

Hanse 350

Easy performance with eccentric interior styling

Unusual interior design is rapidly becoming a Hanse trademark and the 350 is no exception. Available in cruising or racing trim, both models feature a saloon design that requires a period of acclimatisation.

At the heart of it is a decision to move the head amidships – where it always used to be until the mid-eighties. This means two after cabins can be incorporated without having the heads opposite the galley and the saloon a long way forward. Unfortunately, by having a long galley instead, the settee on the opposite side to the dinette hardly overlaps the table, while the chart table looks like an afterthought, tucked in astern of the dinette seating. It may be that it will all turn out to be very workable in practice but, combined with Hanse's dislike of right angles, it all looks a bit strange.

In other respects, the accommodation works well with full headroom throughout, good lighting and ventilation. The heads, once you get to it, is large with good stowage and has a separate entrance to the forecabin. This is a good size, though the fine bows restrict the width of the bunk and there are no shelves, but the cabin

does have a good pair of lockers. There is a single aft-cabin option as well.

The Hanse range is comfortably at the performance end of the cruising spectrum and this Judel/Vrolijk-designed model continues the trend. The keel is deep with an impressive torpedo bulb at the foot. The 9/10 fractional rig is very easily handled, though, with a self-tacking jib.

Hanse also launched a similarly styled 320 at the show, which had a more conventional layout with the heads aft, and a dinette with facing settee.

Price: £75,990

LOA: 10.59m (34ft 7in)

LWL: 9.60m (31ft 5in)

Beam: 3.55m (11ft 6in)

Draught: 1.85m or 1.45m (6ft 1in or 4ft 8in)

Displacement: 5,960kg (10,699lb)

Ballast: 1,845kg (4,086lb)

Sail area: 64.86m²

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A Hanse 320 on her way to Southampton Boat Show



The 320 has the same styling as her larger sister



The 350 is a performance cruiser with an easily handled rig



Hanse seems to hate right-angles – witness the 350's saloon



Through-hull windows, last seen in the 1980s, seem to be making a comeback