



CONTEST YACHTS GIVES 52MC MOTORYACHT PUBLIC DEBUT IN AUTUMN

Contest Yachts in the Netherlands is close to completing construction of its first motoryacht, the Contest 52MC. A wide range of technical innovations are currently being installed such as gyro-stabilisation, integrated power electronics and an exceptionally fuel efficient engine package. Moreover, the options for future clients span every aspect of propulsion, navigation and anchoring.

Not just for former sailors

Having made its name over the past half-century for a global fleet of sailing yachts, Contest's decision to extend its core values of quality, comfort, performance and design into the motoryacht world was a response to market requests. Created in partnership with designer Georg Nissen, Vripack Naval Architects and Wetzels Brown Partners (interior), the Contest 52MC has clear appeal to both former sailyacht owners and committed motoryacht fans. The starting points for the development were Contest Yacht's core values of quality, comfort performance and design.

Silence and style

This innovative seagoing motoryacht has many options in terms of layout and technologies. As standard she is fitted with two quiet Cummins Common Rail engines, synchronised with the bow and stern thrusters via an Integrated Docking® system for easy manoeuvring. Contest opted for Cummins engines due to their fuel efficiency in the mid-range which owners most frequently use as well as at high speeds. The owner of the first model has opted for the largest Cummins available, while the yard is also offering a hybrid model with two electric motors offering silent propulsion. Contest clients are not used to the constant sound of engines, and the yard has invested heavily in engine room insulation and vibration attenuation. The weight calculations are exceptionally detailed, with around 3000 items taken into consideration. This stringent regime reflects the sophisticated level of Contest's approach to the engineering of the 52MC.

High-tech solution

Another high-tech solution onboard the first Contest 52MC will be a Seakeeper gyro-stabiliser, further complementing the performance of her modern half-glider hull. A straight bow, long waterline and wide underwater body will ensure the sailing qualities that are Contest's hallmark, with minimal vertical movement and roll. For the navigation systems, clients can choose between the latest systems from Raymarine or Simrad. A Masterbus system from Mastervolt offers complete integration of power electronics together with control of all consumers from a touchscreen near the helm. Meanwhile, a smart hydraulic folding anchor system ensures a clean bow.



Optimal stability

Characterised by peaceful, modern lines, the interior fully reflects the sailing mind-set in terms of practicality, elegance and refinement. The Contest 52MC is part of a new generation of motorboats with maximum accommodation inspiring the shape as well as determining seaworthiness. She has a chic modern edge and the interior is a natural extension of this philosophy. The first model features a natural satin teak finish with oak floors and carpet. Clean white upholstery with touches of blue and taupe are being fitted both inside and out, creating a coherent feel.

CE-A certified

The Contest 52MC is CE-A certified and meets all the requirements for long journeys on inland waterways, coastal areas and the open seas. The design is also focused on safety and comfort, with wide side decks, high bulwarks and a closable cockpit that provides a permanent sense of safety. Available in several versions, the standard design can be expanded with raised steering or a flybridge. The Contest 52MC range also includes a fully open sports model.

Technical specifications:

Yard:	Contest Yachts
Design:	Georg Nissen
Engineering:	Vripack Naval Architecture
Interior design:	Wetzels Brown Partners
LOA:	15.93 m.
Beam:	4.60 m.
Draught:	0.95 m.
Clearance:	From 2.88 m.
Displacement:	16,600 kg.
Construction:	Vacuum composite
Engines:	2x Cummins 330 hp
Fuel tank capacity:	1800 ltr.
Drinking water tank capacity:	700 ltr.
Black water tank capacity:	250 ltr.
Berths:	6-8 persons
Certification:	CE-A

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