



1982 Pedrick 12 Metre – US-33 DEFENDER

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Offered for sale is DEFENDER (US-33), an aluminum Twelve Metre designed by Pedrick Yacht Designs and built by Newport Offshore Ltd. A 1983 America's Cup Defender Trials candidate, she was campaigned by Tom Blackaller and Gary Jobson with a world-class crew.

She later served as a trial horse, entered private ownership, and received an engine. A full Victory Team refit (2010–2018) restored her competitiveness, including 1st Place at METREFEST NEWPORT (2017). She was donated to the USMMA Sailing Foundation in 2020.

Specifications:

- **LOA:** 19.53 m (64.1 ft)
- **Beam:** 3.76 m (12.3 ft)
- **Draft:** 2.67 m (8.75 ft)
- **Displacement:** 24.5 tons
- **Construction:** Aluminum
- **Designer:** Pedrick Yacht Designs
- **Builder:** Newport Offshore Ltd
- **Location:** Newport, RI

Vessel History:

- **1982–1983** – Built for light-air performance using early computer modeling and hydrodynamic testing. Entered the 1983 America's Cup Defender Trials with Tom Blackaller as skipper.
- **1986–2000** – Served as a trial horse for Heart of America, later sold to Brian Mock (CA). Engine installed in 1989. Cruised extensively under several owners until purchased in 2000 by Ken Carrico (FL).
- **2010–2018:** Victory Team Refit – Acquired by Dennis Williams; transported to Rhode Island for a full refit. Structural rebuild, new systems, carbon spars, updated deck plan, and modern electronics. Returned to racing in 2017, winning METREFEST NEWPORT. Donated to the USMMA Sailing Foundation in 2018.
- **2019–2020** – Competed in the 12 Metre World Championship, finishing 7th in the Modern Division. Was subsequently donated to the USMMA Sailing Foundation Inc.

Racing Highlights

- **1983** – America's Cup Defender Trials
- **2017** – 1st Place, NYYC Around the Island Race (METREFEST NEWPORT)
- **2018** – 4th Place, Queen's Cup
- **2019** – 7th Place, 12 Metre World Championship (Modern Division)



Refit Summary (2010–2018):

Structure & Deck

- Hull soda-blasted, faired, and repainted (DuraPox epoxy)
- New mast step, chainplates, floors, and keel tab system
- Carbon rudder (Composite Solutions, 2017) with hydraulic trim tab and flaps
- Rebuilt deck layout with new winch islands, traveler, mainsheet base
- Teak sole, reconfigured tailer's pits, new hatch hardware

Rigging & Spars

- 2008 Sail Spars 3-spreader carbon mast (indoor stored off-season)
- 2007 Composite Engineering carbon boom
- Navtec standing rigging with titanium tips
- Dual poles: carbon square spinnaker pole and aluminum spare

Winches & Systems

- Hybrid Barient winch package with 6-speed primaries
- New mainsheet/runner systems, Harken traveler & controls
- Updated nav/electronics: B&G H5000, Garmin GNX120, NMEA sensors
- Twin AGM batteries, charger, bilge systems, 110V shore power.

Sail Inventory:

Mainsails

- Quantum DM1 (2005, recut for Victory)
- M2 light-air main (Victory)

Headsails

- Doyle Code 1-3 (recut for Defender J)
- Quantum Code 1-3 carbon/aramid (2017)

Spinnakers

- Doyle S1s
- North “Big Red” S2 Runner
- North S4 heavy-air reacher
- Quantum S2 AP Runner, S3 Power Runner
- Quantum A1 VMG Asym

Additional Notes:

- Extensive spare parts, sails, and tools included
- Dry stored and professionally maintained off-season
- Fully compliant with 12 Metre Class rules
- Ready for immediate campaign use

Summary:

US-33 combines America’s Cup history, a comprehensive modernization refit, and a proven racing record. With dual capability in heritage and IRC competition, she is an exceptional opportunity for a new custodian seeking a pedigree Twelve Metre with competitive edge and historical prestige.



