



Mobilvetta K-Yacht 80 Tekno Line

Candy Evans casts her eye over the 2020 version of an old favourite motorhome

It feels as if it were a life-time ago that I took a Mobilvetta A-class motorhome to Teversal Club Site for a weekend. Looking back through the archives, it turns out it was before Christmas in 2016. In my review I wrote: "The clean exterior lines, without the van-like cab, give it presence on both the road and the campsite". This still holds for the current version of the K-Yacht, though it's arguably even better-looking now, with slightly more muted graphics and the big advantage of a door for the driver. Early models were built to a more Italian style, with the cab door on the passenger side for UK users. Even in right-hand-drive versions the driver had to scramble over the passenger seat or use the door to the living area to get out. The habitation door was also on the driver's side so it opened into the road when parked at the kerb, which again wasn't ideal, so it's

great to have a more UK-friendly layout now. This Mobilvetta Tekno Line K-Yacht 80 is available from Marquis Leisure with keen prices for an A-class motorhome starting at a little less than £80,000 on the road.

On the road

The wonderfully large windscreen makes visibility

excellent and gives a great view out when you're on the campsite too, but the whole vehicle is still less than 7m long so it's not particularly challenging to drive.

This model boasts a 2.3-litre, 160bhp engine and a good selection of driving aids like cruise control, hill assist and controls on the steering wheel, making it even more relaxing to drive.



Living on board

Inside you'll find a luxurious front lounge with L-shaped leather seating and an extra seat to the side.

Turn the cab seats and you have room for at least four to sit in comfort around the table.

Turn around and walk to the back and there's even more living space, again with room for several people to congregate.

The second, larger L-shaped seating at the rear surrounds a good-sized dining table that can be set at different heights, depending on your requirements. There's plenty of practical storage space here as well.

◀ The front living area has the second double bed above it

See more of the K-Yacht in our video at myccc.co.uk/videos or in the magazine app



WE LOVE:
The large living area inside

Where's the bed?

With all this living space, the question is where do you sleep?

The answer is there are two double beds in the roof. The main one drops down over the rear lounge area and the second over the cab. You need to fold down the front seats to accommodate this, but there's no cushion juggling needed before bedtime.

Facilities amidships

In the middle of the vehicle you'll find a compact washroom and kitchen area opposite.

There's not an immense amount of workspace in the kitchen, but you get a useful sink cover and well designed storage spaces around it. The hob has a couple of gas burners and an induction hob. There's no grill or oven, but the tall fridge has a separate freezer compartment.

The washroom on the other side is sleek, with a wooden



duckboard in the shower tray, a smart-looking 'smoke effect' handbasin and a shower cubicle that shares its floor space with the basin, though it has a bi-fold door to protect the rest of the area when the shower's used.

I was pleased to see Mobilvetta includes a toilet brush in this 2020 version of the K-Yacht - something I

particularly liked in the 2016 model - and you'll also find some useful storage under the floor.

A full package

Overall, the light furnishings make this motorhome very bright and open inside. And the clever layout manages to combine all the benefits of fixed beds and the flexibility of plenty

At a glance

Prices from £79,000

Berths Four

Travel seats Four

Maximum Authorised Mass
3,650kg

User payload 450kg

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▲ You can change the height of the table in the rear living area
◀ Clockwise from top: There are curtains around the drop-down bed at the front; the kitchen has an induction hob; the well-equipped washroom even has a toilet brush

of living space during the day - I love it.

The downside is you'll need C1 on your driving licence to drive it, which means taking an extra test if you've passed your test since 1996, but many people might agree it's worth the effort. The alternative would be to request a down-rated version with a maximum mass of 3,500kg, but that would lower the payload significantly and severely restrict the amount of kit (and people) you could carry to avoid overloading and remaining legal on the road.

Verdict

A smart A-class motorhome with two fixed beds and plenty of living space, for coachbuilt-motorhome money. **9.5**