



# *Dyn' Aéro* *MCR4S*

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## **Introduction**

The MCR range of aircraft is a result of 20 years research and development by Michel Colomban and the modern manufacturing techniques developed by Dyn' Aéro. Michel Colomban was for many years an engineer and aerodynamicist and was associated with Morane-Saulnier, Potez and Aerospatiale, he later designed the now famous single seat twin engine Cricri, recently of jet powered notoriety.



**At 65 kgs empty the Cricri showed Michel Colomban's talents.**

For more than ten years he worked on a new two seat side by side aircraft which was eventually named the MC100 or Ban-bi (Ban comes from Colomban and bi from the French word biplace meaning two seats). His objective was to design and build the fastest, most economic and safe two seat aircraft. Dedication to detail had taught him in his earlier single seat design that enormous improvements over conventional thinking could be achieved.

## **Objective**

Michel Colomban believed he could attain a speed of 300 km/hr with an empty aircraft weight near to 200 kgs using an 80 hp engine. All this should be possible with no sacrifice to safety or usability. To ensure the aircraft was easy to fly he also opted for a fixed undercarriage and traditional dual controls

**All Aluminium  
MC100  
2 Seat side by side  
un-cramped cockpit  
300 km/hr on 80 hp  
200 kg empty weight**



## **Realisation**

Of course he drew on his earlier experience and of the design of the Cricri but incorporated more sophistication. The first MC100 built by Michel Colomban was built with an all aluminium primary structure. The actual weight of the aircraft fitted with a three blade composite propeller was around 204 kgs. That's less than two thirds the weight of many similar two seat Rotax 912 powered aircraft! The wings have a

sophisticated aerofoil section and to extend the speed range large slotted flaps were used to reduce stall speeds from 65 mph clean to nearer 50 mph with 25° of flap.

The all flying T-tail, another throw back to the Cricri, gives excellent pitch authority but the exceptional speed range necessitates unusual pitch trim control to ensure the aircraft controls remain light and positive at all speeds. Control response is provided by elastic bands ensuring that control input remains progressive and predictable even with a minimum to maximum speed ratio approaching four to one.

### **Alliance**

An alliance was formed between Michel Colomban and Christophe Robin the director of Dyn' Aéro in Darois France.

### **Dyn' Aéro**

Christophe Robin is the son of Pierre Robin who had founded and later sold Avions Robin and who had produced aircraft like the ROBIN - DR400 which was the first control stick aircraft that I flew. Dyn' Aéro had already produced the CR100 a two seat aerobatic aircraft designed by Christophe Robin and now holder of many French championships. Built mainly from wood but with primary spars in Carbon this design pointed towards Dyn' Aéro's future.

As a young energetic designer Christophe wanted to design a modern aircraft using the latest materials. It was decided to develop a composite version of the Ban-bi to have all the qualities of the original aluminium design but to incorporate modern materials and where possible to use them to improve the design.

In keeping with Dyn' Aéro's aerobatic aircraft the MCR01 as it was to become would have carbon spars but the original foam ribs and aluminium wing skin of the Ban-bi would be retained. Unlike the original the MCR01 would have an all carbon fuselage and would be noticeably roomier with smooth aerodynamic lines. The larger cockpit, canopy and carbon structure slightly increase weight but aerodynamic improvements and a tuned exhaust maintain the original sparkling performance.

A prototype composite fuselage was on show for the first time at the RSA rally in 1995 gaining immediate interest from potential French builders. Initially sales were limited to six customers who were used to help refine the design and identify problems. The first composite aircraft P-FKIT flew for the first time in 1996.



The 2 seat range was extended with CLUB and ULTRALIGHT versions later followed by a tail dragger version named the MONTAGNE. Now over 200 aircraft have been sold of which around 150 are flying. Not content with the range of 2 seat versions Christophe announced in 1999 that he planned a 4 seat version which would have the same excellent qualities but overcome the criticisms levelled at many two seat designs.

