

Tender Of The Week: Castoldi JT21 Available To Reserve Now!

[Superyacht Tenders](#) brings you the tender of the week!

This week, check out this *Castoldi JT21*. Read on for more information about this exciting opportunity. It's available to reserve now.

Castoldi JT21 – 6.30m

Completion date scheduled for September 2024. New build on order, which represents the last available JT21 for 2024. Get in touch and you can reserve it now.

Extensive specification shall include: beach lander bow steps, forward spray dodger, single central point lift, folding console, battery charger, teak decks, Raymarine Axiom + 9, full electronics pack. The colour scheme is standard white colour. If necessary, you can still change the final specification.



Specifications

- **Beam:** 2.60M
- **Height Minimum:** 1.17m
- **Engine:** 1 x Yanmar 4LV250 Hp / Castoldi Jet
- **Passengers:** 12
- **Total Displacement:** 1580 Kg (Light)
- **Fuel Capacity:** 155 Ltrs



For more information on this tender and what's on offer, go [here](#).

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THE ICON At Marsa Al Arab Marina: D-Marin Presents World's First Emission-Free Yacht

D-Marin, Tyde, and Madinat Jumeirah, have showcased their shared commitment to sustainability with an exclusive display of THE ICON, the world's first battery-powered, emission-free yacht which emits zero noise or pollution. It is currently showcased at Marsa Al Arab, the state-of-the-art 82-berth luxury marina operated by D-Marin.

Brought to the Gulf by The Silent Power, THE ICON is a spectacular 13.5 metre, 100 percent sustainable watercraft that has been brought to life by Designworks, a subsidiary of the BMW Group and TYDE. Using leading technology to combine climate-friendly mobility, the vessel operates with up to 80 percent energy savings compared to conventional yachts, while maintaining a luxurious ride experience.



A Commitment To Sustainability

Experiences of the yacht are being held at Marsa Al Arab, one of four D-Marin marinas in Dubai, which offers customers exclusive member benefits within an ultra-luxury yachting setting.

Residents of Jumeirah Dar Al Masyaf, the Presidential or Royal suites at the resort's four hotels, or Jumeirah One members, are exclusively invited onboard THE ICON to experience a luxury cruise from the Marsa Al Arab Marina exploring the spectacular sights of Marsa Al Arab, Burj Al Arab and Madinat Jumeirah. This experience is paired with THE ICON's only noise output – an orchestrated suite of ambient sounds and music, composed by Grammy and Academy Award-winning composer, Hans Zimmer.

Marsa Al Arab Marina is dedicated to D-Marin's commitment to creating sustainable marinas for present and future

generations. D-Marine recently received the silver award for a consecutive year by EcoVadis, the world's most trusted provider of business sustainability ratings, which ranks D-Marine in the top quarter of leisure companies worldwide for its ESG programme.

In line with this sustainability commitment, Marsa Al Arab marina has eliminated plastic usage, uses responsible waste management practices, invests in clean energy and technology, and supports marine conservation through charitable donations to WWF.



A Few Words From Silent Power & D-Marine

Alex Rodionov, Managing Director of The Silent Power, said:

"We are delighted to have found a visionary partner in D-Marine Dubai and Madinat Jumeirah to offer this innovative and

unique hospitality experience to guests in Dubai.”

Selcuk Balci, Managing Director of D-Marin Dubai, said:

“Sustainability is key to all our marinas. D-Marin is driven by a commitment to providing sustainable marinas and building the foundations for a future where the marine industry aligns with environmental sustainability. This experience, based on three companies’ shared passion for the environment, is testament to this sustainability commitment.”

To find out more about D-Marin’s Marsa Al Arab, visit [here](#).

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The Yacht Experience 2024. An Exclusive Event For Motor Yacht Enthusiasts

Serious motor yacht enthusiasts and experts, this is the exclusive event for you. **The Yacht Experience** promises to be a fantastic weekend. Read on for more.



De Valk Loosdrecht

Important Information

Dates: Saturday, April 20 & Sunday, April 21

Times: Between 11am and 6pm

Location: De Valk Loosdrecht

Parking: Nieuweweg 28, 3625 AZ Brekeleveen

How to register

Head to the website here: [The Yacht Experience – De Valk Loosdrecht](#)

After you register, you should receive an email confirmation which is your admission ticket.

What's Happening?

