## Small Craft Section





## Dominator's Unique 4.0m Bass 'n Bream

Specifications - Boat
Length4.10 Metres
Length On Trailer 5.50 Metres
Beam1.85 Metres
DeadriseN/A
Weight (BMT)850 kgs
Fuel Capacity 45 L (Sub Floor)
Engine Rating 40 – 70hp (Max 112kg)
Warranty 3 Years
Specifications – Engine
Make Honda 50hp
Type4-Stroke O/B
Displacement808cc
Weight90kg
Shaft Length25"
Propeller13" Alloy
Warranty 3 Years
Price\$30,607 BMT as tested
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on water incl. Safety gear

Based at scenic Port Macquarie on the New South Wales mid-north coast, Mark Hookham has been finetuning his fibreglass catamaran building skills over the past thirty years or so. He first started with the hugely successful Markham Whaler range of boats, before switching most of his attention to building luxurious Ranger cruisers for several years. Then he went to cats (the Hook'Em range) and finally, since 1991, his Dominator range of monohulls and catamarans emerged.

Today, Dominator is a highly successful partnership with Mark sharing the footlights with financial whiz, Gavin Melville. The arrangement suits both men well – with Mark now able to concentrate on what he unquestionably does best – cat R&D and GRP

production

As the designer of the Dominator cat range, Mark is not afraid to implement new ideas. A pioneer of asymmetric hulls in power catamarans, the passage of time and thousands of happy boatowners certainly adds weight to his claim that the asymmetric design is the superior of the two hull types.

Looking over the Dominator range of boats on display at the Sydney Boat Show, although awe struck by the sheer size of the larger boats, the little 4.0m Bass and Bream caught my attention with its potential stability, great internal fishing room, unsinkable safety and the promise of a much softer ride in choppy water than many of the 'tournament' style tinnies.

## Design

Basically a 4.0m twin hulled catamaran,

