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## 25.4m Hovercraft



### Listing ID - 1634

**Description** 25.4m Hovercraft

**Date** 1989

**Launched**

**Length** 25.4m (83ft 4in)

**Beam** 11.2m (36ft 8in)

**Location** UK

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**Proven passenger hovercraft, capable of carrying up to 84 passengers and benefits from refits and upgrades in recent years.**

### CRAFT BACKGROUND

Hover Griffin (ex courier) was built in 1989 at the Australian shipyard NQEA. After completion the craft was sold to Hoverwork UK and shipped to Cowes UK.

Hoverwork sold her to another company in Spain to run service between Gibraltar Airport and City in 1992. The craft was later sold to a company in Spain who took her to Ibiza to traffic the islands (Formentera, Ibiza), after which Hoverwork purchased the craft and brought her back to the UK where they stretched (100S for stretched) and refitted the craft between January to May 2000 with new engines (L.C. MTU).

Cuban Pilots bought her in 2000 and shipped her to Cuba. The craft has been used for ferry operations between Batabano (south of Havana) and the island of Cayo Largo. She was then bought in 2007 and shipped it to Bahamas/Freeport for a major refit at the Bradford Shipyard.

## SPECIFICATION SUMMARY

**Vessel ID:** HL-03

**Year built:** 1989

**Type of craft:** AP1-88 100S Passenger configuration

**Current Location:** Hythe, Southampton, UK (EU)

**Length:** 25.4m

**Width:** 11.2m

Payload (PX): 84

Cargo space Hand luggage only

Speed (max): 40 kts in calm sea

Engines (propulsion): 2 x MTU V12 Liquid cooled 1640 hp

Engines (lift): 2 x Deutz V12 Air cooled 1050 hp

Props 2 x fixed pitch Hoffman 4 blade air propellers

Range (cruising) Approx 200NM

Fuel consumption Approx 350litre/hr

## SERVICE HISTORY

New prop engines were fitted during the modifications by Hoverwork, in 2000. From Cuba we have no documents in English but MTU (Havanna) proved that service has been done by them. The 12V183 engines have been extremely reliable and Freedom 90 run by Hovertravel is running the same engines still today. When under refit in Bahamas (2007) they were given a complete run through by our MTU/Deutz certified engineers. Injectors were tested but no need for service/replacement.

Skirt/fingers have been extensively renewed and modified which are currently in good condition.

### Additional equipment:

Air conditioning.

Reinforced foredeck (auxiliary equipment such as crane, docking boom etc).

Port propulsion engine (MTU): \*1849 hrs

Starboard propulsion engine (MTU): \*1866hrs

Port lift engine (Deutz): \*1881 hrs

Starboard lift engine (Deutz): \*1921hrs

Craft: \*5711 hrs

**Skirt fingers/segments:** \*5 hrs (trials only)

\* All figures are approximate since overhaul

## BROKERS COMMENTS

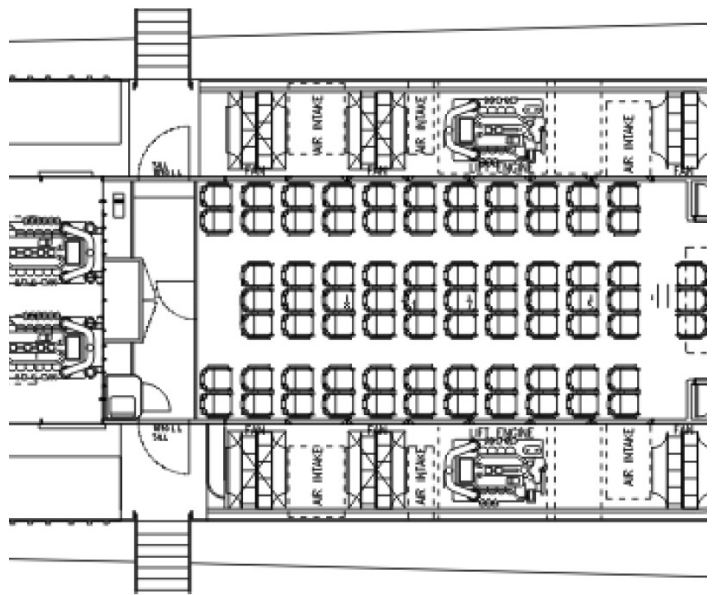
As the craft stands today, cosmetically she is in good condition and has benefited from on going professional maintenance over the past few years. In order to be bought up to full operational standard, the craft will require a level of refit and additional equipment in order to meet the local regulations of the destined country.

Additionally, for the success of any hovercraft operation the crew, pilot and mechanics will be required to be trained to an acceptable standard, and adequate spares holding purchased. These factors should be considered and budgeted by any potential purchaser of these craft.

## Important Information

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