

Flotation Device for the Rocna

After reading the *PS* report on the setting ability of various heavy-duty anchors ("Rock and Roll," November 2008), including the Rocna anchor, reader Guy Collins sent photos and a description of modifications to his Rocna anchor that he's been testing on his Beneteau 43, based in Annapolis, Md.

In order to ensure the anchor lands in the right attitude and exerts maximum pressure on the tip, Collins added a small float to the roll bar. The float helps the anchor land with the flat bottom down, so that the tip can bury quickly and deeply as it is set. So far, says Collins, the Rocna has performed flawlessly. "Whatever the bottom—clams, rocks, sand, mud, or grass—the anchor sets and stays set," he writes.



Guy Collins says the buoy on the Rocna's roll bar helps it set faster.

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His only complaint is that the Rocna's roll bar tends to hold a large clump of Chesapeake mud. *PS* has tested a production anchor Hydrobubble, which incorporates a PVC float into its design to improve setting ability. It has generally performed well in testing.