

FLIGHT OF UFFORD





Sail No: GBR3598R Launch Date: 2007 Type: Spirit 54

Owner: Sean McMillan

Designer:	Sean McMillan	Builder:	Spirit Yachts
Construction:	Cold Moulded	Sail Plan:	Sloop
LOA/LWL:	15.9m / 11.27m	Beam:	3.7m
Draft:	2.2m	Displacement:	8.5 Tonnes

History

FLIGHT OF UFFORD was designed and built by Sean McMillan at Spirit Yachts as a fast cruiser for himself and his wife, Jenny. She is closely based on the Spirit 54 used in the James Bond film 'Casino Royale', but with slightly less displacement and rig size to make her easier to handle with a small crew.

Design work was finished in 2005 and building started immediately. She was completed and launched with all ceremony on May 5th 2007. Since then she has cruised the East Coast extensively and also acted as a company yacht for Spirit Yachts demonstration purposes.

She took part in the BCYC regattas of 2007,2009 and 2010 by which time she was a full member yacht of the BCYC and has competed with regular success every year since.

Her construction is Brazilian cedar planking over laminated Brazilian cedar ring frames. The planking is overlaid with double diagonal African mahogany veneers. Hog, stem post, stern post, beam shelves etc are all in Douglas fir. This hull construction accounts for her extraordinarily light displacement of only 8.5 tonnes, nearly half of which is in her fin and bulb ballast keel.