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Garmin GPSMAP 943xsv Combo GPS/Fishfinder User Manual

Model: 010-02366-03

Introduction

The Garmin GPSMAP 943xsv is an advanced 9-inch chartplotter designed for seamless integration into your marine system. Featuring a sleek design, powerful processing, and an upgraded IPS display, this unit provides comprehensive navigation and fishfinding capabilities. It comes preloaded with US, Canada, and Bahamas BlueChart g3 and LakeV g3 maps, offering detailed charting for both coastal and inland waters.

What's in the Box

- GPSMAP 943xsv chartplotter
- microSD card preinstalled
- Power cable
- NMEA 2000 T-connector
- NMEA 2000 drop cable (2 meters)
- 8-pin transducer to 12-pin sounder adapter cable
- Bail mount kit with knobs
- Flush mount kit with gasket
- Protective cover
- Trim piece snap covers
- Documentation
- GMR 18 HD+ radome
- Mounting hardware kit
- Power cable (15 m)
- Network cable (15 m)
- Installation instructions
- Mounting template

Setup

Mounting the Device

The GPSMAP 943xsv offers flexible mounting options. You can use the included bail mount kit for surface mounting or the flush mount kit for a more integrated look. Always use the provided mounting template and hardware for secure installation.

1. Choose a suitable location on your vessel that provides clear visibility and access to controls.
2. Use the mounting template to mark the drill holes.
3. Drill pilot holes as indicated by the template.
4. Secure the bail mount bracket or flush mount gasket using the provided mounting hardware.
5. Attach the GPSMAP 943xsv unit to the mounted bracket or insert it into the flush mount opening.

Electrical Connections

Proper electrical connections are crucial for the performance of your chartplotter. Ensure all connections are secure and waterproof.

1. Connect the power cable to the unit and to a 12V DC power source on your vessel.
2. If using NMEA 2000, connect the NMEA 2000 T-connector and drop cable to integrate with other marine electronics.
3. Connect the 8-pin transducer to 12-pin sounder adapter cable to your compatible transducer for sonar functionality.
4. For radar integration, connect the GMR 18 HD+ radome using the provided power and network cables.

Initial Power On

Once mounted and connected, you can power on your device for the first time. The preinstalled microSD card contains the necessary mapping data.

1. Press the power button to turn on the unit.
2. Follow the on-screen prompts for initial setup, including language and unit preferences.
3. Verify that the preinstalled microSD card is properly recognized and maps are loading correctly.

