1997 Tartan 3800

Groton, CT

$115,000



YEAR	LENGTH	ENGINES	POWER
1997	38 ft	1	38 HP

Description

Be sure to watch the video tour linked within this listing! Acadia is a well-cared for and updated Tartan 3800. This model, from arguably Tartan's best period of design & construction, is full of thoughtful details which make it easy to handle and a joy to sail, cruise or race, while never sacrificing beauty and grace.

For sale by only her third New England owner, an experienced lifelong sailor who cares about the performance of his sailboats, Acadia has recently been upgraded with a new smooth bottom, new running rigging where needed, and a new hydraulic backstay adjuster. While with its three owners, she has always been professionally maintained by three of the top yacht yards in Southern New England. Acadia is a beautiful looking boat, appealing to the eye from every angle as shown in the video! Her white gel coat topsides (in excellent condition) are complemented by teak toe rails and teak handrails on the cabin top, which along with navy blue cove and boot stripes and navy canvas, make for a

traditional and sharp look.

The Tartan 3800 features a modern sugar scoop transom and “T” shaped cockpit which allows for a big wheel for enhanced feel, performance, and good visibility whether you prefer to drive from windward or leeward. Acadia is set up for both short-handed sailing (lazy jacks for the mainsail; self-tailing primary and secondary winches within easy reach of the helm; furling lines led aft to the cockpit; autopilot) and buoy racing (with, for example, extra inboard genoa tracks, 48” wheel and carbon spinnaker pole).

Numerous upgrades and additions have been made by these owners over the past 25 years, details of which can be found in the listing.

Recent Upgrades with Current Owner

- New Stainless Engine Exhaust Pipe **(2021)**
- New Aft Engine Mounts **(2022)**
- Bottom Job including stripping, barrier coat, and two coats bottom paint **(2024)**
- Electrical improvements **(2024)**
- (3) New Batteries **(2024)**
- New Hydraulic Backstay Adjuster **(2024)**
- Sail cleaning & minor repairs **(2024)**
- New Plumbing Hoses **(2024)**
- New Bilge & Sump Pumps **(2024)**
- New Mastervolt Solar Module **(2024)**
- New Mainsheet **(Sept 2025)**
- New Boomvang line **(Sept 2025)**
- New Traveler lines **(Sept 2025)**
- New Spinnaker Halyard **(Sept 2025)**
- New Main Halyard **(Sept 2025)**

Interior Layout

The 3800's well distributed 12'-5" beam grants spacious accommodations within and allows for 6'-5" of headroom at the centerline. Signature Tartan teak joinery is everywhere and makes for a warm and inviting interior.

Starting forward the layout features a private double Stateroom with cedar-lined hanging locker, six-drawer bureau, shelving outboard of the berth, a convenient washbasin and vanity and single settee to starboard. A large overhead hatch with two opening ports provides plenty of light and ventilation. Next aft and traditional in layout, the main cabin centers around a midship dropleaf table and both a U-shaped (to starboard) and conventional settee, which also serve as berths for three. Ample storage exists outboard of the seatbacks in various lockers, shelves and cubbies. Ventilation and light are provided by numerous opening ports and hatches.

The Navigation Station, aft to port and forward facing, is convenient to the companionway and cockpit and set up very nicely.

Access to port is the well-laid-out U-shaped Galley, while further aft to starboard is the generous Quarter Cabin featuring a large double berth (6'-6" in length) also with cedar-lined hanging locker, outboard shelving, opening ports and hatch. Overhead adjustable lamp and reading lights.

The head is located aft to port of the companionway and provides a separate shower stall and oversized wet locker. The manual marine toilet has a Y-valve, holding tank and macerator pump.

Interior Details

- Teak and holly sole
- Espar D3LCC Maxi cabin heater; thermostatically controlled
- Corian countertops in galley, head and fwd. cabin vanity
- Isotherm refrigerator with thermostat control **(2020)**
- Stainless steel opening portlights with screens
- Interior settees covered in a rich royal blue fabric
- Strategically placed teak handrails throughout
- Teak top companionway step storage cubby

FORWARD CABIN

- Bi-fold teak door
- Dorade vents
- Louvered lockers outboard of vanity with double shelving to starboard
- Teak framed mirror; teak handrail; teak slatted storage cubby above vanity
- Compass mounted on forward bulkhead for viewing from berth
- Stainless swivel reading lamps mounted to overhead port and starboard

SALON

The salon layout is both practical and inviting and is complemented by many optional and custom teak features: bookshelves, magazine rack, speaker boxes, framed main cabin hatch, louvered locker doors; shelves with fiddles, gorgeous double leaf table with storage cubbies, drawers and fiddles. Lighting in various forms including: overhead (some teak framed) some regular round 12v; under cabinets outboard, stainless swivel and courtesy.

