

What to Start On

For those who are not ready to start a hull, but crave a sense of progress, here is a list of the things you can do in advance, before starting the hull and before needing a lot of cash and a building site. Having these done in advance will considerably reduce the time in the yard.

- Bow Roller
- Nose cone?
- chocks
- mooring bitts
- anchor winch
- padeyes
- cleats
- forehatch, hinges ,and hatch
- forehatch tie-down gussets
- mast step
- handrails
- stanchions
- bow pulpit
- chainplates
- mast detailing
- midship lifting eye
- winch bases
- main hatch, hinges, and latch
- self steering
- rudder fittings
- wood stove
- chimney and stainless steel deck plate

You can also scrounge a lot of the rest of the gear you need, whenever it comes up super cheap. If it is not exactly what you want take what you can use, and change it later. With the price of scrap stainless dropping, putting this off until later may result in your paying far more for the materials.

Build about 5 anchors. You can leave the shank off one or two for better stowage, and weld them on with the alternator welder when you lose an anchor, or when the hurricane is coming.
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