



Najad 490 > **CARICIA**



Price	€450,000 EU VAT paid
Location	Orust, Sweden
Year	2007
LOA	49'3" / 15m
LWL	43'1" / 13.13m
Beam	14'9" / 4.5m
Draft	7'9" / 2.35m
Displacement	17,500kg / 38,581lb
Hull Material	GRP
Engine	1 x Yanmar 4JH3-HTE, 100hp
Builder	Najadvarvet AB
Designer	Judel/Vrolijk & Co
Accommodation	6 berth in 3 cabins



BROKER'S COMMENTS

The Najad 490 was the first Najad model to be designed by Judel/Vrolijk & Co. it is a true bluewater cruiser, offering good sailing characteristics and built by the skilful boat builders at Najadvarvet. Several Najad 490s have sailed around the world over the years. The Najad 490 is a centre cockpit yacht with a fixed windscreen offering great safety and comforts even in windy, cold and wet weather. The teak deck is not only beautiful but also offers great grip when working on the deck. The bow features a large sail locker, which is great for keeping downwind sails and fenders during passages.

CARICIA is a well maintained, one owner yacht, delivered in 2007 that has spent most of her summers in Scandinavian waters and the winters inside a heated shed. She has always been professionally taken care of, serviced, maintained and updated by Orust Yacht Service.

During 2018-2019 CARICIA received many updates in order to prepare her for a trip to the Mediterranean. Due to Covid the trip was postponed but was successfully carried out in 2022-2023.

The layout offers an owner's aft cabin with centre double berth and en suite bathroom. The longitudinal galley and the navigation area are located directly at the entrance. The saloon has a sofa and two comfortable chairs. Forward of the saloon is a guest cabin with bunk beds, a forward v-berth cabin and a guest head with shower. The interior is built in selected mahogany and is in very good condition.

If you are looking for a ready to go bluewater cruiser, CARICIA is well worth a visit!

Key Facts:

- Sleeps 6 in 3 cabins.
- Electric in-mast furling – 2019.
- Furling genoa and jib.
- Standing rigging – 2019.
- 4 x Electric winches.
- Yanmar 100hp.
- Bow thruster.
- Navigation system – 2018.
- SSB radio.
- Lithium service batteries – 2018.
- Battery charger – 2018.
- Heating by diesel and 230V.
- Watermaker.
- Washing machine.
- Stereo – 2016.
- Arch in stern with solar panels and integrated davits – 2018.
- Bimini.

Explore more photos here: <https://www.berthoninternational.com/yacht-sales-brokerage/yachts-for-sale/najad-490-caricia/>

OWNER'S COMMENTS

My pride and joy and my heart - CARICIA is more than just a boat – she's a life companion and a dream come true. The journey began in the early 2000s, when my then-wife and I dreamed of sailing to the Mediterranean. After much searching and several visits to the 'Open Yard' boat show, we found the right boat – a Najad 490. The moment we stepped aboard, we knew she was the one. She was launched in 2007 and at first felt large and imposing, but we quickly felt safe and at ease with her. In the very first season, I sailed to Belgium in tough conditions. CARICIA never gave cause for concern – she was stable, safe, and reliable, even when we lost the propeller off the Frisian Islands.

After my divorce in 2010, the plan was to sell the boat – but I realized I couldn't bear to part with her as well. We found a solution that allowed me to keep her – one of the best decisions I've ever made. Over the years, we've sailed in Sweden, Norway, and Denmark. I've often sailed solo and have always felt secure. Ahead of our long voyage in 2022, she underwent extensive updates and additional servicing. CARICIA has always been professionally maintained, stored indoors during winter, and carefully looked after.

When the pandemic delayed our plans, we held on. In 2022, the dream finally came true – I sailed to the Mediterranean with my youngest son and lived aboard for six months. CARICIA did exactly what she was built for – with strength, comfort, and reliability.

Now it's time for a new chapter. It's with mixed emotions that I'm selling CARICIA, but I know she will bring the same joy and sense of security to her next owner. Maybe that will be you?

