

## Magma Launches Economy Option

**W**hile a liveaboard cruiser can justify plunking down \$300-plus on a roll-top grill he'll use again and again, the small-boat sailer is often best served by one of the less-expensive kettle types.

This season, Magma introduced a low-budget model to its roll-top line, the Magma Chef's Mate Connoisseur. Compact, light, and well-designed, the grill will hold particular appeal to sailors who want a grill they can easily transport from car to boat to beach. Currently selling for just under \$200 (without mounts), the 18-pound grill is a steal compared to others in this class. Although it lacks features found in Magma's higher-end grills (such as a lid-mounted thermometer), it nicely fills its niche.

The most attractive feature is how readily the grill adapts itself for transport and for use either on the boat or ashore. Four fold-out legs tuck neatly against the grill bottom when it is mounted on the boat. Folded out, the legs provide a stable grilling plat-

form off the boat. When closed, the locking lid secures all inner parts, and the handle makes for easy carrying.

The grill is highly polished Grade 304 stainless steel, and the body and burners have held up well in a three-month accelerated exposure test. Although it lacks side windscreens (keeping the unit light), it scored well in the *PS* cooking test.

**Bottom Line:** Long overdue, this well-made grill earns a *PS* Recommended for small-boat use.



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