GALLEY

The well-equipped galley is comfortable to work in and favors ample stowage of provisions. The double sink is close to centerline for excellent drainage and the reefer is deep and spacious, with both top and frontal openings, custom lighting and removable teak shelving.

- 4-burner Force 10 gimbaled LPG stove/oven
- Built-in trash bin
- H&C pressure water w/manual pump
- Isotherm refrigeration
- Double 9" deep stainless sinks

HEAD

- Louvered teak lockers
- Convertible mirror
- Overhead hatch and opening port
- Stainless hooks throughout
- Teak: handrail, towel rack, hangers, trim
- Molded sink and molded shower with L-shaped seat
- Shower fixtures are “built in”
- Wet locker (aft) drains to bilge
- Espar heating vent

Electrical

- Original “Tartan” 12v DC/110v AC metered panel
- (3) 12v Batteries **(2024)**
- Balmar battery monitor with "state of charge" **(2021)**

- High output alternator with Ferris alternator output gauge at Nav
- 110v AC Shorepower w/ 50' cord with 40 amp charger
- Solbian 75W flexible solar panel, mounted ahead of dodger **(2020)**
- New MasterVolt Solar regulator module **(2024)**
- Water heater; 110v and engine-heated
- USB plugs at Nav

Navigation & Electronics

In its own niche to port, the navigator has a generous chart table facing forward with both tube chart storage and a set of drawers. Accounting for electronic installation, entry to the main electrical systems and wiring is also accessed from the nav station.

- Autohelm ST-50 Multi at Nav station
- Autohelm ST-50 Seatalk Spd/Depth/Wind
- Raymarine VHF; flush mounted; VHF antennae at masthead
- Raymarine Hybrid Touch GPS at nav station
- Raymarine 9" Axiom GPS chartplotter at helm, with AIS transponder (separate antenna) **(2019)**
- Manual controller for chartplotter at helm
- Autohelm ST-6000 autopilot
- Icom M-710 SSB radio
- Fusion MS-RA70 Bluetooth stereo AM/FM/CD/Bose speakers
- BlueSeas M-2 (1839) tank monitor

Engine and Mechanical

- Yanmar diesel engine, 37 hp, 2852 hrs on Sept 26, 2025.
- MaxSea tank monitor (digital), Fuel, Water Tank 1, Water Tank 2 **(2020)**
- Racor fuel filter/water separator
- 3-blade folding MaxProp propeller **(2021)**
- New Stainless exhaust (2021)
- New Aft engine mounts (2022)

Sails and Canvas

SAILS

- Doyle Dacron 130% Cruising Genoa and Mainsail (made within last 8 years)
- North 150% Racing Genoa with turtle bag for deck deployment
- 100% Racing Genoa
- 100% Storm Jib; hank on to removable inner forestay
- Hogan Asymmetrical Reacher with sock, stores under V-berth and can be deployed through foredeck hatch
- Sails cleaned & serviced as needed (2024)

CANVAS

- Dodger w/suede-covered handrail; large center zip-open panel
- Cockpit awning with forespar pole
- Fairclough boom tent winter cover

Rigging

- New Mainsheet (2025)
- New Traveler Lines (2025)
- New Mian Halyard (2025)
- New Spinnaker Halyard (2025)
- New Boom Vang Line (2025)
- New Hydraulic Backstay Adjuster (2024)
- Double spreader rig, tapered spar, stainless standing rigging
- Carbon spinnaker pole on mast with adjustable track
- Storm Trysail track
- (1) Harken 32.2 C mast mounted
- "Strong" luff System for main

- Traveler track on cabin top; adjustable
- Hall spar C-16 boom vang led aft
- Harken lazy jacks
- Inner headstay system with quick-release baby stay with Highfield lever
- Sailtec backstay adjuster
- Third halyard with stopper
- Port & starboard spreader halyards
- Spinnaker halyard lead aft
- Spinnaker sheet padeyes aft
- Harken furling
- (2) Extra inboard genoa cars
- (1) Harken 32.2 STC mainsheet
- (2) Harken 40.2 STC spinnaker

Deck

- Contrasting nonskid deck
- (4) Dorade vents; chrome cowls (interior painted red) and teak covering boards
- (2) Deck hatches
- (12) Stainless port lights with screens
- Muir windlass; stainless with gypsy and capstain; foot switches
- Foredeck hatch, bi-fold
- Chocks: stainless; set into toe rails
- Stainless bow fitting with anchor roller
- Bow pulpit; stainless
- Washdown pump; flush deck fitting for hose attachment
- Anchor swivel
- CQR Anchor

