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Special Feature: Yacht Showcase - South Florida Luxury Guide

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Living in South Florida comes with a number of lifestyle advantages, not the least of which is weather that permits boating nearly 365 days a year. In fact, it's a big reason why, come the months of January and February, our friends from northerly climes flock to the docks and beaches here. These snowbirds—and residents, alike—also treasure this time of year because of two significant annual events, the **Miami International Boat Show** and **Yachts Miami Beach**, both of which take place during Presidents Day weekend. In this special section devoted to life afloat, we tell you about a handful of yachts that you might spot in Miami this season, some of which are making their stateside debuts. Above all, we encourage you to get out on the water and enjoy.



Dynamiq Jetsetter

Dynamiq set out a few years ago to bring something different to the semi-custom yacht world. The company wanted buyers to be able to “build” their yachts online while seeing how much it would cost them based on their customization preferences. *Jetsetter*, the first yacht in the fleet, will make its U.S. debut at Yachts Miami Beach this year. The 126.5-foot-long vessel has furnishings and accessories from Trussardi Casa, thanks to a partnership between the builder and the brand. (Similar partnerships include those with Baccarat, Christofle, Hermès and Aqua di Parma, which can create scents to subtly drift through the air-conditioning system.) The nearly 1,300-square-foot sun deck provides plenty of space to lounge, including a sizable hot tub. But *Jetsetter* doesn’t just *look* like a luxury vessel. In true jet-setting style, Dynamiq engineers every yacht for good speeds and equally good range. *Jetsetter* can reportedly cruise from Monaco to St. Tropez in a just over two hours. Alternately, she can take you from Miami to the Galapagos Islands on one tank of fuel. bedynamiq.com



Delta 88

In the design world, Scandinavian artisans are known for their functional designs, high-quality craftsmanship and simplistic elegance. In the yacht world, Sweden-based Delta Powerboats is

aiming for similar success, as its large, sporty yachts are made to turn heads. The Delta 88 Carbon, the flagship of the Delta Powerboats fleet, wraps all of these ideas up into an 88-foot-long yacht you can run yourself, or with a small crew. The “carbon” in the 88 Carbon’s name refers to the fact that it is made of 100 percent carbon fiber, meaning that the vessel is lighter weight and more fuel-efficient (using 40 percent less fuel) than many similar-size yachts. Combine this with an engine package from Volvo Penta, a thrilling top speed of 38 knots and excellent maneuverability, and you’re bound to have fun for hours on the water. The 88 Carbon can accommodate up to eight people in four staterooms, including a king-size owner’s suite. The yacht builder’s team will work with you to select the interior décor and alfresco furnishings to match your personal style and preferences. Picture yourself entertaining friends and family out on the aft deck. If the sun gets too strong, an extendable sunshade provides relief. Or, you can move inside to the saloon, which has a sliding roof. Another great spot is the spacious open-air flying bridge, while more intimate gatherings can be held on the bow’s dining and sunning area.

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Insetta 45

Center consoles hold great appeal among anglers because of their open space, which is necessary when fighting a fish. Catamarans,

meanwhile, are often valued by cruisers and offshore racers because of their stability and comfort. Marry the two designs, and you get the Insetta 45, aimed at both fishing fanatics and serious cruisers. The boat's hull design is inspired by offshore racing catamarans, while the deck space doubles as a spot for fishing and for fun. Just grab a rod from the rocket launchers on the one-piece aluminum hardtop, or from the handful of rod holders around the boat, and you're all set. If you're simply lounging with friends and family, there's plenty of room for spreading out, come cocktail hour. There's also a handy transom door you can open if you've strapped on dive gear (or are reeling in the "big one"). Regardless of how you'll use the Insetta 45, it is designed to ride comfortably, whether at leisurely speeds or while zipping along in excess of 60 mph.

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