The build started in April 2011 and was completed in October 2011.

As previously stated the whole intention of the build was to ensure that when we were travelling the vehicle was able to meet the different conditions in New Zealand and Australia. I cannot speak highly enough of Traillite during the build. They listened to all our 'inexperience' and advised us if we thought we were going off track. To their credit, they we able to accommodate most of the changes we required. We highly recommend them if you are looking to purchase a motorhome.

No matter what you build, there is always a cost to making changes. We accepted that this would be the case, however we regarded the changes as necessary to ensure a 'comfortable journey'.

For the technical amongst us (and those who are interested of course), the following are the vehicle specifications. Where we made changes, I have indicated that.

Vehicle Isuzu 500L AMT (Tiptronic) 5.2 litre turbo engine

Seating – Italian Sports Leather bucket seat upgrade Integrated GPS and reversing camera (two) system

Electrical 50 amp 3 stage charger (upgraded from 20 amp 3 stage charger)

520 amp hour batteries (upgraded from 260 amp hour batteries)

Integrated 1800 watt pure-sine inverter (upgraded from 300 watt inverter)

360w solar panelling (upgraded from 85w solar panelling)

Telair Air Conditioning Unit Engine charging system Shore power capable (230v) Battery, water and solar monitors

Honda EU20i Petrol Generator (230v and 12v)
Ample 230v and 12v outlets throughout the vehicle

Water 565L Fresh storage (upgraded from 200L)

400L Grey storage (upgraded from 200L)

Mains pressure hot and cold water

Hot Water 22L - gas or electric

Gas 18L

Gas and CO2 detector

Heating Webasto diesel heating throughout

Toilet Thetford C200 with SOGii Odour free system

Kitchen Dometic 175L 3 way fridge/freezer (gas, electric or battery)

Gas oven, hob and grill

De Longhi Nespresso coffee machine

Microwave oven Water filter

Slim-line range hood

Stainless sink and drainer with fitting chopping board

Coloured glass splash backs

Stone bench tops

Entertainment 26" LCD TV (inside)

20" LCD TV (outside) Moved from the bedroom. Neither of us like watching

TV in bed.

Freeview (Skycard compatible) decoder Majestic fully automatic satellite dish

Fusion Premium CD/DVD/Radio with iPod home theatre system

Media Player (to view our movies from the hardrive)

3 zone Internal and external speaker system

Accommodation One queen and one double bed

Separate master bedroom with ensuite Electric slide-out lounge and dining room

Safety In addition to safety belts for driver and passenger, we have fitted belts for

anyone (grandchildren normally) sitting in the lounge while we are driving.

Integrated vehicle and house alarm system

Portable Personal Locator beacon Onboard alarm and panic button

Other parts of the fit-out you may find interesting and that makes our journey just that little more enjoyable include:

Electric external steps

All windows are double glazed and are fitted with fly/mosquito screens and

blinds

All roof vents have fly/mosquito screens and blackout blinds

Stabilizing legs when parked up

Slideout BBQ

Smoker

External shower

Main door has flyscreen and security panel Floors are carpeted (except kitchen area)

Wind out 4m Fiamma awning with walls and flooring

Tow bar with separate 12v charging supply

Plenty of internal and external cupboard and locker storage

In reading all this you may think we have gone over the top but I can assure you my philosophy of 'if the wife is happy, I will be happy' has never been more true with the motorhome. Dearne can make coffee, use her hair dryer, use her hair straighteners, have a constant supply of power and hot water, nice shower and toilet, good inside heating, comfortable bed, fully equipped kitchen, can listen to her music and watch her movies. I could go on but I am sure you have the message by now.

We are very happy with the build. We are often asked if we could make a change what would be do. Neither of us can think of anything right now.