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1958 15.8m Wells Brothers Classic Launch "PAMIR"

Price: \$169,999



A TRUE NEW ZEALAND CLASSIC — BEAUTIFULLY REBORN

There are boats you buy because they make sense.

And then there are boats you buy because they have **soul**.

Pamir is one of the latter.

Built in 1958, this handsome 15.8-metre Wells Brothers launch is a genuine piece of New Zealand maritime history. Her double-diagonal kahikatea construction, classic lines and substantial proportions are unmistakably from an era when boats were built to work hard, go to sea and last.

More than six decades later, Pamir has been given an extensive new lease on life.

A near-new **285hp Doosan diesel**, auxiliary **30hp Kubota**, upgraded electrical system, substantial solar and wind generation, watermaker, washer/dryer, modern navigation equipment and extensive 2022–2025

refurbishment mean that beneath her classic exterior lies a remarkably capable and comfortable cruising platform. And she is not merely a weekend launch.

With accommodation for **up to seven**, two heads, two showers, a fully equipped galley, 300-litre refrigeration, generous water capacity and serious autonomy away from the marina, Pamir is exceptionally well suited to extended cruising, long weekends, coastal exploration — or simply enjoying life aboard.

THE WELLS BROTHERS HERITAGE

The Wells Brothers name occupies an interesting place in New Zealand's boatbuilding history.

Historical New Zealand boatbuilder records identify **Wells Bros of Wakatahuri, Pelorus Sound**, as a builder active from approximately **1946 to 1960**, producing both passenger and launch-type vessels.

A specialist New Zealand boatbuilding history also records vessels built by **Gordon, Lionel and Norman Wells**, describing their work as part of the distinctive maritime building tradition of the Marlborough Sounds.

That heritage is particularly appropriate to Pamir. She represents the kind of practical, substantial New Zealand timber launch that emerged from a time when local builders understood the demands of the country's coastline intimately.

Her construction in **double-diagonal kahikatea** is a classic example of that traditional New Zealand approach: strong, comparatively light and well suited to the construction of substantial cruising and working vessels.

Pamir is therefore much more than a 1958 launch. She is a surviving example of a chapter in New Zealand's boatbuilding story.

SIXTY-EIGHT YEARS OF CHARACTER

Launched in **1958**, Pamir has the proportions and presence that modern production boats simply cannot replicate.

Her **15.8m length and 3.7m beam** provide an extraordinary amount of usable interior space, while her **1.5m draft** allows access to many of the sheltered bays and cruising grounds that make New Zealand boating so special.

Her classic exterior lines are complemented by a practical interior designed for genuine living aboard.

There is **full standing headroom throughout**, two double cabins, a quarter berth and a saloon dinette that converts to a further double berth.

In total, she can comfortably accommodate **seven people**.

For a classic launch of this age, that is a remarkable combination of character and practicality.

POWER & PERFORMANCE

Pamir's major transformation came with the installation of a **near-new Doosan L086TIH 285hp diesel**, installed in 2022 by Whale Bay Engineering in Tauranga.

With approximately **280 engine hours**, the engine represents a major advantage for her next owner.

Main Engine

- **Make:** Doosan L086TIH
- **Power:** 285hp
- **Installed:** 2022
- **Engine hours:** Approximately 280
- **Cooling:** Fresh water
- **Fuel:** Diesel
- **Gearbox:** 3:1 reduction
- **Drive:** Shaft
- **Propeller:** 4-blade fixed, 31 x 34

- **Propeller installed:** 2022 by Briskis Props

Auxiliary Engine

- **Make:** Kubota
- **Power:** 30hp
- **Installation:** 2022
- **Drive:** Separate shaft
- **Propeller:** 3-blade fixed

The main engine delivers a comfortable cruising speed of approximately **7–9 knots**, with a stated maximum of approximately **11 knots** and a calculated hull speed of approximately **9.2 knots**.

At approximately **7.2 knots and 1,100 rpm**, reported fuel consumption is around **15 litres per hour**.

That makes Pamir a genuinely economical vessel for her size and provides the ability to explore considerable distances without the fuel demands associated with faster planing launches.

FUEL & RANGE

Fuel Capacity

1,000 litres

Fuel is carried in four interconnected tanks with isolating valves, feeding through a manifold system with independent valves and engine-room filtration.

Stated Cruising Range

Approximately 480 nautical miles

Range will vary with sea conditions, vessel loading, speed and actual fuel consumption. Based on the supplied figures of 1,000 litres and 15 L/hr at 7.2 knots, the theoretical range before allowing for reserve is approximately 480 nautical miles.

A HOME ON THE WATER

Pamir's interior is where her considerable size really begins to make sense.

Accommodation

- **7 berths**
- 2 x double cabins
- 1 x quarter berth
- Saloon dinette converts to a third double berth
- Full standing headroom throughout

Heads & Showers

- 2 x electric heads
- 2 x full showers
- Hot and cold pressurised water
- Freshwater deck wash

Water

600 litres

For extended cruising, Pamir has the equipment to make life aboard considerably easier.

A **watermaker**, washing machine and dryer are all included, giving her an unusually comprehensive liveaboard capability.

GALLEY

The galley is designed for genuine cruising rather than simply making coffee on a weekend.