## 4 Seats Impossible?

Many people scorned Dyn' Aéro's announcement that they would design and build a 4 seat aircraft with a useful disposable load, short take off distance and fast cruise using the Rotax 912S engine. Previously this engine had been considered suitable for 2 seat aircraft only. Less than eighteen months later Dyn' Aéro proved their design when their 4 seat prototype took to the air on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2000.



*First flights made without main-wheel spats*

The design allows for an all up weight of 750 kgs which is not much higher than some two seat aircraft using the Rotax 912S engine. Bearing in mind the advanced aerodynamics employed by Dyn' Aéro its no surprise therefore that their design should be successful. Many builders have found their two seat aircraft restrictive, either because of their range, payload or cabin space. Although the two seat aircraft designed by Dyn' Aéro offer more range, payload and cabin space than many of their competitors, some of today's builders are looking for more and they expect to be able to build aircraft that look as good as or better than factory built certified aircraft.



**Prototype MCR4S  
Made its public  
debut at the PFA  
rally at Cranfield  
June 2000**

The 4S carries fuel in two wing tanks, releasing valuable cabin space and allowing the instrument panel to be pushed further forwards. Compared to its two seat brothers the cabin is much longer offering much more than “two plus two” accommodation for crew and passengers. Not just longer the cabin is noticeably wider than the two seat versions giving a real feel of space. For those looking for the ultimate in baggage space the back seat back can be folded forward like an estate car giving extra room for bulky or awkward baggage. Moving the centre of the panel forwards and widening the cabin extends the size of the instrument panel offering enough space for the most ardent gadgeteur. Pilot visibility has been an important feature on earlier Dyn' Aéro kit aircraft and the 4S continues to provide excellent visibility in all taxiing and flight conditions. Altogether this new aircraft offers accommodation that exceeds that provided in certified aircraft costing more than twice the price of building a new 4S.

***The Instrument panel is designed to give plenty of room***



Not only did the 4S have to be spacious but it had to carry a useful load. With an empty weight under 350 kgs and a maximum weight of 750 kgs it has a payload of at least 400 kgs or over 880 lbs. With aircraft built light and kept simple this payload could easily increase to 425 kgs or 935 lbs which bearing in mind the frugal economy of the 912S, range and payload are better than most people could wish for. Typically two people at 85 kgs and two people at 70 kgs could fly with 40 kgs of baggage and have a range in excess 500 nm with 30 minutes reserve. That's with a cruise speed around 125 kts.

Performance two up is sparkling and even at max all up weight will exceed many peoples expectations.

## Features

Lightweight construction gives superior performance  
Fuselage constructed from lightweight carbon fibre micro-sandwich  
Fixed tricycle undercarriage gives easy ground handling  
Steerable nose-wheel with telescopic suspension  
Large canopy gives superior vision  
Dual control – dual sticks and rudders  
Dual throttle

Advanced wing design  
Carbon fibre micro sandwich skin  
Advanced double slotted flap design  
Wing tips designed to maximum lift and provide stability

All flying aluminium skin “T” tail  
Comfortable lightweight carbon seat shells  
Adjustable rudder pedals for pilot comfort  
Electric flaps and pitch trim as standard  
Large 120 litre fuel capacity.  
Wing root fairings incorporated in fuselage moulding  
NACA cabin air ducts incorporated in fuselage moulding  
Locking hand-brake ( two lever differential )

Choice of Rotax 912, 912S, 914  
Optional very comprehensive engine installation kits  
Quick adjust seats gives 5 height adjustments

Sensible luggage space (behind seats)  
Additional luggage space with rear seats folded forward  
Carbon control rods with rose joint bearings

Options  
Constant speed propeller  
Low cost harness  
Tuned stainless steel exhaust  
Cabin heater ( simple low cost )  
Cabin ventilation (simple low cost)

