



"We originally intended to buy a high-end production cat but after seeing a video about the 'NEEL 50' on the web, we decided to investigate a bit before committing ourselves. We traveled to La Rochelle and inspected the '50'. We determined that the boat was too big for us and subsequently began discussions with Eric Bruneel about the smaller tri he had on the drawing board - the 'NEEL 45'. The '45' design appealed to us but we wanted to see it "in the flesh" before making a final decision.

A few months later, we returned to La Rochelle to see the 1st '45' produced and to sail her for a day.

Our first impression: At rest, her lines are beautiful - even sleeker and cleaner than the renderings we were first shown. At sea, she performs beyond expectation on every point of sail. The rig is simple, powerful and very efficient. She is easily driven under sail and power, very stable, fast, dry and comfortable - everything one could hope for. The boat's interior is very spacious, beautifully proportioned, functional and aesthetically pleasing. Build quality is excellent as is the quality of fit-out. The boat feels strong and solid. We are convinced this is the right boat for us.

We feel that the boat embodies every element of design that we consider essential for extended cruising. NEEL Trimarans has worked closely with us throughout construction and fit-out to insure that our boat is tailored exactly to our requirements. We could not be more pleased with our interaction with Eric and his team and the final product, our boat"