



New Flexofold SD15 Propeller Hub

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## **New SD15 propeller hub from Flexofold shown for first time at Boat Show Denmark 2nd-5th March 2023**

**Vejle, Denmark, 2 March 2023**– Flexofold, one of the world’s leading manufacturers of folding propellers for sailboats, launches a new and improved SD15 propeller hub for the SD15 saildrive.

Collaboratively designed by the engineering and technical teams at Flexofold and YANMAR, the improved hub sits flush with the sail drive gear housing, providing more efficiency through lower drag under sail. The new improved

hub is designed for the Flexofold 3 and 4-blade sail drive folding propellers and manufactured in Denmark using Nickel Aluminium Bronze.

Kristjan Pigsborg Kristjansen, Chief Sales & Marketing, of Flexofold commented, 'For some time now we've seen a growing demand from our customers for a bigger hub to create a closer fit to the sail drive gear housing to reduce drag. The resultant aesthetically clean lines the team have created has provided a more pleasing product which is a bonus.'

The new SD15 Hub will be available to view on Stand A-1321 at Boat Show Denmark 2023 and will be available to boat builders from May. Sailors looking to install a folding propeller can contact Flexofold or visit <https://www.flexofold.com>

Flexofold is one of the most experienced and innovative manufacturers of folding propellers for sailboats, all designed and distributed from the company's single-purpose factory in Denmark equipped with state-of-the-art CNC equipment and robot technology.

The range of 2-Blade, 3-Blade and 4-Blade propellers are supplied directly to shipyards and to private boat owners across the world, and are now used as part of the original equipment in an increasing number of boatyards including Beneteau, Jeanneau, Lagoon, Hanse, Dehler, Elan, Grand Soleil, Bavaria, Hallberg Rassy, Swan, Oyster, X-Yachts, Torqeedo and many more.

For more information, visit [www.flexofold.com](http://www.flexofold.com).

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## **About Flexofold ApS**

Flexofold designs, develops, manufactures and distributes superior low-drag folding (shaft drive and sail drive) propellers for sailboats and multihull yachts. All Flexofold propellers are manufactured in Denmark in Flexofold's single-purpose factory, equipped with modern CNC equipment and robot technology. Due to a flexible production set-up, Flexofold can manufacture and ship its products within a few days. Among others, Flexofold sells its propellers to well-known global boat builders. More information:

[www.flexofold.com](http://www.flexofold.com)

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A leading supplier of innovative engines and technology-driven marine propulsion systems, YANMAR Marine International (YMI) supplies the world's cleanest, most efficient, reliable and durable diesel engines for the recreational sector – both sailboats and powerboats – and light duty commercial applications. Its trusted range of common rail marine diesel engines encompass an output range from 40 mhp to 640 mhp, the most comprehensive offering available from any marine engine manufacturer. Committed to the development of advanced technology for the best and most sustainable solutions to meet the evolving needs of boat owners and OEMs, YMI's mission is to enhance the entire boating experience for all its customers. YMI continues to grow its network of service centers worldwide and build on its enviable reputation as a complete systems provider and marine industry ambassador with new partnerships, co-operations and investment.

Based in the Netherlands, YMI is incorporated within YANMAR's global

operations, spanning seven business domains on land and at sea. With its beginnings in Osaka, Japan in 1912, YANMAR went on to become the first company to succeed in making a compact diesel engine of practical size in 1933. With industrial diesel engines as the cornerstone of the business, YANMAR has continued to expand its range of products, services and expertise to deliver total solutions as a diesel engine and equipment manufacturer, providing small and large engines, agricultural machinery and facilities, construction equipment, energy systems, marine engines, machine tools, and components.