Choice of instrumentation and communications equipment

## Construction

The wing structure is formed from carbon fibre spars, foam ribs and a carbon fibre micro-sandwich wing skin. Fuel cells are formed within the wing structure and aluminium fuel lines are supplied in the kit. Flaps and ailerons are formed from foam spars and ribs in an aluminium skin. The wing flaps are of double slotted design much like modern airliners. The upper slot is formed from a small aerofoil fitted to the top of the main flap. Fuselage frames are lightweight formed from carbon fibre wood and foam and the fuselage itself is formed from a carbon fibre reinforced micro sandwich construction. Tailplane and rudder are also skinned in aluminium with internal foam ribs supported on carbon spars in the case of the tailplane.

Ancillary mouldings such as seats, cowls, spats, wingtips are manufactured from either Carbon Fibre, Kevlar or Glass depending on the part and its usage. Composite parts have a working gel finish designed to ease construction, eliminating time consuming filling required on some kits. Aluminium skinned flying surfaces are ready white prime painted to improve bond quality and reduce labour.

## The Kit

The kit is supplied in an advanced state and the builder is not expected to manufacture any parts. All composite parts are supplied complete requiring trimming fitting and painting only. In general there is no filling required for composite parts except where small faults exist or to cover joints for example across the main fuselage joint.

Metal parts are supplied fully machined and most are supplied finished (painted, plated or anodised) ready for fitting. Cables are supplied ready to mount and in general most bearings are pressed into place in the appropriate part.

Standard Fast Build Kit – Requires around 2 – 3 weeks work in the factory for two people working together.

### Initial structure

The wing is built up from ribs composite skin and carbon spar all of which are ready made. Flaps and ailerons are made from aluminium skin, carbon pieces, foam ribs and spar. The rudder is assembled from aluminium skin and foam ribs and the tailplane is assembled from aluminium skin foam ribs and carbon spar. The fuselage frames are bonded in place and the fin is completed. These operations involve the use of complicated jigs.

### Advanced structure

Includes mounting flaps to wings, rudder to fuselage, fuel tank assembly, mounting wing and tailplane wing tips. These operations can be undertaken at or away from the factory.

### Finishing

Includes Canopy assembly mounting all mechanical and control parts, the engine and propeller. Fitting all instrumentation and radio equipment. Adjusting all control and mechanical systems. Painting and preparation for painting.

It is possible to buy the kit in a STANDARD form, or with the INITIAL structure complete or with the ADVANCED structure complete where local regulations permit.

## Included in the Kit

All three versions of the kit include the following components:

fuselage mouldings  
structural frames  
bulkheads  
seat mouldings  
undercarriage  
wheels, tyres & brakes  
fuel cells (formed in wing)  
fuel lines, tap & filters  
canopy and latches  
control sticks  
control linkages  
electric trim motor  
electric flap motor  
instruments panel (blank)  
anti-vibration panel mounts

wing skins  
wing ribs  
carbon spars  
wing tips  
wing attach brackets  
wing pins and safety pins  
flap skins, ribs & spars  
flap brackets  
aileron push rods  
flap control rods  
elastic control bands  
brake control levers  
brake control pedals  
brake hydraulic system  
epoxy glue / resin

tailplane skin  
tailplane ribs  
carbon spars  
rudder skin & ribs  
rudder cables and pulleys  
rudder pedals and floor  
tailplane control rods  
tailplane bell cranks  
throttle control levers  
choke control levers  
throttle control wires  
choke control cables

All rivets, screws, bolts,  
nuts and washers.