During this exclusive two-day event, you'll be able to admire a wide range of motor yachts and connect with various specialists from the watersports industry and fellow motor yacht enthusiasts.

[Superyacht Tenders](#) is also pleased to report that Qnautic tenders & yachts will be there, showcasing their fantastic tender – [the Q39](#). It's a unique opportunity to have a closer look, so send any [enquiries here](#).

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Electric Tenders. Where Do They Stand In The Tender Industry?

Electric power has made huge advances over a relatively short time, increasing in popularity across all sectors.

Join Nigel Upton from [Superyacht Tenders](#) to take a look at how electric power looks set to make a major impact in the yachting industry – and potentially revolutionise the yacht tender market.



First...What Is An Electric Boat?

To clarify, an electric boat is powered by a motor relying on electricity using onboard batteries rather than the traditional internal combustion engine. It represents the sustainable choice for the future. Zero emission tenders will undoubtedly set new standards in the industry.

But why are we not seeing more of these types of boats introduced into the yacht tender market?

Many manufacturers have struggled with the transition from combustion to electric power over the years. Lack of range, power, speed, weight as well as the lengthy charging times are cited as the common issues.

Below, we will assess the pros and cons of going all electric to give you a good overview of the major considerations.

Pros?

Emission free – meaning they minimise the impact on the environment and are the sustainable choice for the future.

Running Costs – no more expensive fuel costs to consider.

Low maintenance – electric engines require minimal maintenance, with reliability vastly improved over combustion engines. No costly servicing to worry about.

Noise Levels – no more noisy diesel or petrol engines, allowing passengers a more relaxed and peaceful time on the water.

Ease of operation – press a button and go, simple as that. No need to worry about engine temperatures, gear selection, and mechanical parts.

Acceleration – instant torque from electric motors, providing impressive acceleration with no lag.

Intelligent Technology – Engines and drives can be monitored and assessed constantly anywhere in the world via an app. Providing continual feedback on the workings of the boat and systems and adjusted at the touch of a button.

Cons?

Lack of choice – the market is still developing and the choice of boats are still limited compared to traditional options.

Limited range – still a factor especially when used at full power.

Speed deficit – overall top speed hasn't met with expectations.

Charging time – lengthy periods to charge the batteries that results in down time on the water.

Where Do They Stand In Future?

If we focus on the smaller garage or deck tenders supplied to large yachts, ranging in size from 6-8m, I believe that the next generation of electric tenders will be perfectly suited for this role.

Crew and guest tenders need to perform endless ship to shore

duties. We are now seeing some manufacturers that are quoting 200nm at a speed of 10 knots. Even at 25 knots they can cover 50nm and have enough torque to easily provide cover for Watersport duties. Surely with a practical seating layout and yacht compatibility, these types of tenders could make fantastic additions to yacht operations as a whole.

New fast chargers are significantly reducing charging time. Allowing boats now to be re-charged in 30 minutes. This is a huge step forward. If yachts are supplied with a fast charger to be fitted onboard, then its unlikely to disrupt a heavy schedule.

As technology evolves and more time and resources are devoted to electric power, so to will the choice of boats available. Manufacturers who couldn't make the package work before will now see opportunities to go all electric.

Speed and range will continue to improve so that soon the benefits of electric tender use will almost certainly outweigh the traditional combustion power unit.

I am convinced that e boats will quickly establish themselves in this sector and I look forward to being involved in the future of the electric yacht tender market.

[Superyacht Tenders](#) is the place to go for your next tender – or e-tender.

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Tender Of The Week: Van Dutch 40

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This week, we introduce you to the *Van Dutch 40*. Could this one be the perfect fit for your yacht? Read on to find out more...

Van Dutch 40

With reduced build schedule, there's a great build opportunity with this tender!

Coming as new improvements this year, the tender will have a revised hull and improved guest layout. What makes this model a popular choice when it comes to chase tender duties for owners and guests to enjoy? There's exterior seating for 10 passengers plus overnight accommodation.

Volvo's new D6 DPI inboards, plus a host of additional individual options, are also available.



Specifications

- **Beam:** 3.45m
- **Engines:** 2 x Volvo Penta D6 380/440 Hp DPI Stern Drives
- **Speed:** 40 Knots
- **Passengers:** 10
- **Displacement:** 8,200 Kg
- **Fuel Capacity:** 850 Ltrs



Interested in this tender? Enquire for more information [here](#).

