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BEAUTIFULLY DIFFERENT

Not just a sea-going luxury yacht, she's won awards for her engineering and build design

Monte Carlo Yachts' MCY70 is an amalgam of form and function that escapes most designers of almost anything. How do you make something beautiful and yet able to do the underlying job it is meant for? There always seems to be a compromise. Full-length glazing might weaken hull integrity in a high sea. Hugely decorative guest accommodation might make the superstructure top-heavy. Monte Carlo Yachts has looked straight past this and worked hard on all aspects of the yacht to achieve their particular mixture of design and performance.

The hull, with its wide and high-flared sea-going bow, incorporates an advanced keel structure that features self-supporting sandwich plating together with longitudinal reinforcements, a bow crash box, and extensive use of Kevlar in the areas of greatest impact. These all provide the MCY70 with a very solid but light shell.

Then you take Monte Carlo Yachts' revolutionary build methodology. Almost everyone else makes the hull then releases a few skilled cabinet makers to build the interiors within the hull. All of them working in tight, dark confined spaces, with lots of measuring and re-measuring to make sure things fit. Not Monte Carlo Yachts. They build the interiors to tight, measured specifications out on the workshop floor. Larger numbers of skilled craftsmen can access their work from the outside and inside with space all around. Monte Carlo Yachts say this technique provides a better-fitting, closer-to-spec interior at a fraction of the cost and time taken in a conventional build-in-the-hull fitout. Indeed, "fitout" is the wrong word: it's a "fit in", because when the interior is finished, it is hoisted up and dropped into the empty hull, complete. The cabin roof and the

superstructure are then dropped on top, everything is fixed and the boat is ready for the paintshop.

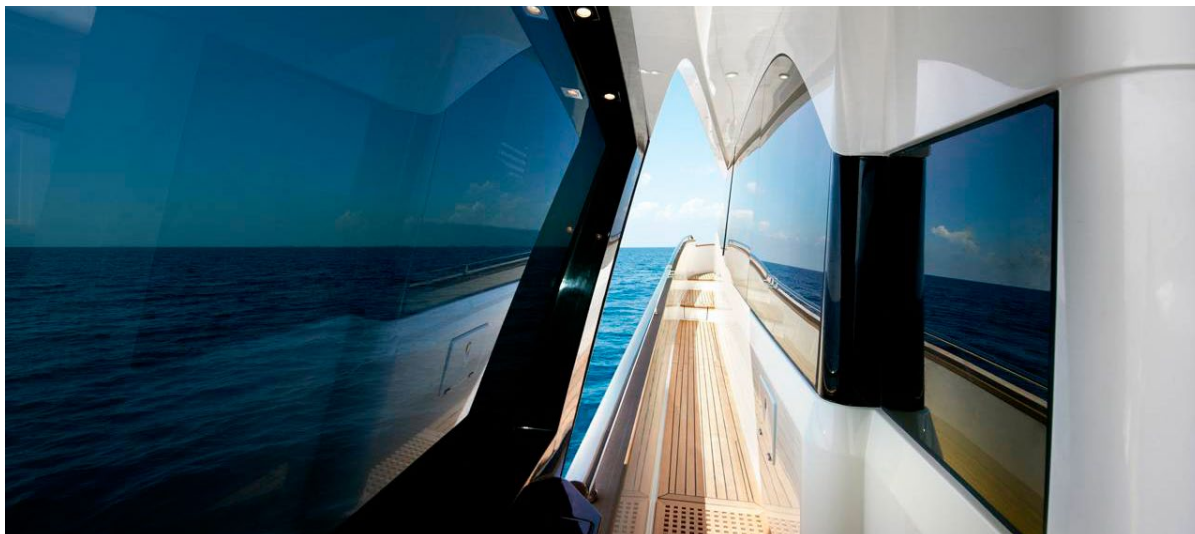
The needs of the helmsmen and crew aren't ignored. The upper helm station is deadcentre and the compact flybridge is narrower than the beam of the yacht, so there is excellent all-round vision. The flybridge's utility as a nice place to sit and enjoy the ride hasn't been forgotten - there's still plenty of seating to provide the helmsman with companionship and soft drinks while the passengers sip something perhaps a little stronger or just enjoy the sun.

The MCY70 is built to take to sea and sail well and safely. Depending on engine and drive configuration chosen, she can move at a maximum of 33kts and will cruise at 24kts. The four tonnes of fuel in the tanks provide plenty of range at cruising speed. Not bad for an eight-guest plus two-crew motor yacht.

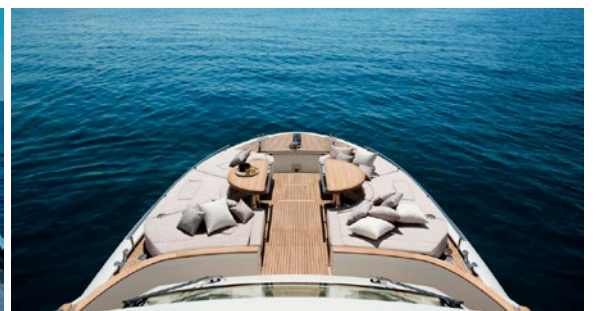
The main saloon is compact to permit two decent width fore and aft external gangways because it is the outside of this boat that will appeal to owners in the Far East. The cockpit and foredeck areas are both huge, accessible and usable. The cockpit is fully sheltered and the aft bulkhead completely folds away making the rear saloon and the cockpit one huge space. The foredeck is given the Monte Carlo Yachts treatment too. There are two huge sunpads yes, but, these aren't just for sunbathers. They are arranged around semicircular tables that rise out of the deck to provide open seating and dining for the entire complement, with recessed pop-up lights for evening meals or just reading in evening solitude. ☺



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SPECIFICATIONS

LOA 21.3m
Max beam 5.42m
Draught 1.8m
Displacement
42tonnes

Engines
2 x MAN V8 1200 (ZF POD)
2 x MAN V8 1200 (V-Drive)
Max speed 33kn
Cruising speed 24-26kn

Fuel capacity 4000L
Freshwater capacity 840L
Cabins 4
Construction
VTR, Kevlar®, carbon

Design category CE-A
Naval architect/design
Nuvolari & Lenard and Monte Carlo Yachts
Builder/year Monte Carlo Yachts



THE MCY105 LAUNCH IN VENICE

The MCY105 was unveiled at a private preview in exquisite Venice in July, the same setting where five years ago Monte Carlo Yachts launched its very first yacht. A festival of elegance; lights, colours and sounds, celebrated the MCY105's iconic design and integrity. This model is predicted to be a resounding success in Asia as the first model on display was purchased by a Hong Kong-based family. ✧