### **Options**

#### **Engine installation kit**

cowls insulation & fitting kit  
engine mounts  
starter battery  
starter leads  
main solenoid  
starter solenoid  
battery brackets  
overflow bottle & brkt  
oil tank brackets  
oil filler cover  
aluminium fuel lines  
fuel line fittings  
flexible fuel lines  
oil cooler & radiator  
supports for above  
replacement ignition leads  
baffles (aluminium & rubber)

#### **Wheel fairing kit**

wheel spats  
undercarriage fairings  
fitting kit for above

#### **Strobe kits**

Control unit  
wiring and plugs  
strobe lamps and covers

#### **Cabin heater**

trap, support and hinge  
cable, lever & fitting kit

#### **Remote rudder adjust kit**

cables, controls & fitting kit

#### **Chabourd Tuned Exhaust**

4 into 1 tuned exhaust  
silencer, final pipe,  
brackets and clips

#### **Internal paint**

one US gallon of grey  
speckle paint, enough to  
paint inside cockpit

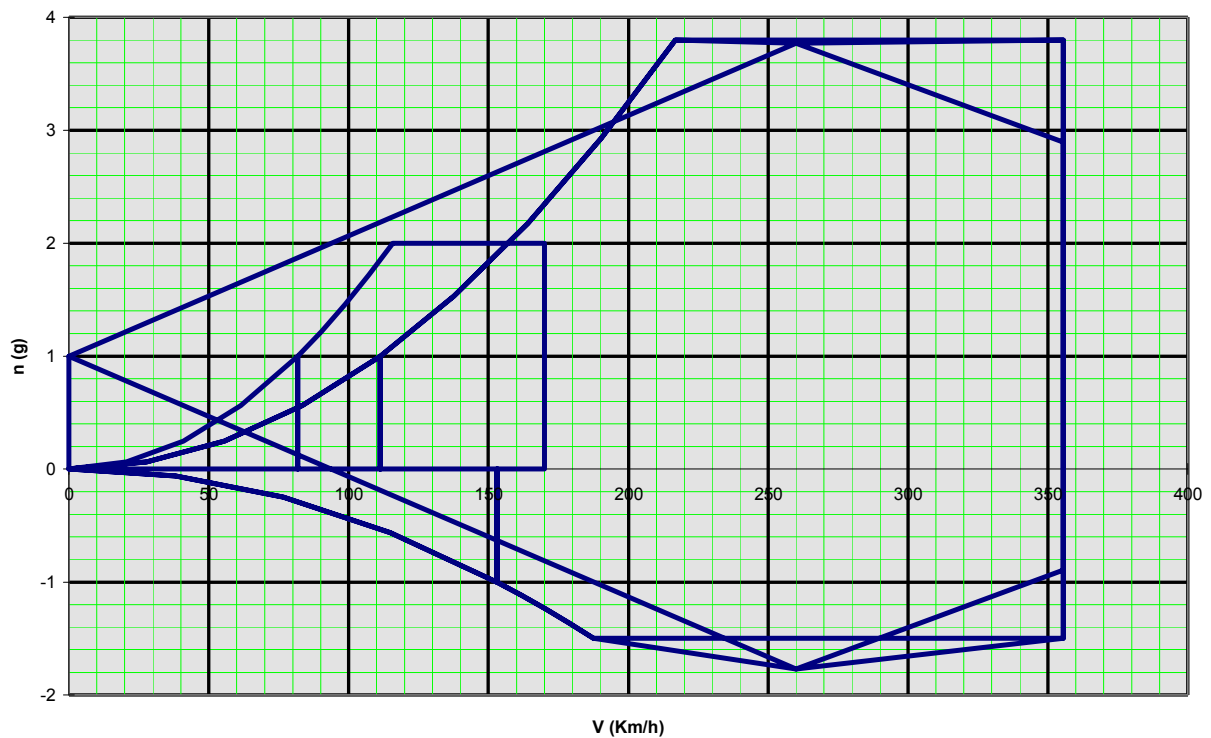
#### **Cabin ventilation**

flaps and hinges  
cables, control & fitting kit

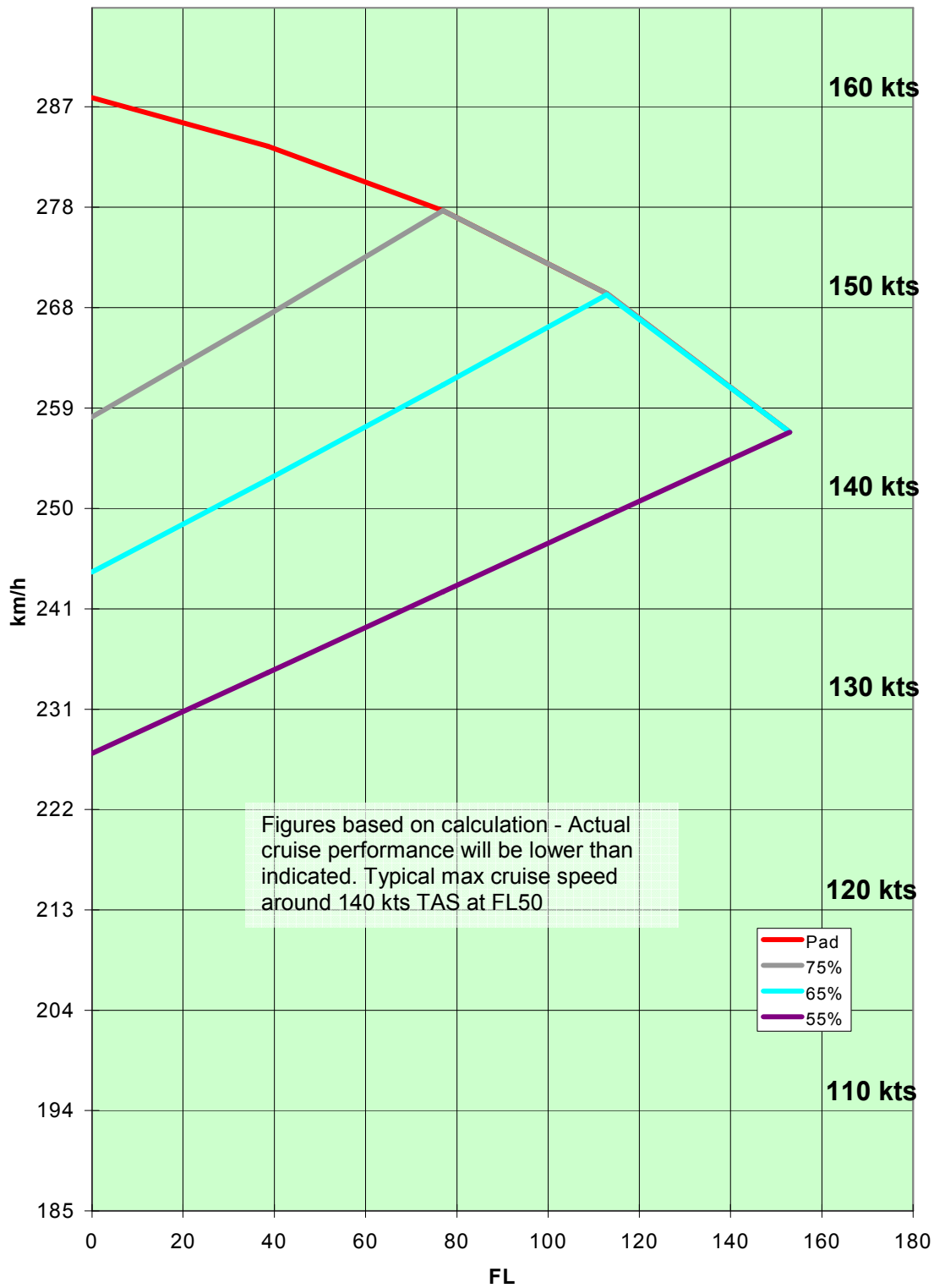
## Flight Envelope

		Km/hr	kts	mph
V <sub>mini</sub>	Stall Speed	82	44	51
	Minimum Take Off Speed	93	50	58
	Minimum cruise speed	111	60	69
V <sub>fe</sub>	Speed limit for flaps	170	92	106
V <sub>a</sub>	Manoeuvring Speed	217	117	135
V <sub>no</sub>	Turbulent air Speed	260	140	161
V <sub>ne</sub>	Never Exceed Speed	320	173	199
V <sub>d</sub>	Dimensional Speed	356	192	221
np/nn	Limit loading factors (g)	+3.8/-1.5	+3.8/-1.5	+3.8/-1.5

