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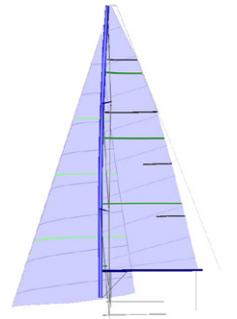
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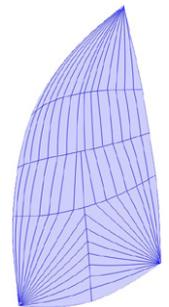
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With such a wide range of boats, rigs, fabrics and end user requirements to be accommodated these days, sail design continues to be an art in its own right. The advent of independent designers now allows a sailmaker of any size and nature to draw upon the experience and technical resources of these individuals to ensure the end user receives the very best in terms of sail design, fabric selection, cutting and service. Whilst we do not offer an in-house sail design service, we are able recommend the services of independent sail design partners with whom we can ensure complete compatibility from design to nesting, cutting and plotting.



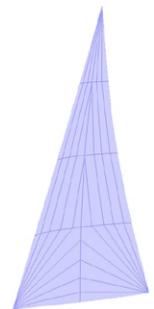
Hugh Myers Sail Design

Hugh Myers provides a freelance computer aided sail design service to lofts in the UK, Germany and the Netherlands. A former Olympic coach and FD National Champion, Hugh has over 30 years experience in sailmaking and related companies. With a university degree in Mechanical Engineering and the beginnings of a career in the Aerospace and Automotive industries, Hugh was invited by Olympic Medallist, Keith Musto, to add technical expertise to his sailmaking company, then called Musto and Hyde Sails. He continued working alongside Edward Hyde for a further 10 years into the era of Hyde Sails. After a period with Ullman Sails Hugh moved to Bruce Banks Sails where he was fortunate to work with Ken Rose, who was one of the first to bring computing to the world of sail design. On Ken's retirement, Hugh became Technical Manager for the Banks Sails group. Hugh has accumulated years of experience of computer aided design, computer aided cutting and the specification of sails for manufacture. His practical experience extends from simple dinghies to "Maxi" racing and cruising yachts, on the water as well as in the sail loft. Hugh works with SMSW6 & SMAR Azure sail design software. He can be contacted on 07711 717599 and at hugh_myers@msn.com



Chris Owen Sail Design

Chris Owen is an independent sail designer and sail trim coach. He is an experienced sailor and has been sailmaking for 35 years. Chris started his sailmaking apprenticeship with Storrar and Bax and continued to develop his design and sailmaking skills with Iliffe Sails before working alongside the revered Michael McNamara. There then followed a 28 year partnership in Owen Sails before Chris decided to concentrate on sail design and coaching. From his formative days at Owen Sails Chris recognised the importance of a cad based design system and became a founder user of SMSW sailmaking software. He has since specialised in the use and development of the latest sail design and analysis software from Azure Project, alongside PaternSmith nesting software. With a vast library of accumulated designs, Chris was finally rewarded with his Gold Medal winning Yngling spinnaker at the 2008 Beijing Olympics. Chris can be contacted on 07712 880468 and at chrisowen@sailtrimcoach.com



Simon Verner Sail Design

Simon Verner provides a freelance sail design service to lofts in the UK. With over 24 years experience as a sailmaker, Simon started his career with Cranfield's and quickly advanced into management and sail design. This path continued with Ratsey & Laphorn, Butler Verner, North, Horizon UK Sails and Doyle. Simon was also heavily involved with the development of Tape Drive sails, the forerunner of the modern string sail. In 1989 Simon established Automated Cutting Service to offer a sail design and cutting service. Simon has designed sails from dinghies to 1800 ton square rig training ships and has years of accumulated experience with Sailmaker and SMSW version 5 & 6. Simon can be contacted on 07979 751183 and at sverner@svpost.net