Cockpit

- 48" Wheel; suede handstitched cover
- (2) Harken 48.2 STC primaries
- (2) STC secondary winches
- (3) STC winches and rope clutches mounted under dodger
- Teak table; convertible with folding leaves mounted to binnacle
- Teak grate for cockpit sole forward of the binnacle
- Nav pod at helm with recent touchscreen MFD (GPS, plotter/radar); separate “buttons” for MFD mounted in custom teak box opposite
- Teak companionway slider and hatch boards
- Teak-faced instrument pod at companionway
- Cockpit locker to port
- Lazarette lockers port and starboard
- Padded upper lifelines
- Drink holders mounted on front of binnacle
- Speakers under dodger
- Outboard motor bracket
- Outboard motor lift; stainless, swivel, convertible crane
- Closed cell foam cockpit cushions

Safety

- Forespar Lightning Master
- Bilge level sensor **(2021)**
- New bilge and sump pumps **(2024)**
- Double lifelines with aft pushpit; side and aft boarding gates
- Emergency access to rudder post aft cockpit
- Stainless swim ladder on sugar scoop transom
- Fire extinguishers mounted throughout interior
- Teak handrails mounted to forward cabin hatch frame for climbing out

- Bilge pump “on” warning light at Nav
- Lights: TriColor masthead; anchor; steaming; deck flood; running

Exclusions

Seller's personal effects & tools are excluded from sale.

A dinghy & outboard are not part of the package.

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Overview

Manufacturer	Tartan
Model	3800
Year	1997
Boat Name	Acadia
Category	Sail
Class	Cruisers
Condition	Used
Hull Material	Fiberglass
Hull ID	TAR38030A797

Dimensions

Nominal Length	38 ft
Length Overall	38 ft
Length at Waterline	31 ft
Beam	12.42 ft
Drive Up Draft	5.25 ft
Displacement	16,000 lbs
Ballast Weight	7,000 lbs

Propulsion

Number of Engines	1
Total Power	38 HP
Engine 1 Hours	2,852 hrs
Drive Type	Direct
Windlass Type	Electric

Capacities

Fuel Capacity	38 gal
Fuel Tank Count	1
Water Capacity	80 gal
Water Tank Count	1

Pricing & Status

Original Price	$129,000

Engines

Make	Model	Year	Power	Hours	Fuel	Type	Transmission	Propeller	Location
Yanmar	3JH2E	1997	38 HP	2,852 hrs	diesel	Inboard	Direct	3 Blade, Bronze	Center

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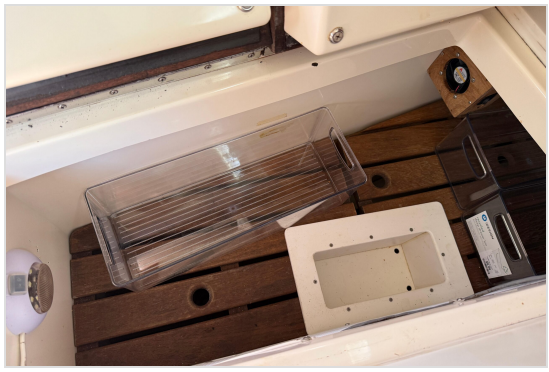































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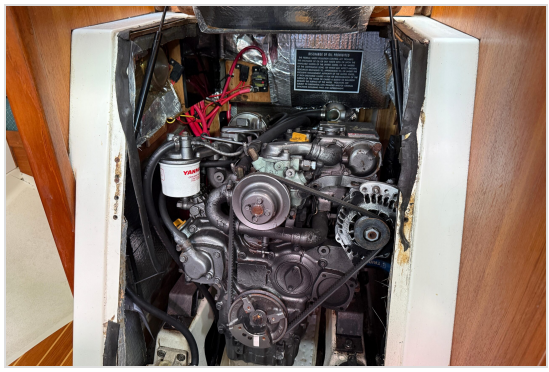

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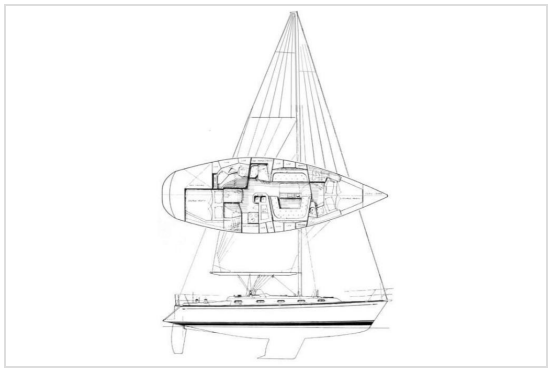







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