

MENGER CAT

LOA: 17'
LWL: 16'6"
BEAM: 8'
DRAFT: 1'8" (BOARD UP)
..... 4'6" (MAXIMUM)
MAST HEIGHT: 23' ABOVE LWL
SAIL AREA: 250 SQ. FT.
DISPLACEMENT: 2,200 LBS.
DESIGNER: A. MENGER



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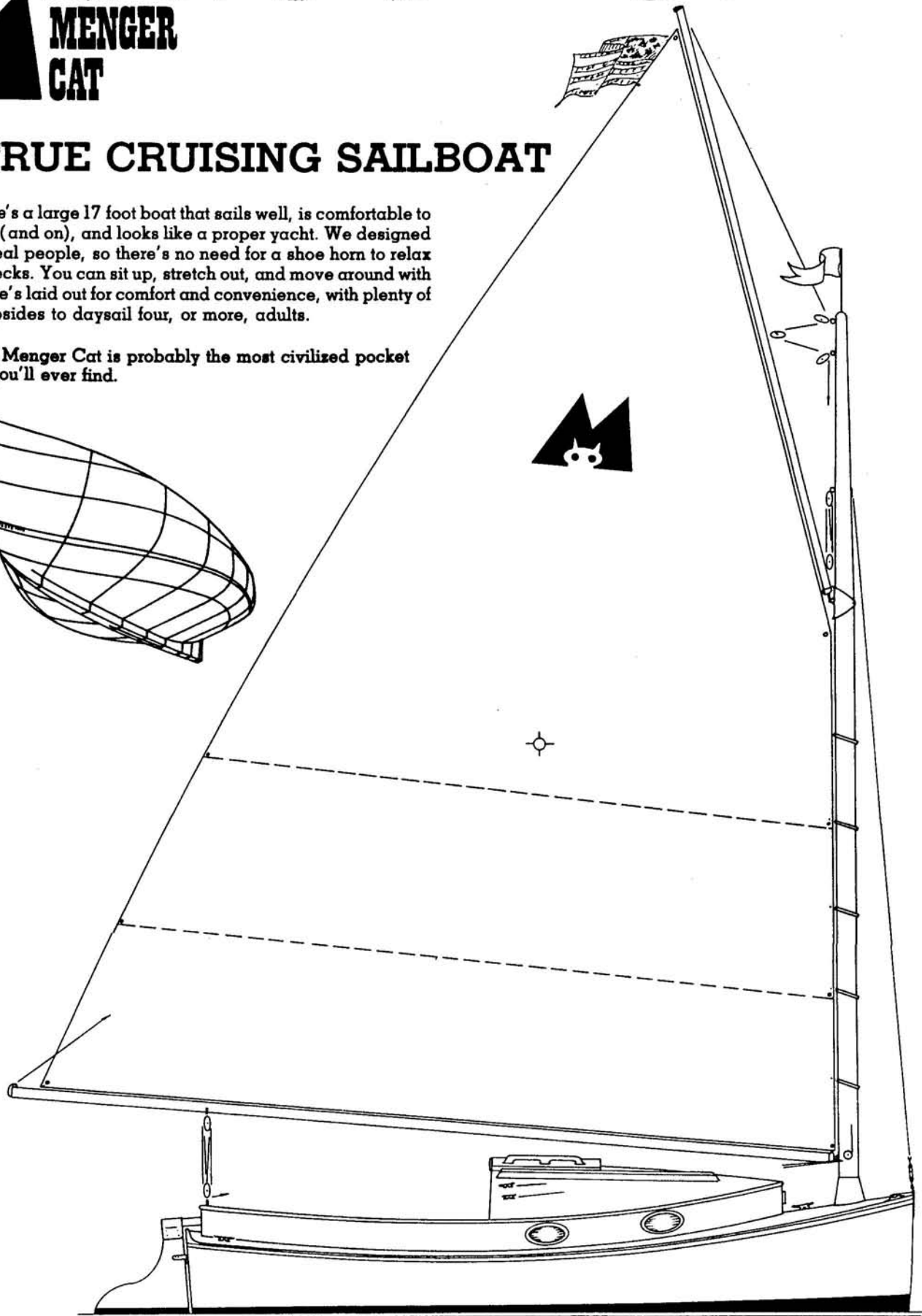
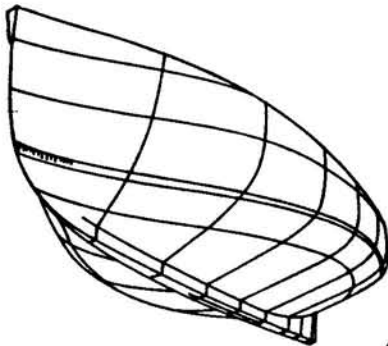


