

# MULTIHULLS

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## USA SPECIAL



### Miami

the new Eldorado  
for multihulls?



### Intracoastal

Waterway



### The Bahamas,

the dream archipelago

## PREPARATION

Managing weight aboard

What to do in the winter

Applying antifouling



## Destinations

Madagascar, the Mitsio Islands

Christmas Island

## On test

McConaghy 50

Bali 5.4

Balance 526

Second-hand: Corsair Dash 750

FR: 7,90€ - BE: 8,50€ - IT/ESP/GR/NL/PORT CONT: 8,90€  
AU: 9,50€ - DE: 9,90€ - UK: 8,50€ - USA: 14,99\$  
CANADA: 15,99CAD



VOTE for election of the **Multihull of the year** on [MultihullOfTheYear.com](http://MultihullOfTheYear.com)



## NAUTITECH RETURNS IN FORCE



Bavaria catamarans should soon be resuming the original name for its models, Nautitech. This follows the stormy episode last year, when, during the International Multihull Boat Show, we learnt of the difficulties of the parent company, Bavaria Yachtbau. The French subsidiary, based in Rochefort, succeeded in producing 75 catamarans, and the aim for 2019 is 100 boats. The company, which has 250 employees, is moreover advertising to recruit 30 more staff for production positions. These excellent results, far from the difficulties of the German builder, seem therefore to result in a more marked differentiation between the Bavaria monohulls and the Nautitech catamarans.

**More information:** [www.bavariayachts.com](http://www.bavariayachts.com)

## CATAMARANS FOR SALE – AND CHARTER – AT A MINI PRICE



A catamaran which is inexpensive but offers great comfort is possible, aboard the Aventura 34! Kiriacoulis is now offering this model for charter/management in Greece or Croatia, at a very low tariff, to allow as many people as possible to change to a cat. The version of the Aventura 34 chosen has 3 double cabins, a bathroom and 2 x 30 hp engines.

**More information:** [www.kiriacoulis-france.com](http://www.kiriacoulis-france.com)

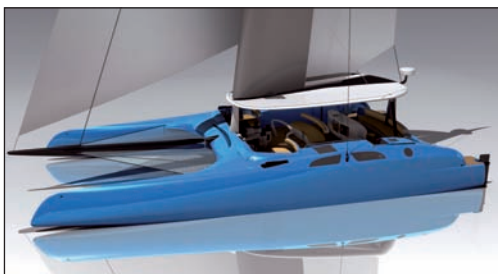


## X5 POWER: THE FIRST PICTURES!

With hull ribs which follow the shape of the bow wave, forward-sloping stanchions and the rounded aft bimini upright well-anchored to the hull sides, the X5 Power's design, by Xquisite Yachts, is futuristic and original. A model and 3D views will be unveiled during the Miami International Boat Show, just to pass the time...as the construction of this power multihull will start next April, for a launch planned for 2020.

**More information:** [www.xquisiteyachts.com](http://www.xquisiteyachts.com)

## FIRST SAIL FOR THE EAGLE CLASS 53



After a winter launch at Bristol, Rhode Island, the Eagle Class 53 was able to test its technical options, which are radical, to say the least – in particular the T-shaped foils – by returning to the warmer waters of Florida. Because this out-of-the-ordinary weekender catamaran promises mind-blowing performance.

Not surprising, when you take an interest in the team of enthusiasts who were responsible for its creation; it includes former America's Cup sailors, engineers and naval architects, all particularly well-known in their respective fields. A dream team for a cat which is not as crazy as all that, as it is designed to be sailed by an amateur crew.

**More information:** [www.fastforwardcomposites.com](http://www.fastforwardcomposites.com)

## NEW INTERIOR FOR THE NEEL 65 EVOLUTION

The success of the NEEL trimaran builder is unflinching: new models, with the 47 and the 51 (winner of the 2018 Multihull of the Year election), as well as optimization of the 45 and 65, now called the 45 and 65 Evolution. All the strong points of these multihulls have been retained: safety, easy, grouped controls, responsive helm, central locker with careful weight centering, speed, life on the same level, an owner's cabin situated on the main deck with a panoramic view... A lot of work has been carried out by the builder to optimize the accommodation. The Neel 65 Evolution – which has just been launched at the yard – will be presented for its world premiere at the Multihull Boat Show in La Grande Motte next April.



**More information:** [www.neel-trimarans.com](http://www.neel-trimarans.com)