THE ART OF THE FIT
Fit is the watchword at Harken Canvas. Why? If you’ve owned marine covers before, you’ve probably already figured this out. When covers fit better, they protect boats better — and they last significantly longer. Protecting your boat with a long-lasting cover is our highest priority. A cover is your boat’s best protection against wind, salt, UV, and whatever else the weather throws at it. At Harken, we take a high-tech, high-touch approach where every step of the cover’s build is keyed toward a precision fit — from custom patterning and digitized cutting, to hands-on assembly and inspection by our experienced canvas team.

Boats are hand patterned using a clear, non-stretch plastic that is form fit by skilled specialists. Locations of openings for masts, sidestays, ladders, lifeline stations, etc., are hand measured and marked as well as the position of reinforcements, dippers, buckles, and straps. Patterns are digitized and stored, and then when needed, loaded into state-of-the-art cutting software where notches and drill marks are added to aid the sewer. An oscillating knife provides a high degree of accuracy, delivering precise cuts through an inch or more of stacked material. Finally, knowledgeable professionals assemble all the pieces and parts using strong, UV-resistant thread that lasts for the life of the cover. All covers are inspected before shipment.
We create your cover much the same way we create our production models. We go old school first, constructing a pattern right on your boat.

Then we digitize that pattern, and custom cut and assemble the panels by hand. It’s been our experience that when the best possible fit is the objective, there can be absolutely no shortcuts!
We use only top-quality marine-grade canvas materials when building your boat cover. Canvas type and finish depends on the application planned (trailering, mooring, storage), and your personal preference (maybe you like colors). Often different cloth weights and fabrics are used in the same project. All fabric is weather, mildew, and UV resistant. Detailed fabric descriptions are posted on the Harken Canvas website. Aren’t sure what to order? Assuring the right fit does call for some preciseness. No worries. Call our experts or your nearest Harken dealer. They’ll be happy to help!
Our covers are custom-designed to fit boats under sail or power: one-designs, sportboats, daysailers, iceboats, and interiors.

When fit is the preoccupation, it takes us a little longer to do the patterning, but we make up for it on the back end with our digital tools. And just like tailored clothes, there’s no substitute for the final fitting. We often revise a cover or preliminary pattern before it is finalized.
Strong UV-resistant thread withstands salt water and extends cover life. All seams are triple layered and double stitched. An overcast stitch with top stitching is used on inside seams for strength, and to prevent fraying.

High-quality zippers and buckles are used throughout, and all stress and wear areas are reinforced. Elastic shockcord snugs the cover firmly around the hull.
Our accessories are sewn with the same attention to fit and quality material application as is given to our boat covers. Some of the most innovative design and production work we do is in the manufacturing of our accessory products.

- Headsail bags
- Wheel covers
- Center console covers
- Fender covers
- Sheet bags
- Tiller covers
- Winch handle covers
- Sheet bags
- Instrument and compass covers
- Winch covers
- Bimini top covers
- Seat covers
- Internal-frame, folding dock boxes
- Upholstery
- Sail covers
- Motor covers

Don’t see what you’re looking for? Give us a call and we’ll make it for you!
Our L-shaped fenders not only protect your boat’s topsides, but last while doing it! A durable hard-foam core is covered by super-tough Top Gun® fabric facing docksides and non-woven Softouch® fabric next to the hull to protect against chafing. The fender’s mesh bottom drains excess water. Two reinforced webbing straps on top easily secure the fender.

For more accessories: www.harkencanvas.com

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