



GLOBAL LAUNCH CONTEST 72CS AT HISWA IN-WATER BOAT SHOW 2012

Contest Yachts in the Netherlands will give a public debut to its largest sailing yacht to date at this September's HISWA in-water Boat Show. The brand-new Contest 72CS performance cruiser fully lives up to the yard's 'Life.Style.Sailing.' motto as well as seamlessly meeting the latest market requirements.

Complete range

At just under 22 metres in length, the newly launched Contest 72CS is be a phenomenal new flagship for the ever-expanding Contest fleet. Contest Yachts recently launched the modern versions of its entire range of bluewater cruisers which are being introduced alongside the traditional designs that have served this family-run yard so well. Setting new standards in terms of performance and comfort, the go-anywhere Contest 72CS will benefit from the yard's unrivalled experience with vacuum infusion and be fully Lloyd's certified. Moreover, this blend of premium Dutch quality and superior looks continues below decks in an interior that sets the Contest 72CS apart from anything available in this size bracket.

Setting the tone

"Excellent design has long defined the distinctive identity of a Contest," says Gillian Brown from Wetzels Brown Partners, which has drawn its first interior for Contest Yachts. "The owner of the Contest 72CS requested a small superyacht rather than a large family yacht, and together with the yard this is exactly what we have created. The overall result is a boat that synthesises the Contest quality template with a contemporary new look that may well redefine the Contest of the future."

The tone is set in the saloon, which features large sofas with a modern soft look and feel. The master suite has a desk, two long sofas and a large bathroom. To enhance the onboard logistics, the large galley is positioned forward to connect with the captain's cabin and the captain's lounge. There is also separate access to the cabin forward.

"In addition to a sophisticated layout, a yacht of this stature also deserves a range of innovative design features," adds Brown. "We have streamlined the joinery, removing visible ventilation grilles, adding recessed hand grips, and giving the doors a more modern shape. On this specific yacht the material choice moves away from the more traditional teak look, with bright and light oak panels offset by dark oak floors. We have introduced carpet in the master suite to enhance the luxurious ambience there and the bathrooms are detailed with wall mounted taps, new colours of Corian and large showers."



Lloyd's certification

The sleek go-anywhere Contest 72CS sets new standards of performance and comfort. Like all Contest yachts, this bluewater cruiser is one of the very few semi-custom yachts in Europe to meet the stringent quality demands of Lloyd's certification. To save weight and add strength, Contest Yachts has deployed its industry-leading vacuum infusion system to produce both the hull and deck. The emphasis on quality is further underlined by the sublime finish of the interior for which the yard is renowned.

Technical details:

Length over all:	21.80 m	71.5 ft
Length waterline:	18.99 m	62.3 ft
Maximum beam:	5.70 m	18.7 ft
Displacement:	44,300 kg	97,664 lbs
Draft bulb keel:	2.80 m	9.18 ft
Ballast bulb keel:	16,500 kg	36,376 lbs
Mast height above waterline:	30.83 m	101.1 ft
Main sail:	138 m ²	1,485 ft ²
Genoa 111%:	117 m ²	1,259 ft ²
Fuel tank:	1,700 ltr.	373.94 imp. gal.
Water tank:	1,600 ltr.	351.95 imp. gal.
Engine, Perkins:	161 kW	216 hp
Lloyd's Certificate and CE-certificate		

HISWA in-water Boat Show 2012

The Contest 72CS will be on display at the **HISWA in-water Boat Show 2012** from 4 to 9 September. This will be held at a new city centre location at the NDSM-Shipyard in Amsterdam. For more information about the yacht and Contest Yachts, see www.contestyachts.com.

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