Triton T41

508 Wind Transducer

ZG-100 Antenna/Compass

(2) Plastimo Compass in Cockpit

N2NET NMEA 2000 AIS

AM/FM Radio w/speakers

## Keel Details

'Merlin' sports a bulb fin keel and spade rudder 

- Sail Area/Displacement Ratio: 17.2
- Ballast/Displacement Ratio: 33.6
- Displacement/Length Ratio: 129

## Additional Information & Upgrades

### 2014

Rudder bearings replaced

All wire rigging replaced [original turnbuckles, toggles, etc. left in place] New Furler S400 roller furling for genoa on forestay.

Existing ProFurl roller furling factory rebuilt and installed as inner Solent stay. Custom stainless steel arch built over cockpit, including davit system for dinghy. Solar Panels: three Kyocera 250w panels install on stainless steel arch.

Spectra Cape Horn Extreme Water Maker installed.

New Garmin 740s chart plotter installed at port helm station.

New Garmin GMR 18HD radar installed on mast; interfaced with Garmin 740s. New Digital Yacht AIS receiver interfaced with Garmin instruments.

Original brass thru hull fittings and valves replaced with bronze. Racor 500SM dual filter system installed.

Propane/CO Safe-T-Alert installed.

New Frigaboard refrigeration system installed, with external keel cooler. All interior ceiling light fixture bulbs replaced with LEDs.

Custom storage cabinet system installed in starboard aft cabin. iCom 802 SSB and AT140 automatic tuner installed [date?] KISS SSB antenna installed [date?]

## 2015

New custom cockpit cushions.

New Neil Pryde tri radial dacron in mast furling mainsail. New Neil Pryde tri radial dacron 130% genoa.

New Quantum laminated staysail.

New B&G Zeus2 9" MFD with wireless modem installed at nav station.

New B&G Trident instruments [3] installed in cockpit; wind transducer and triducer. New Lofrans' Tigres windlass installed.

Fireboy automatic discharge fire extinguisher installed in engine room. New acrylic galley countertop.

## 2016

All new canvas, dodger, Bimini, side curtains, hatch covers.

New Electromaax 140A alternator installed with external regulator and remote panel. Engine modified to accommodate serpentine belt.

## 2017

New B&G V50 vhf installed at nav station with wireless H50 handheld remote at helm station. Raymarine autopilot computer upgraded with sensor core. New p70s control head.

New PYI Classic three blade feathering prop installed. Various sheets and halyards replaced.

New engine start battery Excidie 1000 MCA

New Xantrex Freedom charger/inverter installed.

New primary anchor and rode: Spade S-120 55# anchor and 200 feet G4 10mm chain. Original wire life lines replaced.

## 2018

Batteries House Bank: Six LifeLine 6v AGM batteries installed in series and parallel. 660Ah total. Victron MPPT 150/70r controller and wireless remote monitor installed.

## 2019

New Jabsco Quiet Flush electric head pumps replaced.

Air Breeze wind turbine - purchased used and installed with charge control monitor. Plastimo 6-person offshore life raft in hard container; mounted on stainless steel cradle. New cockpit cushions with added foam.

## 2021

New North Sails 3DL staysail.

Galley faucet - Kohler Mistos

### Manufacturer Provided Description

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The redesigned Beneteau 473 combines extraordinary interior comfort, volume, and light with bluewater strength. Designed by Groupe Finot, this design offers a unique combination of elegant lines with extraordinary space and performance. The 473 boasts more features and creature comforts than ever before in a boat this size. The Beneteau 473 was awarded 2001 Boat of the Year Best Production Cruiser.

## Noted Issues

- Holding tank system (2) are not operational
- Deck fills - the waste tank and forward water tank screw in caps are frozen.
- Propeller - does not feather automatically, locking gearbox in reverse works.
- Transom locker pump is not working.
- Combination mast light - steaming light works, deck light does not. Complete new fixture aboard.

## Sailboat Cruising Remarks

Sailboat-Cruising.com says: *French-built models are known the Beneteau Oceanis Clipper 473 and usually have the galley on the port side, while the US-built models have a 2 or 3 stateroom layout with the galley on the starboard side of the boat.*

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