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TWIN SOULS

Thanks to its captivating performance and revolutionary space, the Anvera 55 is much more than just a tender. It's a genuine crossover boat, opening up a whole new way of living the sea. Ingenious and high-tech, its signature clean, edgy styling is inspired by the hydrodynamic purity

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The sides of the cockpit open out to create a magnificently generous 22 square metre water-skimming beach area large enough for armchairs, sun loungers and sun shades, even a shower. This is a whole new and radically different approach to tender living that delivers both effortless contact with the sea and absolute comfort.

But that is not the only interesting thing about the Anvera 55. The astonishingly light yet robust 17-metre built from carbon-fibre and epoxy resin is a real animal, seething with exhilarating speed and power. Twin 650 hp Caterpillars unleash a red-line speed of 45 knots thanks to a super-efficient weight-power ratio which means fewer horses are needed, cutting fuel consumption to a tempting five litres a nautical mile at its cruising speed of 40 knots.

None of this should come as any surprise, however, given that the Anvera 55 is the work of the LG yard founded by Luca Ferrari, Giancarlo Galeone and Gilberto Grassi, three stalwarts of the Italian boat-building industry with strong associations to Ferretti. As a powerboat driver, Luca Ferrari also won the World Offshore Class 1 World Championship, while Gilberto Grassi managed Team Italia Offshore from 1989 to 1997. The Anvera 55's clean, elegant lines burst with sporty aggression and were designed by Drudi Performance. Inspired by the sleek, high-speed shape of dolphins, the legendary motorbike helmet designer made a seamless transition to the nautical world bringing with it a definite whiff of competition. The two superbly sinuous 12-metre airfoil posts that edge deckhouse and cockpit cover are the tender's signature. We also loved the intriguing air

intake integrated into the single very light column supporting the superstructure. The detailing aboard the Anvera 55 is exquisite as is the carbon-fibre and steel finish.

The interior offers four berths, two sofas, a corner galley and a bathroom with shower. The layout has a modern, minimalist vibe but is also thoroughly practical. Generous amounts of natural light filter in through the windows on the sides of the superstructure and cleverly-positioned mirrors help create a sense of real space. The Anvera 55 is very clearly a visionary craft produced by visionary people with an eye firmly on the future. It offers a take on seafaring predicated on large spaces, speed and modern design. As Luca Ferrari himself told us: "Innovating means doing things no one else has been able to: the Anvera optimises dimensions and performance to an unprecedented extent, and is a brilliant distillation of entirely Italian leading-edge technology."

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A blistering 45-knot top speed has not the slightest impact on the Anvera 55's onboard comfort levels. Above, the aft area transforms into a sea-skimming terrace. Amidships the streamlined futuristic-looking instrumental console has at its back an eight-seater table. The interiors are modern and functional too