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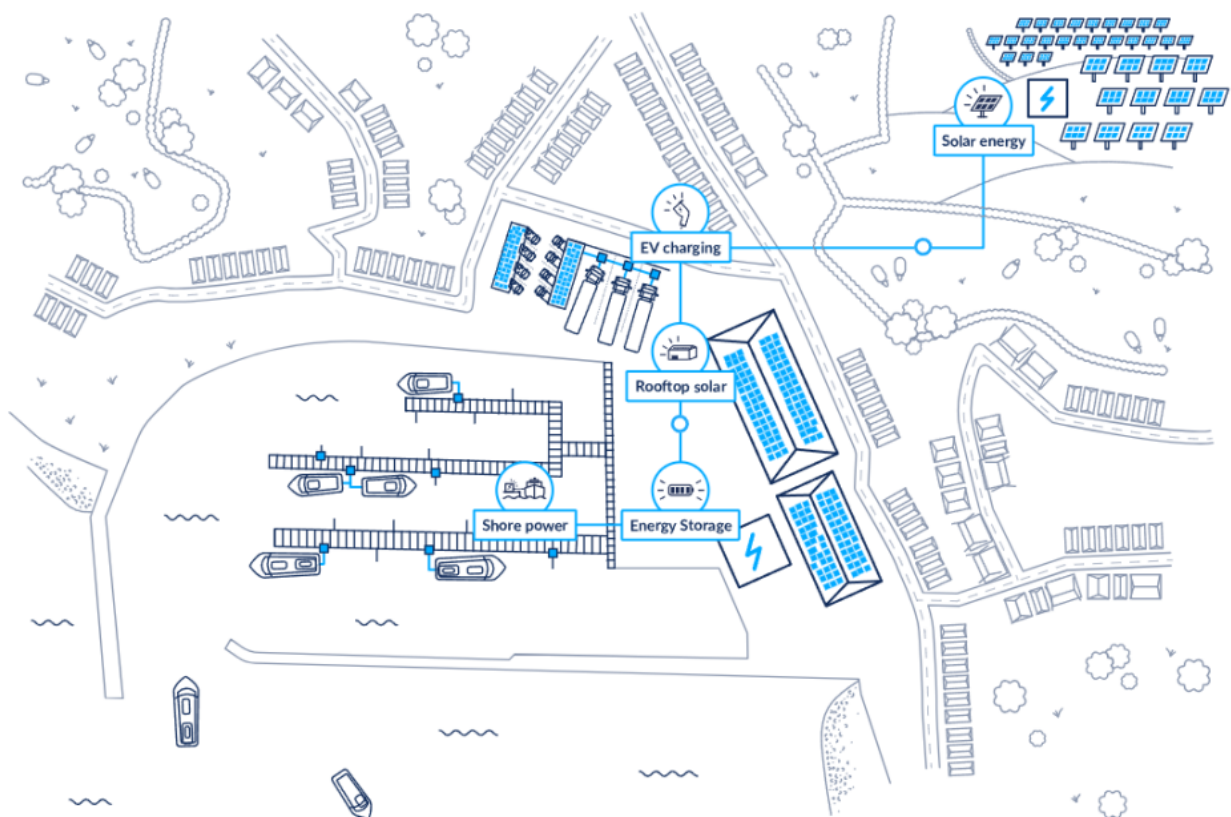
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Net Zero Marine: The Future Of Marine Power, Beginning With The UK

Great news for the UK Superyacht industry *and* the environment! [Net Zero Marine](#) build and operate renewable and shore power systems for the marine sector that are fully capable of operating in harsh conditions. They are rolling out zero emissions technology, and integrated marine renewables and shore power assets across the UK. This article covers their mission, ethos, and the impact they're going to have on UK marinas.

Read on as Superyacht Content speaks to Miles Cole from Net Zero Marine.



Tell Us About The Future Of Marine Power. Where Does Net Zero Marine Come In?

The future of marine power in the inland and coastal sectors will be highly reliant on both grid bought power and integrated renewables in order for organisations to achieve their net zero targets.

Net Zero Marine finance, consent, construct and operate renewable shore power systems specifically designed for the marine sector. NZM are a team with a passion for providing quality service and have developed reliable marine power systems through years of experience. That's why we design, own, maintain and operate our shorepower equipment to ensure that it continues to provide high quality performance through its lifecycle.

