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## **Horizon Yachts Introduces New Model: FD85 Fast Displacement Motoryacht**

**Kaohsiung, Taiwan (August 21, 2015)** – Horizon Yachts is pleased to announce the Horizon FD85 fast displacement motoryacht has been added as a new model to the company's luxury yacht line-up. Developed by renowned yacht designer Cor D. Rover and Horizon's in-house naval architecture team, the Horizon FD85 features a vertical bow design, which has been tested with Computational Fluid Dynamics; the bow design not only offers the desired fast displacement performance criteria but also increased hull volume for 25% more spacious living spaces, including a five guest stateroom layout. Built with twin CAT C18 1136HP engines, the new Horizon FD85 performs high efficiency from a slow cruise of 10 knots to a faster cruise of 16 knots, ensuring a more comfortable and versatile use of operating speeds. The FD85 has just completed one of her main construction stages, joining the hull and superstructure, and is scheduled to debut at the 2016 Taiwan International Boat Show in Kaohsiung, March 10-13, 2016.

"We specifically chose to focus on a hull form for the FD85 that affords flexible cruise speeds without compromising performance," said Horizon Yachts CEO John Lu. "We also wanted this new model to incorporate modern exterior styling, tremendous interior volume, and innovative features. Cor and his team were the perfect fit for collaborating with Horizon's in-house teams, and together we have developed an advanced fast displacement yacht that blends cutting-edge design with truly usable living and entertaining spaces comparable to most 100-foot plus yachts."

With a 23'2" beam, the new Horizon FD85 provides five en suite guest staterooms -- a full-beam King master stateroom on deck and two mirrored VIP queen staterooms as well as two twin guest staterooms below deck -- with crew quarters found just forward of the engine room. The main salon and formal dining room incorporate sections of floor-to-ceiling glass windows, a design feature that is carried into the Master stateroom as well and dramatically increases natural light in these areas. In the FD85's pilothouse, a large windshield also adds natural light and maximizes visibility; however Low-E glass is utilized to reduce the amount of heat entering the yacht, and the windshield's forward-angle design minimizes reflections on the navigational instruments.



Horizon focused on both function and entertaining when designing the FD85's outdoor spaces. An abundance of aft deck space incorporates built-in and loose seating as well as accessibility to the raised foredeck from the starboard side deck; the twin staircases from the aft deck to the flybridge provide a stylish design feature that is also practical. Crew quarters are reachable from a staircase on the port aft deck and from the swim platform. On the flybridge, the FD85 offers an outdoor helm, full bar, two adjacent L-shaped dinettes, space for sunbathing, and a hot tub -- ideal for enjoying the outdoors; an interior helm is connected to the flybridge for easy transition between helms.

The Horizon FD85 fast displacement motoryacht blends contemporary interior and exterior styling and functional design with flexible performance capabilities, ensuring this new yacht will successfully compete in today's multi-faceted yacht market. For press inquiries outside of the U.S., please contact Joanna Yang in the Horizon Yachts Marketing Department at [joannay@horizonyacht.com](mailto:joannay@horizonyacht.com); for press inquiries within the U.S., please contact Elise Moffitt of Horizon Yacht USA at [elise@horizonyachtusa.com](mailto:elise@horizonyachtusa.com).

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