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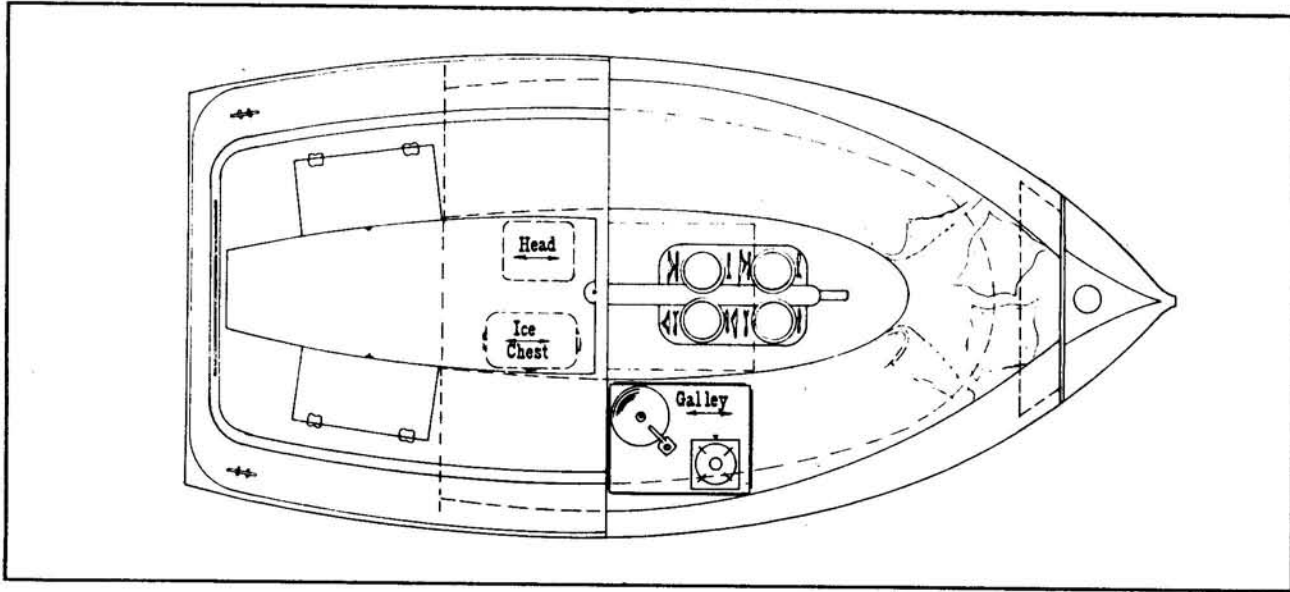
A TRUE CRUISING SAILBOAT

Here's a large 17 foot boat that sails well, is comfortable to live with (and on), and looks like a proper yacht. We designed her for real people, so there's no need for a shoe horn to relax below decks. You can sit up, stretch out, and move around with ease. She's laid out for comfort and convenience, with plenty of room topsides to daysail four, or more, adults.

