

"Joy is my first superyacht. I didn't want to create just `another boat', but a beautiful yacht with a comfortable and easy-going feeling, a yacht with a personality. Her award is a testament to the courage and flair needed to `break the mould'"

> Owner of JOY

DISPLACEMENT MOTOR YACHTS BETWEEN 500GT AND 1,499GT The winner JOY

Length: 70m Builder: Feadship Naval architect: Feadship De Voogt Naval Architects Exterior design: Bannenberg & Rowell Design Interior design: Studio Indigo

Dynamic looks, forward thinking design and excellence of construction focused the judges' attention on Joy. The exterior styling, incorporating many scalloped surfaces, spacious decks and huge expanses of glass, are impressive feats of construction. All three aft decks can be enclosed with full height sliding glass panels, increasing interior volume in times of inclement weather. The interior designer, responding to the owner's request for a home rather than a hotel, has created an enviable blend of comfortable modernism and striking design. An active noise attenuation system for the gearboxes, which keeps internal noise much lower than usual when under way, was also praised by the judges.



43M AND ABOVE The winner

LA PASSION

Length: 46m Builder: Sarp Yachts Naval architect: Tanju Kalaycioglu Exterior design: Tanju Kalaycioglu Interior design: Adam Lay Studio

La Passion, the first vessel to be launched by the Turkish-based Sarp Yachts, is not only a noteworthy achievement for a new yard, but one that rewarded its dedication to "getting everything right" before exhibiting its product. The judges admired almost every aspect, from the seaworthiness and efficiency of the hull to the quality of construction of its steel hull and GRP superstructure and the clean simplicity of its appearance. The layout of the deck areas and elegant modern interior design were also strong points. This new yard has announced its arrival in grand style.

Commendation DOMANI

The fifth yacht to be built by Benetti for this knowledgeable owner, Domani is an excellent example of good craftsmanship and the yard's ability to satisfy the owner's exact wishes. The judges considered her to be worthy of a commendation

"We've deeply believed in this project since the very beginning. We're honoured to receive this prestigious prize. It's rewarding to see the successful result of our idea, project and hard work"

Mario Gornati SANLORENZO

COLUMN COLUMN

Length: 42.8m Builder: Sanlorenzo Naval architect: Sanlorenzo Exterior design: Francesco Paszkowski Interior design: Sanlorenzo The judges found X to be a true explorer - a rugged expedition yacht with a good range that carries the tenders and equipment to explore the world in comfort and safety. This steel and aluminium vessel has a 15.5 knot top speed, and her 14 knot cruising speed provides a transoceanic 4,000 nautical mile range. While the main deck aft is devoted to tenders and PWCs, the remaining two decks offer open air living. In adverse weather the large saloon windows allow guests to view the passing scenery in comfort. The crew areas, meanwhile, provide accommodation for up to eight as well as ample storage and laundry facilities.



DISPLACEMENT MOTOR YACHTS BELOW 500GT, 30M TO 42.9M

The winner X





"She is so quiet and comfortable. You can see the quality and feel the harmony in every single detail of the yacht. A Neptune is great evidence that I am not the only one who explores this soul and striking surface finishes in abundance"

> Owner of LA PASSION