



New age traveller Modern explorer makes waves

With Mazu, the 46-meter sister ship to Marco Polo nearing completion and on schedule for an end of the year launch, Marine Concept and Construction (MCC) is now turning its focus on its new MCC 38m Transocean Explorer. Conceived by in-house naval architect Kasia Milewska, this novel design expands upon the signature MCC theme of fuel efficiency. Taking its cue from the revolutionary Marco Polo series, this vessel will have the most economic single screw propulsion with electrically driven Schottel pump jets on the market. The range is a remarkable 5,300nm at 11 knots using only 80-liters per hour. In keeping with the growing trend for environmental sustainability, the MCC 38 will forgo teak decks employing instead environmentally sound sustainable wood. Furthermore, the cap rails on the bulwarks will be composite rather than teak. The interior décor while infinitely flexible can be fitted with eco-friendly materials and textiles, such as bamboo, mango wood and recycled glass. The MCC 38, built of sturdy steel with a composite superstructure, boasts generous accommodations for eight guests plus captain and seven crew. While the master and VIP staterooms are practically equal in terms of luxury, at this stage, the owner can opt to have the master suite on the upper deck and the VIP and captain's cabin on the main deck, or have both suites on the main deck. The other guest and crew cabins and galley are planned to be on the lower deck. Remarkably for her size, there is an elevator accessing all deck levels from lower deck to the sundeck. A compact mini superyacht model will be on hand at the MCC stand at the Monaco Yacht Show. WWW.MCC-MARCOPOLO.COM

Exalto Emirates teams up with Maxwell Marine

Marine suppliers add brands and relocate. It's been a busy summer for one of the Middle East's leading marine suppliers as Exalto Emirates have added to their extensive inventory of quality marine products and relocated their head office operations in Sharjah. Founded in 1993, Exalto Emirates has been supplying the region's commercial and leisure marine market with household brands like Jabsco, Mastervolt, Webasto, Vetus, Recaro and Epifanes... to name but a few. In July Exalto Emirates officially added the Maxwell Marine catalogue of anchoring solutions to their portfolio. The company is now fully stocked with vertical and horizontal windlasses and capstans from the Maxwell range and has trained personnel in order to provide back-up services and after sales support. "We will focus on both OEM and aftermarket customers," explained John Paul, Exalto Emirates' General Manager, "but our ultimate goal is to see every boat and yacht built in the UAE featuring a Maxwell anchor windlass or other ancillary anchoring equipment." Exalto Emirates are also concentrating on maximizing their penetration and share of the refit market with the Maxwell and Vetus brands. Their strategy according to John Paul is to "bring unprecedented levels of high quality service and commitment to the marine market in the UAE." Maxwell Marine, which is based in Auckland, New Zealand, is a subsidiary of Vetus in the Netherlands. Exalto Emirates will be backed up from the Maxwell EMEA office in Holland and supported by the technical sales team at Maxwell's New Zealand-based headquarters.

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