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Boat Details

Price	Sold	Boat Brand	Jeanneau
Model	SUN ODYSSEY 45.2	Length	13.78
Year	1999	Category	Fibreglass
Hull Style	Single	Hull Type	Fibreglass
Power Type	Sail	Stock Number	PWJe453347
Condition	Used	State	New South Wales
Suburb	NEWPORT BEACH	Engine Make	

Description

The Jeanneau Sun Odyssey 45.2 is exclusively for sale with DBY Boat Sales. This 1999 model was the leading selling design in her category for very good reasons. Voluminous in size, reliable and safe. She is described by the designer as a performance cruising yacht. Little Bird has been successfully cruised by a couple from Europe to Australia and just arrived.

She is fully imported and tax paid.

Her owners openly say when they bought her they had little experience. But a good boat will get you through and their voyage was very successful and a real inspiration for those looking for a dream blue water adventure.

Highlights to me of Little Bird are her setup for short handing with furling Main and Genoa with option for self tacking furling jib. Maneuvering is easy with her bow thuster.

Her fitout is extensive and current with everything needed for ongoing extensive long range cruising. She is truly a step on and turnkey ready to go proposition.

The story of Little Bird and her owners Leo and Ginny is set out below in their own words.

"Little Bird has been owned by Leo and Ginny since 2020. Leo had owned boats in Sydney and Seattle over the years and wanted since childhood to take a year off to explore the Pacific Ocean islands on a blue water cruiser.

Ginny fatefully signaled her interest in such a grand adventure on their first date, culminating in the purchase of Little Bird four years later in 2020, in the midst of the pandemic.

Little Bird was purchased in the Canary Islands off the West coast of Mauritania (Africa). Leo and Ginny became her fourth owners since new, she was never chartered and boasts a spacious owner’s layout with a queen size island bed with ensuite head with shower stall. This model unlike most others in its class features a deck-accessed forward locker sufficient to store a paddle board, dinghy, fenders, light-air sails, lines and stern anchor, allowing these frequently used items to be stowed away and easy to access instead of cluttering the living spaces. It also features a swim step with hot/cold deck shower (2023) allowing for a step-free entry to the boat from the dock, and easy boarding after a leisurely swim, from a dinghy or in an emergency situation.

Little Bird was extensively refitted with an emphasis on safety and sustainability for long-term independent cruising. Safety features include a spare main and headsail, added mast-head navigation lighting (2023), new EPRIB (2023), a rope cutter installed on the prop shaft (2021), 3 bilge pumps (auto, manual and backup high volume portable), a 6 person offshore life raft (inspected and re-certified 2023), extinguishers in all cabins (2023), cockpit and automatic fire suppression extinguisher in the engine compartment (2023), smoke detector (2023), gas detector (2023) with complete sets of flares and smoke bombs - all safety gear is fully up to date with servicing and inspections.

As Ginny had never sailed before, it was paramount for Little Bird to be suitably equipped for someone with minimal sailing experience making passages singlehanded. With in-mast furling and an electric winch, all sails can be handled and trimmed easily by one person without leaving the cockpit. A tunnel bow thruster makes handling tight spaces and docking a breeze.

Sustainability is important to Ginny and Leo, who wanted to minimize fuel consumption and the ambience destroying noise of running the engine as so many cruisers do - especially at a quiet anchorage! Solar was expanded to 450 watts (2023) to add to the 250w wind turbine.

Four new 110Ah Victron batteries were installed for the house bank (2023) with charging upgraded to MPPT smart charging (2023 for all inputs). To save on electrical usage, efficient soft warm LED lighting was installed throughout the interior and energy efficient lighting was installed for all external lights.

Finally, thorough attention was paid to replacing all the little things that might be hard to find or fix in remote places. Complete sets of spare parts for major systems are included with the boat.

Having bought the boat with little experience of blue water sailing, and thinking that maybe it might be a good idea to not try to figure it out on the fly, Leo and Ginny did the ASA 101, 102 and 104 sailing courses in fair weather during a week-long course in Miami. The rest they’d have to pick up along the way, and happy to report that they did!

Ginny’s first night out on a sailboat ever was crossing the Atlantic in Dec 2020 under an unforgettable meteor shower. They arrived in Barbados 3 weeks later and without incident to the news that the entire country was in lockdown, so they were stranded for days waiting to clear in, agonizingly close to the beach after weeks at sea.

Little Bird spent the next season in the Caribbean, where she was hauled in Grenada in 2021 to have the standing rigging replaced and stored ashore for the cyclone season. Other upgrades while on the hard included a cosmetic overhaul with new canvass bimini, dodger and interior

and exterior furnishings installed such as cushions, covers, and curtains.

New main and Genoa sails (2022) completed the refurbishment for long-range cruising.

In January 2023 Leo and Ginny quit their jobs in science and healthcare and moved from Seattle, USA to liveaboard Little Bird full time. They were on their way to resettle in Brisbane to be closer to Leo’s family by taking the year-long scenic route of palm fringed beaches and life without shoes in the South Seas, a welcome change from their years of living in “The Rainy City”!

This journey began by sailing from Curacao via Colombia to Panama, through the famed canal, and far south and west, into a stunning progression of idyllic anchorages, world-class snorkeling and diving. Over the year Little Bird was host to more than 20 friends and family in Little Bird’s two comfortable guest cabins.

