



BOAT SALES
LAKELAND LEISURE ESTATES



Many Meetings - Semi Traditional Narrowboat

Price: £120,000

Key Features

Berths:	6
Length & Type:	60ft Narrowboat
Year:	2011

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Description

Many Meetings is a beautifully crafted 60ft semi-traditional narrowboat, built for long-term continuous cruising and life on the English waterways. Designed with comfort, practicality, and liveability at its core, she represents a carefully thought-out collaboration between owners, shell builder Jim Sparks of Alexanders (Stourport), and Kingsground at Upper Heyford, where her full fit-out was completed before her launch at Enslow on 10th October 2011.

Built to Design Category D with a reverse layout and semi-trad stern, Many Meetings measures 60ft (18.3m) in length with a 6ft 10in beam and 32in draft, giving her excellent handling characteristics on canals and rivers. Powered by a Beta B 43 KC diesel engine paired with a Newage PRM 150 gearbox and Axiom propeller, she is known for smooth cruising, responsive steering, and reliable performance over thousands of cruising hours.

Inside, she was designed as a light, airy and highly practical home. The layout places the social living space at the stern, a central corridor bathroom, and a forward fixed double bed with additional convertible sleeping options in the saloon and dinette. Every area has been engineered for efficient use of space, with extensive storage built into almost every conceivable compartment, reflecting years of research and real-world boating experience.

Her systems are comprehensive and designed for extended off-grid living. Heating is provided by a Hurricane SCH25 diesel system with radiators and programmable controls, complemented by additional winter heating options. Electrical power is managed through a Victron inverter/charger system supported by alternators and solar panels, while domestic amenities include a washing machine, full galley appliances, and a well-planned water system with a 580L fresh water tank and pumped hot water via engine and diesel heating coils.

What sets Many Meetings apart is not just her specification, but her story and purpose. She was conceived after years of research, boat hire experiences, and canal exploration, with the owners refining their ideal design before commissioning a bespoke build. Since launch, she has travelled extensively across the UK canal network, completing over 6,000 miles and thousands of locks, becoming both a trusted home and a vessel for exploration.

Beyond her technical detail, Many Meetings carries a strong sense of identity and community. Named after Tolkien's *The Lord of the Rings*, she reflects a love of travel, storytelling, and the "many meetings" experienced along the waterways. Over the years, she has become a space for hospitality, conversation, and shared journeys with fellow boaters and visitors.

In essence, Many Meetings is not just a narrowboat—she is a long-term floating home, carefully engineered, deeply personal, and continuously lived in, representing over a decade of cruising life on Britain's canals.

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Additional Specs

- **Water Tank Capacity:** 580 litres (stainless steel tank under well deck)
- **Fuel Tank Capacity:** 200 litres diesel
- **Length / Boat Style:** 60ft (18.3m) Semi-traditional narrowboat
- **Year:** Launched 10 October 2011
- **Number of bathrooms:** 1 (corridor bathroom with shower, basin, toilet)
- **Berths:** Up to 6 (fixed double bed + saloon sofa bed + dinette double conversion)
- **Hull By / Fit out by:** Hull by Jim Sparkes (Alexanders, Stourport) Fit out by Kingsground (Upper Heyford)
- **Layout stern to bow:** Semi-trad stern (social seating / tiller) ☐ galley / utilities ☐ saloon with bookshelves & sofa ☐ corridor bathroom ☐ forward fixed double bedroom ☐ well deck / bow
- **Engine and gearbox:** Beta B 43 KC diesel engine, Newage PRM 150 gearbox (1.5:1), Axiom propeller
- **Engine hours / Last service:** Approx. 4,000 hours Last serviced October 2025 (Simon Page)
- **Boat Safety Certificate:** Valid until 27 May 2030
- **Last Blacking & type:** October 2025, Traditional hull blacking (also roof repaint at same time)
- **Hull thickness:** 10mm baseplate / 6mm hull sides / 4mm cabin & roof
- **Inspection hatch and location:** Weed hatch / stern area (prop shaft and stern gear access at rear)
- **P/out or Cassette:** Pump-out system (Johnson AquaT Premium toilet + waste tank under bed)
- **Internal cabin height:** Not explicitly stated in source (standard Kingsground semi-trad build; not specified numerically)
- **External Covers:** Front well deck cover Rear semi-trad stern cover, Rear taff rail cover
- **Batteries:** Domestic: 5 × 115Ah Banner batteries (installed 2023) Starter: 1 × 90Ah Halfords leisure battery (installed 2021)
- **Electric Supply:** 12V DC system + 230V AC shore/inverter system Victron Phoenix Multiplus 12/3000/120 inverter/charger Solar panels (installed 2023) Twin alternators (45A + 175A)
- **Galvanic Isolator:** VDI-16 galvanic isolator fitted
- **Hot Water Supply:** Engine heat exchanger + diesel boiler coil + 240V immersion backup
- **Cabin Heating:** Radiators via diesel boiler + additional oil-filled electric radiators for winter backup
- **Central heating type:** Hurricane SCH25 diesel-fired boiler system
- **Gas Cylinders No + type:** 2 × 13kg propane cylinders (manual changeover system)

