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BALTIC 67

Baltic Yachts may be the most in-demand yard to be building large, custom, carbon fibre yachts, but its new series-built 67ft cruising boat is an intelligent way to get back to its roots and offer an approachable size semi-custom model. With lines by judel/vrolijk and styling and interior by Design Unlimited, the 67 is assured pace and looks.

Built in carbon epoxy Sprint laminates and Corecell foam, the displacement of the 67 is just 21 tonnes - or between four and 15 tonnes lighter than comparable production-built yachts. Advantages of keeping the 67 light include lower rig loads, faster average boat speeds and less motoring time.

Downwind performance is predicted to be especially good, which should limit engine use on long transocean voyages.

The focus is on ease of handling for short-handed and family sailing, with a simple deck layout and sailplan including fully battened mainsail that stows onto a V-boom. The 67 will be offered with a variety of options and layouts, which include the choice of having the owner's cabin forward or aft, plus two types of deck layout to suit Med and Baltic sailors. A telescopic keel is also offered.

We have been reliably informed that the standard of finish on the first boat is immaculate, particularly in the machinery spaces. This is very much a premium level new fast cruiser, but one that will come with the reassurances of guaranteed quality and lifelong service support.

Price ex VAT: POA. www.balticyachts.fi

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MCCONAGHY MC60

The MC50 stole the multihull show when it made its debut at La Grande Motte show in April. Hot on its heels comes this sparkling new larger sister, the MC60. Both models are Jason Ker designs with Design Unlimited interiors.

The concept and look of the boats is very similar

and provide an astonishing amount of living space with sailing functions controlled from the after part of the flybridge, but the added length of the new MC60 gives her more elegant and powerful-looking lines.

Price ex VAT: US\$2,148,000 www.mcconaghyboats.com

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