What Is Your Ethos At Net Zero Marine?

We are all about displacing the use of liquid hydrocarbons and creating the zero emissions berths of the future.

NZM have a unique combination of renewable energy and maritime expertise and our ethos is to develop engineering solutions for our clients whilst driving forward the transition to Net Zero.

What Is Your Mission?

As specialist marine renewable energy providers, NZM, have been spearheading the shift to zero emissions technology in the marine sector.

What Are You Excited For?

We are especially excited to provide superyachts with clean renewable power whilst at berth!

Why Is It Important That UK Superyacht Marinas & Destinations Look To Upgrade Their Shore Power Capabilities?

How can they do it, and how is Net Zero a driving force behind this?

Shore power assets are becoming increasingly important to port and marine operators that need to reduce emissions at berth and future-proof their services for increasingly cleaner and more forward-thinking vessels. Our integrated approach provides shore power and ensures competitive pricing, maintaining price parity with marine diesel.

Would This Make Winter Berths For The UK More Viable?

NZM provide high-capacity shore power 365 24/7 ensuring that superyachts have ample power required for UK winter berthing.

What Role Is Net Zero Marine Playing For Sustainability & The Environment In The Superyacht Industry?

NZM recognise that superyachts can make an immediate impact on their carbon footprint by plugging into clean renewable shore power whilst at berth. NZM want to support this transition away from the use of diesel and other hydrocarbons whilst at berth.

To find out more about **Net Zero Marine**, visit their website
here: <https://netzero-marine.com/>



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1 Rep Per 1 Nautical Mile. How The Gladiator Crew Are Crossing For CANSA

On the 31st March 2024, the *Gladiator* crew began a voyage to the Mediterranean for a worthy cause.



What The Cause Is For

Voyaging across the Atlantic Ocean, the crew are driven by their commitment to support the Cancer Association of South Africa (CANSA).

Their mission is inspired by the story of deckhand Chris Sparkes, whose mother lost her battle with cancer 18 years ago. They are determined to honour her memory and make a positive impact in the fight against cancer. By doing this, the crew aim to raise awareness and funds to assist CANSA in its vital work of providing support and resources to those in need.

A Fitness Challenge

For every nautical mile, each member of the crew commits to completing one exercise repetition each!

The crew has set ambitious fundraising goals, aiming to cover a total distance of 4350 nautical miles while raising approximately \$8,000 for CANSA.

Support The Cause!

Follow their journey on Instagram (@crossingforcansa), or make donations through GiveNGain. By joining forces with the crew, we can play a vital role in supporting CANSA's mission and making a positive impact in the fight against cancer.

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Discover The Magic Of The Adriatic: Charter Destination Tips For Captains

Spanning from Italy, Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro to Albania, you may be surprised at the Adriatic region. Whether you crave history and culture, vibrant nightlife, breathtaking scenery, or exclusive islands and beaches reachable only by yacht, Superyacht Content dives into the appeal of Adriatic charter destinations for Captains, yacht owners, guests and crew.

Italy



Spanning 750 kilometres from Trieste to the Salento peninsula, the Italian Adriatic coast is an underrated gem. With marinas in Trieste, Bari, Brindisi and Rimini you'll have access to over 130 islands, including the renowned Burano and Murano.

Explore Italy's network of Parchi nazionali and its diverse landscapes all the way south. Matera, Taranto and Venice, known as Hollywood filming locations, add an extra touch of glamour to any yacht charter. Numerous shipyards cater to yacht building and refit services. From Trieste to Chioggia, Ravenna, Pesaro, Fano, Ancona and Pescara, the Italian Adriatic coast welcomes owners and crew with its world-class services and facilities.

Slovenia



Despite its small size, Slovenia boasts a rich cultural

heritage, beautiful landscapes and a vibrant culinary scene. Along the 47-kilometre Slovenian coast, you'll find boat yard services at Marina Portorož and Izola Marina. Slovenia's strategic location serves as an entryway to the northern Adriatic, with plenty to discover in historic towns such as Piran and Koper.