## V=V(n) diagram at MTOW

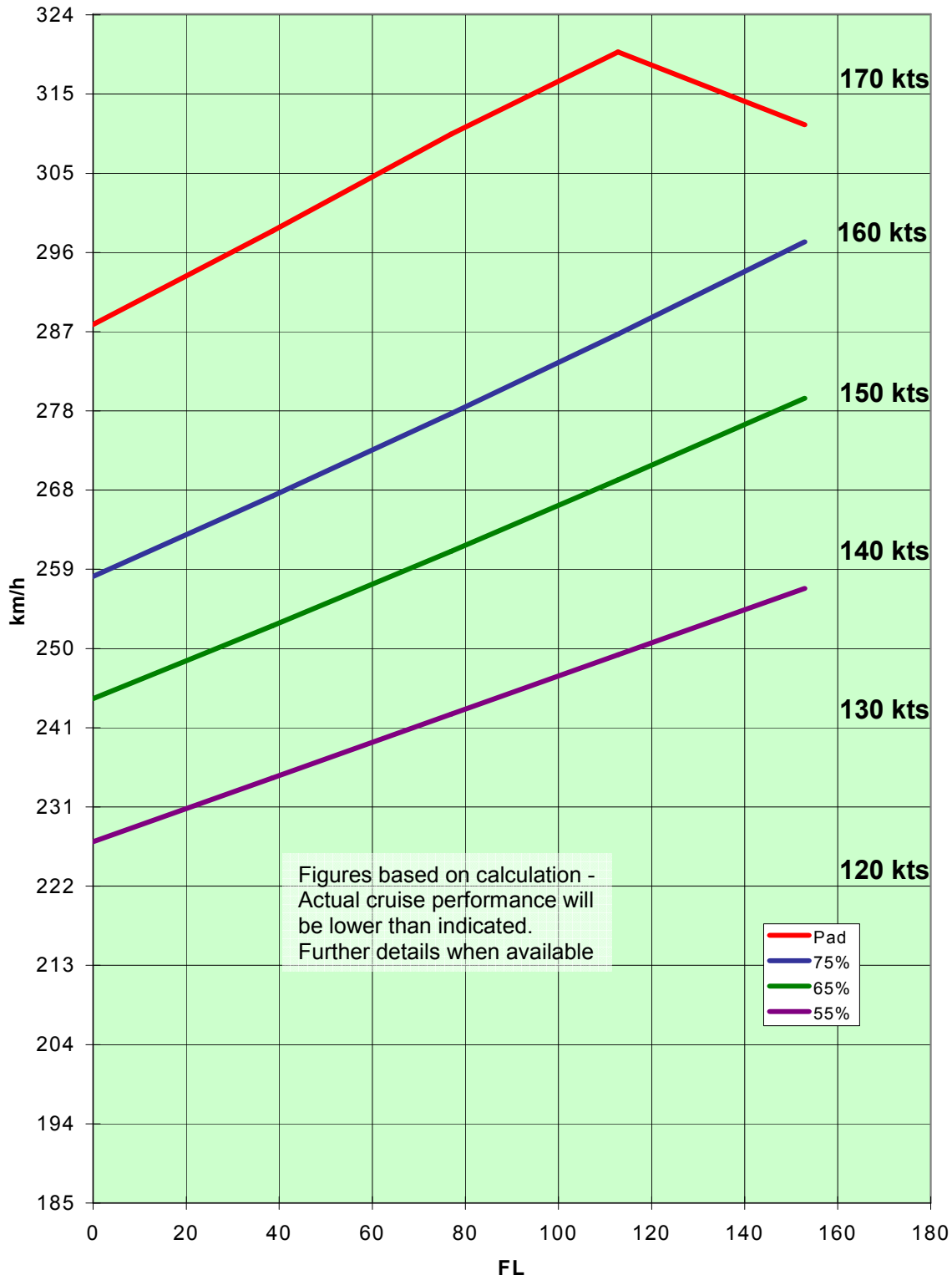


# 100hp Engine (ROTAX912S) TAS / FL / Power



PAD = Full throttle / Performance from calculation / Actual performance will be close to that shown

# 100hp Turbo (ROTAX914) TAS / FL / Power



PAD = Full throttle / Performance from calculation / Actual performance will be close to that shown

## Performance

### Design performance with different engines

	100 hp normally aspirated engines Rotax 912S		100 hp Turbo Charged engines Rotax 914	
<b>Maximum level speed</b>	288 km/h	155 kts	320 km/h	173 kts *
<b>Cruise speed 75% FL0</b>	258 km/h	139 kts	258 km/h	139 kts
<b>Cruise speed 75% FL80</b>	277 km/h	150 kts	287 km/h	155 kts
<b>Cruise speed 65% FL0</b>	244 km/h	132 kts	244 km/h	132 kts
<b>Cruise speed 65% FL110</b>	270 km/h	146 kts	270 km/h	146 kts
<b>Range 75% FL80</b>	1,521 km	821 nm	1,572 km	849 nm
<b>Range 65% FL110</b>	1,707 km	922 nm	1,706 km	921 nm
<b>Take off distance with VP Prop</b>	203 m	665 ft	153 m	503 ft
<b>Distance to clear 15m</b>	295 m	968 ft	221 m	724 ft
<b>Take off distance with cruise prop</b>	304 m	997 ft		
<b>Distance to clear 15m (cruise prop)</b>	420 m	1,378 ft		

\* 914 Turbo maximum level speed quoted at 11000 ft

