

The Revolver 42' during the Florida Powerboat Club poker run to Islamorada, below. Right: the craft's luxurious rear seating. Far right: PB National Sales Director Kerri Trapani takes a seat at the meticulously appointed helm.



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ITALIAN STYLE

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Revolver Boats creates a luxury performance model sure to make other boat owners green with envy.

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Arriving in town only days too late to impress showgoers at the Miami Boat Show, the new 42' Revolver nonetheless managed to put on a spectacular show for participants of the Florida Powerboat Club's Poker Run (*see Page 76*), where it served as the event's pace boat. Sporting a unique electric-operated sliding glass roof and climate-controlled cabin, the metallic-green Revolver is what you might call a deluxe crossover—an enclosed center-console luxury performance boat with a sleek, revolutionary

design, an atypical color choice and an array of remarkable features guaranteed to turn heads on any body of water in the world.

Though officially formed in 2010, Italy-based Revolver Boats traces its lineage some four years earlier, when company founder Carmelo Zocco visited Michael Peters, Yacht Design (Sarasota, FL) with a tall order: *Build me something fast, safe, comfortable, innovative and beautiful.* The internationally celebrated designer of numerous racing boats and production

models such as Magnum and Cigarette, Peters drew inspiration from one of his previous creations (the Alpha-Z), and worked closely with Zocco to develop a totally new concept with savvy Italian styling and a signature presence. After toiling on the project for two years, Peter delivered plans for a complete boat with hull, structures, engines, weight and performance calculations, leaving only some fine-tuning to be worked out later.

From there, the aesthetically appealing interior was designed, and the boat's

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unique hard top, swim platform and window/glass openings were created. “We decided to work with the best suppliers only, and developed several unique solutions specific for this boat,” he says, adding that the resulting craft is a flawlessly performing boat with all the luxury and refinement he envisioned. The first boat off the assembly line is known as *Numero Uno* (as it’s the first to hit the water), and raised

plenty of eyebrows at the Monaco Yacht Show last year with its sleek lines and amenity-packed interior. But the boat’s true calling card is its versatility—a marriage of speed and luxury that allows the owner to flaunt its performance chops at a poker run, and then bliss out for an entire weekend inside with complete privacy. With its customizable interior spaces that can accommodate a head, galley and com-

fortable sleeping quarters for two, the 42’ should appeal to both the speed-oriented captain and his spouse. Revolver aimed to achieve the quintessential ride by creating a relatively lightweight hull with a very wide 11’7” beam to work in concert with Mercury 700 SCi engines and NXT drives for a one-of-a-kind ride. (1350s and even diesels coupled to Arneson drives will almost certainly appear on future models.)

One of the coolest things about the Revolver is the gorgeous center console itself—and then, built into the rear side (directly facing the sleeping cuddy) is an enclosed head more than 6’ high, allowing plenty of room for a stand-up shower. The exquisitely appointed interior on *Numero Uno* included a microwave, generator, and an air conditioner/heater that suggested the very essence of class.

One of the best endorsements of the Revolver came from Stu Jones of the Florida Powerboat Club, whose recent poker run to Islamorada snared the 42’ as its pace boat. “The Revolver is a very impressive boat—extremely stylish, with its Michael Peters design and some Italian builder influences like the Lamborghini

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green metallic finish,” Jones said. “It was certainly a favorite with the ladies for its open spacious cockpit and large sunpad on the rear, but no slouch on performance, with Mercury Racing 700s. The boat cruised at 60 mph, but could kick it up to 75 mph in an instant.” Little wonder that Revolver went on to win FPC’s “Most Outrageous Boat” award at the Miami Boat Show Poker Run.

In addition to the 42', Revolver is also planning to add a big brother and little sister to the stable: a 32' and a 55', the latter of which is not a copy of the 42' but an entirely new boat with its own personality. (Both are also Michael Peters designs.) For more information, please visit revolverboats.com, which contains some video of the boat in action. 



Open and shut: The 42's cabin is completely enclosed, above. Then, in seconds, a remote-control device quickly slides open the roof and entrance panel, below.