Croatia



A popular destination for motor yachts and sailing, Croatia offers a mix of cultural richness, impressive gastronomy, and over 1000 picturesque islands and natural parks. With a coastline extending over 1,800 kilometres from Istria to Dubrovnik, yachts have plenty to see and do, alongside maintenance support at shipbuilding hubs at Rijeka and Šibenik. Tristan Mortlock, Director of Mortlock Yachts and MCA

Master 3000 Captain, enthuses about Croatia's variety of experiences:

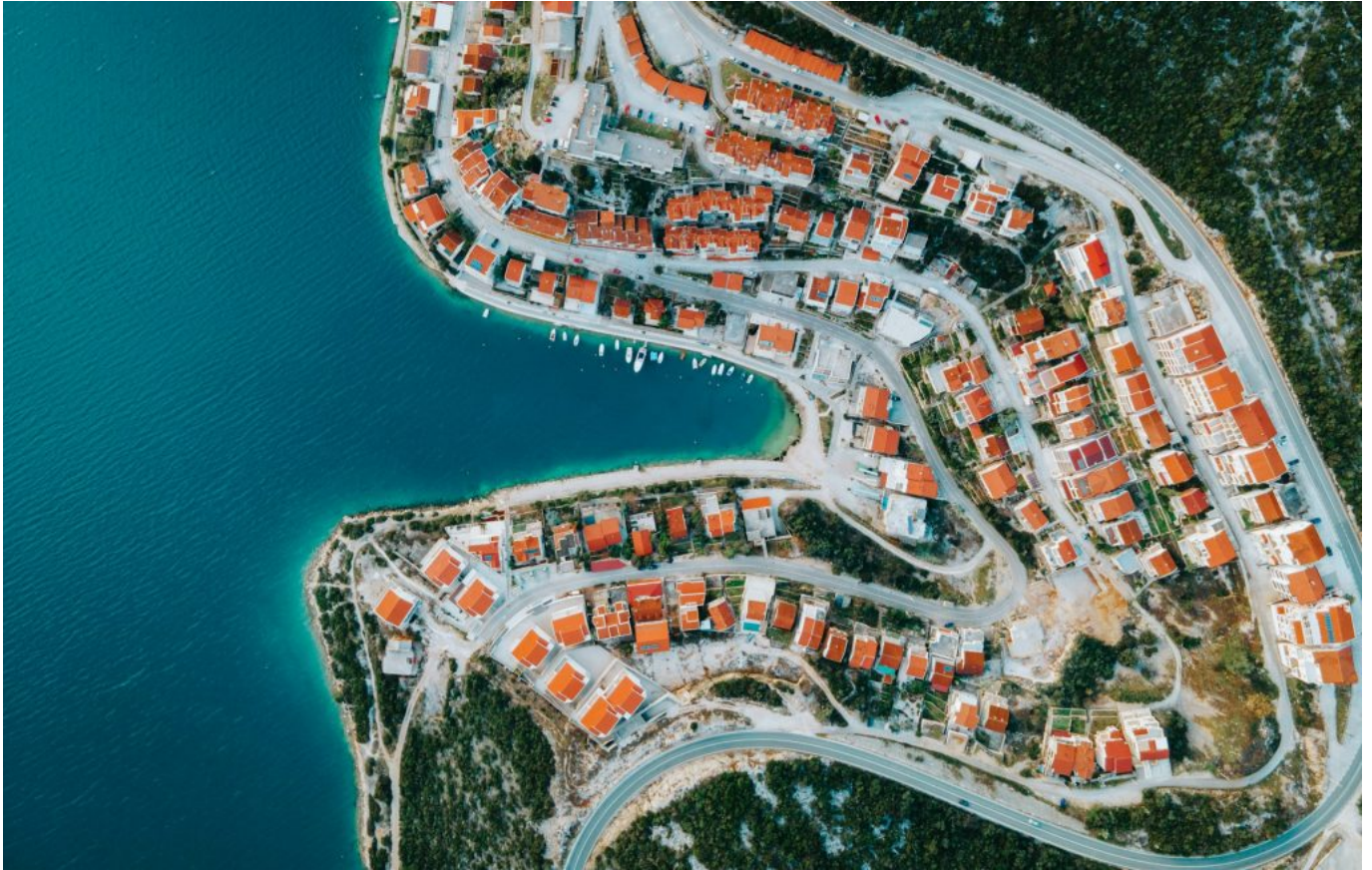
"Croatia is one of my favourite cruising regions. You can be in a busy city such as Split or Dubrovnik with thousands of tourists and then within one hour be anchored in a quiet bay. One of my recommendations is Tito's Island – the Brijuni National Park is a great place where you can zip around on golf carts, visit the safari park or discover the archaeological ruins and prehistoric sights."

