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Hunt Yachts set to Introduce New Harrier 25 at Miami Show

South Dartmouth, Massachusetts, USA -- Hunt Yachts returns to its roots with this new model, the Harrier 25, introduced at the Miami International Boat Show (February 2005). Harrier 25, the latest in Hunt's line of deep-V powerboats, each designed by C. Raymond Hunt Associates (Boston), is a thoroughly modernized version of the boat which inspired Dick Bertram, led to his numerous victories in "Moppie" raceboats and to the company which carried his name, and confirmed the superiority of Hunt's deep-V hullform.

This fast-touring sportsboat also responds to the extraordinary success of Hunt's Surfhunter 25, and is intended to be more of a runabout and dayboat with a sleeker profile, more aggressive styling and more cockpit space for fishing and family adventures. Her well-proven hull features the legendary Hunt deep-V, with an ultra high-performance 22-degree deadrise, so the ride is smooth, dry, secure-handling even under turbulent conditions... and head-turning quick.

Harrier 25's standard power is a 320 HP Volvo gas inboard, jack-shafted to a sterndrive, which delivers speeds in excess of 45 MPH; other power options include diesel and gas engines to 375 HP. The jack-shaft allows the engine to be placed in the middle of the boat, away from the transom; this improves the boat's performance and clears the stern area for those who love to fish (two fishbox/baitwells are molded into the transom; an insulated fishwell is located under the companion seat). And there's an optional, removable cross-transom seat for when fishing, that provided a superb, comfortable touring seat for guests.

Forward of the engine box, whose cushioned top provides additional seating, are pedestal seats, port and starboard, for helmsman and mate. There is also an option for an L-shaped settee running aft from the mate's seat and across the engine box for "big yacht seating" in a speedboat setting. Behind the helmsman's seat is a cabinet with sink and optional icebox, trashbin and stowage. The entire cockpit area is extensively detailed, loaded with useful stowage and utility features, and remains spray-free under adverse running conditions because of the sophisticated hull shape.

Harrier 25's wraparound helm console, configured to accept a large flat-screen panel, and helm position are ergonomically engineered. A raked windscreen and side windows fully protect the bridge area. Harrier 25's interior layout includes a large V-berth forward under an oversized deck hatch, marine toilet, and stowage cabinetry. To enhance the classic Hunt style and low profile, headroom below is for sitting and sleeping only.

Extensive options allow each buyer to further personalize their Harrier 25. Orders taken before the first Harrier 25 was completed ensure that this latest offering from Hunt Yachts will be an outstanding success – before the Miami Show even opens and this exciting new boat receives her first public viewing.

Finally, it is worth noting that this is the second Harrier to debut in Miami: the Harrier 36, first shown there in February 2003, was chosen to receive the Innovation Award for Powerboats by the National Marine Manufacturers' Association (NMMA).

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