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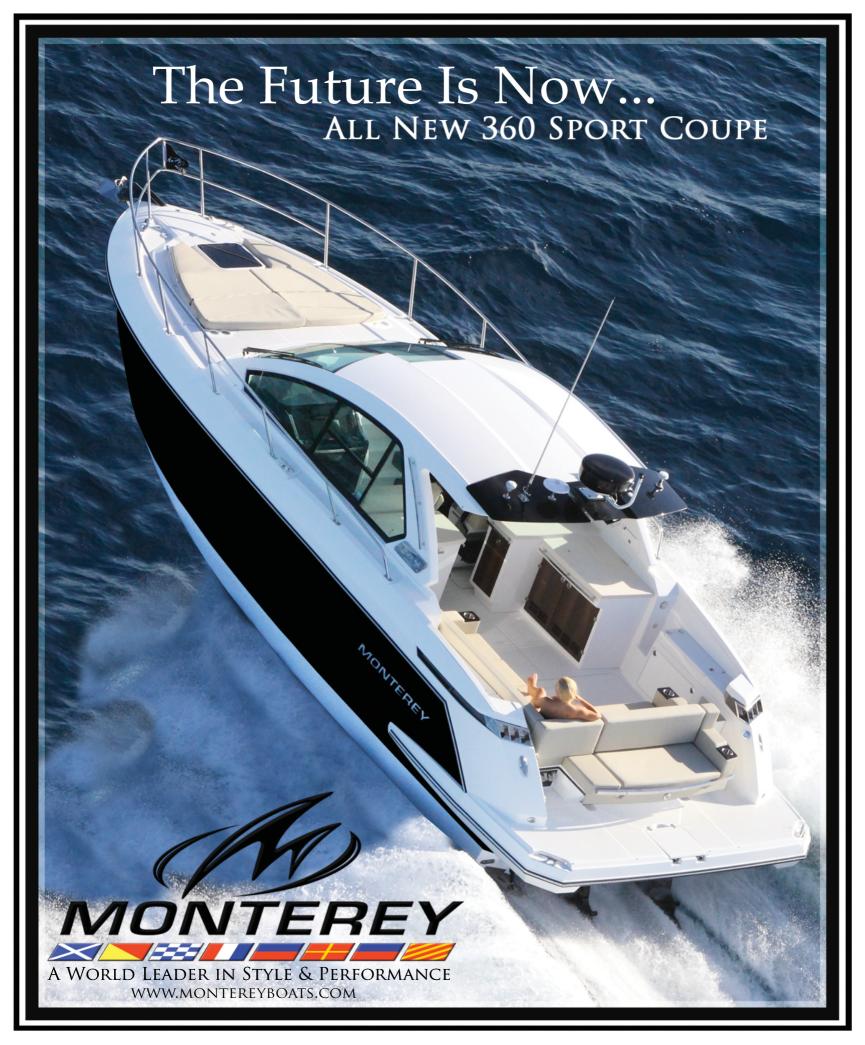


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The 360SC's bow dining area is open and spacious.

The upper cockpit features two facing bar areas.



Looking aft to the head from the bow dining

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Monterey 360 SC

Luxurious comfort for entertaining and cruising.



by Mike Burns

ased out of central Florida, for the last two decades, Monterey Boats has been manufacturing an impressive line-up of sport boats and yachts ranging in size from 18' to 41'. Recently, at the 2014 Fort Lauderdale Boat Show, Monterey unveiled their latest, and arguably their most innovative boat design to date, the 360 SC. Billed as an ideal day-boating vessel, the 37' 10" LOA spout coupe boasts an 11' 11" beam and features a flush cockpit, which is ideal for entertaining.

Boarding from back aft, you are greeted with a generous swim platform. Recessed cleats at the tailing edge are a nice touch and assist with keeping the stern lines from becoming a tripping hazard when boarding. Additional pop-up cleats are also mounted on either side of the transom. Most notable is the aft-facing bench seat, which can easily be converted to a spacious sunpad.

Entering the cockpit to starboard, you'll find a very generous L-shaped seating area off to port, with storage below, and is complimented by a cockpit table with a high/ low adjustment and movable base. Off to starboard, a slide out drawer reveals a built in cooler, and further forward, the wet bar features a built-in sink with cover, and below is room for the drawer refrigerator, and optional icemaker. For added comfort, you can also opt for an electric grill and a 22" LED TV with DVD.

