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TEAK LIFE HELPS HOLLAND COUPLE ENJOY LIFE ON MARTIN 60-FOOTER



Racing and recreational sailing are a way of life for Jet and Bjørn, a couple from Holland who have spent more than four decades together enjoying water sports. While sailing in the North Sea Regatta in Scheveningen 24 years ago, they spotted a huge white yacht that captured their attention. It turned out to be a 1996 Martin Marine 60-footer – the latest acquisition of German industrialist and yachtsman Wilhelm “Willi” Illbruck.

The timeless boat, named Pinta Smeralda and designed by Judel Vrolijk, was built as a cruiser with a Volvo ocean hull and carbon construction. The couple never imagined they could afford such a ship, but they couldn't get it out of their minds. Twelve years later they found out the Pinta Smeralda was for sale, and they jumped at the chance to purchase it.

The ship needed a lot of work to save the new teak deck that had been installed in 2006. After

purchasing it, the couple gave the boat a total refit complete with new paint, new engine and new generator, among other things. After all was said and done - it was like new again.

But they found the teak deck challenging to maintain, until a friend recommended

Teak Life. They tried it on their garden furniture first and, impressed with its performance, applied it to the ship's teak deck.

Two coats of Teak Life Tan went on during a late April evening in 2019 when the sun was down and the wood was cooler. In June, a refresh coat was applied with the Teak Life UV Topcoat maintenance formula, which helped the teak remain beautiful over the two ensuing seasons. To maintain the beauty of the teak, the owners clean the wood each fall and spring to keep algae from developing. They follow this with a light scrubbing at the beginning of the summer sailing season.



Following this simple protocol, the teak deck has remained beautiful with minimal effort.

The owners say they appreciate the water-based nature of Teak Life, which enables the product to better absorb into the teak while being less harsh on the rubber sealing. “With Teak Life you get the most value for your money. We are very satisfied.”

Most importantly, with Teak Life's ease of maintenance and durability, Jet and Bjørn can get back to relaxing and enjoying life on the water together.



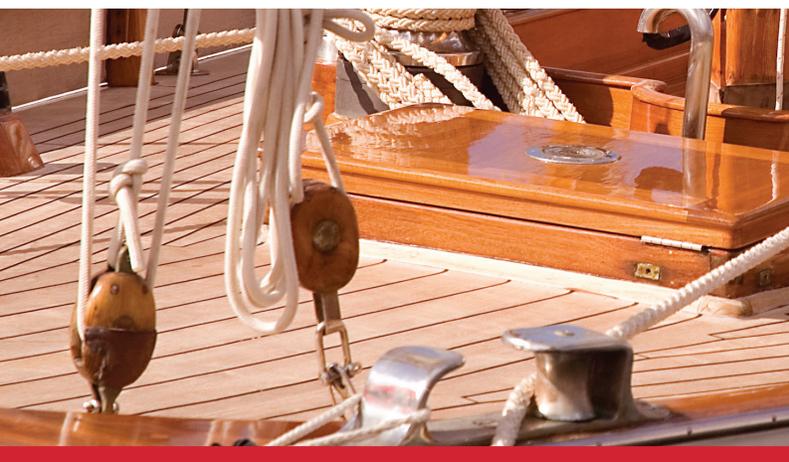


Teak Life - All the Beauty and Protection You Expect, in One Coat

A teak deck's beauty is a sight to behold - and the pride of many a sailor. Oftentimes a teak deck's maintenance is neglected, and the damage can be irreversible. The owner is left with no other option but to sand down the teak to bring back the beauty of the wood. If done regularly, the owner is left with a too-thin, weakened teak deck.

That's why Teak Life undergoes ongoing development to make it easier to apply - and most importantly, easier to maintain over time. Teak Life UV in Tan or Dark, now delivers the performance you expect - in one coat.

After one coat, you can expect the same protection, water repellency, and maintainability you would expect from a two-coat system. And, Teak Life penetrates into your teak deck more than ever, which means that come maintenance time, Teak Life UV Topcoat will bring back your teak deck back to its original state, more uniformly. As always, Teak Life remains committed to the principles of delivering a high-performing product that is gentle on the environment.



Teak Life Comes to Europe

Teak Life is excited to announce that Scandinavian Teak Deck and Maritime Yachts have joined our expanding roster of European dealers.

Scandinavian Teak Deck's Headquarters is located in Finland with a sales team that spans the U.S., Spain, Sweden, France, and Italy. You can order from them via their online shop at www.stdeck.fi/shop/fi/42-teak-life. Based in a part of the world known for shipbuilding, Scandinavian Teak Decks manufactures teak decking for the yacht industry.

Maritime Yachts is located in the United Kingdom, with two main branches in Hampshire and Dorset. www.maritimegroup.co.uk/. Since 2007, they have paired environmentally friendly products with a focus on top-notch detailing and boat finishing to service boat lines and chandleries.

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