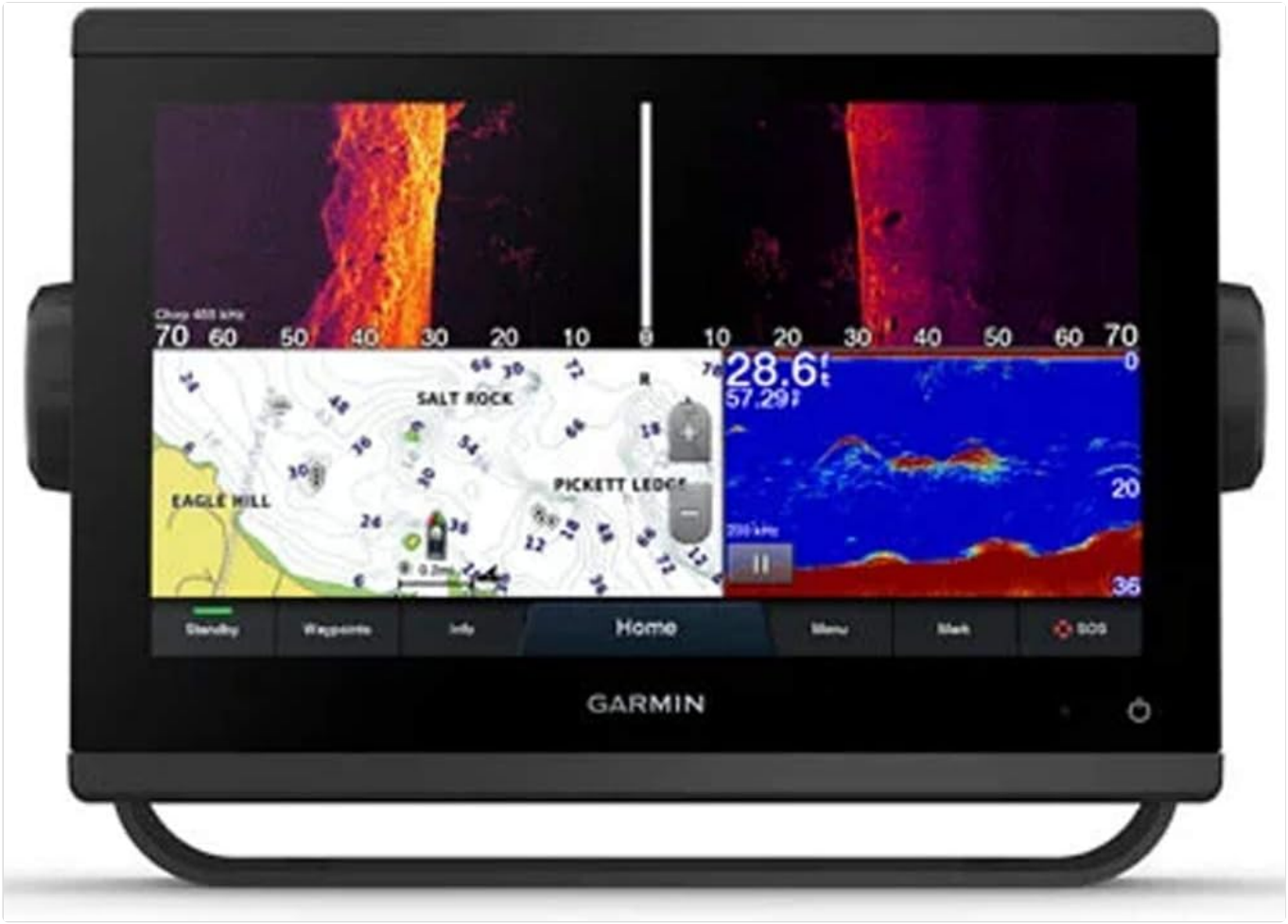

Figure 1: Front view of the Garmin GPSMAP 943xsv display, showing its intuitive interface with navigation and sonar data.

Operating Your GPSMAP 943xsv

The GPSMAP 943xsv features a high-resolution touchscreen and button interface for easy operation. Familiarize yourself with the main screen layout and menu options.

Chartplotter Functions

Navigate with confidence using the preloaded BlueChart g3 and LakeV g3 maps. You can view detailed contours, spot soundings, navaids, and more.

- **Navigation:** Create routes, set waypoints, and follow tracks directly on the chart.
- **Zoom and Pan:** Use pinch-to-zoom gestures or the dedicated buttons to adjust the map view.
- **Customization:** Configure map layers, display preferences, and data overlays to suit your needs.

Sonar Functions

The xsv model includes built-in 1 kW CHIRP traditional sonar, Ultra High-Definition SideVü, and ClearVü scanning sonars for exceptional underwater clarity.

- **Traditional CHIRP Sonar:** Provides clear target separation and depth capabilities.
- **ClearVü Sonar:** Shows a nearly photographic view of fish and structure below your boat.
- **SideVü Sonar:** Offers a clear view of fish and structure up to 500 feet on either side of your boat.
- **Gain and Range:** Adjust sonar gain and depth range for optimal performance in varying water conditions.



Figure 2: Side view of the Garmin GPSMAP 943xsv, highlighting the display's clarity for sonar readings.

Maintenance

Regular maintenance ensures the longevity and optimal performance of your Garmin GPSMAP 943xsv.

- **Cleaning:** Clean the display and unit exterior with a soft, clean cloth dampened with fresh water. Avoid harsh chemicals or abrasive materials.
- **Software Updates:** Periodically check the Garmin website for software updates. Keeping your device updated ensures you have the latest features and performance enhancements.
- **Connection Checks:** Regularly inspect all cable connections for corrosion or damage, especially in a marine environment.
- **Storage:** When not in use for extended periods, store the unit in a dry, protected environment, ideally with the protective cover installed.



Figure 3: Rear view of the Garmin GPSMAP 943xsv, illustrating the various ports for power, network, and transducer connections.

Troubleshooting

This section provides solutions to common issues you might encounter.

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Unit does not power on	No power, loose connection, blown fuse	Check power cable connection, inspect fuse on power cable, verify battery voltage.
No GPS signal	Unit not in clear view of sky, internal GPS issue	Ensure unit has unobstructed view of the sky. If problem persists, contact Garmin support.
No sonar display	Transducer not connected, incorrect settings, faulty transducer	Verify transducer cable connection, check sonar settings (frequency, gain), inspect transducer for damage.
Maps not displaying	microSD card not inserted or corrupted, map settings incorrect	Ensure microSD card is properly inserted. Check map display settings on the unit.

Specifications

Feature	Detail
Item Weight	3.6 pounds
Product Dimensions	9.2 x 6.4 x 3 inches

Feature	Detail
Item Model Number	010-02366-03
Display Size	9 Inches
Voice Command	Buttons
Manufacturer	Garmin
Brand	Garmin
Model Name	943xsv
Vehicle Service Type	Boat
Screen Size	9 Inches
Special Feature	Anti Glare Screen
Connectivity Technology	Bluetooth
Map Type	Coastal/Inland
Sport	Boating
Included Components	1 kW CHIRP sonar, Ultra High-Definition SideVü and ClearVü scanning sonars, built-in Wi-Fi, J1939 engine connectivity, OneHelm feature, NMEA 2000 and NMEA 0183 networking, Garmin Marine Network, 10 Hz GNSS (GPS, GLONASS, and Galileo) receiver
Audio Output Mode	Stereo

Warranty and Support

Your Garmin GPSMAP 943xsv is covered by a limited warranty. For detailed warranty information, product registration, and technical support, please visit the official Garmin website or contact Garmin customer service.
Garmin Support: For further assistance, visit www.garmin.com/support.

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