Croatia is made for island-hopping and exploring authentic cities – take in unspoilt national parks, remote coves, medieval towns or wine country with visits to Brač, Dubrovnik, Korčula, Pag, Pula, Split, Trogir or Zadar. It's difficult to pick one highlight.

Ivan Rakuljic from 50-metre M/Y Freedom welcomes guests to discover his Croatian picks:

"My favourite charter spots are Sušac, Vis and Hvar."

Bosnia & Herzegovina



Bosnia and Herzegovina's coastline centres around the town of Neum. This small stretch offers pebbly beaches, clear water and a base to discover more activities and experiences.

Step ashore to discover the history of Mostar or Sarajevo.

Montenegro



“Porto Montenegro has been built to accommodate even the biggest yachts in the world – there’s great service,

excellent shopping for leading brands duty free and a lot of amenities for both crew and guests,”

says Dejan Janković, Operations Manager and Managing Partner at Yacht Agent Montenegro.

“Portonovi Marina, just across the bay from Porto Montenegro, with a One & Only hotel as part of the project has been open for a couple years now and it’s a dedicated area for yachts up to 70-metres for a comfortable stay. On the outside part of the bay and its natural protection, Luštica Bay, marina and residences is developing one of the best golf projects in this part of Europe. Although smaller in capacity and being able to accommodate yachts up to 40-metres it is a lovely place and the future residences that will overlook both the open sea and inner part of the bay will be amazing. Also, the former prison island of Mamula is part of their project which is very interesting for all guests.”

Blessed with beautiful landscapes, upscale amenities, modern marinas and picturesque places such as Sveti Stefan in front of the Budva old town, Montenegro’s appeal as a yachting destination is growing. Yachts are well taken care of with world-class marina amenities and shopping, provisioning can be done in almost every marina and port with availability of most items that even the most demanding clients need and refit services are in place at the Adriatic 42 facility in Montenegro.

Alexander Coles, Senior Charter Broker at Bespoke Yacht Charter, shared his in-depth knowledge about Adriatic yacht charters including his recommendations for Montenegro:

“Kotor is a wonderful walled city with stunning buildings, churches and palaces. I recommend the restaurant at Hotel Vardar; lovely location in the main square in the old town and super food. The staff like most staff in Montenegro are

utterly charming! Also Galion, a wonderful fish restaurant with amazing views of the bay and the old town. Don't miss Perast in the Bay of Kotor – a very pretty place for a walk and lunch. There's a restaurant on the sea called Armonia that is one of my favourite restaurants anywhere. Great staff and the fish is amazing. Also the islets of St George and Our Lady of the Rocks opposite Perast are fascinating and definitely something to see when you are there."

Albania



Unlike some more frequented yachting destinations, Albania remains relatively undiscovered by mass tourism. Albania's Adriatic coast extends for 450 kilometres and includes the coastal hubs of Durrës and good infrastructure and facilities at Saranda.

The Albanian Riviera is the focal point for maritime life, beaches and water sports. If you have the time, it's worth stepping ashore: Visit Himarë with plenty of restaurants (head up to the castle just inland), or Krorëza Beach, accessible by boat. For beach club vibes, head to Dhermi that has a relatively upmarket vibe with beach bars and seaside restaurants.

The Adriatic region, with its varied landscapes and culturally rich heritage, is ideal for yacht charter and any visitor will realise it truly has it all – history, great food, outdoor experiences and excellent services and amenities for superyachts.

Superyacht Content is participating as a Media Partner at the [Superyacht Summit Adria](#) taking place on April 18th at the Radisson Blu in Split, Croatia. Captains attending the event can contact the event organisers for a special rate.

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PIBS Exclusive Networking Event 'SUNSET SOCIAL' By Superyacht Content & Oceanform

[Superyacht Content](#) & [Oceanform](#) are proud and thrilled to be hosting **Sunset Social** at the [Palma International Boat Show](#) on the 26th April 2024!

Read on to find out what it's all about, where it's happening and when, and how you can register.



Image sourced from: Sanlorenzo Yachts UK

What Is *Sunset Social* About?

Hosted from 6pm – 8pm on Friday 26th April, **Sunset Social** will be an exclusive networking event for an array of guests, from captains and chiefs to agency, provisioner and management professionals alike.

