

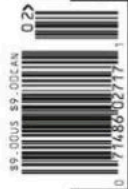
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The first Pardo 75 T-Top will be delivered in 2025

Pardo 75 T-Top

A year after launching its 75ft flagship, Pardo has produced a new iteration of its original walkaround design. Fold-down wings and up to three 1,000-horsepower IPS drives are again options, but now guests can enjoy the shade of a dashing carbon composite T-top. The power package gives speeds up to 36 knots.



The carefully curved fiberglass hull holds two cabins down below



ON BOARD

VanDutch 75

Now under Pardo ownership, Van Dutch has a new flagship model with contemporary aesthetic by Italian designer BurdissoCapponi Yachts&Design. The 73ft boat is due to splash at the end of 2024. The standard layout comprises an open-plan kitchen with an owner's cabin and twin cabin aft and a VIP cabin forward, while a second configuration sacrifices the twin to make way for a larger owner's suite. There's an up-down swim platform and tender garage, while three IPS engines push the 75 to 40 knots.



An optional soft-top can shade up to 10 diners on deck

Zeelander 5



Twenty-five, twenty-six... the dial eventually comes to rest on 31 knots as we rip through Rotterdam with the throttle down. I slalom side to side on this busy waterway, reveling in the sense of control. Just for fun, I raise and lower the bow using the intuitive trim tab buttons. Despite the twin Volvo IPS drives belting out a combined 960 horsepower, their roar is muted. In fact, quietness is one of the boat's biggest selling points.

But curves are what really define these boats, from the meandering sheer line to the flared bow and enough tumble-home aft to make a J Class blush. "The new Zeelander 5 has an S-shaped sheer, instead of the C-shape of its predecessor, the Z44," Floris Koopmans, the son of Zeelander founder Sietse, explains. "It gives the boat a more modern appeal, with a wider stern that creates greater space and better handling characteristics."

"It took 24,000 working hours to build the first Zeelander 5; it really is a mini superyacht," Koopmans says. "Look at this cleat. You have to crush the tubing, then weld on the tips. It costs €3,000 [\$3,300] to make this, where any other brand would just bolt on a ready-made one."

With more than a dozen billionaires among previous owners, Zeelander boats are as much art as engineering. "Our owners want to sail the boat themselves, without crew," Koopmans says. "Many of them own bigger yachts and like the hands-on experience the Zeelander gives them."

He compares the Zeelander brand to Hermès or Patek Philippe: they are collectibles. *Sam Fortescue*

Azimut Magellano 60

With her rounded bow and an abundance of outside space, this boat has been given a proud explorer look by Ken Freivokh. But the builder paid a lot of attention to the hull below the waterline, too. So-called "dual mode" design makes the boat efficient at both semi-planing pace and displacement speeds. Azimut says this equates to 20 percent lower CO₂ emissions, while the steep deadrise at the bow gives stable handling. Floor-to-ceiling windows surround the galley and social areas on the open main deck, while the full-beam owner's cabin below is also very bright. Two more big guest cabins plus a captain's cabin aft make this a flexible owner- or skipper-operated vessel.

The Magellano 60's drivetrain is conceived for low-carbon HVO fuel