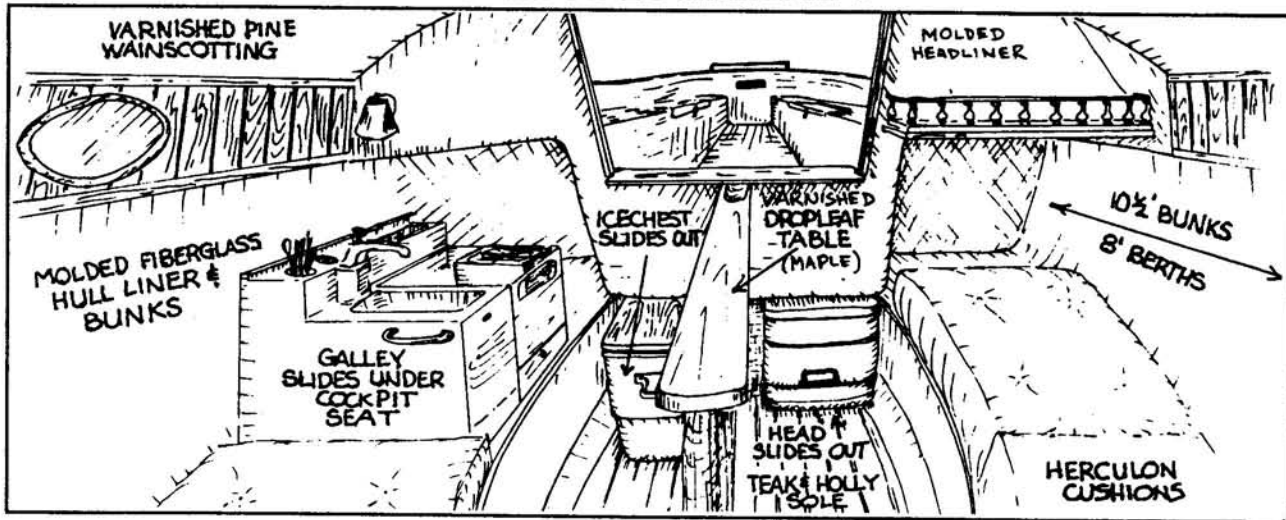
The Menger Cat is probably the most civilized pocket cruiser you'll ever find.



