



### **Pettersson boat Wiking X 1925**

VIKING X, konstruerad av C. G. Pettersson, konstruktion nummer 682, spetsgattad motorbåt med ruff. Fällbart skott i sittbrunnen. Föremålets form: Snipa.

Wiking X is probably C. G. Pettersson's most famous design. This is mostly due to a journey around Scandinavia that Pettersson undertook with it in 1925 and that attracted much attention. The purpose of the trip was mostly to create publicity for the Penta engine, but C. G. also wanted to market himself as a designer by presenting Wiking X along the coast. A trip to the Baltic States was also made, as well as an excursion along Atlantic coast down to Amsterdam.

In 1980 the same trip was made but now with Gunnar Fritz-Crone as skipper. The journey has been documented in Fritz-Crones book C G Pettersson: båtkonstruktör och äventyrare (C G Pettersson: boat designer and adventurer).

Wiking X has not been used for long-distance voyages and pleasure trips only. When owned by the Wallentin family she provided everyday transport between Köpmanholm and Wallentin's boatyard on Högmarsö. And it was Svante Wallentin who fitted Wiking X with a windscreen, something she originally did not have. The Wallentins were very fond of their boat and admired its solid craftsmanship. The son Jan remembers how his father Svante used to sing its praises. Wiking X was at the Köpmanholmen boatyard and Svante "was there polishing and fixing it up for many years until he got tired and did not have the energy to do it anymore". "It is a damn good boat, that's for sure... she moves gently in the water, sepecially in a head sea, she cuts through the water, she was bloody good at that" (quotations from Jan Wallentin).

