

# THE FLASHER®

## UK'S CRUISING SPINNAKER

### YOUR DOWNWIND DIESEL



When the wind lightens, a UK Sailmakers Flasher is the ideal sail to keep you going downwind. It delivers almost as much pulling power as a full size spinnaker, yet it's so simple to use that it can be set, trimmed and lowered by one person.

The generic name for the sail is the asymmetrical pole-less cruising spinnaker. At UK Sailmakers, we call it the Flasher because it makes downwind sailing faster and more fun compared to powering downwind with your sails flapping. The Flasher gives you the pulling power of a spinnaker, yet it's as simple to trim as a genoa.

Let the UK Flasher become your downwind diesel and start sailing downwind in peace and quiet.



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Setting and dousing the Flasher is made simple for shorthanded crews thanks to the Stasher (dousing sock) or a free-luff furler. Recent developments in free luff-furling systems allows the Flasher to conveniently furl onto itself. Ask your local UK Sailmakers representative which sail handling system makes the most sense for you and your boat.

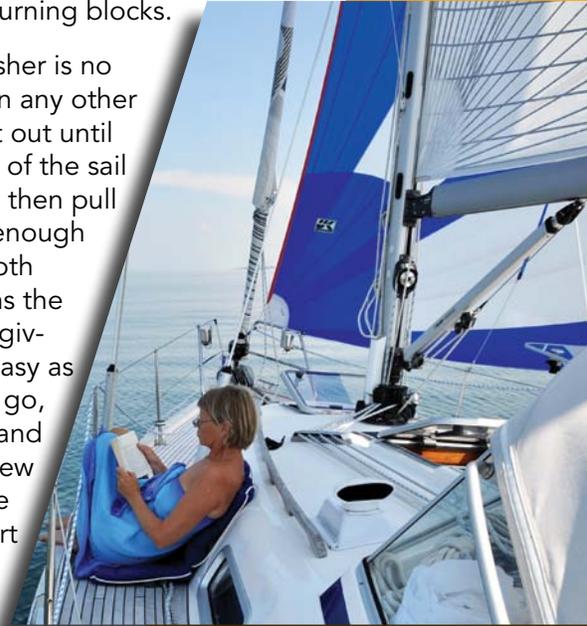


The Flasher's asymmetrical shape creates a stable and controllable profile; it's so stable you can even use it while using an auto pilot. In light airs, the sail can be carried as high as close reaching...in stronger winds you'll be more comfortable at broader wind angles.

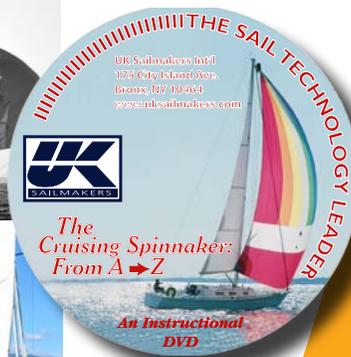
Flasher sail sets and douses are simple with the addition of a Stasher. When setting, the Stasher sits collapsed on top of the sail. To douse, the Stasher is lowered, capturing and controlling the sail. The Stasher allows safe and comfortable maneuvers for even short-handed crews.

You'll appreciate that the Flasher does not require extra gear such as spinnaker poles, mast tracks, pole lift, foreguys, and afterguys. All your Flasher requires is a spinnaker halyard, sheets, and two turning blocks.

Trimming the Flasher is no more difficult than any other sail. Let the sheet out until the leading edge of the sail starts to curl, and then pull the sheet in just enough to regain its smooth shape. UK designs the luff to be very forgiving. Jibing is as easy as letting one sheet go, turning the boat and trimming in the new sheet, all from the safety and comfort of the cockpit.



### The Cruising Spinnaker A-Z



The DVD is a true "A-Z" description on how to sail a Flasher; it teaches more than just how to jibe and trim the cruising spinnaker. Viewers learn handy tips on how two people can hoist and douse the cruising spinnaker, what kind of sheets work best, what equipment is needed for the sail, how to enlist the help of the wind in moving the sail across the boat during jibes, how to pack the sail into its bag so that it will launch easily, what to look for when adjusting the height of the tack, and much more. You can order this DVD for only \$20 at the UK Sailmakers' online store.

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