





HOT and Ready to TROT

Frances and Michael Howorth look at what is new and hot to trot in the superyacht tender market

As superyachts themselves become increasingly complex and more sophisticated so too must the tenders that support them. Gone are the days when a simple RIB could do the job. Now the superyacht word is calling for specialist custom built boats and it is a concept that manufacturers of tenders are ready to embrace to the full. For superyachts too large to enter many smaller ports, there are limousine tenders to ferry passengers to and from the shore. Other yachts need crew tenders to handle stores and carry garbage for disposal and, as guests demand more in the way of entertainment, there are tenders to facilitate water sports.

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Williams Dieseljet 445

tender to be launched from this new four-boat range. The world premieres for the 505 and 565 have already taken place, with an incredible response from yacht crew, and the last tender in the range, the 625, will follow in 2013. The range builds on the success of the company's Turbojets and enables them to meet the requirements of superyacht builders and owners for a single fuel tender suitable for fitment on larger yachts. Williams has already received forward orders for the new boat which is the most compact model in the range, ahead of launch from a number of leading boat builders.

Comfortable carrying

Hand-built, it is capable of comfortably carrying 7 adults for ferrying duties, with its practical deck layout providing the maximum amount of seating with ample open space for movement. When travelling at speed passengers are seated near the centre of the boat for the most comfortable ride, whilst a deep sports boat hull ensures sure footed handling and a smooth passage over choppy water when underway. Stepping aboard is safe and secure because the boat has been designed to be supremely stable at rest. Power comes from the 110hp Yanmar diesel engine so the tender can be fuelled directly from the parent yacht. To enhance practicality, a host of accessories are available including single point lifting, bimini with detachable windscreen, LED deck lights, chart plotter, VHF, music system and underwater lights.

crew, the builder was able to maximise the space and features of the current platform. The new layout includes extending the side seating and backrests all the way to the steering console, which forms an L shaped configuration where 8 guests can sit comfortably. The new console is offset to starboard and is equipped with a large navigation screen and instrument panel. The offset allows a generous boarding step to port with plenty of handholds for security and comfort. The driver has a simple, space saving leaning bolster behind it which leaves seating space for the owners party of 5. Aft of the stern seating and engine space is a swim platform with additional safety rails for passengers to access and provides a second exit/entry point in the tender.

Recognising the need to stow ever larger tenders on board superyachts the new Chase 19 from Novurania makes it easier to store in a wider range of garages. A new hinged control console swivels down below the gunwale level bringing the side profile stowage height for the entire boat to only 1168mm. Quick and easy to use with a manual locking pin, the console can be hinged up or down in a matter of seconds by one person. Not only does the new console allow the boat to be stored in a wider range of garages' but it protects the controls and instruments from damage often caused by the lifting hooks and other factors during the launching and recovery processes.



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Making space

The console consists of large flat fascias, which provide space for today's multi function navigation screens to be installed. There is plenty of room for engine digital displays and gauges, entertainment modules, VHF radios, tender tracking units and other navigation and communication aids. Steering and engine controls are also contained on the console. These are ergonomically placed together to ensure a precise and comfortable driving position for the helmsman. The Chase 19 is the smallest of the 5 boat range; the others being the 23, 27, 31 and 38. It has enjoyed an excellent reception since its launch in late 2011 and is unique in the marketplace for small diesel powered luxury tenders.

For those who need a solid everyday craft the Freccia line from Italy are a good combination of performing hulls with a clean and sophisticated design that has always been a trademark of the work of the designer Federico Fiorentino.

The new 1200, debuting at the Monaco Show, spotlights a new model that aims to combine a sporty heritage with the requirements of all round usability. Made of vinylester resins, using the infusion technique, it is finished with deck fittings, coatings and accessories that can include a toilet, small stove and refrigerator and a fibreglass T-top that offers the comfort of a sun protected area.



Novurania Chase

On the other side of the pond, US manufacturer Novurania has just updated their *Launch Series* adding a new deck and seating configuration that greatly enhances passenger space and comfort. Working closely with an experienced owner and

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10.5m Michael Peters Yacht Design limousine tender with lifting roof on duty near Ft. Lauderdale.



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Cockwells Vitruvius tender

Not everyone wants an off the shelf product and for some, only a custom build tender will fill the slot. Following on the heels of two custom tenders built for the Oceanco Y706, *Seven Seas*, Hodgdon the US boat builder has signed a 10.5m custom limo tender and 10.5 m custom open tender for yet another Oceanco client. The new build design and construction specifications for these come from Michael Peters Yacht Designs and were developed by A.J. Anderson of Wright Maritime Group. The first tender will be shipped to The Netherlands in late 2012 followed by the second a month or so later. The design, which was a Showboats Design Award finalist for 2011, features a private jet level interior, hydraulically operated lifting roof and a cruising speed for 12 guests of nearly 30 knots. A second pair of custom designed tenders is being built by the same yard for a project at a Northern European shipyard. With a design from Andrew Winch Designs this 8.5m custom limo tender features a retractable full coverage moon roof, guest head and 30 knots cruising speed from the Volvo D-6/400 power. The open tender, features a beachable ramp to facilitate guest and beach toy deployment. Both boats are slated for an early 2013 delivery.

Cornish commission

British based Cockwells from Cornwall are not necessarily the best known of tender manufacturers but they have been commissioned to supply a 9.5m Owners Tender for the 73 metre Vitruvius super yacht currently under construction with Perini Navi and due for launch in early 2013.

Designed by Andrew Wolstenholme in collaboration with the builders in-house design team, the renderings show the tender's retro styling. The hull is being made from an epoxy foam sandwich construction. This lightweight composite technology will be finished with an external Awlgrip paint system and teak decking.

The handcrafted interior provides seating for 12 guests and features include a wet bar and folding bimini. On the bathing platform there is a dive ladder and shower, while the forepeak contains a carbon fibre electric toilet and basin. The design is complete with underwater lighting around the bathing platform.

Electric bow thrusters will be fitted to the tender and when used in conjunction with a full fly-by-wire joystick control, will allow for exceptionally accurate manoeuvring and stability.



Novurania

Novurania has been creating innovative yacht tenders for over 40 years and their passion for detail has enabled them to remain the industry's leading yacht tender builder. Novurania offers over 24 models up to 38ft in 4 unique ranges supported by a 100 person sales, engineering and production staff situated in the yachting heartland of USA's Fort Lauderdale area.

As Yachts have become progressively larger and more sophisticated, so has the important role of the tender. Novurania's approach to designing and building multi function tenders reflect today's and future trends of safely and elegantly transporting the owner and his party.

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Hodgdon Yachts

In collaboration with Michael Peters Yacht Design, Hodgdon is presenting a series of artful tenders designed to please not only the discriminating owner with good taste but the crew with high standards as well. Beautifully designed, artfully styled and expertly built, these tenders are designed to maintain an aesthetic while being optimized for a particular function.

Limo Tender is the worldwide known trade-mark for Hodgdon custom tenders at the moment. Carrying up to 12 guests in luxurious leather seating, the Hodgdon Limo Tender carries all of the amenities one would expect in a chauffeured motor car coach.

This custom tender was built to the same exacting standards as a Hodgdon superyacht with custom cast hardware, fine joinery, and painstaking detail in the layout and installation of mechanical, electrical and safety systems. And the boat is a dream to handle with sports car handling at speeds over 30 knots even when loaded or confident luxury while lingering and docking.

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