These figures are those used in the initial aircraft design. Modifications including increased cabin width have reduced cruise performance. Actual performance figures will be available later. Take off and climb performance is close to that shown.

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## Aircraft Dimensions

### Weights

Minimum empty weight	300 kg	661 lbs
Equipped aircraft empty weight	350 kg	771 lbs
Maximum take off weight	750 kg	1,652 lbs
Wing loading	77 - 90 kg/m <sup>2</sup>	15.94 lbs/ft <sup>2</sup>

### General

Length	6.72 m	22'
Height	1.9 m	6' 3"
Cabin width	1.2 m	47"
Fuel capacity	120 l	25.4 imp gal

### Wing

Wing Span	8.72 m	28' 7"
Wing area	8.30 m <sup>2</sup>	89.39 ft <sup>2</sup>
Aspect Ratio	9.20	9.20
Mean wing chord	0.96 m	38"
Dihedral	3 °	3 °

### All Flying T tailplane

Tailplane span	2.5 m	8' 2"
Tailplane area	1.375 m <sup>2</sup>	20.23 ft <sup>2</sup>
Tailplane mean chord	0.55 m	22"
Max Upward deflection	5 °	5 °
Max downward deflection	10 °	10 °

### Double slotted Flaps

Span	2.52 m	8' 3"
Chord	0.395 m	16"
Cruise setting	0 °	0 °
Take off setting	17 °	17 °
Landing setting	45 °	45 °

### Aileron

Span	0.84 m	33"
Chord	0.385 m	15"
Max upward deflection	20 °	20 °
Max downward deflection	10 °	10 °