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Comet – The Friendly Singlehander

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The Comet, fast and exciting for club racing but with its roomy uncluttered cockpit can be ideal for beginners and lightweights. Having been built for forty years, there are large fleets at many clubs and the active Class Association organises plenty of Comet races each year. Renowned as a deceptively fast dinghy in light winds, the decent sail area and light hull ensure an exciting ride in a breeze!

At only 50kg hull weight and using a two-piece mast, the Comet will easily cartop. Built in GRP in a wide range of colour schemes a standard Comet is ready to sail and has top quality fittings with powerful rig controls led aft.

## WHITE XTRA RIG

The Comet White Xtra uses a 6.25 sq m Dacron Sail. The sail has battens and a zipper on a sleeve luff allowing the sail to be raised on a halyard. The shorter mast and smaller but more efficient sail make the Xtra easier for lighter crews. A reefing version is also available where the sail can be reduced to 5 sq m.

## XTRA RIG

The Comet Xtra uses a 6 sq m Mylar Sail on the same mast. The sail has battens and a zipper on a sleeve luff allowing the sail to be raised on a halyard.

## STANDARD RIG

The original standard Comet uses a larger unbattened Dacron sail which is sleeved on a 570 mm longer mast. The sail can be reefed by winding around the mast. An optional zipper on the sleeve allows a halyard to be used.

## MINO RIG

Although the standard sail is easily reefed, the Comet Mino uses a shorter bottom mast and smaller rig, making it ideal for juniors as light as 6 stone. When they get older, gaining weight and experience, the dinghy can easily be upgraded to the full rig at a very modest cost. The Comet Mino has also found a keen following amongst the more mature sailor, providing thrills without so many spills!



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## COMET QUALITY

The Comet's light weight and compact size offer excellent performance and fantastic handling. The two-piece mast makes them ideal for car topping. They can also be trailed two up on a double trailer.

All comets are hand made in GRP, built to last with some early dinghies now more than a quarter of a century old but still going strong! Many older Comets have been upgraded and converted to Comet Xtras. A wide choice of colours and optional extras make each Comet quite bespoke and individual.

## COMET STANDARD SPECIFICATION

### Hull & Deck

GRP laminate with Coremat for stiffness and light weight. Polystyrene foam reserve buoyancy.

### Mast & boom

Aluminium with sealed top mast for buoyancy when capsized. Two-piece mast for easy storage and transport.

### Sail

The Xtra rig uses a Mylar battened sail with halyard and zippered sleeve. The White Xtra, Standard and Mino rigs use white Dacron sails.

## COMET DIMENSIONS

Length	11'4"	3.45m
Beam	4'6"	1.37m
Draft	4" – 2'6"	0.1 – 0.76m
Standard Sail Area	70 sq ft	6.50 sq m
White Xtra Sail Area	67½ sq ft	6.25 sq m
Xtra Sail Area	65 sq ft	6.00 sq m
Mino Sail Area	54 sq ft	5.00 sq m
Hull Weight	110 lbs	50 kg
Comet Mast Height	19' 10"	6.05 m
Xtra Mast Height	18'	5.48 m
Mino Mast Height	16' 10"	5.13 m



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