



Island Pilot Introduces the Island Pilot 535 *A Performance Cruising Yacht with Economy and Style*

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Miami, FL—Island Pilot, builder of the Island Pilot 435 and the award-winning DSe Hybrid 12m, is adding a new 53½-foot model to its performance yacht series, the IP535. The concept for the IP535 began percolating almost as soon as the original Island Pilots were hitting the waterways in 2005 with the design evolving over the years, incorporating both customer feedback and the latest available technology.

The IP535 was designed by the company's president, Reuben Trane, and naval architect, George Petrie. Their driving goal is to maintain equivalent performance and efficiency to that of the IP435 while offering more luxury and roomier accommodations. New molds for the IP535 have been built at the company's yard in Zhuhai City, China. At this time, Island Pilot has two firm orders for the IP535, one of which is from a current Island Pilot owner moving up.

The IP535 gets her performance capabilities from the latest drive train from Volvo Penta—the IPS II 900. In addition to three “Joystick” docking stations, the IP535 will be fitted with Volvo Penta's new “Dynamic Positioning System” (DPS), which holds heading and position automatically using a GPS array mounted on the radar arch. Extensive tank testing plus computer simulations predict a top speed of 33 knots with economical fast-cruising speeds between 18 and 28 knots. At slower speeds, the IP535 will have similar economy to single-screw displacement trawlers and mid-speed, semi-displacement cruisers. The pair of 700hp, D-11 diesels is aft in a walk-in, stand-up, uncluttered engine room accessed through a weather-tight door in the cockpit. The spacious engine room allows easy access to all sides of the engines and generator with room left over for a work bench and tool storage. Other systems normally crowded around the motors are located in an easily-accessed machinery space under the galley sole. The Seakeeper 7000A gyro stabilization system (standard) is neatly tucked under the galley stairs (which lift for access) – this state-of-the-art unit flattens the seas both underway and at anchor.

The IP535's high-end performance is complimented by her inviting and accommodating cockpit layout, spacious flybridge arrangement, and interior appointments. A 9-foot U-shaped settee is the focal point of the cockpit and with its own canopy the space is perfectly laid out for outdoor entertaining. The cockpit's “summer kitchen” has a Magma grill and wet bar with ice maker. The flybridge wet bar is fitted with a Vitrifrigo drawer-style refrigerator. The flybridge has space for three helm chairs or a pair of twins and is outfitted with a pair of Garmin GPSMAP 7200 series touchscreens, the same as found at the lower helm.

A signature feature of all Island Pilot yachts is the bright, open feeling of the deck house, with plenty of glass and 360-degree vistas. The IP535 continues this tradition with even more space—the U-shaped settee is 9 x 6 feet—the 3D LED HDTV is 46 inches (a KVH HD7 satellite dish supplies the HD signal for all the TVs and the Bose home theater)—and room remains for a pair of barrel easy chairs and the helm chairs.. Forward of the deck house, under the great expanse of windscreen, is the “great room” with the fully-equipped galley overlooking the dinette. Forward is an island-queen VIP stateroom and aft, under the deck house, is the full-width, mid-ship, master stateroom. Measuring 11x16 feet, this space is fitted with an atwartship island queen, love seat, dressing table/desk and generous hanging lockers. With her unique layout, the IP535 affords the privacy found in an aft-cabin yacht with the advantages of the sedan-styling. Trane comments, “The only time at night that owners are likely to even remember that guests are on board is if they all choose the same time to raid the fridge!”

The Island Pilot 535 will debut at the 2011 Miami International Boat Show. Pre-construction pricing is now in effect.

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Island Pilot 535 Specifications

Length on Deck:	53' 6"
LOA:	57' 0"
LWL:	47' 0"
Beam:	16' 9"
Draft:	4' 0"
Hardtop height:	19'6" (radar arch folded)
Displacement (full load):	54,500 lbs.
Power:	Volvo IPS900
Fuel:	600 U.S. gal. in three tanks
Water:	200 U.S. gal.
Holding Tank:	100 U.S. gal.
Generator:	Mastervolt 2 each 7kW
Base Price:	\$1.5 million, fully equipped (pre-construction price)

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