

FILIPPETTI \$55

THE RENAISSANCE OF SPORTS COUPES

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In the Filippetti S55, the "S" before the number is not a product of chance but stands for "Sport" as befits a yacht that promises to reach speeds close to 50 knots.

If, moreover, the yacht is introduced by Fausto Filippetti, co-founder of Pershing, and Davide Cipriani of CentrostileDesign, then we are expected to perk up our ears because the news is undoubtedly important.

This is why, during the Miami Yachts Show, we didn't hesitated and climbed on board this boat.

First contact with the Filippetti S55

The Filippetti S55 certainly doesn't lack of personality. There is no doubt, she is a sports coupe whose gutsy lines leave no room for interpretations. But there's something more in this yacht, something that distinguishes it, making it unique and particular.

I walk on the jetty to find a different angle, I stop, I observe and, finally, I understand.

CentrostileDesign has successfully introduced, within a modern innovative design, clever details that are reminiscent of a glorious past and that mark the lines of a design intended to stay contemporary for ever.







And it's in this form of "neoclassicism" that the Filippetti S55 finds her own dimension and perfectly combines power and elegance, dynamism and luxury.

A style that is light years away from the "baroque" excessive design that, unfortunately, can be found on board some sports boats available on the market today.

Sleek lines and a clever play of lights and shadows, enhanced by the colour of windows, contribute to maximize the effect generated by the powerful bow lines, accompanying the visitor to the discover of a simply adorable boat.

The interiors of the Filippetti S55

The border between inside and outside is pleasantly ephemeral in this Coupe. Davide Cipriani has managed to design a convertible space that, when closed, allows to air condition interiors while, when open, offers the same view and spaces than a large seafront penthouse.

This way, the two large living rooms become one with each other and create a huge area that stretches from the pilot station to the large aft sunbathing platform, enabling an elegant refined environment where to have a cocktail at sunset or a big party.

It's a clean linear style what characterizes the design of all the interiors of this yacht.

Wood essences with delicate shades match the cream white leather of sofas, the refined parts of furniture and all yacht ceilings.

The result is an extraordinary visual impact.

Just a touch of blue with a few furnishing



accessories and the yacht can reach unexpected tops of sophistication for a sports boat like this.

Below deck, a large hallway accommodates a L-shaped galley that is able to fully meet guests' needs. This space gives access to the three cabins envisaged by this version of the Filippetti S55.

The full-beam Master Cabin uses all the 4.64 meters of width to offer a huge exclusive refined environment. Here, lights, mirrors and windows play with each other to expand the natural borders of this environment that, cleverly designed, finds in this position the ideal place for the owner's suite.

The VIP Cabin is positioned aft, equipped with a queen-sized bed with two couples of steps on each side that, if on one side

they emphasize it, on the other side they facilitate the access.

The night area is completed by a double cabin with bunk beds that, positioned next to the galley, can also function as a crew cabin or an additional cabin for children that will certainly fight over the upper bed.

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The engine options of the Filippetti S55

As the rest of the yacht, engine type, too, is customizable.

For the most peaceful owners that don't want to renonce IPS, the shipyard offers a version fitted with twin Volvo Penta D13 -IPS 1200, 900 HP each.

This option, in addition to significantly reducing speed, also brings draft to 1.72 meters.

It would be a bit like buying a Ferrari and then installing a Prius' engine...

For those who, instead, have really understood the spirit of this yacht, a version with twin Man V8 1200 engines is available. The latter deliver 1,200 HP each for a top speed of almost 50 knots.

The 600 HP more of this version also include an Arneson package with bow thrusters that, in addition to significantly reducing friction, also reduces draft to a little more than one meter.

In short, it would be like enjoying speed, admiring the unmistakable amazing column of water aft and having the possibility to drop the anchor where water colours turn clearer.

Because, in our opinion, this is the true essence of a Filippetti S55.

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Technical Specs

Overall length	17.38 m	Draft with IPS	1.72 m
Hull length	16.76 m	Draft with ASD	1.20 m
Length at water line	13 m	Displacement (unladen)	24 t
Maximum beam	4.64 m	Displacement (fully laden)	28 t
Construction Material	Fiberglass	Fuel Tank Capacity	2,700
Hull	Planing	Water Tank Capacity	700
Engines	IPS: 2 x Volvo Penta IPS 1200	Range	IPS: 315 nm
ASD: 2 x MAN V8 1200	ASD: 270 nm		
Engine Power	IPS: 900 hp	Top speed	IPS: 34 knots
ASD: 1200 hp	ASD: 47 knots		
Propulsion	IPS	Cruising Speed	IPS: 31 knots
Arneson Surface Drive	ASD: 40 knots		
Generator	1 x 11 kW	Cabins	3
Stabilization system	Optional	Heads	2
Homologation and Category	RINA CE-A	Exterior design	Filippetti Yacht & Davide Cipriani