

Another British Built Explorer Vessel Sold - Arksen 85/02 - Project Pelagos

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EINPresswire.com/ -- Two and a half years ago, Arksen unveiled its vision for a new concept in sustainable marine adventures. The ambitious project has rapidly gained momentum, with the sale of the second Arksen 85, Project Pelagos, announced today. The Arksen 85 represents the 'flagship' vessel within the Arksen Explorer Series, with the Arksen 75 and Arksen 65 making up the 'Explorer' fleet.



Render of Arksen 85

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Currently in build with Arksen’s build partners Wight Shipyard in Cowes, on the Isle of Wight, Project Pelagos is due to be on the water by November 2022, providing 12 berths in a six-cabin configuration. As with all Arksen vessels, the Arksen 85 offers robust build quality, excellent reliability and superb efficiency, combined with comfort, style and safety, as expected from a modern, long-range cruising vessel.

The Arksen 85 is designed to access remote areas of the globe and operates safely in extreme environments whilst being equally capable of cruising in more accessible

waters. The design of the vessel and the on board systems allow for operation in a wide range of conditions, including high latitudes, tropical climates and adverse weather as well as extended periods in remote regions without external support.

Through the purchase of Project Pelagos, the new owner will join the Arksen family, a growing

and supportive ecosystem that helps owners discover more remote and challenging locations, giving them the tools and confidence to undertake voyages with friends and family.

Arksen Head of Sales, John Solomon, said: "I recall my very first conversation with the new owner of Project Pelagos. As he described the key criteria for his family's next vessel and the adventures that they wished to undertake, it quickly became clear to both he and I that the Arksen 85 was an ideal fit. He wanted to achieve trans-ocean cruising, high efficiency, the ability to explore high and low latitudes, easy operation, and low maintenance while having the latest proven and reliable technology.

"Central to the final decision was Arksen's ability to personalise the vessel, and so we made significant customisations, including changes to the cabin layout and interior finish. We work closely with our clients, designers and systems engineers to create a personalised solution that results in something truly bespoke."

The interior is designed in line with Arksen's core values of functionality, beauty and sustainability and offers a calming ambience throughout,

focusing on light and airy spaces. An environmental approach was at the heart of the design process. The materials have been selected to enhance the experience onboard, while minimising damage to the environment where possible.

Jasper Smith, Arksen's chairman, said: "We didn't want to be just another boatbuilder, we want to provide our owners with the opportunity for life-enhancing experiences to help foster a greater connection between humanity and the ocean. With a more sustainable approach in design, construction and operation of our vessels, we strive to be part of the important transition within



First frames of the Explorer Vessel Project Pelagos being welded into place



Frame of Project Pelagos being lifted into place with Project Ocean in the background

the marine industry.”

Arksen 85 hull number 3 is scheduled to start construction in late 2021 with delivery available in Summer 2023.

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Notes to editors:

Arksen vessels are designed to be able to undertake multiple roles – cruising with families, adventuring with explorers, crewed charter, research, media production, access to wilderness for adventure sports, etc. The highly capable standard vessel can be customised, optimised for a specific use case or configured for maximum flexibility.

Arksen is a founding partner of the [Yachts for Science](#) programme which matches scientists with vessels to conduct marine research and also founded [10% For The Ocean](#) that seeks to increase philanthropic donations to ocean related causes.

Arksen believes that we all have a responsibility to help better understand and protect the oceans. It works to inspire more ocean positive activity both on and off the water. The [Sea Time Pledge](#) encourages owners of Arksen vessels to donate a portion of their vessels’ annual sea time to projects that Arksen supports. This pledge allows scientists, explorers, thought leaders, filmmakers, journalists, photographers, artists, and athletes access to a fleet of vessels to run their projects and realise their research goals.

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