Moving forward, and to further assist with entertaining, two additional bar areas

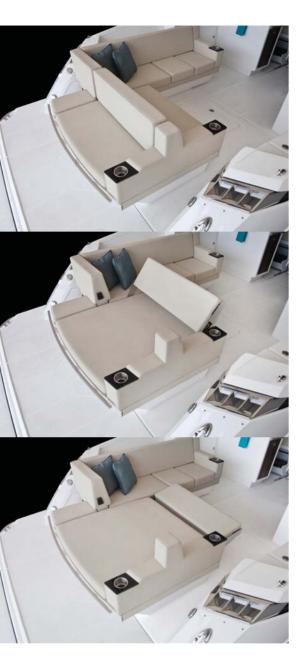
- to port and starboard - feature a recessed ice-bin complete with beverage holders, and below the counter-tops, you'll find a pair of drawer-style storage bins, one of which is dedicated for bottles and other bar accessories.

Both the passenger and helm seats to port and starboard are double wide, and electric-operated. A nice feature on both sets of seats are the flip up bolsters. and the adjustable back rests that enable guests to face aft and have easy access to the bar areas. Within easy reach of the passenger bench are the controls for the optional cockpit Heat/AC, and the standard Fusion Satellite Ready AM/FM Stereo with built in iPod dock.

The 360 SC's helm is sporty & stylish, thanks in part to the gel coated titanium dash, which is accented nicely by the leather wrapped steering wheel with stainlesssteel spokes. The digital engine displays flank the centrally mounted navigation system. A Raymarine GPS/Chartplotter comes standard, and the optional Radar add-on is also available. Electronic engine controls, along with the joystick controls are well positioned off to the right of the helm. Another thoughtful feature is the Lenco Autoglide System for the trim tabs.

For protection from the elements, the 360 SC comes standard with a fibreglass hardtop enclosure, complete with electric side windows. A most notable feature is the patent-pending, electronic windshield that retracts into the hardtop to allow passengers and crew direct access to the

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foredeck from the cockpit by way of the sliding cabin door with integrated steps. The windshield can be just cracked open slightly to allow a gentle breeze through the cockpit, or the full 70 inches for a large entryway to the foredeck and the awaiting sunpad.

Heading down below, you'll immediately notice a flood of natural light, thanks to the generous fixed windows in the hull sides, which also offer a panoramic view of your surroundings. For overnight accommodation, the forward dinette features an electric table with scissor-bed conversion that requires no filler cushion. A thoughtful feature when set up in the dinette configuration are the hinged flip up leaflets

on the table that not only allow for easier access around the table, they also double as beverage holders.

Additional accommodation can be found in the mid-cabin, below the cockpit. Large enough for two guests, the open concept steps leading to the cockpit prevent this space from being too cut off from the main cabin, and when privacy is needed, a draw curtain is available. The use of stylish fabrics, warm rich colours, and a synthetic teak and holly cabin sole, generate a warm and rich feel though out the cabin.

Off to starboard, the galley features most of the amenities you would expect. Although somewhat compact, you'll find ample storage above and below the counter. Features include a single burner electric stove, coffee maker, built-in microwave, stainless steel sink, and dual voltage stainless steel refrigerator.

Off to port, the head compartment features an electric toilet with tank indicator, mirrored vanity storage, sink with shower wand, and a functional hinged shower seat.

Back aft in the engine compartment, you'll find plenty of room to perform regular maintenance to the engines, even with the optional generator with sound shield installed. There is even enough room to conveniently, and securely stow the base of the cockpit table when not in use.

There are plenty of engine packages offered for the 360 SC from both Volvo Penta and Mercury Marine. The selection from Volvo consists of 320 hp or 380 hp engines with Duoprop outdrives, both of which can feature the optional joystick control. For saltwater use, Volvo also offers the Ocean X drives. Ocean X's titanium-ceramic coating is applied using an electro-deposition process. The coating improves corrosion resistance by up to four times, making it ideal for saltwater use. From Mercury, you have the choice of three engine packages: twin 300 hp w/Bravo III (dual prop) drives, 320 hp w/ Bravo II drives, or 380 hp w/Bravo IIIX (dual prop – diesel). Mercury too offers an option Axius Joystick Docking System and a corrosion resistance feature called Seacore.

The Monterey 360 SC is a great example of a stylish and functional mid-size express cruiser with ample room for entertaining crowds on a day trip, yet still comfortable enough for cruising. If you're looking to spend quality time on the water with family and friends while surrounded by luxuri-



The fully equipped galley in the 360SC is to starboard. Note the entry to the aft cabin.

ous comfort, you should definitely put this model on your short list. $\mathring{\mathbb{U}}$

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Beam:	11′11″/3.6 m
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Deadrise:	17 Degrees
Draft - Stern Drive Dow	rn: 42"/106.7 cm
Draft - Stern Drive Up:	27" / 68.6 cm
Dry Weight:	17,000 lbs / 7,711 kg
Fuel Capacity:	250 Gal. / 946 L
Max Cabin Headroom:	6′2″/1.9 m
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