While you're there, enjoy the sunset with a glass of Fizz and some canapes, the perfect wind down from a busy day at PIBS. Mark your calendars and prepare for an evening you won't want to miss!

Palma International Boat Show 2024

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26th of April
6-8pm

Key Information

What's the date? Friday 26th April.

Where is the event taking place? A very cool (and secret) location adjacent to the boat show... If you fill out the form at the bottom of this article, we'll get back to you with all the details, including the venue!

How long will it last? The event starts at 18:00 and will start to wind down at 20:00.

Who can register? Crew or company members are very welcome.

A Few Words From The Organisers!

[Julie Joergensen & William Nicholson, from Oceanform:](#)

"We're really looking forward to the exclusive networking event, seeing it as the perfect opportunity to unwind and connect with both new and familiar faces after a day at the show. Plus, we can't wait for everyone to experience the quality of our uniforms firsthand, all while enjoying a glass of fizz against the backdrop of the sunset.

As this is our first event, we are truly honoured to share this evening with the Superyacht Content team."

Nisrine Roustomi & Darren Andrew, from Superyacht Content:

"We're thrilled to be co-hosting this exclusive networking event with Oceanform creating an unforgettable experience. The Sunset Social is an ideal opportunity to unwind and forge

connections with industry peers, in a relaxed setting, surrounded by the beauty of Palma and the venue's vibrant atmosphere.

We can't wait for you to join us in an evening of conversation, enjoying the spectacular sunset views together with the finest refreshments."

Where To Sign Up

Interested?

You can register for the event on this form here:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfnYoQTC50C_PmVcs9obo0zREi99LtTdWUcr00q03y6WHsBSg/viewform?usp=sf_link

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All About Eco Naviera, AYSS' Member In Baja

[AYSS](#) is a collective of the best superyacht agents around the world, providing yacht services to captains and crew since 1991. No matter where you cruise, you'll certainly benefit from the services of professional Yacht Agents. [Eco Naviera](#) has recently joined AYSS and their group of over 70 superyacht agents, so this article will introduce you to them and what they offer!



About Eco Naviera

Eco Naviera stands as the premier Yacht Agent in Baja California Sur, catering to the marine industry with unparalleled expertise. Situated in La Paz, Mexico, their dedicated team delivers exceptional service, offering a comprehensive suite of services to vessels docked in the ports of Loreto and La Paz.

With a team of highly skilled and personable professionals, Eco Naviera is there to ensure your visit is met with top-notch service. From port clearance to securing fishing

licenses, they pride ourselves on delivering a wide range of services.

Mexico boasts a wealth of captivating tourist attractions, awe-inspiring landscapes, and world-class marinas. For inquiries regarding itineraries, reservations, or provisions for your journey, do not hesitate to reach out to us.

Backed by local expertise and extensive experience, Eco Naviera is equipped to enhance your Sea of Cortez experience, ensuring you make the most of your stay in this mesmerising region.

Who They've Worked With

Eco Naviera has worked with boats of all shapes and sizes, including some of the most famous yachts in the world like:

- M.Y. Umbra 168'
- M.Y. Alucia 183'
- M.Y. Triton I 163'
- M.Y. Azteca 165'
- M.Y. Attessa 220'
- S/Y M5 246.9'



Services

As the founder and manager, María Yolanda Espinoza brings over three decades of experience in Mexico's maritime industry, making her your ultimate consultant and ally in navigating the Sea of Cortez.

Eco Naviera offers:

- Port Clearance
- Immigration Services
- Temporary Import Permits
- Custom Clearance
- Port Booking
- Charter Permits

- National Park Permits
 - Fishing Licenses
 - High standard Provisioning
 - Flower Shop
 - Transportation
 - Car rental
 - Accommodation
 - Medical assistance
 - Dental appointments
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An Inside Look At The 2024 Superyacht Chef Competition

On Thursday 4th April, the Principality of Monaco was the setting for the 2024 Superyacht Chef Competition and Superyacht Content was there to follow the action. Organised as part of the collective approach 'Monaco, Capital of Advanced Yachting', this prestigious yearly event showcases the talents of yacht chefs aboard some of the world's most notable vessels.