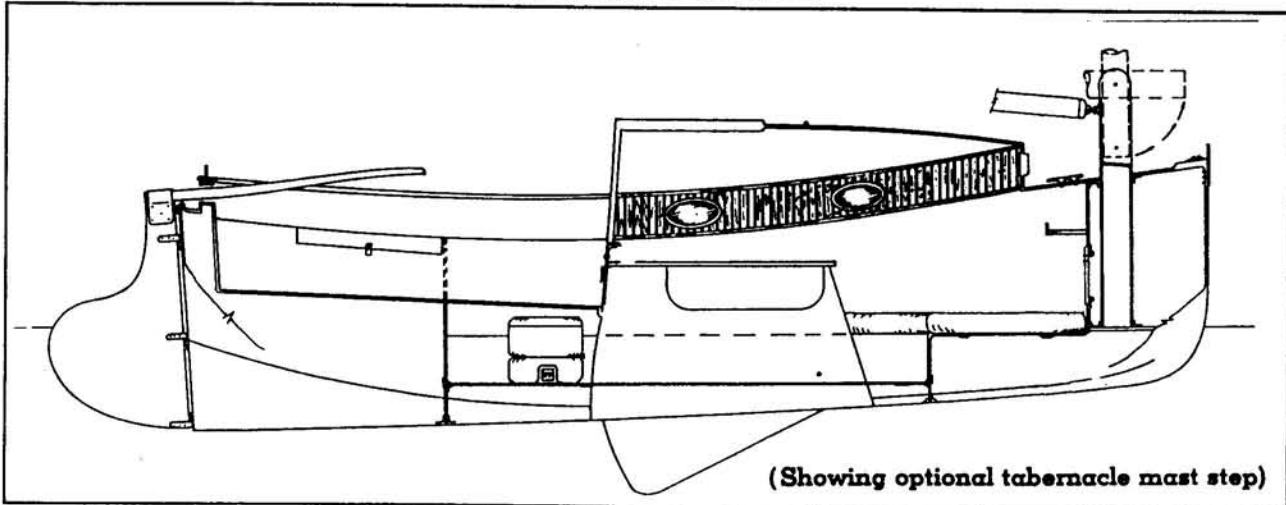
BIRD'S EYE VIEW



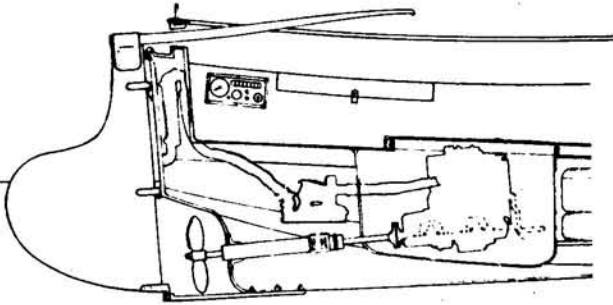
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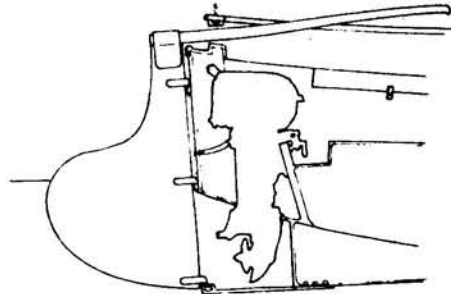
CUTAWAY PROFILE



AUXILIARY POWER OPTIONS



DIESEL INSTALLATION



OUTBOARD WELL

There is little that can be said about the catboat that time and the sea haven't already done more eloquently than any words could ever hope to do. It's proven itself to be docile and forgiving to the novice, stable and seaworthy to the working waterman, and a pure joy for the experienced sailor.

There are some very definite measurements and features that define the true catboat. But even within this narrow scope there is so much room for refinement that the designer can still run the risk of creating a nag rather than the wonderful thoroughbred a catboat should be. That's why Menger Enterprises offers its version of this classic style; and we think you'll find the Menger Cat to be no ordinary classic.

The Menger Cat comes from honest workboat stock, and shows this by carrying her beam way aft. This means there's plenty of reserve buoyancy so you can really utilize that large cockpit without throwing her off her sailing lines. And her sail area, which is very generous, is workboat style too, so she'll slip along in the lightest airs. Sure, you'll have to reef when it starts to freshen, but you'll never have to buy, or bother with, light air sails. That's good old fashioned Yankee economy.

But for all her workboat heritage don't think her to be lost in the past. With her fine lines, great sail carrying ability, and long waterline for length, she'll give some surprises to larger "modern" yachts. And the yacht style cabin is light and airy with a large hatch, opening forward port, and classic cat's eye ports. There's plenty of stowage and a nice homey feeling, even when she's closed up for foul weather.

We will agree that 17 feet usually makes a diminutive vessel. But the Menger Cat is really large for her length. She's big enough to be a real pocket cruiser for a couple, a great weekender for the family, and a very friendly daysailer. Yet she's still small enough to be easily trailered by today's smaller cars.

But what does all this matter if a boat doesn't stir something inside you and give that indefinable feeling of a thing that's alive - a vessel you sail with pride? We feel the Menger Cat is all this, and think that you will too. We urge you to come down and give her a look-over, or call us and talk over your ideas - we always enjoy a good gam.

STANDARD EQUIPMENT

- * Construction: The hull is white, and the non-skid deck and cabin are tan. Both are hand laid-up to a substantial thickness.
- * Accommodations: There are two 10½' bunks with 8' herculon covered cushions (2' storage area at foot of each bunk); room for a portable head; butcher block formica drop-leaf table mounted on centerboard trunk; plenty of useable storage under bunks, in lockers, and below the cockpit seats.
- * Spars: Are all aluminum and painted buff with two-part polyurethane. Mast is tapered, and round in section.
- * Standing Rigging: Forestay is 3/16" stainless steel with bronze turnbuckle.
- * Running Rigging: All halyards, the sheet and topping lift are three strand dacron. All lines lead to cockpit.
- * Deck Hardware: Bronze
- * Wood Trim: All exterior woodwork is solid teak.

OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT

Dacron sail with two sets of reef points; tannock sail in lieu of white; sail cover; cockpit tent; boom crotch; bottom paint; trailer, foam flotation; cockpit cushions; galley (sink, pump, water tank, stove, ice box); Light-Pac (includes 12V battery wired to interior and running lights); outboard bracket; 9 hp diesel installed under cockpit floor, etc. Custom work available upon request.