

The **Sunbeam 44** is made by the Austrian boat builder Schöchl Yachtbau. The boat is a sturdy bluewater yacht, which resembles its Swedish competitors Halberg Rassy and Najad, not only in appearance, but also in quality. Sunbeam 44 production started in 1995 and the last 44-foot boat was made a few years ago. Over 50 boats were manufactured in total. This 44-foot design was followed in production by the very similar Sunbeam 42.

The hull of the Sunbeam 44 is very strong and rigid, e.g. due to the special steel frame inside the boat's hull. The keel of the boat is also bolted to the steel frame, which reinforces the whole hull. The hull is completely hand-laminated and the connection between the hull and the deck is laminated. The Isophthalic resin used provides better protection against osmosis. The upper part of the keel is rigid steel and the lower part has a massive lead bulb. The entire keel and the bolt connection between the keel and the hull are additionally laminated on the outside, which makes the keel structure very durable, seamless and easy to maintain. Sunbeam's hull is well thermally insulated and the interior air stays dry due to low condensation



Mitat		
LOA	13,40 m	
Beam	3,98 m	
Air draft	20 m	
Waterline	11,50 m	
Displacement	approx 13 t.	
Ballast	approx 4 t. (lead)	
Draft	Aprox 2 m	

Moottori		
Engine	Yanmar 4JH2-DTE (2185h)	
HP / kw	88 / 64,72	
Shaft	35mm (Stainless steel)	
Propeller	Variprop (3)	
Propeller (spare)	yes	

Yleistä		
Material	GBR	
Deck finish	Teak	
Build	1999	
Berths	6 (2 in saloon)	
Lying	Agios Nikolaos, Creta, Greece	
Asking price	154 000 €	
EU tax	Paid	
Builder	Schöchl Yachtbau GmbH, Austria	
Certifying authority	German Lloyd AG	

s/y Bella amie's first owner (before us) was an elderly German industrialist. The boat had been used very little during the first 16 years. For example, the engine had been operated for only 650 hours in total (2016). The boat was like new inside and the exterior was also fresh, because the original dark blue gelcoat was painted white. The downside of the low usage was that we had a lot to update in terms of technology in the beginning of our period of ownership.

In recent years, we have updated e.g. navigation technology (2017 and 2022), autopilot (2017), service water pump, shore power charger (Mastervolt 12/75-3) and alternator to battery charger (Sterling 12v /130amp), batteries, refrigeration equipment, bilge pump, heating device (Safire 3200Di / 2021) and much much more. In addition, the boat has new high-quality cruising sails (North Sails 2017). All updates and more details can be found in the equipment list.

Yanmar 4JH2-DTE (88hp) The engine has functioned flawlessly, but it too underwent (2021) a thorough proactive restoration/maintenance where the turbo, cooling water heat exchanger and oil condenser were disassembled and cleaned. In this connection, all gaskets and rubber water hoses were renewed in the engine. At the same time, the exhaust elbow was renewed. Vetus' Uniflex flexible coupling (the flexible connection of the drive shaft to the gearbox) was renewed a couple of years ago. Fuel hoses and engine rubber pads have been renewed in 2019



Retirement days sailing in the most beautiful archipelago in the Mediterranean



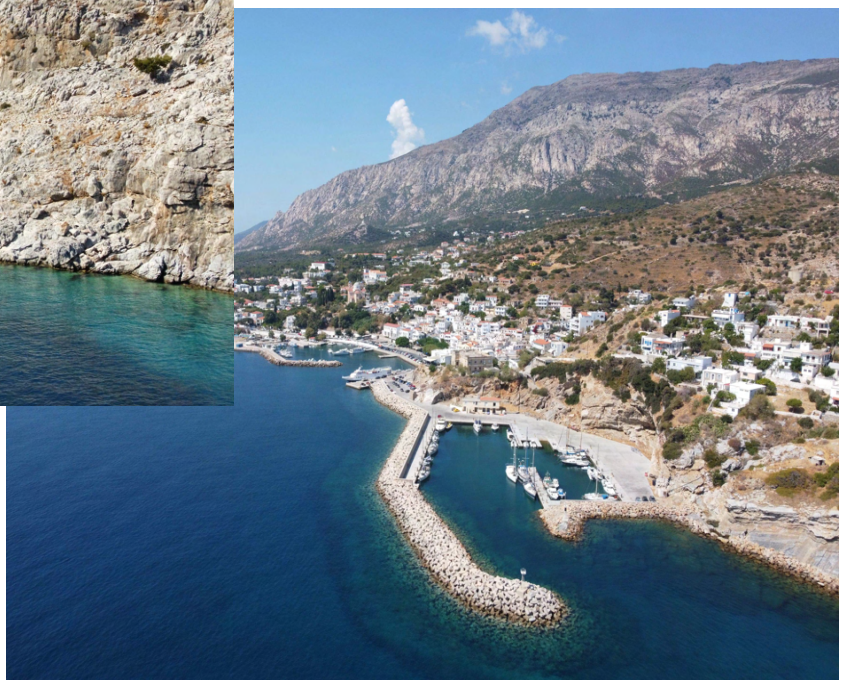
Belle amie has been in **Crete, Marina of Agios Nikolaos** for three years. AgNik Marina is a city-run and therefore reasonably priced, but well maintained and safe marina. The location of the marina is in the heart of a small town, where all services can be found nearby. There is a large liveaboard community here, consisting of boaters from all over the world, many of whom live on the boat permanently. However, there is a long queue to this Marina, because this is one of the most popular Marinas in the Aegean Sea.

