

Martha is a clink built motor boat from 1975. With it length of 10.5 m and width 3.1 m it is the largest of Børges boats. Its draught is only 70 cm.

Børge build the boat for himself as a service boat for buoying the tidal channels. Therefore, Martha has a long cockpit with space for the buoys and marks. However, Børge sold Martha to his son in law Willy Morgenstern who used Martha as a pleasure boat. Willy shortened the cockpit and made a larger cabin.

Martha fulfils the requirements for sailing in the Wadden Sea:

- Low draught (70 cm)
- Able to take the ground
- Able to go through tough surf
- Able to navigate in current.

To move around in the Wadden Sea National Park where 80% of the area is water there is a need for a spacious excursion boat like Martha.

The boat will be used to give tourists and special groups a better knowledge of the unique nature, birds and animals in the Wadden Sea.



Tulle launched 1973. In the boat: Børges brother Hugo (photo by Erik Fischer Jensen, 1984).



Martha launched 1975 (photo by Robert Peel, 1975)



Transport of Martha to Ribe 2011 (photo by Robert Peel)



Top of a long name board with registration of Børges 40 launches. The board is by Børges son Erik Fischer Jensen.

Nr	Navn	Type	Byggetil	Årstal
1	Ormen hin Lange			1943
2			Heinemann	1944
3	Røde Orm			
4	Anna	Motorbåd	lb	1945
5	Kaja			
6	Nete		HM Hansen	
7			Store Søren	
8			Lille Søren	
9		Pram		
10		Pram		
11		Lille Jolle	Ribe	
12		Pram	Knud Styrup	
13	Ketty	Motorbåd	Karl	
14		Pram	Karl	
15	Søbjørn	Motorbåd	Hugo	1961
16		Pram	Oswald	
17		Pram	Oswald	
18		Pram	Anthonis	
19		Pram	Jan	
20	Lille Putte	Motorbåd	Børge	
21	Peter Plys	Jolle	Hugo	
22		Pram	O. Nøbbe	
23		Pram	Børge, solgt til Vagn	
24		Pram	Børge	
24		Pram	Nordby	
25	Inger	Motorbåd		
26		Lille pram	Børge	
27		Pram	Axel H. Petersen	
28		Pram	Knud Thomsen	
29	Jolle		Kroen	
30			B. F. Jensen	
31		Pram		
32		Jolle	B. F. Jensen	
33	Søbjørn	Motorbåd		
34	Tulle*	Motorbåd	Hugo*	
35		Pram	Morgenstern	
36		Pram	B. F. Jensen	
37		Jolle	B. F. Jensen	1972
38	Martha*	Motorbåd*	Willy Morgenstern*	1975*
38		Pram		
39		Pram		1990
40		Pram		1993

* Tilføjelser, som ikke fremgår af navnebrættet

Registration of 40 boats built by Børge Fischer Jensen (source: name board and info by Erik Fischer Jensen).



Børge Fischer Jensen (1921 – 1999)

Børge started his carrier as long voyage seaman. Thereafter, he worked at on a lightship.

In his free time Børge build around 40 dinghies and motor boats in Sønderho during 50 years (1943 - 1993). He was a self-made skilled boat builder. He developed a type of motor boats which are suitable for the Wadden Sea.

Hugos daughter Asta is married with Willy Morgenstern, who has kept Martha in this bard since 1996.

Owners of Martha:

1975-2008: Willy Morgenstern

2008-2012: Bjarne Kiholm

2012- : The non-profit association Skøgum



The non-profit association Skøgum was established in February 2012 in Ribe. The association aims at facilitating maritime experiencers and promotion of the cultural heritage in the Wadden Sea including sailing with historical ships.

Board (2016): Vibeke Schøtt (chairman), Kim Holst (deputy chairman), Anker Andsbjerg (treasurer), Bjarne Kiholm and Bent Poulsen.

The name of the association springs from the wade Skøgum Bank in the Wadden Sea South of Ribe channel. The name of the wade springs from an oak forest Skogum (Old Norse: forest) at Gl. Mandø. According to the myth trees from Skøgum was used for rafts for Vester Vested church and for ship Building.

Become a member

Any person over the age of 18 can become a member of the association. The annual fee is 100 kr. Members receive our electronic newsletter.

Please send an e-mail with your name, address and e-mail to info@skoegum.dk



Cartographer Johannes Meier: Wadden Sea (1943). "Skogum Sandt" is shown to the north of Mandø.



Martha built in Sønderho in 1975

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