Little Bird has encountered sustained 35kt winds and up to 3m breaking seas in the Atlantic, Caribbean and Pacific, including running from a category 5 cyclone in Vanuatu, making for exciting high-speed sailing! Each time Little Bird has landed gracefully, unruffled and without breaking anything.

She’s also relatively fast. She will comfortably sit at 7+ kts pointing as high as 30 degrees off the wind. In light winds she can make an average of 5 kts in only 8 kts true wind under her beautiful gennaker sail. This performance in light-airs combined with a 130 liter auxiliary fuel tank allow for a greater range and predictability for sailing plans.

During 2023 Little Bird spent time in The Marquesas, Tuamotus, Tahiti, Bora Bora, The Cook Islands, Tonga, Fiji, and New Caledonia before arriving in Australia.

In preparation for her new owners, Little Bird was hauled in Dec 2023 to have her topsides, forward and anchor lockers repainted, and anti-foul applied (Micron 66) with 10 coats on leading edges, per manufacturing guidelines this should be effective for the next 2 years. The Yanmar engine, true to its reputation has experienced zero issues during the 3 years since her purchase and has been regularly serviced and logged in the boat’s maintenance record. A deep engine service was performed by a Yanmar professional in Dec 2023. In addition to regular service items, this engine service included forward-looking items such as heat exchanger flush and pump seal replacements to give her new owners confidence that she’s in great working order now, and to get ahead of future servicing needs.

Leo and Ginny will be stepping off the boat to re-establish themselves ashore with family in Brisbane, and Little Bird is awaiting her next owners as a proven and upgraded turn-key blue water adventure yacht or a spacious, comfortable and independent coastal cruiser."

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Features

Designer	Jeanneau Sun Odyssey 45.2
Water (Potable) Capacity (l)	410
Hull Construction Material	GRP
Hull Type	Mono
Deck Construction Material	Teak
Country Origin	France
Length (feet)	45.2
Length (m)	13.85
Beam/Width (feet)	12.6
Beam/Width (m)	3.85
Draft (m)	2.0
Draft (feet)	6
Keel/Ballast	Cast iron
Dry Weight (kgs)	9 tonnes
Number of Helms	2
Displacement	12 tonnes
Colour	White
Engine Notes	Yanmar 4JH2-DTE
Number Of Engines	1
Stroke	4
Engine Hours	3950
Horse Power (hp)	65
Engine Room	Between aft cabins
Generator	Farrymann Diesel
Number of Batteries	4X House
Fuel Type	1x thruster
	1x engine
	Diesel
Number of Fuel Tanks	2
Fuel Tank Capacity (L)	330
Propeller	Max prop - virable pitch - folding
Steering System	Cable
Bow Thruster	Yes
Accomodation Notes	Owner layout has master cabin forward with ensuite including shower. 2 Guest cabins aft. Aircon: 2 independent units, one cools the forward cabin and salon, the other cools the 2 guest cabins. Interior cushion upholstery all curtains, outdoor cushions, bimini and dodger new 2022.

	198cm headroom
	Holding Tank:
Number of Berths	3 cabins, each sleep 2 + salon couch
Number of Showers	3
Shower Type	Removable shower head,Hot and cold water
Number of Toilets	2
Toilet Type	2x Jabsco manual
Air Conditioning	Yes to all cabins
Number of TVs	1
Galley Notes	Gimballed Domestic 3 burner, oven runs on propane/butane, oven and grill. 400w inverter outlet for blenders ect.
Stove	Gas 3 burner stove
Refrigeration	1
Number of Freezers	1
Number of Sinks	2
Entertainment and Appliances Notes	TV, Bluetooth stereo JBL Marine speakers new 2023 Intrusion alarm
Anchor / Winch	Electric with remote. Serviced May 2023. Harken winches x4 One electric Serviced November 2023
Bilge Pump	Auto with alarm.
Deck Gear	Spinnaker pole 5x docklines
Mast/Rigging	Alloy furling mast Rigging new 2021
Sail Inventory	Main and 120% Jib (both furling) new installed 2023 Gennaker Spare main and Genoa on boat, previous sails fair condition but functional.
Electrics	12v USB charging throughout 450w solar with victron charge controller 250w wind turbine with MMPT charge controller
Electronics Navigation	Garmain Chartplotter Autopilot - Raymarine Depth Sounder Wind and speed direction - ST60 Lewmar windlass remote control
Dinghy	Newport Dinghy new in 2023 with 3.5hp mercury 4 stroke outboard new 2022
Covers	Yes. New in 2021,binimi dodger
Safety Gear	EPIRB new 2022 6 person offshore liferaft inspected and re-certified Feb 2023. Flares Jack lines and
Ground Tackle	45kg Delta. Sleep like a champion at anchor with oversize tackle well proven
Ice Maker	No
Watermaker / De-Sal	Ecosistems splash 30l per hour 12 volts Freshwater consumption counter
GPS	Garmin
Number of Fish Finders	Garmain Fishfinder 400c
Has Navigation Lights	Yes
Radio	Icomm 422 VHF with AIS
Number of Life Jackets	6
Remarks	Age of rigging: New 2021 Date of last slip: November 2023 Hull freshly painted: November 2023 Micron AP Antifoul applied November 2023 Date rig last inspected: Rigging pro Feb 2023. All ok. Engine spares included are extra filters, belts,anodes.
Vessel Name	LITTLE BIRD