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Cutting Edge

Made under the banner of the Benetti Design Innovation Project, the Benetti Nauta Edge 72 reinterprets the 140-year history of the Italian shipyard.

A sleek, proportioned yacht with balanced volumes, the Benetti Nauta Edge 72, according to its designers, "is a yacht that meets and exceeds the expectations for beauty, comfort and efficiency of today's superyacht owner, not by imposing itself on the surrounding environment, but by blending into it and enveloping owners and guests in the beauty and serenity of nature that they have sought."

From the aft main deck, a spiral staircase leads to the beach club on the lower deck. Here guests can enjoy an expansive teak deck which leads to the enclosed sea lounge. Just forward of the beach club a large fitness area is equipped with a sauna.

The opening transom has folding stairs, made possible thanks to the placement of the garage amid ship, where two 30-foot tenders can be launched through two gull wing doors with a sliding crane.

On the upper deck there is the spacious owner's suite, with an observation lounge that offers a 270-degree forward view through a massive pane of glass. The suite opens directly to the private terrace with pool and spa area.

Aft on the upper deck, panoramic outdoor and indoor lounges allow breathtaking views over the seascape as well as intimate spaces for smaller groups or relaxation. Above, the pilothouse ensures the captain has the best visibility.

The Benetti Nauta Edge 72 interior styling was developed in co-operation with Standby / Marijana Radovic studio, interpreting the philosophy of 'light' by Nauta Design.

Natural, untreated wood and serene fabrics with leather details complement the palette which is composed of neutral beiges and browns with teal blue accenting. Light enters the interior from all sides with the use of reflective materials. An 'indoor garden' with prism ceiling channels natural light into the yacht.

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In-Spired by luxury

If diamond-encrusted details, gull-wing doors and hydromassage spa pools appeal, this yacht from Spire is for you.

The 46-foot luxury speed yacht/chase boat, dubbed the Spire Yacht 46, is the latest creation from Spire in collaboration with up-and-coming British designer, Henry Ward, of Henry Ward Design. As its designer states, "The vessel oozes luxury."

It boasts three double cabins, owner's cabin with ensuite. In the saloon, supremely comfortable Recaro seats offer support at speed or rest, as the helm seats swivel around to face the removable dining tables. There is also an optional pull-out single bed. Aft of the saloon there is a second communal head and a shower cabin (with standing head room).

To port is the galley with electric barbecue, stainless steel sink, fridge and microwave, while the starboard unit features one of the three onboard LCD TVs. The yacht is wired for sound as well, controlled from any of the iPod docking ports throughout the vessel.

Accessed via a gull-wing door in the front screen, the yacht also boasts a spacious sunbathing area on the foredeck with a diving board and the option of an overflowing sea water

spa-medial pool with hydromassage as well as encrusted with 240 carats of diamonds.

More recreational space is also offered on the aft deck with sunbed cushions available for over the engine hatches and a swim ladder for easy water access. An optional table can be fixed here for alfresco dining.

Along with luxury, speed was at the forefront of the design process. The amazing catamaran hull allows it to cruise at 65 knots with a low consumption of fuel (approximately 350 litres per hour at this cruise speed). The boat can hit a top speed of 90 knots.

The futuristic helm console had been ergonomically designed with a large wrap-around screen that displays important running information. The team behind the Spire Yacht 46 and the other innovative powerboats and tenders under the brand will be at the forthcoming Cannes Boat Show and Monaco Yacht Show to field questions.

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Art meets machine

A new design for the EC135 Eurocopter is breaking boundaries.

Many are looking forward to seeing Lürssen Yachts' 86-metre *Quattroelle* at this year's Monaco Yacht Show, but what will sit on her foredeck is of equal interest. A joint project between Lürssen, Eurocopter and designer Rita Weber is the Concept Art Helicopter. Weber's special 'zigzag' design has resulted in an exterior never seen before on a helicopter. The blue and white pattern with integrated 'lightning' provides a different look from different perspectives. "A helicopter doesn't have to be just a technical accessory, it can be sexy too," said Weber.

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