



Attention to detail has become almost a cliché - yet aboard First 41[®]5, no detail from the keel to the masthead windvane has been left unscrutinised. Few were found to be incapable of improvement, sometimes using the lessons of top competition, sometimes using the science of ergonomics.



By building the rudder in epoxy composite, Beneteau reduce weight in the ends of the boat and thus, pitching moment. By using Harken sheet blocks with Teflon bearings, Beneteau make sail trimming a pleasure. The flush contoured deck plates for the shroud anchorages are not only an immensely strong method of securing

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the shrouds: they offer less interference to the lead of the sheets and eliminate the need for bulky toggles at the shroud ends.

Innovation is everywhere. The aluminium transom step that is also a protection for

the navigation light: the thumb-button catches on the locker lids that make them truly capable of being opened and closed with only one hand. The neat cylindrical housing that protects the backstay tensioner. Captive

loops of line by every control line and halyard jammer, so that tails can be coiled and neatly stowed, not left lying all over the cockpit floor.

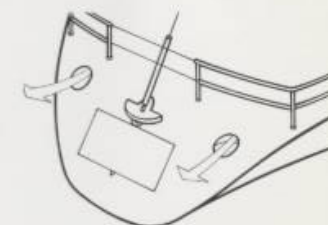
Attention to details is not only about little things. The wide moulded trench in the coachroof top that takes the halyards, cleverly covered with a false deck panel, leaves the cabin top clear for sure-footed working. The carefully calculated cambers and angled panels in the cockpit, on deck and along the coachroof top mean that always, no matter what the heel angle, there is a horizontal surface for your feet.

The futuristic deck-line is no gimmick. At sea it really works, making deck work safe and a pleasure. And its sleek line conceals the streamlined air vents that provide forced ventilation through ducts below.

From stem to stern, the First 41[®]5 is an exercise in applied intelligence, a lesson in practical elegance. The innovation aboard the First 41[®]5 is not innovation for its own sake. It is the creed by which Beneteau have created this new dynasty of sailing yachts.



Air intakes streamlined into the roof.



Air extractors in the rear transom.

