

CRITIC'S CORNER—VALIANT 42



PROS

- Rugged anchor roller and windlass setup.
- Raised bulwarks and wide sidedecks offer secure footing.
- Aluminum toe rail accepts snatch blocks.
- Recessed genoa track kind to bare feet.



CONS

- Canoe stem diminishes usable cockpit area.
- Transoms with built-in steps are easier to board from water.
- No liferaft stowage area in cockpit.
- Overly wide sheeting angles for genoa.



PRO:
Grab rail extends forward of mast

CON:
Tight squeeze between babyard winches and dodger

PRO:
Rugged rub rail

CON:
Small cockpit limits locker space