

Gryffindor

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In May 2018 *Chiff Chaff* following its renovations and renewing will be named 'Gryffindor'

Built in 1979 by the famous Broom boat builders in England and originally named the Cloondavaun Star, this boat served as hire cruiser with Emerald Star. Baystars were the flagship of the hire market fleet in the early 1980's on the Shannon. The Broom Baystar was designed especially for Irish inland waters and it can manage passage on the canals, rivers and lakes in ease and style. Today, Baystars continue to frequent the navigable length of the Irish rivers and via the canal network.

A Baystar is something of an Escher-style creation, with ingenious design and use of space. The main cabin is light and airy, and allows excellent views and vantage points in all directions. Both roofs slide back for the sunny days. Two toilets onboard, both of which also function as en suites, make it very convenient for family boating. Abundant supply of hot water is an added bonus as the water heater is powered by the engine as the boat travels along.

Gryffindor had the following items fitted new in 2017/2018:

Hydraulic steering system

Upholstery

Flooring

Deck supports

Wood panels renewed with marine grade plywood

Curtains

Solar Panel and charge control/monitoring display

Stern door upgraded

Heating system – clean and conveniently feed from main diesel tank

Other Equipment:

Depth finder / Fish finder

Ropes

Fenders

Shore power

Cd player / radio

USB power points

12v power points

Onshore power connections and cables

Compass

Kitchen: Fully equipped with full size gas cooker and fridge

Emergency Equipment:

Marine Radio transmitter/receiver, Floatation vests x2, U floats x2, Signaling flares, Fire extinguishers/Blankets.

Draft: 75cm, later measured to 92cm (3ft) by Henrik Ibsen.

Airdraft: 265-270cm

Length 38ft

Links: <https://www.broom-baystar.com/>