



PRESS RELEASE

PREMIER OF AZIMUT 45: THE NEW JEWEL IN THE FLYBRIDGE COLLECTION FROM AZIMUT YACHTS. UNIQUE IN ITS CATEGORY, IT COMES WITH THREE CABINS WITH VIP SUITES IN THE BOAT'S CENTRE AND A MODULAR FLYBRIDGE. THE BOAT IS GETTING ITS WORLD DEBUT IN THE SPLENDID SETTING OF VENICE.

The new Azimut 45, one of Azimut Yacht's prestigious new arrivals for 2011, sets a new benchmark for the market by re-examining the fundamental aspects of liveability and quality, attaining a level that the competition will find difficult to match. The great efforts put into design, functional studies, and technical research have now borne fruit in the form of the undoubtedly most advanced flybridge of its class on the market. It is a project that leads to new consequences through the use of ideas that were put into practice in earlier models with great success. These include a new layout for the living area that features a different use of available below-deck space through an innovative placement of the galley, as well as a cabin arrangement that come in two varieties – two or three cabins – each with a large central VIP cabin.

The exterior design and the concept were created by Stefano Righini, and the interior design, by Carlo Galeazzi, with the boatyard's technical office also making an important contribution. On the exterior, the great achievement is the spacious flybridge, which is attached as a modular unit at the stern. At more than 12m², the space can be reconfigured with the simple rearrangement of a few elements: from an dinette complete with a dining table and a sofa area with L- or C-shaped seating, to a spacious sundeck on a single level. These elements have bases that use rotational technology, which enables a savings of 25% in weight versus traditional elements. The fly is designed to accommodate 10 people between seating, sundeck, and steering station. Accessed by a handy stairway, this spacious terrace overlooking the sea covers the entire cockpit. It has side railings at a height of 76 centimetres and a skylight near the exterior steering station that can be opened, allowing communication between the fly and the living quarters in the interior of the main deck. This creates continuity between the two environments, exterior and interior, enabling communication between the two steering stations, including when underway. The helm on the fly has a full instrument panel, including a Raymarine display of up to 14", and everything can be protected by a Bimini top. Great design work is also on display in the cockpit, which comes with a folding table that disappears into the sofa and a 50-litre refrigerator or icemaker. The swimming platform can be either fixed or retractable, which is also useful when hauling or launching the tender. The retractable version can bear a load of 350 kg, with running boards on the sides to assist in getting on and off the boat.

The central living room comes with two large sofas and a pouf, thus accommodating eight people. The main sofa can be converted into a double bed. The table's height can be adjusted with the flip of a switch. Wardrobes have a total volume of 400 litres and an average height of 1.95 metres.

The steering station is furnished with a sofa seating 2 that makes for a convivial atmosphere. The instrumentation is first class. A great deal of effort was put into the design of the central cabin, a spacious suite that achieves volume beneath the steering station. It is illuminated by daylight from a panoramic glassed wall and has a bathroom with separate access. The double bed can be turned into two singles with a few simple manoeuvres.



Located in the bow is the owner's cabin, built with care and attention in order to provide wherever possible wardrobes and space for storage, such as the large locker underneath the bed. Here as well, the cabin has a dedicated bathroom that is illuminated by light from large rectangular side portholes.

The three-cabin version offers the owner a cabin with overlapping berths, which bring the total number of beds to eight, counting the sofa in the dinette.

The kitchen is particularly roomy: in the first version, the marble worktop reaches a length of 3.2 metres and can accommodate a dishwasher, microwave oven and a fridge with a capacity of 165 litres, as well as total storage space of 730 litres. In the three-cabin version, a small part of the galley space is taken up by the third cabin, but the worktop remains one of the most ample in its category. One surprising feature of the galley is its location, since anyone using it can still chat with people sitting in the dinette or at the interior steering station, which is in keeping with the modern concept of cooking being a time of shared enjoyment and socialising during on-board life.

The oak interiors are a natural honey colour with a breathable finish; the Jakarta leathers have a light finish on the tips that gives them a heightened 3-D effect. Azimut follows the construction philosophy of using natural dyes and materials.

The keel of the Azimut 45 is a classic variable dihedral, with an angle of 21 degrees amidship that reproduces the optimal qualities in other models of similar size in terms of wave absorption and performance. It is built in its entirety employing an infusion process, a building method that ensures low environmental impact, high-quality construction, and top-flight mechanical characteristics.

The Azimut 45 is outfitted with twin 480 mhp Cummins engines with shaft-mounted propellers, and max speed of 32 knots. The boat has a Class B rating and can carry 12 persons. With the "easy handling" and "easy docking" options, steering the boat has been highly simplified. The easy handling option assists with differing propeller rotation speeds in order to enable quick, precise course corrections, while the easy docking option enables docking manoeuvres to be accomplished using a simple joystick: wind and sea conditions have no effect on manoeuvring precision, and thanks to intelligent management of the power of the twin engines and the bow thruster, all manoeuvres become sure and simple. These are systems that have made it easier to use the boat, particularly for those with little help on board. All of the boat's functions can be monitored by using the "easy cruising" system, which integrates data relating to the electrical system, tanks, temperatures, and alarms.



MAIN TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Maximum Length ISO 8666:	13,78 m	45'3"
Hull Length ISO 8666:	13,46 m	44'2"
Length waterline ISO 8666:	11,2 m	36'9"
Hull beam ISO 8666:	4,31 m	14'2"
Max Beam ISO 8666:	4,38 m	14'4"
Max Draft ISO 8666:	0,86 m	2'10"
Full Load Displacement ISO 8666:	17,00 t	37478 lb
Light Displacement ISO 8666:	13,30 t	29321 lb
Fuel Tank Capacity:	1300 lt	343,46 gal
Fresh Water Tank Capacity:	500 lt	132,10 gal
Grey Water Tank Capacity:	140 lt	36,99 gal
Black Water Tank Capacity:	140 lt	46,99 gal
Cabin:	2/3	
Berths	4/6 + 2 Salon	
Heads:	2	
Engine:	2 x Cummins QSB 5.9 480 Hp	
Vmax:	32 kt	
Vcruise:	27 kt	
Design Category:	CE B	
Maximum Capacity:	12	

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