Bluewater's Director of Training, John Wyborn, expressed his enthusiasm for the annual competition. "This event is a thrilling experience for everyone involved, with Michelin-star judges overseeing the competition among talented yacht chefs. Bluewater has been in the industry for 33 years, and this

competition highlights the great strides the industry has made since then, with exceptionally high standards expected from all crew members onboard. Bluewater takes pride in collaborating with the Monaco Yacht Club and La Belle Classe Academy to organise the 5th Superyacht Chef Competition.”



Celebrating Excellence In Superyacht Gastronomy

The Superyacht Chef Competition is more than just a cooking contest; it's a spotlight for the creativity, innovation, skill, and the artistry of haute cuisine in the yachting world. Working under pressure in front of an audience of notable judges, crew, media and Monaco Yacht Club members, nine yacht chefs battled it out in an open kitchen with superb MC'ing by gastronomic journalist and presenter, Vincent

Ferniot.

With over 30 years' experience in the yachting industry, Mark Cox, Director and Trainer at OceanWave Monaco who were a Sponsor, said the event is a testament to the growing recognition of superyacht chefs as gastronomic artists committed to excellence. "OceanWave Monaco is thrilled to return as a Sponsor. We have our accomplished Trainer and Chef Duncan Biggs who has worked on board and shoreside for 25 years overseeing the produce being used and discarded as the 'anti-waste' judge. It's brilliant to see some of the Chefs who have taken our Ships Cook Certificate Assessment have the confidence and skills to compete at this exceptional level."

A Prestigious Jury

Supervised by Chef Joël Garault, President of Gouûts et Saveurs, the highly esteemed judges panel of professional chefs included three-star Chef Glenn Viel from Oustau de Baumanière and member of the Top Chef jury who acted as President of the Jury. Joining him was double Michelin star Chef Julien Roucheteau, Chef Fred Ramos, Chef Victoria Vallenilla and the 2023 Superyacht Chef Competition winner Chef Marco Tognon from M/Y Planet Nine.

Chef Danny Davies, host of 'Behind the Line with Chef Danny Davies' with over 30 years of experience on land and sea shared his insight from the judge's table. "It's an absolute honour to be invited here as a judge. It was a special experience to be a guest at a dinner the night prior to the competition with all the Jury and HSH Prince Albert II of Monaco. The standard of competition has been outstanding, all Chefs have really delivered with excellent technical knowledge and flavour." In the future, Chef Danny will be setting sail as a guest Chef on board two Atlas Ocean Voyages cruises in

the Caribbean and from London to Norway, and he is organising yacht chef competitions to be hosted during Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show and Palm Beach.



A Culinary Triumph

The intensity of the competition partly comes down to the mystery boxes of ingredients that are revealed – the audience is given one minute to choose an extra ingredient to supplement the boxes via QR code vote, adding to the surprise.

The fast-paced environment means that Chefs don't have the opportunity to research recipes or fall back on their

signature dishes. Although there's a lot of behind-the-scenes planning to set up a pop-up kitchen, there's one thing the Superyacht Chef Competition doesn't compromise –the 40-minute time constraint for each round (50-minutes for the grand final). After three rounds with three Chefs, and a lunch break, three finalists put their culinary skills to the test in an intense final.

Each contestant received an event medal and for the 'Audience Vote for Best Plates' the prizes went to Chef Margot Laurent from 43m M/Y Leonardo III and Chef Paulo Ucha Longhin from 50m M/Y Hercules.



And The Winner Was...

Chef Paulo Ucha Longhin emerged victorious as the overall champion, displaying a perfect balance of creativity, flavours and technique. His winning dishes were proof of his skilful approach: Glazed lobster, hazelnut butter and bisque, a lemon tartare and caviar, followed by a dessert of mascarpone cream with cocoa and strawberry tartare with basil and lemon cream.

It was a touching moment to see him claim his winner's trophy with his young family by his side.

Second place on the day went to Ava Faulkner from 60m M/Y Light Holic – Ava grabbed attention from her first plate of the day crafted from the mystery box of black truffle, Côte de Bouef, Szechuan pepper and white truffle honey. Her rousing acceptance speech highlighted the importance of female Chefs in the superyacht industry, following with the bronze trophy being awarded to Mateusz Mitka from 63m M/Y Lady Britt.

Every year, the event evolves as an epicentre where new ideas and cooking skills are unveiled and celebrated. As yacht chefs explore new culinary innovation and methods, one thing is clear: amazing food will always be a core part of yachting life.



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