- Fully equipped galley
- Dometic 4-burner gas stove
- Large **300-litre fridge/freezer**
- Hot and cold pressurised water
- Generous storage

For a family cruising the Sounds or heading further afield, this is the sort of equipment that makes extended stays away from shore genuinely practical.

POWER & ELECTRICAL AUTONOMY

Pamir's electrical system has been substantially upgraded to support modern cruising.

Electrical Equipment

- **800W solar array**
- **750W wind generator**
- **3kW inverter**
- **240V shore power**
- 2 x 12V start batteries — new 2025
- 4 x 6V house batteries — replaced 2022

The combination of solar, wind and substantial house battery capacity gives Pamir a high degree of independence when cruising away from marina power.

NAVIGATION & COMMUNICATIONS

Navigation

- Garmin Echo plotter
- Plastimo fixed compass
- Autopilot with remote

Communications

- Uniden fixed VHF
- Uniden Atlantis 270 handheld VHF

The equipment is straightforward, practical and suited to the type of coastal cruising for which Pamir was built.

GROUND TACKLE

A vessel of this size deserves serious ground tackle — and Pamir has it.

- **40kg Mason Supreme anchor**
- **100m galvanised chain**
- Chain and anchor installed new in 2022
- Maxwell anchor winch

This is substantial equipment for confidently sitting at anchor in the sheltered bays and cruising grounds that make New Zealand boating so rewarding.

EQUIPMENT & CRUISING EXTRAS

Pamir comes with an impressive range of equipment designed around extended time aboard:

- Watermaker

- Washing machine
- Dryer
- 5kW diesel heater
- Kiwisizzler BBQ
- Tender/dinghy
- 3.6hp Parsun 2-stroke outboard
- Freshwater deck wash
- Various spares and cruising equipment

RECENT WORK & UPGRADES

Pamir has benefited from extensive investment by her current owner.

Major Works

2022

- New 285hp Doosan diesel
- New 30hp Kubota auxiliary engine
- New main propeller
- New 100m galvanised anchor chain
- New 40kg Mason Supreme anchor
- New house batteries
- Electrical upgrades
- Garmin electronics and autopilot

2023

- Extensive refit

2025

- Fully repainted
- Recaulked where necessary
- Anti-fouled
- Propspeed applied
- New start batteries
- EWoF

This is an important distinction.

Pamir has not simply been preserved — she has been progressively modernised.

VITAL STATISTICS

VESSEL	PAMIR
Make / Model	Wells Brothers Classic Launch
Year Launched	1958
Length Overall	15.8m
Beam	3.7m
Draft	1.5m
Designer	Wells Brothers
Builder	Wells Brothers
Construction	Double diagonal
Hull Material	Kahikatea
Glassed Over	No
Last Major Refit	2023

VESSEL	PAMIR
Main Engine	Doosan L086TIH
Main Engine Power	285hp
Engine Year	2022
Engine Hours	Approx. 280
Engine Cooling	Fresh water
Fuel	Diesel
Fuel Capacity	1,000 litres
Gearbox	3:1 reduction
Drive	Shaft
Main Propeller	4-blade fixed, 31 x 34
Auxiliary Engine	30hp Kubota
Cruising Speed	7–9 knots
Maximum Speed	Approx. 11 knots
Hull Speed	Approx. 9.2 knots
Reported Fuel Burn	15 L/hr @ 7.2 knots / 1,100 rpm
Stated Range	Approx. 555 nm
Berths	7
Heads	2 electric
Showers	2
Water Capacity	600 litres
Fridge / Freezer	300 litres
Solar	800W
Wind Generator	750W
Inverter	3kW
Shore Power	240V
Start Batteries	2 x 12V, new 2025
House Batteries	4 x 6V, new 2022
Anchor	40kg Mason Supreme
Chain	100m galvanised, new 2022
Anchor Winch	Maxwell
Tender	Yes
Outboard	3.6hp Parsun 2-stroke
Diesel Heater	5kW
Watermaker	Yes
Washing Machine	Yes
Dryer	Yes
EWoF	Yes
Asking Price	\$169,999
Marina Berth	By consultation with Te Ana Marina Manager

SAFETY EQUIPMENT

Included safety equipment comprises:

- EPIRB — expiry 2031
- 3 x fire extinguishers
- Fire blanket

- First aid kit
- Various lifejackets
- Flares — expiry 2025
- Life raft — currently out of date

Safety equipment should be inspected and serviced/replaced as required prior to use.

WHY PAMIR?

Because very few boats offer this combination.

15.8 metres of genuine New Zealand classic timber boatbuilding.

A 1958 Wells Brothers hull with unmistakable character.

A 2022 285hp Doosan with only approximately 280 hours.

A separate 30hp auxiliary engine.

Seven berths. Two heads. Two showers.

Watermaker. Washer. Dryer. Solar. Wind. Inverter.

1,000 litres of diesel and economical 7–9 knot cruising.

And, perhaps most importantly, the feeling that comes from owning something that simply **cannot be replicated today.**

Pamir is not a production boat.

She is not trying to be one.

She is a beautifully maintained piece of New Zealand maritime heritage that has been thoughtfully brought into the modern era.

For the buyer who appreciates classic launches, traditional timber construction and the freedom to spend days — or weeks — exploring the coast, **Pamir deserves serious consideration.**

Classic character. Modern capability. Genuine cruising freedom.







For more information, or to schedule a viewing of this beautiful vessel, please contact Ashleigh

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