

## HER PEDIGREE SHINES ON

Huisfit offers solutions for various types of conversions: lengthening hulls, adding carbon composite or aluminium superstructures, transformation of racers into luxury yachts, complete replacement of interiors.

The magnificent schooner Athos has be extensively converted - inside and outside - updated and optimised by Huisfit. What started as a large refit project soon came to embrace all aspects of the Huisfit proposition: Refit, Rebuild and Renewal. The stern overhang would be extended and, on deck, cockpit layouts had to be redesigned and a new forward navigation deckhouse had to be added. New booms, new sails and carbon rigging would ensure improved sail management and performance. All systems were to be updated. A considerable amount of the interior was to be replaced or reconfigured and updated.

Hoek Design was again involved in all naval architecture work to accommodate these changes, the interior styling and layout of the new owner's cabin, one of the guest cabins, the main salon, the new crew service area and the navigation deckhouse. Peter Mikic Interiors was responsible for the layout and styling of the main deckhouse and for the overall guest interior decoration.

Huisfit's capability and reputation for quality led to obtaining the project. For the owner, it was a bonus to take Athos back to the location where she was originally built in 2010, now Huisfit's Amsterdam deep water refit facility.

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## PRIVATE TO COMMERCIAL

Broadwater left the facilities of Royal Huisman Amsterdam for her Atlantic crossing after an extensive and successful conversion of her interior and exterior.

Huisfit was commissioned to undertake this major project following an earlier visit to the shipyard in 2019. The scope of work ranged from various upgrades to comfort and esthetic aspects of the yacht (inside and out), to changes relating to classification requirements based on the owner's brief, which was to convert Broadwater into a "modern and livable home away from home" with charter capability.

The new exterior and interior styling has been created by the talented yacht designer Adam Voorhees, who was inspired by the owner's input to define an abundance of desirable modifications. MCM Newport's Peter Wilson assisted Broadwater's experienced owner with the selection of the refit shipyard and oversaw the conversion project at the Huisfit facilities at Royal Huisman Amsterdam.

The most impressive aspect accomplished during the 2019 – 2020 Huisfit Broadwater project is the 4m / 13ft extension of the hull, which not only creates a considerably more spacious arrangement, but also transformed the yacht's exterior appearance. The original classic transom was skillfully removed and replaced with a re-styled stern, fashioning a delightful aft deck and beach club. To complement the new configuration, the hull and superstructure have been painted in a contemporary color scheme.

The sundeck is right on trend with a new and larger hot tub, a pleasant bar area and the added benefit of a day head which was not there before. The original arch and antenna mast were replaced with a new composite sun awning hardtop, made by Rondal, Royal Huisman's sister company. New teak and furniture enhance the main and bridge deck perfectly.

Inside, the owner's and guest areas have been completely restyled, from a classic scheme with dark joinery, to a much more contemporary elegance, using attractive new materials. The crew area has been updated as well, and throughout, the motoryacht enjoys a complete upgrade of the audio / video system and the replacement of the navigation / communication electronics.

The owner's requirement for charter capability necessitated a classification change from "private use" to "commercial use". During the Huisfit conversion, this involved intense cooperation between the shipyard, the Flag state and Classification society, to develop workable solutions and meet modern standards. After all, the yacht was built a quarter of a century ago, before any Large Yacht Code even existed. Various modifications include construction work to the fire boundaries, and the installation of additional board systems such as a large emergency generator and a water mist fire-fighting system.



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