Belle amie has an annual spot in the Marina and it has been paid for until the end of September 2023. It would be easy to start your retirement days here, sailing in the best waters of the Med and even living on a boat all year round if you wish.



Kalymnos

Ikaria



Unlike many other modern sailing boats, s/y Belle Amie has a handmade mahogany interior, which creates an atmosphere an feel of a wooden boat when you spend time inside.

The traditional **salon** has room for up to six people at the large folding table. The high-quality sofas with original fabrics are still in good condition. The salon also has storage space under the sofas and in the cupboards. Large hatches open to the engine room from the galley, toilet, owners cabin and salon, i.e. from all four sides, making maintenance work easier.



The **guest cabin** has a double bed that opens to the side, a toilet/shower and a shelf and hanging cabinet. You can find more storage space in the chest of drawers, small cabinets and under the bed in two large drawers and a bilge. In the guest cabin there is also a small writing/make-up table where you can find USB charging point and shore power socket. In this boat, the floor is also real wood.



The very airy **owners cabin** at the Stern of the boat contains a large double bed with a seat on both sides. On both sides of the cabin you also find a shelf, a hanging cabinet and a lots of other storage spaces. The cabin is also equipped with reading lights, USB charging points, a shore power socket and a mirror.



The pentry is functional both at sea and in the marina. It is equipped with a gas stove/oven and an induction stove that works with shore power. It also has good storage facilities for cutlery and cooking utensils as well as food. The refrigerator, the technology of which was renewed in 2019, is 120 liters. The pentry is also equipped with a full set of cooking equipment and cutlery. The second faucet runs its water through an active carbon filter and is used as a drinking water source.



There is access to the **toilet and shower** in the middle of the boat from both the owners cabin and the saloon. Both toilets have easy-to-clean surfaces and showers equipped with shower wells that are emptied with an electric pump. The surfaces in both toilets is made of Corian. The bow toilet has an electrically operated toilet pump installed a few years ago. The central toilet has a new manual Jabsco-toilet installed in 2021. Both toilets are equipped with a Comfort bowl. The toilet in the middle of the boat is equipped with a 55-liter septic tank with both a suction drain pipe and the possibility of emptying into the sea.



Tilat		
Cabins	3	
Toilets	2	
Bow	Electrical toilet + shower	2019
Centerboat	Manual Jabsko + shower	2021 (Jabsko)

Tanks		
Fuel tank	240 L. (stainles steel)	
Watertank	540 L. (stainles steel)	240L + (6x50L)
Blackwater tank	55 L. (stainles steel)	

Dinghy	Walkerbay Genesis 270	rib
Outboard engine (electric)	Torgeedo travel 503 (sähkö)	
Outboard engine	Yamaha 2,5 4-stroke	

Batteries		
Start battery	1 x 70 ah	
Service batt.	2 x 210 ah AMG Varta	
Bowtruster batt.	2 x 55 ah Optima (spiral)	

Equipments		
Bowtruster	Vetus R 160 / 4.7 80kgf	
Heating	Safire 3200Di	2021
Radio	Fusion MS-RA70 (Bluetooth)	2022
Speakers	Pienseer (4 kpl)	
Winshes	Harken 53	2 kpl
Winshes	Lewmar 44 (electric)	2 kpl
Inventer	Victron Phoenix 12/250	
Batterymonit.	Victron BMV-712 BT	2020
Through-hulls	Trudesign	2017, 2019
Ball valves	Trudesign	2017, 2019
Cooling	Cabin cooler	2018

Lataus		
Shore power	Mastervolt 70amp/12v	2020
Shore power (bowtruster)	Sterling 1240 CED 12v 40 amp	
From alternator	Sterling 12v 130 amp	2020
Solar panels	4 x 80 w	2018
Charge regulator	Mastervolt MPPT Solar charge master 25	2018
USB-charge	USB charging plugs in each cabin and in cockpit a total of 12 pcs.	

Navigointi		
Kompass	Suunto	
Plotter	Raymarine Axion 9	2022
Radar	Raymarine Quantum	2017
Autopilot	Raymarine EV-1 ACU-200	2017
AIS	Raymarine AIS 650 class B transceiver	2017
Splitter	Reimarinen AIS Splitter	2017
VHF	Raymarine Ray 50 VHF	2017
Wind, depth etc.	Raytheon	
Network	Raymarine Seataalk NG NMEA 2000	2017

Anchors		
Windlass	Lofrans Kobra (new engine and full service 2019)	2019
Anchor	Manson Supreme 36 kg (galvanised)	
Anchor	Bugel 25 kg (stainless steel)	
Anchor	Rocna 10 kg (galvanised)	
Chain	8 mm SS AISI 316Ti, 80m	

Purjeet		
Mainsail (in-mast furling)	North Sails NPC Radian NDR 9.0 (pystylatat) 55m ² (140%)	2017
Genua	North Sails NPC Radian NDR 8.1 38 m ²	2017
Gennaker	Original (never used)	
Painted hull	The hull was originally dark blue and was repainted about 10 years ago by the previous owner. A painted hull is much easier to take care than the celcoat hull.	
Antifouling	The underwater hull is painted with Coppercoat epoxy. (7 layers). It should last 10-12 years.	2019

Sailing on s/y Belle amie has been made safe and easy. All the necessary adjustments are done in the cockpit and nearly all sail adjustments are made with electric winches. Sailing is easy even alone with Raymarine's reliable autopilot.

With an electric winch, it is also easy to lift a dinghy with motors on the deck. In the back there are also davits, making it possible to transport a dinghy there.



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