CONSTRUCTION

RCD Status: The yacht conforms with the essential safety requirements of Directive 94/25EC or RCDII (2013/53/EU as appropriate (Recreational Craft Directive) and is categorised A – "Ocean" (or Cat B – whichever is appropriate)

Hull, Deck & Superstructure Construction:

- White hull and deck with red trim lines.
- Hull and deck in GRP sandwich construction with divinycell core.
- Deck, coach roof, cockpit and swim platform covered with teak.

Keel & Rudder:

- Deep bilge.
- Lead keel.
- Skeg hung rudder.
- Emergency tiller.

MACHINERY

Engine & Gearboxes:

- Yanmar 4JH3-THE, 100hp diesel engine.
- Mechanical gear box.
- Shaft coupling (Aqua Drive).
- 2 x Diesel ore filters (Racor).
- Diesel pre filter (Volvo).

Maintenance & Performance:

- Engine hours approx. 1,950 (June 2025) – Engine hrs LCD display is out of order.
- Latest engine service – 2025.
- Extended engine service (heat exchanger, fuel pump, valve adjustments, etcetera) – 2019.

Propulsion & Steering:

- Bow thruster (Sleipner SE 155TCi).
- Rod link steering system (Lewmar).

ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS

Voltage Systems:

- 12 V start battery system.
- 24 V service battery system.
- 230 V Shore power system.

Battery Banks:

- Service batteries 2 x 24V / 5 kWh (Mastervolt Lithium).
- Engine and generator start battery 12V / 75 Ah.

Battery Chargers:

- 24V / 60A -3 (Mastervolt chargemaster plus) – 2019.

Alternators:

- Alternator 12 V / 80 A.
- Alternator 24 V – 2019.

Generator:

- Diesel generator 230V (Vetus), approx. 357 hrs (June 2025).
- Exhaust separator for generator.
- Diesel pre filter (CAV).

Shore Power:

- Shore power system 230 V.
- Isolation Transformer (Victron 3600 W) – 2023.
- 220 V outlets in all cabins.

Other Electrical:

- Battery monitor display (Mastervolt) – 2019.
- Inverter 24V / 230 V / 2500 W (Mastervolt).
- Solar panels 2 x 215 kW.
- Solar regulator (Mastervolt MPPT Solar chargemaster 60).

PLUMBING SYSTEMS

Fresh Water & Water Heating System:

- Fresh water pump (Jabsco Dual Max).
- Water heater (Isothemp stainless steel 40L, 230 V and/or engine cooling water).

Watermaker:

- Technomar, approx. 60L/hrs.

Bilge Pumps:

- Manual bilge pump (Gusher 30).
- Electric bilge pump with float switch (auto/man).
- Electric bilge pump high capacity.

TANKAGE

Fuel:

- Diesel capacity approx. 900 litres in 4 tanks.
- Stainless steel tanks.
- Fuel transfer pump.

Fresh Water:

- Fresh water capacity approx. 730 litres in 2 stainless tanks.

Grey/Blackwater Holding Tanks:

- Black water capacity approx. 140 litres in 2 stainless tanks.
- Aft toilet tank sea (gravity)- and deck evacuation.
- Forward toilet tank sea (pump)- and deck evacuation.

NAVIGATION EQUIPMENT

- 2 x MFD (Raymarine (c125) – 2018).
- Autopilot 1, original (Simrad) with mamba drive (Lewmar).
- Autopilot 2 (Raymarine) with ram mounted at quadrant – 2018.
- Radar (Raymarine 4kW 24" Radom) – 2018.
- 3 x Sailing instruments (Raymarine) – 2018.
- AIS – 2022.
- VHF (Simrad RS87).
- 2 x VHF handsets (nav table / cockpit).
- VHF speaker (Simrad).
- VHF portable, chargeable.
- SSB (Icom M801 E).
- Active radar reflector (SeaMe).
- Passive radar reflector.
- Compass (Suunto).
- Bearing compass (Silva).
- Satellite communication (Iridium Go).

DOMESTIC EQUIPMENT

Galley:

- Gas stove, 3 burners and oven (Force 10).
- Fridge box, 24V compressor, water cooled (Isotherm SP) – 2019.
- Freezer box, 24V compressor, water cooled (Isotherm SP) – 2019.
- Microwave oven.
- Twin sinks.
- Single lever freshwater mixer.

