



# Camargue Out Islander 64

GOING THE DISTANCE WITH EXCEPTIONAL DESIGN AND COMFORT

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**STEP ABOARD THE CAMARGUE OUT ISLANDER 64** and you get the feeling that you've boarded a much larger yacht. Designers Greg Sturgis and the late Tom Fexas worked closely together to create a vessel that fulfills their vision and meets the practical needs of owners looking to run this style of yacht as easily and economically as possible, and without cutting out any creature comforts.

Boarding at the stern, you will find a huge, clean, low-maintenance area with high sides and an uncluttered cockpit. The transom door opens onto the swim platform, which is great for

swimming, diving or fishing. There are also two large deck hatches, which offer ample storage plus excellent access to the steering systems, mufflers and water tank for easy main-

tenance. The deck is finished in a subtle beige nonskid gelcoat, which continues throughout the entire boat; it's also very easy on bare feet.

On closer inspection, there are many features in the cockpit that have been cleverly positioned. There's a hidden rod holder, an out rigger and a tackle box. There is also a freshwater sink, a large freezer and a stainless steel low-maintenance grill option. Choose between fresh- or salt-



## An **Inside** Look



The Out Islander 64 has been designed so that it can be run by two people safely and stress-free. The VIP stateroom has ample headroom and large rectangular opening portholes to allow for plenty of fresh air and sunlight. When it's mealtime the salon can easily be transformed into a comfortable dining space for eight, while the coffee table mechanically converts to a large dining room table.

**TESTER'S OPINION**  
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water washdowns here and below the bow.

At the forward end of the cockpit is the deck hatch to the engine and generator rooms. The 16 kw and 20 kw optional Northern Lights generators are mounted on each side of the door and have deliberately been placed behind the engine room. This location will deaden almost all sound that may be transmitted forward to the guest quarters when the yacht is

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### SPECIFICATIONS

LOA	71 ft., 3 in.
Beam	19 ft., 5 in.
Draft	5 ft.
Fuel Capacity	1,860 gals.
Water Capacity	400 gals.

### PERFORMANCE SPECS

19.1 knots @ 2300 rpm

### STANDARD EQUIPMENT

Twin C-12 700 hp Caterpillar diesel engines w/vibration-dampening mounts, built-in pop-up plasma TV, SubZero refrigerator, AC and DC distribution/breaker panels, Marquip TL2 1000 davit, fresh- and saltwater washdowns, Marine Air 84,000 BTU expansion air-conditioning system at forward stateroom, guest room, master room, salon, galley, pilothouse, Bennett 24x12 trim tabs w/controls, Fire Boy w/engine shutdown system, Fire Boy in the generator room, Delta-T generator and engine air intake systems, 3 FRP insulated fuel tanks, Wesmar roll fin hydraulic stabilizers, Dripless propeller shaft glands w/dual cooling lines, four-blade expanded ratio computer-designed propellers and so much more.

### OPTIONS

Upgraded 108,000 BTU, 2 seawater pumps, upgraded 12 kw generator to 20 kw, 16 kw and 20 kw sound shields, 2 Glendinning Cablemasters, 12-inch - 25 hp bow and stern thrusters w/central hydraulic system driven from engines, Gear Box Sae C-live PTO hydraulic pumps, thruster controls are proportional, 3 JOG lever stations included. See dealer for a full list of options.

### CONSTRUCTION

Hull below waterline is solid fiberglass, vacuum bagged Corecell above waterline, semi-displacement hull, generous flair at bow sections, double chines, prop pockets for shallow draft and full-length keel increasing directional stability and propeller protection. Stainless steel radar arch, exterior finished w/high gloss on all surfaces, two-tone nonskid finish on decks, full-length hull girders of high-density foam cores w/bi- and uni-directional material, multiple thwartship girders, exterior hull finish in high-gloss Cook gelcoat, Reichold Hydrex vinyl ester resin laminate.

### BUILDER

**CAMARGUE YACHT CO. LTD.**, Kaohsiung Taiwan; [www.camargue-yachts.com](http://www.camargue-yachts.com)

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peacefully at anchor.

Immediately forward of the generators is the engine room. The first thing that struck me is how clean and bright this area is. It is also well thought out to allow easy access to all the systems. This is also home to two Caterpillar C-15 Acerts linked with color-keyed wiring and plumbing systems that are mounted on silver perforated aluminum sheeting and labeled at the switch, gate or sensor light for instant recognition.

Special attention has been made to insulate the engine room with state-of-the-art sound-deadening insulation and to insulate the FRP fuel tanks to also deaden the transfer of sound and to avoid condensation. The yacht's stabilizers are also in the engine room and are well positioned for operation and maintenance.

Moving through the cockpit and into the salon area, above deck, the tinted tempered-glass windows allow ample light to fill the area. The warm and inviting teak cabinetry and wall coverings complemented by the L-shaped settee to the port side round out the area nicely. Directly across is a pop-up plasma TV and entertainment center.

When it's mealtime, the salon can be transformed into a family dining room seating eight people very comfortably around a coffee table that mechanically converts to a large dining room table with two extending leaves stowed cleverly under the aft end of the L-shaped seating.

The galley has black granite countertops, a stainless steel sink with garbage disposal, trash compactor, microwave and four-burner stove with ample storage for food, pots, pans, etc. Alternatively, you can be at the helm keeping an eye on the evening meal as well. On the starboard side of this area is a bench-seat kitchen diner, which also converts to a 6-foot bunk for overnight crossings. This is perfect for anchoring in rough weather and keeping an eye out for the anchor dragging.

The Out Islander 64 has been designed so that it can easily be run by two people very safely and stress-free. With that concept in mind a lot

of thought has been put into the pilot-house equipment; the centerpiece being the Furuno NavNet 3-D chart plotter, which is like the latest video game with true-to-life imagery of the ocean terrain and the ability to show you the names of nearby yachts.

Forward of the pilothouse is a staircase to the VIP stateroom. This cabin has plenty of headroom and large rectangular opening portholes for fresh air and bright daylight. There is also ample under-bed storage.

Just forward is a full-size head and shower, which is shared by the twin bunk room. This cabin has raised bunks to cleverly stow a full-size washing machine and separate dryer.

The master suite can be entered from the salon and has a king-sized bed. It takes advantage of the full beam width and also has opening portholes, which adds to the overall ambience. The master head and shower is situated aft of the suite forward of the engine room to help reduce noise.

Moving to the outside the walkways are wide and uncluttered with no fixtures to snag your clothing. On the foredeck there is a clean, clear area to lay out lines ready for docking and to pay out and bring in the anchors. The high stainless 1½ inch bowrail continues around the entire yacht for safety as well as the hanging fenders.

The Out Islander 64 was also designed with a wet locker just forward of the pilothouse to stow full-size fenders and lines, keeping the yacht free of clutter at all times.

The flybridge helm station is shaded by a huge fiberglass overhead supported by oversized stainless steel pillars, and also doubles as a toy storage area. On both the port and starboard are two of the five helm stations, which are placed perfectly for bow to stern visibility when docking.

It is difficult to list every feature on the Out Islander 64 that makes it special. There is no doubt the well-thought-out design and attention to detail will find a ready audience. I strongly recommend putting the Out Islander 64 on your must-see list. ●