

After receiving a 45lbs Ultra Anchor to test, I fitted it to the sail training vessel Topaz, a Jeanneau 39i.

After getting it on, I stood back to admire this shiny new toy as people walked past saying "hope you don't scratch it!".

The first opportunity I had to use the Ultra Anchor was in Nara Inlet on Hook Island. Setting the anchor, the chain came up bar tight and the anchor was set in seconds! I was very impressed.

I have had issues in the past with Delta Anchors slipping through the mud there, but the Ultra did not shift one bit.

Retrieving the Ultra was a breeze, but as with Nara Inlet the anchor brought up a lot of mud. Bucket in hand I was about to swill it all off when the mud simply slid off the Ultra revealing its shine.

Thinking this anchor was too good to be true we set sail for Whitehaven Beach to see if it was any good in the fine sand. It held like a dream, while other boats were dragging theirs.

In the months we have had the Ultra, there has been a number of instructors take Topaz for the week only to come back singing the Ultra Anchors praises.

While out on the water one week I was asked by a cruising yachting how the Ultra compared to other anchors on the market, my response, "you can hang this anchor a meter above the sea bed and it will still hold better than the others!"

A truly great product backed with peace of mind, well worth it.

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