Heads/Showers:

- 2 x Toilets, electric (Jabsco), forward toilet – 2016.

Description of layout from forwards:

Forward Guest Cabin:

- V-berth.
- 2 x Lockers.
- Cupboards.

Forward Heads / Shower:

- Corian countertop and floorboard.
- Separate shower compartment.
- Teak seat in the shower.

Forward Port Guest Cabin:

- 2 x Bunk beds.
- Locker with shelves.
- Hanging locker.

Saloon:

- L-shaped sofa to port.
- Saloon table.
- 2 x comfortable chairs to starboard.
- Plenty of cupboards and storage space.

Navigation Area:

- Navigation table.
- Comfortable chair.
- Chart table.
- Electric switch board.
- Space for instruments.
- Hanging locker.

Galley:

- Corian galley worktop, white coloured.
- Plenty of storage space.

Owner's Aft Cabin:

- Centre double berth.
- En suite heads with separate shower compartment, perplex sliding doors.
- 2 x portlights in the stern.
- Seat beside the berth.
- Cupboards and hanging lockers.

DECK EQUIPMENT

Rig:

- In-mast furling, electric (Seldén) – 2018.
- Furlex for genoa (Seldén).
- Furlex for inner fore sail (Seldén).
- Hydraulic boom vang (Holmatro).
- Hydraulic tensioner for back stay (Reckmann) – 2022.
- Hydraulic tensioner for baby stay (Holmatro).

- Standing rigging – 2019.
- Running rigging, partly replaced – 2019.
- Aluminium rigging screw protection covers.
- Spinnaker pole.
- Tri colour / Anchor light.
- 2 x Deck lights.
- 2 x Boom / cockpit lights.
- Loud hailer with stainless steel protection bar.
- Mast steps, foldable – 2019.
- Windex.
- Flag halyards.

Winches:

- 2 x Primary winches, electric (Andersen 68ST).
- 2 x Secondary winches, electric (Anderson 52ST).
- 2 x Additional winches, manual (Andersen 46ST).
- 2 x Halyard winch (Andersen 46ST).

Sails:

- Furling main sail with vertical battens (UK).
- Furling genoa (UK).
- Furling jib (UK).
- Storm jib (UK).
- Gennaker, in snuffer (Elvström) – 2019.
- Genua, spare (not used).

General:

- Stainless steel arch including davits, space for solar panels, antennas and flagpole.
- Davits, deck mounted, retractable (Bensenzoni).
- Deck gear (Lewmar).
- Line clutches (Spinlock).
- Large sail locker on forward deck.
- Aft deck shower.
- 2 x Pushpit "G&T" seats.
- 2 x Aft deck storage lockers.
- Deck mounted navigation lights.
- Swim/safety ladder.
- Bow platform, stainless steel + teak.
- Gas locker for 2 x gas bottles
- Additional gas locker for P6 bottle.

Anchoring & Mooring Equipment:

- Windlass (Lofrance Progress 1250 W).
- Bruce anchor 30 kg.
- Galvanized anchor chain approx. 100 m.
- 4 x cleats, stainless steel.
- 4 x spring cleats, stainless steel.
- Protection bars at all cleats, gates and outside teak foot rail.
- 2 x Lifeline gates.
- 6 x Mooring lines.
- 6 x Fenders.

Covers, Canvas & Cushions:

- Sprayhood – 2020.
- Sprayhood extension / cockpit tent – 2020.
- Bimini.

Tender & Outboard:

- Inflatable dingy 2,3 m – 2018.
- Outboard (Mercury 6 hp) – 2018.

SAFETY EQUIPMENT

- EPIRB, at nav station (Mc Murdo Smart find G8), next battery service 02/2030.
- EPIRB, on aft deck – 2019, next battery service unknown.
- Hydrostatic Release Unit, next service 05/2022.
- 5 x Life vests with MOB function (MOB1), next service unknown.
- Buzzer alarm for MOB (Ocean signal).
- Life raft 6 person, next service 12/2025.
- Sea drogue.

Fire-Fighting Equipment:

- Fire extinguisher for Lithium batteries.
- 4 x Fire extinguishers.

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